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Yahoo Group summary: mumbai amateur radio society

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2. condolence message

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-07-27 16:50:49 UTC
From: Nilesh Rathod
Topic: 2 Message: 2

CONDOLENCE MESSAGE

dear members,

I regret to inform you that the VU2AUU Udayan Desai's father went silent key
on 26th July in the afternoon, he was 91 years of age. May his soul rest in peace.

73s
NLF.

3. new e-mail addres of M.A.R.S

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-03 11:37:49 UTC
From: Nilesh Rathod
Topic: 3 Message: 3

Dear Members,

The new e-mail address of our society is m_a_r_s@indiainfo.com

you may forward this address to all the people interested in becoming our members

73s
vu2nlf

4. Reminder - Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-11 04:32:01 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@egroups.com
Topic: 4 Message: 4

We would like to remind you of this upcoming event.

Monthly Meeting

Date: Sunday, August 13, 2000
Time: 10:00AM - 12:00PM IST (GMT+05:30)

Monthly Meeting of M_A_R_S

5. monthly news letter

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-11 12:23:29 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 5 Message: 5

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

News Letter

10/8/2000.

GREETINGS It's a great pleasure to write this monthly newsletter. I hope you will cooperate in my effort to make this regular and interesting . There is lots to do and lets have some enthusiasm folks!

For the 15th August , Independence Day celebrations on air, we hope to cross last year□s mark. Letters to this effect have been sent by courier to 400 licence holders. All Hams are requested to check into the Night Owl□s Net at 145.20 and make the event a success. To make sure that people don□t forget, they will be reminded over lima lima.

The monthly meeting of the club will be held at Shetty□s on Sunday the 13th of August at 10 a.m. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1. Allocation of Portfolios.

2. Decide on the net controller for the 15th August Special Night Owl□s Net.Plus other items which will make the event successful

3.Discuss plans for Ganpati Visarjan scheduled for 12th September.

4.Discuss plans for Ham Awareness Day on 14th September.

Hope to have an eyeball with you on Sunday.

Till then 73s!

Sarla

VU2 SWS

6. monthly meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-12 02:14:05 UTC
From: sarla
Topic: 6 Message: 6
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7. Reminder - Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-12 04:32:00 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@egroups.com
Topic: 4 Message: 7

We would like to remind you of this upcoming event.

Monthly Meeting

Date: Sunday, August 13, 2000
Time: 10:00AM - 12:00PM IST (GMT+05:30)

Monthly Meeting of M_A_R_S
at Shetty's Restaurant(Nana Chowk). Be There on Time Please.

8. Condolence Message

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-13 16:24:12 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 8 Message: 8

CONDOLENCE MESSAGE

dear members,

I regret to inform you that the VU2HIT Huzefa Merchant's father went silent key
on 12th August in the Morning, he had an Heart Attack. May his soul rest in peace.

73s
NLF.

9. Fw: Ref:GN dt.July 16,2000. Page 7. Article on Ham Radio.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-15 11:03:54 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 9 Message: 9

-----Original Message-----
From: Ephrem Monteiro <vu2emj@...>
To: m_a_r_s@... <m_a_r_s@...>
Date: Tuesday, August 15, 2000 1:10 PM
Subject: Fwd: Ref:GN dt.July 16,2000. Page 7. Article on Ham Radio.

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>>From: "K.Balamurugan" <bmurugan@...>
>>To: edit@...
>>CC: "Thomas, Jacob" <tjacob@...>, Ephrem Monteiro
>><vu2emj@...>
>>Subject: Ref:GN dt.July 16,2000. Page 7. Article on Ham Radio.
>>Date: Sun, 16 Jul 2000 23:31:37 +0400
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>> Ham Radio does not only enrich your soul, it takes you to an entirely
>>different world. A world without borders; a world without whatever divides
>>us ? language, religion, race, you-name-it. A world where every woman is
>>known as a ?Young Lady? (YL) and every man is known as a ?Old Man? (OM)
>>regardless of who she or he is. It is not only a hobby, Ham?s have helped
>>individuals, communities and governments in times of emergencies and
>>natural
>>disasters. It is a wonderful hobby, which you can experience only when you
>>are in it. It allows you travel to places where the radio waves can reach
>>and communicate and befriend with people without leaving your sweet home.
>>Will the U.A.E. government allow foreign nationals to pursue this hobby in
>>U.A.E?
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>>K.Balamurugan
>>P.O.Box 34015
>>Dubai, U.A.E
>>Phone: Residence 04-3374351
>>e-mail: bmurugan@...
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10. ganpati visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-23 05:08:47 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 10 Message: 10

GANESH VISARJAN

dear friends,

Ganpati Visarjan is on 12th Sept 2000, as you all are aware that every year we offer our services
for communication support for this occasion.

For past few years we have conducted this exercise, but the end results were not very fruitful,
last year was better, atleast we helped some lost and found cases, some medical emergencies etc. this year we hope to do better, meaning better co-ordination with Samanbai Samiti,COPS, BMC, Hospitals,LIfe guards, Civil Defense etc..

But before we do that, we must know our strength, as to how many departments we can support,
meaning we must know how many hams are likely to participate.

you are requested to kindly get in touch with LNZ- 2870484 RIO- 3885302/7 NLF-3866312. or send an email to m_a_r_s@... for your confirmation. please note that all hams are invited to participate wheather MARS Member or not. also see if you can get some SWLs to assist you during the event.

please note that by the time of the event we shall our repeater up, so no more external antenne
only handies on rubber duck. more mobility this time, so lets have fun.

73s
NLF

11. new mumbai VHF repeater

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-27 15:55:19 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 11 Message: 11

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

New VHF Repeater

Dear Members,

We are pleased to announce that our new repeater is now working very well, although it is not
permanently installed, it is available for use, the frequencies are 145.200 Mhz RX and 144.600 TX
meaning you need to work 145.200 Mhz with a (-) shift of 600Khz.

Please note that the Night Owls Net is now also conducted on the new repeater, hence to check in kindly use the above mentioned shift.

We hope that you would be happy with the performance of the New Repeater, this was done on a
war footing to meet the deadline for the Ganesh Visarjan. Thanks to efforts of VU2IIA (Mahesh) and VU2SXF (Sandesh) who have put their time and efforts beyond the call of duty.

The repeater will be permanently installed very soon, but nevertheless it will be available for use from its temperory location.

Use it well, be active on VHF and have fun.

73s
NLF.

12. Re: [m_a_r_s] new mumbai VHF repeater

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-27 16:59:13 UTC
From: Ratnesh Javeri
Topic: 12 Message: 12

Dear OM,

Well done.

73 ratnesh VU2OUT
----- Original Message -----
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
To: m.a.r.s.
Sent: 27 August 2000 21:25
Subject: [m_a_r_s] new mumbai VHF repeater

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NLF.

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m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com

13. hello

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-29 05:15:48 UTC
From: perviz
Topic: 13 Message: 13

dear mars listers,

yes, the brand new home-brewed repeater is better than
a million rupee made in India product.
congratulations to all, with a special mention to,
iia, sfx, jpn, mhc and nlf.

why not the venu of the next mars monthly meeting be vhf?
why go looking for places in different parts of the city?
no more lima tango hassles.
no more wasting of vitamine mike.

with a little effort, roceedings on air could be more orderly and more
transparent.

cq cq cq, de vu2wll, k.

14. Fwd: [VUHams] Hamfest Y2K

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-30 03:53:37 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 14 Message: 14
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15. wake up call

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-30 11:22:24 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 15 Message: 15

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Ganesh Visarjan

Dear Members,

This is with reference to my earlier mail dated 23th August 2000. I had requested all the members
to send their confirmation for their participation in the Communication support for the Ganesh Visarjan. This is very much required in order to commit ourselves with the authorities.

With much regret I have say that till date only 3 persons have given their confirmation. At this rate
we better cancel the program. If people are not interested we might as well keep quiet and do nothing.

So far we have not registered our society, maybe we should give it a second thought.

73s
NLF

16. Re: [m_a_r_s] wake up call

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-30 12:15:53 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 16 Message: 16

Hi NLF,

I'll take part in the event.

73s,
UGO
----- Original Message -----
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
To: m.a.r.s.
Sent: Wednesday, August 30, 2000 4:52 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] wake up call

My Groups | m_a_r_s Main Page | Start a new group!

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

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73s
NLF

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m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com

17. Re: [m_a_r_s] wake up call

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-30 13:44:30 UTC
From: sarla
Topic: 16 Message: 17
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hiya NLF,
Sorry about the delay.This year is a no no for me due to health reasons.
Dont loose your cool man,it'll work out!
And congrats on the repeator and a special thanks to all the guys who
got it going!
Sarla
VU2 SWS

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society wrote:

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> and do nothing. So far we have not registered our society, maybe we
> should give it a second thought. 73sNLF
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> To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
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18. Already disheartend !

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-30 19:43:47 UTC
From: GANESH RAO
Topic: 18 Message: 18

Dear Nafo Aunty,

With reference to your e-mail of support from hams for Ganesh Visarjan event, I am really suprised to read the concluding line.

The idea of your second thought seems to really suprise me.

Don't loose hope so easily, that all I can say at this point.

regards
guess who ?

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Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com.

Share information about yourself, create your own public profile at http://profiles.msn.com.

19. change of email id

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-08-31 17:47:18 UTC
From: UMMEAIMAN MERCHANT
Topic: 19 Message: 19

pls change my email address fm huzefam@... to vu2hit@...
in the egroup list , since i m not using the usa.net account regularly hence
i m not able to keep in pace with the mail send on the old address

thanx & Rgds

Huzefa Merchant

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Get free email and a permanent address at http://www.netaddress.com/?N=1

20. Seasons Greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-01 06:48:37 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 20 Message: 20

Ganesh Chaturthi

On this Auspices Occasion May Lord Ganesha Bring Peace and Prosperity to you and your Family.

73s
NLF

21. Re: [m_a_r_s] wake up call

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-02 18:54:21 UTC
From: Rajesh Bagwe
Topic: 16 Message: 21

Hallo Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
From : Rajesh Bagwe (VU2QIJ)

This is extremely excellent idea to provide communication support to Government Machinery . And Yes I would like to contribute my time for this social Activity through M_A_R_S but main hurdle is I don't have any equipment . what do you say about that ?

Now regarding registration of the activity : 1) Why it is not registered as yet ?

2) If it is applied for the registration then please give details as early as possible.

Expecting your E.mail in the matter.

best regards

Rajesh Bagwe
(VU2QIJ)
-----Original Message-----
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society <m_a_r_s@...>
To: m.a.r.s. <m_a_r_s@egroups.com>
Date: Wednesday, August 30, 2000 4:54 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] wake up call

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Ganesh Visarjan

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73s
NLF

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22. Monthly Meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-08 04:42:14 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 22 Message: 22

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

The Monthly Meeting for September 2000 will be held on 10th September 2000 at 10:00 hours once again at Shetty's Resturant (Nana Chowk) . Kindly attend the same on time. Last meeting
we had a poor attendence of only 15 people, thats not good, therefore you must take some time
out and attend the meeting.

The main agenda for the meeting would be Ganesh Visarjan. the briefing will be also done at the same time. Therefore all the participents for the Ganesh Visarjan MUST attend the meeting it is
quite important.

You are aware that we still do not have a place for conducting for Monthly Meetings, My request is why don't we all look out for a place to conduct the meetings. Your efforts in the matter will be highly appreciated.

We have received a few suggestions that why don't we conduct the meetings on VHF on the air.
well there are few problems for that such as :-

1. All our members do not have VHF capability.
2. What about members who are SWL's ? we cannot keep them out , they have a right to attend the meetings.
3. Lot of paper work need to be take care of which cannot be done on the air.
4. Monthly meetings is the only time we have an eyeball, so why not ?

Nevertheless we shall put up the suggestion in the monthly meeting.

There is lot to be done in order to revive this wonderful hobby , The primary goal of our society is
just to do that. If members can't even take out time for monthly meetings, then I seriously doubt that we will ever reach our goal.

Also note that till date we have only 30 members, we started with 25, so please try to enrol more members. This is not MY society it is OUR society. We all wanted it and we all formed it
remember that.

Our Society is still at a incubation stage. It requires lot of efforts in order to survive against all odds,therefore I once again request you to kindly that more interest and try to take out some time.

73s
NLF.

23. Reminder

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-09 10:51:25 UTC
From: Nilesh Rathod
Topic: 23 Message: 23

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

Please get a photocopy of your Amateur Radio Licence while coming for the Sunday Meeting.

73s
NLF

24. Re: sunday meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-09 11:30:03 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 24 Message: 24

hi all members -

afraid i wont be able attend the sunday meeting due to some other appointments.

do keep me posted on the proceedings.

thanks and regards
madhu

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Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com.

Share information about yourself, create your own public profile at http://profiles.msn.com.

25. Press report

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-11 04:57:04 UTC
From: sarla and narayan sharma
Topic: 25 Message: 25
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Hiya guys,
Take a look at today's, The times of India,page 2 metro file. There is a short report on Mars.
Meanwhile I need articles if a newsletter has to be published.So keep it coming guys.Ham artilcles,jokes,interesting anecdotes pertaining to ham experiences are welcome. So grab your pens and lets roll!
Sarla
VU2SWS

26. WAY TO GO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-11 06:05:37 UTC
From: Jayesh Kharwar
Topic: 26 Message: 26

C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S

TO ALL AT M.A.R.S.

We have made a small beginning and we have been NOTICED AND MENTIONED.

I am sure with TEAM EFFORT we can win many more acclamations.

KEEP IT UP AND ALL THE BEST

Jayesh
VU2ESP

27. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-13 02:04:12 UTC
From: sarla and narayan sharma
Topic: 27 Message: 27
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hiya guys,
We are in the first page of Mumbai Newsline of the India n Express,and in the 4th page of "The Afternoon".Fabulous job guys! Ganpati bappa morya!
Sarla
Vu2SWS

28. Press coverage of Communications support by MARS during Ganesh Visarjan.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-13 15:59:52 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 28 Message: 28

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

Kindly check this out.

http://www.indian-express.com/newsline/daily/20000913/ige13077.htm

73s
NLF

29. 20th Sept 2000 "HAM AWARENESS DAY"

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-14 18:28:52 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 29 Message: 29

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

The ham awareness day is on 20th Sept 2000 and not in october. Atleast I was under the impression that it was in October, I don't know about you guys.

Well ! we still have 5 days, so lets make the most of it. I have already triggered few of our
members and they shall start rolling tomorrow morning first thing. We need to finalize all the
locations for demonstrations by Saturday latest, because we need to give a press release.

We shall appreciate if some of you guys can arrange a College or a School to conduct the Demo. I understand this a very short notice but lets give it our best shot.!!!

Also all guys willing to participate in the Ham Awareness Program, please contact MHC (Minoo) on L.L 492 0898 A.S.A.P. 20th Sept being a Wednesday (working day) it may be difficult for most of us, but I am sure we can manage to spare 2/3 hours for the day.

On Sunday we shall have a briefing meeting.

Looking forward to your assistance and participation in the event.

73s
NLF

30. correction Ham Awareness day on 16th Sept

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-15 02:30:40 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 30 Message: 30

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

There has been major confusion about the date of the Ham Awareness Day, last night I checked some sites and few of them are celebrating on 2oth sept. I assumed that it was 20th so I sent you all an e-mail .

But again I have checked it seems that the whole of U.S is celebrating on 16th Sept. I have given few L.L. and most people think it is 16th Sept. if any of you are sure then pls get in touch immediately.

We shall check on the air anyway, if it is tommorrow then I wonder how much can we do , lets try our best

73s
NLF

31. Ham Awareness day Today.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-16 05:23:12 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 31 Message: 31

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

Well it is happens that 16th Sept 2000 is the Ham Awareness Day, I thought let to take this opportunity and make all Hams Aware of that.

We could have done a lot today to promote Ham Radio , but sadly we missed the change because of our sheer ignorance. Anyway better luck next time.

73s
NLF.

32. Ham Awareness day today..!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-16 05:26:13 UTC
From: Nilesh Rathod
Topic: 32 Message: 32

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

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73s
NLF.

33. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ham Awareness day Today.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-16 08:19:48 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 33 Message: 33

Friends hams countrymen lend me your ears
Rome was not built over night.
Relax have fortune cookie

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Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com.

Share information about yourself, create your own public profile at
http://profiles.msn.com.

34. Letter of Thanks

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-16 14:22:31 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 34 Message: 34

Thank You

On Occasion of Ganesh Visarjan, members of M.A.R.S have performed wonderfully.

Let us take this opportunity to thank ALL THE PARTICIPANTS specially the following:

Girish Sukhla (LNZ) for co-ordinating with Brihan Mumbai Sarvajanik Ganeshutsov Samanwai Samati and the LifeGuards.

Nirav Sanghavi (NHR) & Zayros Zend (ZRS) for co-ordinating with the B.M.C and the Police.

Minoo Contractor (MHC) & Nafisa Shikari (NFS) for giving complete support as relay Stations.

Pankaj Pasad (RIO) for arranging good food (better late then never).

Sarla Sharma (SWS) for wonderful press coverage, which shall give the society a great mileage in the future.

Jaiprakash (JPN) & Girish (LNZ) for providing communication network par excellence during the medical emergencies in the early morning hours.

And last but not the least.

Mukesh Jaitley (UGJ) for getting the sponsorship from "ICIBAAN HONDA" , which has set a precedent that all our coming events can be self-financing.

Thank you , with this kind of performance we are sure to do great guns in future...

For Mumbai Amateur Radio Society.

Nilesh Rathod, Secretary.

35. Re: [m_a_r_s] Letter of Thanks

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-17 07:19:38 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 35 Message: 35

Hi Friends How can we forget that Nilesh VU2NLF is also very much a part of nthe team that worked for the Ganpati Visarjan and probably he has worked the hardest. I am sure all with him and will not only extend our cooperation to him but also take initiative and take up activities and see them through. Thanks once again to everyone including Nilesh.
73s. VU2NFS
----- Original Message -----
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
To: m.a.r.s.
Sent: Saturday, September 16, 2000 7:52 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Letter of Thanks

My Groups | m_a_r_s Main Page | Start a new group!

Thank You

On Occasion of Ganesh Visarjan, members of M.A.R.S have performed wonderfully.

Let us take this opportunity to thank ALL THE PARTICIPANTS specially the following:

Girish Sukhla (LNZ) for co-ordinating with Brihan Mumbai Sarvajanik Ganeshutsov Samanwai Samati and the LifeGuards.

Nirav Sanghavi (NHR) & Zayros Zend (ZRS) for co-ordinating with the B.M.C and the Police.

Minoo Contractor (MHC) & Nafisa Shikari (NFS) for giving complete support as relay Stations.

Pankaj Pasad (RIO) for arranging good food (better late then never).

Sarla Sharma (SWS) for wonderful press coverage, which shall give the society a great mileage in the future.

Jaiprakash (JPN) & Girish (LNZ) for providing communication network par excellence during the medical emergencies in the early morning hours.

And last but not the least.

Mukesh Jaitley (UGJ) for getting the sponsorship from "ICIBAAN HONDA" , which has set a precedent that all our coming events can be self-financing.

Thank you , with this kind of performance we are sure to do great guns in future...

For Mumbai Amateur Radio Society.

Nilesh Rathod, Secretary.

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m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com

36. Re: [m_a_r_s] 20th Sept 2000 "HAM AWARENESS DAY"

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-20 12:31:42 UTC
From: JYOTIKA DALAL
Topic: 36 Message: 36

Hi Folks!
Good to keep hearing from you.I cant really participate in the Ham Awareness Day , but wish you ALL THE VERY BEST!

Regards and 73s

JYO

>From: "Mumbai Amateur Radio Society" <m_a_r_s@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@egroups.com
>To: "m.a.r.s." <m_a_r_s@egroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] 20th Sept 2000 "HAM AWARENESS DAY"
>Date: Thu, 14 Sep 2000 23:58:52 +0530
>
>MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
>
>
>Dear Members,
>
>The ham awareness day is on 20th Sept 2000 and not in october. Atleast I
>was under the impression that it was in October, I don't know about you
>guys.
>
>Well ! we still have 5 days, so lets make the most of it. I have already
>triggered few of our
>members and they shall start rolling tomorrow morning first thing. We need
>to finalize all the
>locations for demonstrations by Saturday latest, because we need to give a
>press release.
>
>We shall appreciate if some of you guys can arrange a College or a School
>to conduct the
>Demo. I understand this a very short notice but lets give it our best
>shot.!!!
>
>Also all guys willing to participate in the Ham Awareness Program, please
>contact MHC (Minoo) on L.L 492 0898 A.S.A.P. 20th Sept being a Wednesday
>(working day) it may be difficult for most of us, but I am sure we can
>manage to spare 2/3 hours for the day.
>
>On Sunday we shall have a briefing meeting.
>
>Looking forward to your assistance and participation in the event.
>
>73s
>NLF

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Share information about yourself, create your own public profile at
http://profiles.msn.com.

37. letter of thanks

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-27 04:36:12 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 37 Message: 37

Thank You

On Occasion of Ganesh Visarjan, members of M.A.R.S have performed wonderfully.

I forgot to thank Prashant Koli [VU3PDZ] for lending us his VHF base station and the power supply, which proved to be quite useful at the control station at chowpatty.

Thank you PDZ.

73s

NLF

38. letter of thanks

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-27 04:36:34 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 37 Message: 38

Thank You

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I forgot to thank Prashant Koli [VU3PDZ] for lending us his VHF base station and the power supply, which proved to be quite useful at the control station at chowpatty.

Thank you PDZ.

73s

NLF

39. Re: [m_a_r_s] letter of thanks

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-27 04:38:29 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 37 Message: 39

Never mind Nilesh, it was/is my pleasure to be associated with all you gr8 guys!
-PDZ
----- Original Message -----
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
To: m.a.r.s.
Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2000 10:06 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] letter of thanks

Thank You

On Occasion of Ganesh Visarjan, members of M.A.R.S have performed wonderfully.

I forgot to thank Prashant Koli [VU3PDZ] for lending us his VHF base station and the power supply, which proved to be quite useful at the control station at chowpatty.

Thank you PDZ.

73s

NLF

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m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com

40. HamfestY2k

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-27 17:35:45 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 40 Message: 40

Hi All!,

Anybody from Mumbai attending the Hamfest Y2K?
Please reply directly.
Thanks
73's
Prashant Koli,vu3pdz

41. Fw: A Great Note !

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-29 04:05:45 UTC
From: Nilesh Rathod
Topic: 41 Message: 41

-----Original Message-----
From: donny dsilva <donny_dsilva@...>
To: dabbukhanna@... <dabbukhanna@...>; diasdavis@...
<diasdavis@...>; fabi_100@... <fabi_100@...>;
gphulsunge@... <gphulsunge@...>;
jewel.kizhavana@... <jewel.kizhavana@...>;
lalita_vincy@... <lalita_vincy@...>; Marie.Menezes@...
<Marie.Menezes@...>; michael_mamme@... <michael_mamme@...>;
milindrs@... <milindrs@...>; moh7865@... <moh7865@...>;
nilofer_m@... <nilofer_m@...>; yul@...
<yul@...>; shaluka_shetty@... <shaluka_shetty@...>
Date: Sunday, August 06, 2000 6:38 PM
Subject: Fwd: A Great Note !

>
>
>>>
>>>"A Great Note For
>>>>All
>>>> > To Read"
>>> "It will take just 30 seconds to read this and
>>>change your thinking"
>>>
>>>
>>>
>>>Two men, both seriously ill, occupied the same hospital room.
>>>
>>>One man was allowed to sit up in his bed for an hour each afternoon
>>>to
>>>help drain the fluid from his lungs. His bed was
>>>next to the room's only window. The other man had to spend all
>>>>his
>>>> > time flat on his back.
>>>> > > > The men talked for hours on end. They spoke of their wives and
>>>> > families, their homes, their jobs, their involvement in the
>>>> > military service, where they had been on vacation. Every
>>>>afternoon
>>>> > when the man in the bed by the window could sit up,
>>>> > he would pass the time by describing to his roommate all the
>>>>things
>>>> > he could see outside the window. The man in the
>>>> > other bed began to live, for those one-hour periods where his
>>>>world
>>>> > would be broadened and enlivened by all the activity
>>>> > and colour of the world outside.

>>>> > > >
>>>> > > > The window overlooked a park with a lovely lake.Ducks and swans
>>>>played
>>>> > on the water while children sailed their model
>>>> > boats.Young lovers walked arm in arm amidst flowers of every
>>>>colour
>>>> > of the rainbow.Grand old trees graced the landscape
>>>> > and a fine view of the city skyline could be seen in the
>>>>distance.As
>>>> > the man by the window described this in exquisite
>>>> > detail, the man on the other side of the room would close his
>>>>eyes
>>>> > and imagine the picturesque scene.
>>>> > > >
>>>> > > > One warm afternoon the man by the window described a parade
>>>>passing
>>>> > by. Although the other man couldn't hear the
>>>> > band -- he could see it. In his mind's eye as the gentleman
by
>>>>the
>>>> > window portrayed it with descriptive words.
>>>> > > >
>>>> > > > Days and weeks passed. One morning, the day nurse arrived to
>>>>bring
>>>> > water for their baths only to find the lifeless body
>>>> > > > of the man by the window, who had died peacefully in his sleep.
>>>>She
>>>> > was saddened and called the hospital attendants
>>>> > to take the body away.
>>>> > > >
>>>> > > > As soon as it seemed appropriate, the other man asked if he
>>>>could be
>>>> > moved next to the window the nurse was happy
>>>> > to make the switch, and after making sure he was comfortable,
>>>>she
>>>> > left him alone. Slowly, painfully, he propped himself
>>>> > up on one elbow to take his first look at the world outside.
>>>> > Finally, he would have the joy of seeing it himself.He strained
>>>> > to slowly turn to look out the window beside the bed.
>>>> >
>>>> > > > It faced a blank wall.
>>>> >
>>>> > The man asked the nurse what could have compelled his deceased
>>>> > roommate who had described such wonderful
>>>> > things outside this window. The nurse responded that the man
>>>>was
>>>> > blind and could not even see the wall. She said,
>>>> > "Perhaps he just wanted to encourage you."
>>>> > > >
>>>> > > > Epilogue: There is tremendous happiness in making others happy,

>>>> > despite our own situations. Shared grief is half the
>>>> > sorrow, but happiness when shared, is doubled. If you want to
>>>>feel
>>>> > rich, just count all the things you have that money
>>>> > can't buy."Today is a gift, that's why it is called the
>>>>"Present."
>>>> >
>>>> > > > The origin of this letter is unknown, but it brings good luck
to
>>>> > everyone who passes it on.
>>>> > > >
>>>> > > Just forward it to your friends to whom you wish good luck.
>>>> >
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>____
>Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com
>
>
>

42. Re :: Thanks for your arrangment for ganpativisargan.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-09-29 16:19:42 UTC
From: Yogesh Mehta
Topic: 42 Message: 42

Dear Nileshbhai,
First of all I am sorry for V.Delay to give you Thank you for "Ganpati-Vishargan Programme.".
From last two days I am trying to contact you on phone, but failed toget you on phone.
Any way I will try to contact tommrrow morning.
Thanks
N
B.Rgds.
Yogesh Mehta

43. J.O.T.A on 21st & 22nd Oct 2000.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-01 16:18:02 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 43 Message: 43

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

The Jamboree On The Air this year will be held on 21st & 22nd October 2000.
(Saturday & Sunday)

J.O.T.A is an International Event. It is probably as important as HAM Awareness Day. On these 2 days HAM and Scouts & Guides get together and HAMs allow the Scouts and Guides to talk on HAM Bands with their counter parts all across the world.

M..A.R.S has already started preperations for this Mega Event. We have Co-ordinated with Maharashtra State Bharat Scouts & Guides to conduct JOTA as never done before (atleast in Mumbai). They have requested us to give them 6 JOTA Stations, 5 in Mumbai and 1 Station in Thane. The HAM Stations shall have H.F and VHF capability. Each station is expected to put aleast 100 Scouts & Guides on the Air. With the combind efforts of all the Participents we may put 600 to 1000 Scouts on the air in the span of 48 hours.

In reality we shall be operating only 6 to 8 hours on both the days, shall we say that 10 to 15 scouts per hour per station very comfortably.

We are also co-ordinating with all the other JOTA stations in India and around the world for better interaction.

All the participents can work for few hours in shift at there mutual convient times. (with the consent of their Group Leader) . You are requested to inform me (NLF) if you are interested to participate in this Program. For God sake do not wait till the last moment (like Ganesh Visarjan) for your confirmation. We require the information of all the participents well in advance so that we can plan the event properly and make is successful.

We sincerely hope that you would spare few hours from your busy schedule and contribute your efforts in Promoting HAM Radio in the city of Mumbai.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon.

73s
NLF.

44. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-02 04:42:37 UTC
From: sarla and narayan sharma
Topic: 44 Message: 44
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hiya NLF,
I'm game for the jota,let me know what I have to do.Is there anything on
on this side of town?
Sarla
VU2SWS

45. JOTA / JOTI

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-03 09:26:30 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 45 Message: 45

Hello friends !!!

Here are few URLs about JOTA/JOTI :-

1. Jamboree On The Air (JOTA)
http://www.arrl.org/ead/jota.html

2. 43rd Jamboree on the Air - 21-22 October 2000
http://www.scout.org/jota/

3. Jota Documents
http://www.scout.org/wse/jotadocs/index.html

4. National Organizers of the Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) and Jamboree On The Internet (JOTI)
http://www.middelkoop7.myweb.nl/

5. World Scout Jamboree On The Internet (JOTI)
http://www.joti.org/en/

Indian INFO

1. Bharat Scouts and Guides Headquarter
http://www.qsl.net/vu2msy/BSG.htm

2. Bharat Scouts & Guides/India
http://www.apr.scout.or.jp/countries/India.htm

3. The Girl Guide Section
http://worldguiding.anzagl.com/fghij/india.htm

73s,
VU2UGO

46. Re: [m_a_r_s] J.O.T.A on 21st & 22nd Oct 2000.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-03 13:21:54 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 43 Message: 46

Hi NLF
Like to be at the Thane JOTA station.

Can I have some MARS membership forms?

Reg

>From: "Mumbai Amateur Radio Society" <m_a_r_s@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@egroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] J.O.T.A on 21st & 22nd Oct 2000.
>Date: Sun, 1 Oct 2000 21:48:02 +0530

>
>MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
>
>
>Dear Members,
>
>The Jamboree On The Air this year will be held on 21st & 22nd October 2000.

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Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com.

Share information about yourself, create your own public profile at
http://profiles.msn.com.

47. I will be there for JOTA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-03 13:49:31 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 47 Message: 47

Dear Nilesh
As we discussed on Sunday, I will be there for JOTA both on Saturday and Sunday. Let me know if any follow up or any other thing needs to be done before the event.
Nafisa

48. Meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-06 02:23:37 UTC
From: sarla and narayan sharma
Topic: 48 Message: 48
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hiya guys,
Its meeting time again! The club meeting will be held on the 8th of october 2000 at 10a.m.,in a new location. Its at Shishu Vihar School,located opposite King George School at Dadar(east). Its just a few minutes walk from dadar station.King George School is also called Raja Shivaji Vidyalaya.
Please make sure you are present as the Scout Jotha programme would be discussed and finalised.
See you on Sunday,
Sarla
VU2SWS

49. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA / JOTI

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-09 16:37:23 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 45 Message: 49

Great work Sandeep!
Keep it up!!
-Prashant
----- Original Message -----
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
To: m_a_r_s@egroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, October 03, 2000 2:56 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] JOTA / JOTI

Hello friends !!!

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http://www.qsl.net/vu2msy/BSG.htm

2. Bharat Scouts & Guides/India
http://www.apr.scout.or.jp/countries/India.htm

3. The Girl Guide Section
http://worldguiding.anzagl.com/fghij/india.htm

73s,
VU2UGO

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50. Re: [m_a_r_s] J.O.T.A on 21st & 22nd Oct 2000.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-09 16:41:29 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 43 Message: 50

Dear All,

I will be at Thane station alongwith my XYL, Sandhya, VU3PTN.

Regards,

De Prashant, VU3
----- Original Message -----
From: madhu rajan <madhurajan@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@egroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 03, 2000 6:51 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] J.O.T.A on 21st & 22nd Oct 2000.

> Hi NLF
> Like to be at the Thane JOTA station.
>
> Can I have some MARS membership forms?
>
> Reg
>
>
> >From: "Mumbai Amateur Radio Society" <m_a_r_s@...>
> >Reply-To: m_a_r_s@egroups.com
> >Subject: [m_a_r_s] J.O.T.A on 21st & 22nd Oct 2000.
> >Date: Sun, 1 Oct 2000 21:48:02 +0530
>
> >
> >MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
> >
> >
> >Dear Members,
> >
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2000.
>
> _____
> Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com.
>
> Share information about yourself, create your own public profile at
> http://profiles.msn.com.
>
>
> To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
>
>

>
>

51. Useful info

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-09 18:23:34 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 51 Message: 51
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Please find some useful info in attachment.
-Prashant
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52. CallBook database

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-09 18:28:31 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 52 Message: 52

Hi All,

I have a database of CallBook 2000.The file is is 2.53MB and hence would not post here.How about posting it on mars's egroup site so that members can fetch it directly if they want it.
So, what do ya think?

73's
Prashant

53. Re: [m_a_r_s] CallBook database

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-10 02:52:03 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 52 Message: 53

dear Prashant
Please go ahead and do that. Will help me a lot.
73s VU2 NFS
----- Original Message -----
From: Prashant Koli
To: m_a_r_s@egroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 09, 2000 11:58 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] CallBook database

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So, what do ya think?

73's
Prashant

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54. Customs Duty on Ham Equipments

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-10 17:35:49 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 54 Message: 54

Dear All,
You must be aware that many club sites (Indian of course) tell that total customs duty on Ham sets is 9.2%. Even CALLBOOK2000 says so. THAT IS HOWEVER NOT TRUE.Please note that many hams have come into trouble when they imported such equipments thinking that duty is 9.2% only.
The break out of our Ham Duty is : 5% Basic (this has come down from 25% to 5% , as notified in Notification NO.16) CVD :16% , Surcharge : 10% of basic 5% duty, then SADD 4 % .So total duty comes to 23+ percent.
It is also said that Goods falling under customs tariff No 8525.20 are exempted from payment of surcharge as per the Notification No. 19 dated 01-03-2000 reproduced in the Indian Customs Tariff 2000 - 2001.It is seen however that surcharge at 0.5% is also charged.

We hams had forgotten 16% conterveiling duty (equivalent to central excise duty) which is levied to protect Indigeneous manufacturers.

So be careful.Import duty is almost 25%.

-Prashant Koli

55. Customs Duty on Ham Equipments

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-10 17:37:33 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 54 Message: 55

Dear All,
You must be aware that many club sites (Indian of course) tell that total customs duty on Ham sets is 9.2%. Even CALLBOOK2000 says so. THAT IS HOWEVER NOT TRUE.Please note that many hams have come into trouble when they imported such equipments thinking that duty is 9.2% only.
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-Prashant Koli

56. Re: [m_a_r_s] Customs Duty on Ham Equipments

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-11 18:34:19 UTC
From: Mr.Neville Shroff
Topic: 54 Message: 56

This is nothing but Chori.
Where are the manufacturers in India?
They just want to make money where ever and when ever they can.
Thanks &. Regards / Neville Shroff

57. Re: [m_a_r_s] Customs Duty on Ham Equipments

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-11 13:02:46 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 54 Message: 57

Absolutely correct Neville!But then there are lobbies who make Govt in power believe that they actually manufacture great stuff in India and hence need protection and hence this C.V.D. Customs only enforces the policy.And then where is your apex body who should have taken up the matter with the Finance Ministry to get rid of CVD.
-Prashant
----- Original Message -----
From: Mr.Neville Shroff <super1@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@egroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2000 12:04 AM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Customs Duty on Ham Equipments

> This is nothing but Chori.
> Where are the manufacturers in India?
> They just want to make money where ever and when ever they can.
> Thanks &. Regards / Neville Shroff
>
>
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> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
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58. New file uploaded to m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-12 02:19:53 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@egroups.com
Topic: 58 Message: 58

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the m_a_r_s
group.

File : /Call Book India.mdb
Uploaded by : prashantz@...
Description : Callsign Database of Indian Hams

You can access this file at the URL

http://www.egroups.com/files/m_a_r_s/Call+Book+India%2Emdb

To learn more about eGroups file sharing, please visit

http://www.egroups.com/help/files.html

Regards,

prashantz@...

59. J.O.T.A briefing meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-13 16:07:54 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 59 Message: 59

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

The briefing meeting for J.O.T.A (21st & 22nd Oct) will be conducted on 14th Oct Saturday at 19:00 hours at 47/B, Gita Building (VU2AUU) qth.

all participents are requested to attend the meeting on time.

looking foward to an eyeball with you.

73s
NLF.

60. J.O.T.A meeting postponed.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-14 05:10:35 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 60 Message: 60

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

The briefing meeting for J.O.T.A (21st & 22nd Oct) is postponed till further notice because it is inconvienent for most of the participents.

73s
NLF.

61. Re: [m_a_r_s] J.O.T.A

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-15 02:52:46 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 61 Message: 61

Dear vu2nlf

Sorry for not attending the meeting on 14th Oct at 1900 hrs.

I assure of my participation in jota for full 48 hours.

All hams are requested to participate and make this event a grand success.

73's

vu2jpn

Chequemail.com - a free web based e-mail service that also pays!!!
http://www.chequemail.com

62. Re: [m_a_r_s] J.O.T.A

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-15 14:42:05 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 61 Message: 62

Dear JPN,

No regrets as there was no meeting on that evening!
-Prashant
----- Original Message -----
From: P.V.Jaiprakash <vu2jpn@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@egroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2000 8:22 AM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] J.O.T.A

> Dear vu2nlf
>
> Sorry for not attending the meeting on 14th Oct at 1900 hrs.
>
> I assure of my participation in jota for full 48 hours.
>
> All hams are requested to participate and make this event a grand success.
>
> 73's
>
> vu2jpn
>
>
> Chequemail.com - a free web based e-mail service that also pays!!!
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>
>
> To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
>
>
>
>

63. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-15 15:18:55 UTC
From: prashantz@vsnl.com
Topic: 63 Message: 63
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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64. Unknown attachment

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-16 02:28:58 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 64 Message: 64

Dear All,

I am surprise to note that there is one attachment posted on this group using my email I.D.

Please note that I have not sent that attachment.be sure I will not send any attachment that is not related ham radio.

-Prashant

65. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-16 03:05:48 UTC
From: prashantz@vsnl.com
Topic: 65 Message: 65
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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66. J.O.T.A briefing meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-16 15:25:21 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 66 Message: 66

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

The briefing meeting for J.O.T.A (21st & 22nd Oct) will be conducted on 17th Oct Tuesday at 18:30 hours at 47/B, Gita Building (VU2AUU) qth.

all participents are requested to attend the meeting on time. There shall be no cancellation this time.

looking foward to an eyeball with you.

73s
NLF.

67. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-22 03:05:36 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 67 Message: 67

Dear Om/yl's

Wish you all a Happy & Prosperous Diwali and New Year

From :
Jaiprakash & fly VU2JPN

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68. Happy Diwali

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-24 14:19:21 UTC
From: JYOTIKA DALAL
Topic: 68 Message: 68

Hi everyone!

Just a short note to wish every one of you a very happy Diwali and a prosperous new Year.

Regards and 73s

Jyotika
VU2JYO

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Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com.

Share information about yourself, create your own public profile at http://profiles.msn.com.

69. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Diwali

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-24 18:03:40 UTC
From: Mehul A. Chovatia
Topic: 68 Message: 69

Hi JYO,
YL, Wish you a very happy Diwali and a prosperous new year.

Mehul.

----- Original Message -----
From: JYOTIKA DALAL <jyotika_dalal@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@egroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2000 7:49 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Diwali

> Hi everyone!
>
> Just a short note to wish every one of you a very happy Diwali and a
> prosperous new Year.
>
> Regards and 73s
>
> Jyotika
> VU2JYO
> _____
> Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com.
>
> Share information about yourself, create your own public profile at
> http://profiles.msn.com.
>
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>
> To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
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>

70. Happy Diwali

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-25 18:02:23 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 68 Message: 70

HAPPY DIWALI
&
PROSPEROUS
NEW YEAR

71. Happy Diwali

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-26 04:31:59 UTC
From: Nilesh Rathod
Topic: 68 Message: 71

Dear YL/OM,

Wish you a Happy Diwali & Prosperous New Year

73s
NLF

72. A Hallmark E-Card from nafisa shikari

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-26 04:59:10 UTC
From: nafisahs@hotmail.com
Topic: 72 Message: 72

Greetings! We wanted to let you know that nafisa shikari created a Hallmark.com e-card for you. Click this link to see it, or copy and paste this link into your Web browser's address line:
http://ecardview.hallmark.com/hmk/Website/greeting.jsp?id=EG1109-136180-1239059

You can also go through our home page to see it. Here's a link:
http://www.hallmark.com

Once there, click the "e-cards" link, then scroll to the bottom of the page to find "pick up a greeting". Click that link and it will ask for your e-mail address and retrieval number. Your retrieval number is
EG109361239059.

This e-card will be available for 90 days. If you'd like to send one back, use the "send your own greeting" button beside the e-card. Enjoy!

Jan Scott
Hallmark.com

P.S. To us, your privacy is a priority. Here's a direct link to our online Privacy and Security statement if you'd like to review it.
http://www.hallmark.com/hmk/Website/goto.jsp?CONTENT_KEY=FOOTER_PRIVLEGL&CONTENT_TYPE=ARTICLE

73. JOTA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-10-27 03:49:42 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 73 Message: 73

27/10/2000 0910hrs

Hi OM/YL's

Jota was a very successful event done by all mars members. Thanks to all participants for the same.
Keep it up.

Details of Suman Nagar, Chembur JOTA station:

Attendence = 53 scouts & guides + 10 officials.

HF working = We worked on 20mtrs band and had contacted total 14 JOTA stations.

VHF = 59 contacts were made between 3 JOTA stations
viz. Thane, Shivaji Park & Hindu Colony.

Along with me VU3MHC & VU2IIA was there at my location and the visitor hams were VU3ITT, VU2NLF & VU2UGO

Thanks to VU2NLF for visiting my site and trimming down the HF antenna.

Best regards to all and do make all events successful.

vu2jpn.

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74. Happy Birthday - VU2JYO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-11-02 06:06:14 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 74 Message: 74

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its founder member VU2JYO [Jyotika Dalal] a very Happy BIrthday.

75. change of address

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-11-04 07:19:06 UTC
From: Udayan Desai
Topic: 75 Message: 75

Hullo Everybody,
I have changed my e mail address. Henceforth you are requested to write to me at yousee @ Indiainfo.com
73 S,
Udayan . VU2 AUU

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Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com.

Share information about yourself, create your own public profile at http://profiles.msn.com.

76. VHF Handy for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-11-06 05:48:34 UTC
From: Nilesh Rathod
Topic: 76 Message: 76

Hullo everybody,
This is to inform you that I have changed my e mail address. You are requested to mail me on yousee @... .
I have a ICOM 02AT HANDY vhf rig. I would like to sell it.Would anyone be able to help me sell it? With the money I get from this sale, I intend to put some more of my money and buy a better VHF Rig.
Please write to me at my new address or call me up on 3872245.
73S,
Udayan (VU2 AUU)

77. Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF Handy for sale - More INFO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-11-06 07:15:29 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 77 Message: 77

Hi Everybody!!!

More INFO on IC-02AT :-
(INFORMATION PURPOSE ONLY)

ICOM IC-02AT Manual by William McFadden
http://www.frognet.net/~mcfadden/ic02at_man.htm

http://www.e-etc.com/rpa/single.php3?item=204

73s,
VU2UGO
----- Original Message -----
From: Nilesh Rathod
To: m.a.r.s.
Sent: Monday, November 06, 2000 11:18 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] VHF Handy for sale

Hullo everybody,
This is to inform you that I have changed my e mail address. You are
requested to mail me on yousee @... .
I have a ICOM 02AT HANDY vhf rig. I would like to sell it.Would anyone be
able to help me sell it? With the money I get from this sale, I intend to
put some more of my money and buy a better VHF Rig.
Please write to me at my new address or call me up on 3872245.
73S,
Udayan (VU2 AUU)

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m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com

78. monthly meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-11-08 14:52:58 UTC
From: sarla and narayan sharma
Topic: 6 Message: 78
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Hi all,
The monthly meeting is to be held on Sunday the 12th of november 2000 at Shishu Vihar School,opposite King George School,Dadar East,at 10a.m.All memebers are requested to be present on time.Snacks will be served at 10.30 sharp.
There will be a debriefing on the JOTA,at 9a.m,before the club meeting.All hams who participated in the JOTA must attend.The station heads have to submit a report and their logs.
Please do attend the meeting as it is OUR club!
Thanks,
Sarla
VU2SWS

79. HAM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-11-09 18:03:33 UTC
From: prashantz@vsnl.com
Topic: 79 Message: 79

Hi All,
Please see article on Ham Radio at
http://www.indbazaar.com/productsmart/detailer.cfm?compare=132
34&subcat=53

-Prashant

80. Happy Birthday - VU2IIA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-11-17 06:30:47 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 80 Message: 80

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its member VU2IIA [Mahesh Vhatkar] a very Happy BIrthday.

81. HELP!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-11-21 11:44:44 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 81 Message: 81

Hello Everybody!!!

do u have an oscillator and/or a morse key which u don't use?
please let me know, we need them for MARS CLASSES.

anybody who is willing to donate, please e-mail me on sandipadiwarekar@... with yr FULL QTH and LL.

Thanking you in advance.

73s,
VU2UGO

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MSN & Yahoo : sandipadiwarekar
ICQ # 36285628

Site Under Construction - http://qsy.to/vu2ugo

82. happy birthday - vu2jpn

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-11-30 05:40:47 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 82 Message: 82

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its Founder member VU2JPN [P.V.JAIPRAKASH] a very Happy BIrthday.

83. happy birthday - Ivor Pereira

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-11-30 05:42:40 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 83 Message: 83

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its Life member IVOR PEREIRA a very Happy BIrthday.

84. happy birthday - VU2JPN

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-11-30 05:44:18 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Topic: 84 Message: 84

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its Founder member VU2JPN [P.V.JAIPRAKASH] a very Happy BIrthday.

85. Cheaper Chinese phones jam radio frequencies

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-12-01 00:40:51 UTC
From: prashantz@vsnl.com
Topic: 85 Message: 85

http://www.timesofindia.com/today/28busi21.htm

86. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-12-01 01:13:07 UTC
From: prashantz@vsnl.com
Topic: 86 Message: 86
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87. Education committee.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-12-01 05:15:50 UTC
From: Nilesh Rathod
Topic: 87 Message: 87

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S. is likely to start tution classes this month. The location of the classes shall be Dadar. There shall be evening batch on (Mon/Wed/Fri) from 18:00 to 20:00 Hours. We also may have a Sunday Batch from 09:00 to 16:00 hours (Crash Course). The duration of the classes shall be Three months.

We shall be conducting a Ham Awareness drive on one of the coming week ends. This shall fetch us the students required for the classes. Upon getting the response we shall conduct the classes accordingly.

In View to the above it has been decided in the last month meeting that a Education committee should be formed in order to conduct the classes in professional manner and get the optimum result.

All members interested in becoming a part of the committee may kindly respond immediately to this letter and get in touch with SXF or NLF or MHC ASAP.

All members who do not wish to be a part of the committee, but still would like to offer their assistance may also contact the above HAMs. ASAP.

Looking forward to your participation in the above activity.!!

73s
VU2NLF.

88. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-12-04 16:58:19 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 88 Message: 88
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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89. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-12-04 16:50:24 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 89 Message: 89
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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90. Monthly meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-12-05 05:16:02 UTC
From: sarla and narayan sharma
Topic: 90 Message: 90
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hiya Guys,
Its meeting time again.The monthly meeting of MARS will be held at Shishu Vihar School,opposite King George School,Dadar,on Sunday the 10th of December 2000, at 10 a.m.

As our club is a new one, there is lot to be discussed and implemented. We have loads to do and participation of all would make everything achievable. So please make sure that you attend every meeting.

Snacks will be served at the meeting.

Hope to see all of you,

Sarla
VU2SWS

91. Virus Alert!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-12-07 08:49:30 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 91 Message: 91

Hi everybody!!!

pls do not open any attachments of *.pif or *.scr files.
specially for the following messages :-
Fri 12/1/2000 sent by PDZ
Mon 12/4/2000 sent by NLF

it may infect yr system with MTX virus.

73s,
UGO

92. merry christmas & a happy new year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-12-29 07:36:06 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 92 Message: 92

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

WISH YOU ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

93. vu2jpn has sent a club greeting for you

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-12-31 02:11:02 UTC
From: vu2jpn@chequemail.com
Topic: 93 Message: 93

Hello OM/YL's,

You have received a club greeting from vu2jpn at clubgreetings.com.

You may view your club greeting by clicking here (http://www.clubgreetings.com/cgi-bin/grt/yourcard.asp?sendcardid=vu212300091734PM89685&id=1).
(Please note you have to be connected to the Internet to view your club greeting).

If you are having trouble viewing your club greeting, you can use the link below (Recommended for AOL Users).

http://www.clubgreetings.com/cgi-bin/grt/yourcard.asp?sendcardid=vu212300091734PM89685&id=1

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Click inside your browser's address (location) box. Then choose 'Paste' from the 'Edit' menu."

Now press Enter (Return) to go to your club greeting.

If you are new to the net or are uncomfortable using our site visit the comprehensive help desk
http://www.clubgreetings.com/index.asp?path=help/help.htm

You may also e-mail us at opcenter@... or contact us online, at
http://www.clubgreetings.com/cgi-bin/contactus.htm

If you wish to reply to this electronic greeting or simply wish to send someone a new one, visit us at http://www.clubgreetings.com/ (http://www.clubgreetings.com/index.asp)

Warm regards,
The clubgreetings.com Team.

94. vu2jpn has sent a club greeting for you

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-12-31 02:11:52 UTC
From: vu2jpn@chequemail.com
Topic: 93 Message: 94

Hello OM/YL's,

You have received a club greeting from vu2jpn at clubgreetings.com.

You may view your club greeting by clicking here (http://www.clubgreetings.com/cgi-bin/grt/yourcard.asp?sendcardid=vu212300091823PM24609&id=1).
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http://www.clubgreetings.com/index.asp?path=help/help.htm

You may also e-mail us at opcenter@... or contact us online, at
http://www.clubgreetings.com/cgi-bin/contactus.htm

If you wish to reply to this electronic greeting or simply wish to send someone a new one, visit us at http://www.clubgreetings.com/ (http://www.clubgreetings.com/index.asp)

Warm regards,
The clubgreetings.com Team.

95. A Very Happy New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-12-31 12:36:42 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 95 Message: 95

A Very Happy and Prosperous New Year to you and your family
With Best Wishes from
Nafisa Shikari

96. Re: [m_a_r_s] vu2jpn has sent a club greeting for you

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2000-12-31 14:48:20 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 93 Message: 96

dear jpn,

thanks for the greetings, wish you and your family also the same.

73s
nlf
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2jpn@...
To: m_a_r_s@egroups.com
Sent: Sunday, December 31, 2000 7:41 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] vu2jpn has sent a club greeting for you

Hello OM/YL's,

You have received a club greeting from vu2jpn at clubgreetings.com.

You may view your club greeting by clicking here.
(Please note you have to be connected to the Internet to view your club greeting).

If you are having trouble viewing your club greeting, you can use the link below (Recommended for AOL Users).

http://www.clubgreetings.com/cgi-bin/grt/yourcard.asp?sendcardid=vu212300091823PM24609&id=1

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http://www.clubgreetings.com/cgi-bin/contactus.htm

If you wish to reply to this electronic greeting or simply wish to send someone a new one, visit us at http://www.clubgreetings.com/

Warm regards,
The clubgreetings.com Team.
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m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com

97. Ham Awareness Drive.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-04 09:20:06 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 97 Message: 97

Dear Members,

M.A.R.S shall conduct a Ham Awareness Drive on 13th January 2001 (Saturday). Demonstrations and lectures will be held at 3 colleges in Mumbai.

Your participation in this programme could make this Awareness Drive successful one.

Kindly get in touch with MHC - 4920898 , SXF - 8734719 , NLF - 3866312. So that you can choose your convinient location.

73s
NLF.

98. Breakfast meet at Atlanta

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-07 23:08:27 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 98 Message: 98
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99. early bird's net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-08 03:12:04 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 99 Message: 99

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

we have started a "Early Bird's Net" from today 8th january 2001. on VHF 145.200 Mhz at 07:00 hours. all are invited and requested to join us daily in order to increase the ham activity (on air) in our city.

73s
NLF.

100. Re: [m_a_r_s] early bird's net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-08 19:28:47 UTC
From: Mr.Neville Shroff
Topic: 99 Message: 100

too , too , early.

101. NIGHT OWL'S NET

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-09 13:51:30 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 101 Message: 101

Hi Friends

This is about the Night Owl's Net which we conduct for the city of Mumbai at 21:30 hrs. every day on 145.200. We find that many folks interested in checking into the net are unable to do so as they reach home around the time of the net. Another reason for not being on the net maybe the great quiz show KBC compared by Amitabh Bachchan whose voice is ofcourse more enticing than Vispi's and mine. So, we are thinking of changing the time of the net from 21:30 hrs. to 22:00 hrs. to enable most people, interested, to be on the net. We have thought of January 26th as the day when the time would be changed so as to give you all sufficient time to send in your comments and suggestions. Hope to hear from you all.

With Best 73s

VU2 NFS

102. Re: [m_a_r_s] NIGHT OWL'S NET

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-11 16:41:15 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 101 Message: 102

Great Decision !!
----- Original Message -----
From: nafisa shikari
To: m_a_r_s@egroups.com ; radiohams@...
Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2001 7:21 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] NIGHT OWL'S NET

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With Best 73s

VU2 NFS

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103. Good Timming

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-12 18:56:33 UTC
From: Mr.Neville Shroff
Topic: 103 Message: 103

Yes,
10 PM is a good time. Not that I watch KBC. I detest the Tango Victor but others love it so the timming has to be changed. I hope the Repater starts soon as the same was very convienent to use from Lonavala with just a handy.
Gooluck to all.
Regards,
Neville

104. Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-13 09:50:10 UTC
From: coilnrs
Topic: 104 Message: 104

Hi all,
The monthly meeting of MARS will be held at the qth of VU2 AUU(Vijayan).

Time:10a.m
Date:14/01/01(Sunday)
Address:B47,Geetha bldg,Pandita Ramabai Rd,Gamdevi,b'bay400007.
All members please make it a point to attend.
Thanks,
Sarla,
VU2 SWS

105. happy birthday vu3vrb

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-15 02:39:29 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 105 Message: 105

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its member Russ Balaporia [vu3vrb] a very happy birthday.

106. ham awareness drive successful..!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-15 06:18:24 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 106 Message: 106

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS conducted Ham Awareness Program on 12th & 13th January 2001.

Location : VPM Polytechnic College, Thane.

Team : vu2nlf (Nilesh), vu2sws (sarla), vu3pdz (Prashant), v3oam (Sudhir)
vu2ugo (Sandip), vu3aua (Arun singh) and vu3pan (Pravin).

On 12th a lecture was delivered by SWS and NLF, a VHF demonstration was also given on that day. About 75 students attended the program.

On 13th HF demo was given to the students and the staff of the college.

The response was quite good, some 29 students would like to become HAMS.
but only after their exam (in April or May).

The Principal also requested us to start a Club Station in their college in the near future. They also gave a donation of Rs.600/- to MARS for conducting the Demo.

Location : Bhavans College, Andheri.

Team : vu2sxf (Sandesh), vu2ugj (Mukesh), vu2iia (Mahesh), vu2nhr(Nirav)

On 13th a lecture was delivered by NHR and NLF, a VHF demonstration was also given on that day. About 80 students attended the program.

The response was quite good, some 54 students would like to become HAMS.
but only after their exam (in April or May).

107. minutes of the monthly meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-15 06:35:46 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 107 Message: 107

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

The monthly meeting of MARS was conducted on 14th January 2001 10:00 am at vu2auu 's qth .

It was attended by 11 members (nlf,hit,sxf,iia,auu,aua,out,ugo,oam,pdz,rio).

debriefing of the Ham Awareness drive was the main topic on the agenda. It was resolved that a special team for "Ham Awareness Drive" should be formed who can conduct the demo's with perfection. It was also resolved that we shall conduct 1 demo every month at different locations such as colleges, clubs like lions,rotary,adventure and similar organisations.

Our VHF repeater was next on the agenda. As you may be aware that we have homebrewed a repeater, but due to some technical problem it is off the air presently. It was resolved that the repeater would be fully functional permenently by 20th febuary 2001. the task is undertaken by
vu2sxf(Sandesh) and vu2iia (Mahesh).

Next on the agenda was the Ham Radio Classes. After the feedback from the demos it was clear that the student are awaiting their exams and will only join in the month of may. Nevertheless
many of our members have their friends and relatives waiting to join the classes. It was resolved that if we can get about 15 to 20 students we shall start the classes immediately on 22nd January 2001. the location shall be Shisu Vihar School at dadar. (mon/wed/fri) 18:00 t0 20:00 hours for three months.

All members are requested to conduct SXF (Sandesh) on 873 4719 or MHC (MInoo) 492 0898 if you have any students.

73s
vu2nlf.

108. correction on ham awareness drive.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-15 11:54:41 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 108 Message: 108

the earlier mail said that at andheri location lecture was delivered by NHR & NLF.

but it was only NHR , mistake because of copy and paste.

73s
NLF

109. happy birthday - vu2hit

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-19 02:28:36 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 109 Message: 109

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes it's founder member VU2HIT [Huzefa Merchant] a very happy birthday.

110. Visit to KARC - Atlanta

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-22 13:33:44 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 110 Message: 110
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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111. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ham Awareness Drive.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-01-28 14:06:42 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 97 Message: 111

This message is for Nafisabahen Shikari
Please reply on the following email addresses vu2hit@indiainfo,ummeaiman@indiainfo or can u chat on icq-,msn-ummeaiman24@...

Aiman-vu2hit's wife

If you have ICQ you can message me. My ICQ#:81941713
Or visit my Personal ICQ Homepage: http://members.icq.com/81941713
My current status is:
If you don't have ICQ you can page me through my Personal Communication Center:
http://wwp.icq.com/81941713 (go there and try it!)
Or
You can send me a regular e-mail to my EmailExpress address: 81941713@pager.icq.com
If you want to add me to your Contact List click Add Me
Download ICQ at http://www.icq.com/
Include your ICQ details in YOUR e-mail signature: http://www.icq.com/emailsig.html
Huzefa

----- Original Message -----
From: M.A.R.S
To: m.a.r.s.
Sent: Thursday, January 04, 2001 2:50 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Ham Awareness Drive.

Dear Members,

M.A.R.S shall conduct a Ham Awareness Drive on 13th January 2001 (Saturday). Demonstrations and lectures will be held at 3 colleges in Mumbai.

Your participation in this programme could make this Awareness Drive successful one.

Kindly get in touch with MHC - 4920898 , SXF - 8734719 , NLF - 3866312. So that you can choose your convinient location.

73s
NLF.

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112. Donate Generously..... but

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-02 08:25:05 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 112 Message: 112

Dear All,
Kachh has been struck with a devastating earthquake which has nearly turned the place into history. It would take decades before the earthquake struck areas regain their original shape. Entire villages and towns have collapsed like a bunch of cards, claiming thousands of lives. Epidemic is likely to follow since the dead bodies are still lying beneath the debris.

I am giving this feedback after our team has personally visited the destructed areas and provided communication support for 6 days. The communication link has been restored using Satellite phones and DOT lines within 5 days, but still there is a lot to be done. We have witnessed the worst scenes of our lives where dogs were seen eating human dead bodies.

Under this scenario whatever help that can be sent to Kachh is not going to be adequate enough. Also there is absolute loss of co-ordination between officials to control the situation. Places like Bhuj have received excess of relief material whilst a lot of small villages are yet to recieve the first phase of relief.

There would be no limit to all this and is again not a topic of priority to be discussed. The only priority of the hour is to provide relief to the mass that has been struck with this rude step of nature.

Hence I would request everybody to extend their help at their fullest. Kindly provide relief in whatever way that is possible. At the same time ensure that whatever relief that has been arranged reaches to the needy and is evenly distributed.

If you are associated with any of the NGOs or are in a capacity to provide a substantial help, then kindly spend a couple of your valuable days visiting such places and personally ensuring that the help reaches the right place, rather than handing over them to somebod. At the same time do not crowd the place because two people representing an organisation would be fair enough.

The only request to all of you is that DONATE GENEROUSLY.......... BUT THROUGH PROPER CHANNELS

You never know whether your valuable support is reaching the needy or is going waste
.....

Thanks and Regards,

Mehul A. Chovatia.

113. Happy Birthday - VU2NNF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-07 02:10:04 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 113 Message: 113

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its member Neville Shroff [VU2NNF] a very happy birthday.

114. happy birthday - vu2rig

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-10 04:16:07 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 114 Message: 114

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its Founder member Rajen Kavadia [VU2RIG] a very happy birthday.

115. disaster communication report.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-10 04:37:52 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 115 Message: 115
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

You all are aware that on 26th January 2001, On republic day ,India experienced a Natural Disaster. Bhuj, Anjar, Bachau and many other places around that area were badly effected by the earthquake.

The Disaster Communication team of M.A.R.S took spontaneous decision and was mobilized immediately on the same afternoon.

The Complete report of their visit is enclosed herewith for your perusal.

The team did a great job, all the members performed wonderfully. All the practice for disaster communication exercise pay off. to quote the response of gujrat hams " The Mumbai hams performance was flawless"

Other members who supported from Mumbai also performed brilliantly, especially Rajen Kavadia [vu2rig] and Minoo Contractor [vu3mhc] without their help it would have been very difficult to co-ordinate the whole operation.

I take this opportunity to thank all the participants on location and from Mumbai for providing their assistance in this hour of difficulty.

73s
VU2NLF.

116. Monthly meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-10 05:37:20 UTC
From: coilnrs
Topic: 116 Message: 116

Hiya gang,
The monthly meeting is to be held tomorrow,Sunday the 11th of February 2001, at 10 a.m. at the following address:
Mukesh Jaitley,
Bhudor Gat(Building Name)
4B/25,RTO Lane
4 Bungalows
Andheri West
Bombay400058
Ph:98200 34431
Take bus route No 266 from andheri station west and get off at RTO stop.Its in the same lane. If lost, call Mukesh on lima lima!
Lots of work to be done after the excellent work done in Gujerat.Take a look at the Times of India dated 9th february,page 5,article named" Rat race interrrupted".The last 3 paragraphs sums up the excellent work fone by MARS.
See you at the meeting!
Sarla
VU2SWS

117. ham radio classes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-12 15:44:45 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 117 Message: 117

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

We are going to start the classes on 19th february 2001. The demo is to be held on 14th February 2001 at 18:00 hours at shishu vihar school, dadar (e).

kindly call the people who have shown interest from your side for the demo, also try to attend the same.

73s
nlf

118. Fw: [Letter-List] The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 6

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-13 06:30:49 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 118 Message: 118

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----- Original Message -----
From: <n1ist@...>
To: <letter-list@qth.net>
Sent: Monday, February 12, 2001 7:52 PM
Subject: [Letter-List] The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 6

> ***************
> The ARRL Letter
> Vol. 20, No. 6
> February 9, 2001
> ***************
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> IN THIS EDITION:
>
> * +AO-40 future rests on spin, attitude control
> * +Indian hams put available ham technology to work
> * +ARRL open for business as Club Station Call Sign Administrator
> * +A sad end to ham's round-the-world solo sail
> * +SUNSAT goes dark
> * +LF signals crossing Atlantic
> * League offering new five-year membership plan
> * Solar Update
> * IN BRIEF:
> This weekend on the radio
> +ARRL Outgoing QSL Service announces revised rates
> +Atlantic Division Director Bernie Fuller, N3EFN, recovering
> Call sign switcheroo
> W9NN to observe 80 years as a ham
> W1-QSL Bureau changes address
> Bill Orr, W6SAI, family posts letter of thanks
>
> +Available on ARRL Audio News
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> ============================================================
>
> ==>AO-40 FUTURE RESTS ON REDUCING SPIN, REGAINING ATTITUDE CONTROL
>
> The key to a successful AO-40 recovery continues to be a matter of reducing
> spin and regaining the ability to adjust AO-40's attitude from the ground.
> AMSAT says the current problem is a lack of accurate AO-40 attitude data.
>
> Only when ground controllers can accurately determine the satellite's
> attitude will it be possible to change it and correctly aim AO-40's
> high-gain antennas for optimal reception on Earth. Ground controllers have
> had no luck hearing AO-40's transmitters on the omnidirectional antennas on
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> 2 meters, 70 cm or 1.2 GHz. Since the satellite's computer was reset and
> telemetry resumed December 25, the AO-40 ground team has been analyzing
> telemetry sent via the 2.4 GHz beacon--the only transmitter now operating.
>
> In its latest dispatch on AO-40, AMSAT-Germany waxed nearly poetic in
> describing the satellite's present situation. "AO-40 is currently like a
> ship that's lying on a sandbar in the fog at low tide," an update on the
> AMSAT-DL Web site declared. AMSAT-DL said AO-40 was "in the fog" because its
> high angle with respect to the sun temporarily prevents the sun sensors from
> providing attitude data. It's "at low tide" because the steep solar angle
> means less illumination of the solar panels and less energy produced. And
> it's "on a sandbar" because the satellite can't be set free from its present
> situation without some effort.
>
> Ground controllers have been hoping that a previously announced "de-spinner"
> programming routine could permit AO-40 spin control without having to rely
> on the sun sensors. But even if the programming fix fails, by April,
> controllers reason, the satellites sensors will again see the sun and
> "thanks to magnetorquing, spin and attitude can be actively improved upon
> the rising tide." Once the spin is reduced, sun angle improved, and antennas
> pointed, testing can resume. Still outstanding are tests of the VHF and UHF
> transmitters, the arc-jet motor, and the reaction wheels, among others.
>
> Both AMSAT-DL President and AO-40 Project Leader Karl Meinzer, DJ4ZC, and
> AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, have continued to be optimistic
> that AO-40 will have a useful life of Amateur Radio service. AMSAT-DL says
> the recovery effort has been slowed somewhat because of limited access time
> on the part of the command team, due to AO-40's current orbital parameters.
>
> ==>INDIAN HAMS PUT AVAILABLE HAM TECHNOLOGY TO THE TASK
>
> Hams assisting with earthquake relief operations in the Indian State of
> Gujarat are even taking advantage of the UO-14 amateur FM satellite as they
> continue providing communication from the stricken region. Hams within the
> quake zone and those keeping touch from the outside also have found
> themselves caught up in the human tragedy. The death toll from the quake now
> is estimated at up to 50,000 and could rise higher. More than 600,000 were
> left homeless.
>
> Bangalore-based Guru Rao, VU2GUR, and Sandeep Shah, VU3SXE, a Gujarati
> Bangalorean engaged in relief work in Gujarat have been using UO-14 to touch
> bases. "Guru and Sandeep were quick to seize the opportunity and roped in
> the amateur satellite UO-14 to maximize all possible communication routes,"
> said Raj Kumar, VU2ZAP, another Bangalore ham who's been following the
> Amateur Radio effort.
>
> While some telephone service in the earthquake zone has been restored,
> Amateur Radio was the primary link to the outside world in the immediate
> aftermath of the January 26 earthquake.
>

> Another Bangalore amateur, Chandru Ramachandra, VU2RCR--a former UNESCO
> official--drove his SUV to Bhuj, 1700 km distant. Carrying a medical team
> and some 400 kg of gear and supplies, he set up a station to establish a
> link between Bhuj and Bangalore. As of a few days ago, 18 amateurs from the
> State of Karnataka were handling communication regarding placement of
> doctors and medical supplies as well as health-and-welfare inquiries into
> areas where the telephone system is still out.
>
> "This has become a practical exam showing our capability and preparedness in
> disaster management," said Bangalore Amateur Radio Club President Lion Ajoy,
> VU2JHM.
>
> Most of the earthquake-related traffic continues to be handled via HF on 40
> and 20-meter SSB, although some VHF FM links have been established for local
> work in Gujarat.
>
> Horey Majumdar, VU2HFR, says hams in Calcutta, where he lives, have been
> able to locate and pass along information about the well being of several
> individuals. "However, the best option would have been to have our own team
> from Calcutta at Bhuj," he said. Majumdar says handling some of the H&W
> inquiries has been tough. In one case, the information he got via ham radio
> from the quake zone was not good news. "It was extremely difficult for me to
> convey to their family that this person, his wife and 7-month-old daughter
> didn't make it," he said. "There must have been thousands of families like
> this."
>
> Late word from Prem Manani, VU2XMX, in Gandhinagar, the capital of Gujarat,
> is that reliance on amateur communication has ended with the restoration of
> normal communication channels, although he said some stations were still in
> action at the request of the Indian government. "The untiring job done by
> all hams was appreciated by one and all in the government," he said.
>
> ==>ARRL OPEN FOR BUSINESS AS CLUB STATION CALL SIGN ADMINISTRATOR
>
> The ARRL is open for business as an FCC-designated Club Station Call Sign
> Administrator. ARRL-VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, reports that the ARRL
> CSCSA has received 10 club station applications to date since the program
> officially began January 22, the date the FCC stopped accepting club station
> applications.
>
> "Beginning this program has been a relatively painless and very
> straightforward process," Jahnke said. "Keeping the procedures simple has
> played a big role in how smoothly things have gone."
>
> Once an application is received at the ARRL-CSCSA, processing typically
> takes two business days, Jahnke said. All but one of the applications
> received by the ARRL CSCSA have been processed and granted by the FCC. "The
> remaining application was faxed to us, and we need the original signed
> application rather than a fax in order to process such requests," Jahnke
> pointed out.

>
> Last month, the FCC designated the ARRL-VEC, the W5YI-VEC and the W4VEC
> Volunteer Examiners Club of America as Club Station Call Sign
> Administrators. Club station applicants may file via any of the three
> FCC-designated CSCSAs using either NCVEC Form 605 or W4VEC Form CSCSA to
> file. The new CSCSAs receive and process hard-copy applications and submit
> the information electronically to the FCC. The three FCC-designated Club
> Station Call Sign Administrators do not charge for their services. Club
> Station Call Sign Administrators do not handle requests for vanity call
> signs.
>
> Amateurs may seek a new club or military recreation station license, or may
> file for modification, renewal or duplicate (requesting another hard copy
> license, if the original was lost) of a club or military recreation station
> license using NCVEC Form 605 or W4VEC Form CSCSA. NCVEC Form 605 is
> available from the ARRL Web site, http://www.arrl.org/fcc/forms.html .
>
> RACES stations may file modification or duplicate requests, but RACES
> licenses may not be renewed, and the FCC is no longer granting new RACES
> licenses.
>
> The FCC requires applicants to obtain and use an Assigned Taxpayer
> Identification Number--or ATIN--on their club station applications--although
> a club that already has registered with the FCC's Universal Licensing System
> may use its Licensee ID Number instead of its ATIN. If a club has its own
> IRS-issued Entity Identification Number, or EIN, that number also may be
> used instead.
>
> ==>A SAD END TO ROUND-THE-WORLD SOLO SAIL ATTEMPT
>
> An attempt by 76-year-old David Clark, KB6TAM, to become the oldest person
> to sail solo around the world came to a sad end this week when Clark's
> vessel, the Mollie Milar, sank two days after leaving Cape Town, South
> Africa. Clark was rescued, but his "constant companion" Mickey, a west
> highland terrier, was lost at sea during the rescue attempt. Clark was on
> the final leg of his journey.
>
> "David has been rescued by a container ship and is okay, although I have not
> been able to talk with him yet," said his wife Lynda, in an e-mail posting.
> "The ship is heading for East London, South Africa, and I am waiting for a
> phone call from him, hopefully tomorrow."
>
> David Clark's 44-foot sailboat went down the evening of February 7. Lynda
> Clark said that she got the news via ham radio. "According to the ham
> operator who contacted me, the boat sprang a leak and the pump could not
> cope," she said. "It was very heavy weather, so when he realized that the
> situation was hopeless he called for help and a passing container ship sent
> a lifeboat to pick him up, and he had Mickey with him."
>
> Lynda Clark said that the lifeboat capsized on the way back to the ship, and

> everyone ended up in the water. "It would have been pitch dark, and in all
> the trauma Mickey got lost. I'm sure David is heartbroken, as am I," she
> said. "All of you who have met Mickey along the way know what a special
> little guy he was."
>
> " 'So close, and yet so far away,' I guess the quote goes," she concluded.
> Lynda Clark said she would post additional information as soon as she hears
> from her husband.
>
> During his journey, which began in late 1999, Clark had been keeping in
> touch with his wife and family via ham radio, and he was a regular check-in
> on the Maritime Net on 20 meters. His vessel, which was named for his
> mother, also had satellite communication gear aboard.
>
> Clark had been hoping to return to Ft Lauderdale, Florida, in mid-May, in
> time for his 77th birthday.
>
> ==>SO-35 SATELLITE FAILURE BELIEVED PERMANENT
>
> SUNSAT SO-35 has ceased operation, and ground controllers at South Africa's
> Stellenbosch University, where the satellite was built, say SO-35 appears to
> be off-the-air for good. The satellite had served as a popular and easily
> accessible FM-mode repeater.
>
> "Unfortunately, little hope remains after two weeks of recovery attempts,"
> said Stellenbosch University's Johann Lochner, ZR1CBC, in a posting to the
> AMSAT bulletin board. "Thanks to all who shared in our fun. Your feedback
> and encouragement made most of it happen."
>
> A statement (http://sunsat.ee.sun.ac.za/news/20010201.html) from
> Stellenbosch University's Electronic Systems Laboratory said the last
> communication with SUNSAT was on January 19 at 1522 UTC. "We are certain,
> after having performed several tests since the last contact, that an
> irreversible, probably physical, failure has occurred on the satellite," the
> statement said. "It is therefore unlikely that we will have any further
> contact with SUNSAT, apart from the occasional visual sighting by
> telescope!"
>
> Built by Stellenbosch grad students, SO-35 was launched February 23, 1999,
> from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California aboard a Delta II rocket.
>
> Ground controllers say it's unlikely that battery failure was the cause of
> the shutdown. It's believed the failure resulted from multiple internal
> problems or possible collision with an external object resulting in major
> physical damage.
>
> The SUNSAT Web site is at http://sunsat.ee.sun.ac.za.
>
> ==>LF SIGNALS CROSSING THE POND, BUT NO QSO YET
>

> While efforts to complete a transatlantic LF QSO still have not been
> successful, things have been looking up lately in the nether reaches of the
> radio spectrum. Amateur Radio activity in the vicinity of 136 kHz has
> resulted in several recent "sightings" of signals from the UK here in North
> America. The first such signals were heard in the US in late January and
> early February. A report that the AMRAD WA2XTF 136-kHz beacon in Virginia
> had been heard in the UK turned out to be in error, however.
>
> The most recent report came February 6 from Sandy Sanders, WB5MMB, in
> Oakton, Virginia, who says he was able to copy Lawrence Mayhead, G3AQC, and
> "dashes" from Jim Moritz, M0BMU, in the vicinity of 136 kHz. Sanders'
> monitoring station is in a three-story office building.
>
> Such weak LF signals are not actually heard but seen. Reception of weak LF
> signals typically is done using spectrographic software. Signals are
> transmitted using dual-frequency CW--or DFCW
> (http://www.qsl.net/on7yd/136narro.htm)--or very slow-speed CW, also known
> as "QRSS." LF enthusiast Dexter McIntire, W4DEX, says that in DFCW the dot
> and dash elements are sent with the same duration in time being separated by
> frequency, making it easier to identify a signal from weak-carrier QRM.
>
> >From his QTH in coastal North Carolina, McIntire also has copied G3AQC on
> 136 kHz, possibly marking the first time an amateur LF signal from the UK
> has been heard and verified in the US. He also received M0BMU's LF
> transmissions for a possible distance record.
>
> "My best reception of M0BMU, Jim Moritz, occurred at 0100 UTC on the 31st of
> January," McIntire said. For LF reception, he ties together both legs of his
> 160-meter dipole and tuned the antenna for resonance with a small
> ferrite-core inductor. Moritz estimated his effective radiated power at 1 W.
>
>
> McIntire's reception of M0MBU might have set a new distance record. He
> calculated the distance at nearly 6394 km, and Moritz figured it at 6371
> km--apparently edging out what's believed to be the record of 6311 km set by
> VA3LK and IK1ODO.
>
> Mayhead said he'd been receiving "excellent signals" from John Currie,
> VE1ZJ, and Larry Kayser, VA3LK, so he decided to run his own series of
> beacon tests with the idea of encouraging stations in North America to
> listen.
>
> McIntire says that on January 27, he captured some of G3AQC's DFCW
> transmission--including the letter "Q"--and sent him a screen shot, which
> Mayhead confirmed as his. On a subsequent evening, W4DEX copied G3AQC's
> entire call sign.
>
> "I think that we can reasonably claim that these events constitute the first
> sighting of a UK station in the US," Mayhead concluded. He estimated that
> his setup generates an ERP of about 350 mW.

>
> For a while, it had been thought that an Amateur Radio Research and
> Development Corporation (AMRAD) WA2XTF experimental 136-kHz beacon in
> Vienna, Virginia, had been spotted in the UK. John Sexton, G4CNN, had
> reported copying the AMRAD experimental beacon on 136.750 kHz on February 5
> and 6, momentarily raising the excitement level at AMRAD. That turned out
> not to be the case. Sanders announced this week that it was determined the
> signal heard in the UK was about 5 Hz high and did not have a characteristic
> "chirp" that distinguishes the WA2XTF beacon.
>
> Like several other countries in Europe, the UK has an amateur band at 136
> kHz. Experimental amateur operations have been authorized in Canada; the
> AMRAD beacon in the US is licensed under the FCC's Part 5 experimental
> rules.
>
> In October 1998, the ARRL petitioned the FCC to create two amateur LF
> allocations at 135.7-137.8 kHz and 160-190 kHz. The FCC has not yet acted on
> the request.
>
> McIntire is among those who'd like to see a new LF band become reality. "I'm
> champing at the bit to transmit on 136 kHz!" he said.
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> ==>ARRL OFFERS NEW FIVE-YEAR MEMBERSHIP PLAN
>
> With a membership dues increase going into effect July 1, 2001, the ARRL is
> offering a special five-year membership plan until then, so members can lock
> in at the current, lower dues rates. Effective immediately, current or
> prospective ARRL members in the US and US possessions can obtain a five-year
> renewal or membership for $146 ($122 for those 65 or older)--a saving of $24
> ($18 for those 65 or older) from the cost of year-to-year renewal at current
> rates!
>
> Due to postal considerations, this offer cannot be extended to those living
> in other countries. The special five-year membership offer expires June 30,
> 2001, the last day the present dues schedule is in effect. After that,
> annual dues will increase to $39 for individuals ($34 for those 65 and
> older).
>
> Another option is to apply for an ARRL Life Membership for $850. Special
> discounts apply to senior and visually impaired applicants. A complete rate
> schedule and application form is available on ARRLWeb,
> http://www.arrl.org/join.html .
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> ==>SOLAR UPDATE
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> Helio honcho Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Average daily
> sunspot numbers were up almost 10 points, and solar flux was up about 1
> point for the past week, when compared to the previous week. This seems to
> be a period of quiet sun, and the trend is expected to continue. Projected
> average daily solar flux for the next 45 days is expected to be about 163.

> This is in line with current daily values.
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> Solar flux peaked at 170 on Tuesday, and is expected to drop over the next
> few days. Projected flux values for Friday through Monday, February 12 are
> 155 for Friday, and 150 for the next three days. Flux values are expected to
> meander between 155 and 165 until February 21-24, when they are expected to
> rise to 170 again. Another peak just above these values is expected around
> March 7, although it is really too early to tell.
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> Even with a quiet sun, there have been some unsettled geomagnetic
> conditions, but no real geomagnetic storms. February 6 was a bit unsettled,
> but the planetary K index only briefly reached 4. Planetary A index for the
> day was 11, which was also the mid- latitude A index. Projected planetary A
> index for the near term is mostly in the single digits. A forecast received
> today from the Solar Department of the Astronomical Institute in Ondrejov,
> Czech Republic shows quiet conditions on February 11, 14 and 15, and quiet
> to unsettled conditions on February 9, 10, 12 and 13.
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> Sunspot numbers for February 1 through 7 were 141, 109, 149, 164, 157, 161
> and 163 with a mean of 149.1. The 10.7 cm flux was 160.9, 166.3, 163.6, 164,
> 165.3, 170 and 164, with a mean of 164.9. The estimated planetary A indices
> were 7, 5, 2, 2, 3, 11 and 5 with a mean of 5.
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> ==>IN BRIEF:
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> * This weekend on the radio: The North American Sprint (CW), the YL-OM
> Contest (SSB), the Winter Fireside SSB Sprint, the WorldWide RTTY WPX
> Contest, the PACC Contest, and the FISTS CW Winter Sprint are the weekend of
> February 9-11. JUST AHEAD: The 15th annual School Club Roundup is February
> 12-16; the ARRL International DX Contest (CW) is the weekend of February
> 17-18. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ for
> more info.
>
> * ARRL Outgoing QSL Service announces revised rates: The ARRL Outgoing QSL
> Service has announced a new and simplified rate structure, effective March
> 1, 2001. The new basic rate will be $4 per one-half pound (8 ounces, or
> approximately 75 cards) or any portion of a half-pound, a change from the
> current rate of $6 per pound or any portion. DXers still may ship 10 cards
> for $1, but the 20 and 30-card rates are being discontinued. The new rate
> structure will help to cover basic handling costs for smaller packages while
> actually offering a price break to moderate-volume users submitting up to
> one-half pound of cards. Under the current rate schedule, a half-pound of
> cards would cost $6, but it will be $4 under the new schedule. The new rates
> are in response to the recent postal rate increase and price restructuring.
> The Outgoing QSL Service is available to ARRL members. The last rate
> increase was in January 1999. For information on using the ARRL Outgoing QSL
> Service, visit ARRLWeb, http://www.arrl.org/qsl/qslout.html.
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> * Atlantic Division Director Bernie Fuller, N3EFN, recovering: ARRL Atlantic
> Division Director Bernie Fuller, N3EFN, is said to be doing well following
> bypass surgery on February 2. All indications are that he should be able to
> return home this week. Well wishers may contact Bernie via his home address,
> 17668 Price Rd, Saegertown, PA 16433.--thanks to ARRL Atlantic Division Vice
> Director Bill Edgar, N3LLR
>
> * Call sign switcheroo: A Florida ARRL member has a new call sign he doesn't
> want because he erroneously checked off the wrong box while changing his
> address on-line via the FCC's Universal Licensing System. The amateur, who
> shall remain anonymous, sought ARRL assistance to correct what he thought
> was an FCC error. ARRL-VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, looked into the
> matter. As it turns out, the applicant apparently answered in the
> affirmative on Schedule D of Form 605 where it asks "Is this a request to
> change a station call sign systematically?" The FCC accordingly changed the
> call sign. Jahnke points out that applicants seeking to change their
> addresses in the FCC's database do not need to use Schedule D, and even if
> it were used, the correct answer would have been "no" unless the applicant
> wanted a new sequential, or systematic, call sign. Jahnke said the applicant
> could attempt to plead his case to the FCC, which often is reluctant to
> correct such errors by applicants. He also suggested that the applicant
> could recover his old call sign by applying for it under the vanity program
> as a former holder and paying the $14 fee. Late word is that the licensee is
> going the vanity route.
>
> * W9NN to observe 80 years as a ham: Bob Baird, W9NN, of Stevens Point,
> Wisconsin, has been a ham for 80 years and is one of the founding fathers of
> the Quarter Century Wireless Association. He also turns 95 on February.
> Friends will gather for a "dual-celebration" luncheon February 17, 2001 (11
> AM-1 PM, at the Stage Coach Inn at Mosinee; contact Wayne Johnson, K9MIF,
> k9mif@... for details). Bob Baird's work in founding the QCWA took
> place about 1921. He's a member of Chapter 174. A QCWA plaque presentation
> is on the program. Baird was engineering supervisor at Chicago's WGN radio
> for 36 years. He also was the founder of the W9DXCC. He continues to be
> active on CW and possibly other modes.--Badger State Smoke Signals
>
> * W1-QSL Bureau changes address: Effective immediately the address of the
> ARRRL W1 Incoming QSL Bureau has changed. The new address is: W1 Incoming
> QSL Bureau, YCCC, PO Box 7388, Milford, MA 01757-7388. Mail sent to the
> Springfield address will be forwarded for up to one year.
>
> * Bill Orr, W6SAI, family posts letter of thanks: The family of the late
> Bill Orr, W6SAI, has expressed its appreciation to those in the amateur
> community who wrote following Orr's death on January 24. "The entire Orr
> family wishes to express our deep gratitude for all of your kind condolences
> upon the death of our father William I. Orr, W6SAI. We have received e-mails
> from all over the world, and are proud that our father's legacy will live on
> through people like you, his treasured Amateur Radio family," the letter
> said in part. "It is of great comfort to us to know that you will miss him
> too. He was our hero and will be forever missed." The Orr family invited

> donations to The ARRL Foundation in his memory.--thanks to Bill Fizette,
> W2DGB
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> material. To change these selections--including delivery of The ARRL
> Letter--registered members should click on the "Member Data Page" link (in
> the Members Only box). Click on "Modify membership data," check or uncheck
> the appropriate boxes, and click on "Submit modification" to make selections
> effective. (NOTE: HQ staff members cannot change your e-mail delivery
> address. You must do this yourself via the Members Only Web Site.)
>
> The ARRL Letter also is available to all, free of charge, from these
> sources:
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> * ARRLWeb, http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/. (NOTE: The ARRL Letter will be
> posted each Friday when it is distributed via e-mail.
>
> * The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio

> Club: Send e-mail to majordomo@... (no subject needed). The body of the
> message should say "subscribe letter-list" to subscribe or "unsubscribe
> letter-list" to unsubscribe. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who
> receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)
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> _____
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> To leave letter-list, send mailto:majordomo@...
> with the BODY of the message containing:
>
> unsubscribe letter-list
>

119. QRM on HAM band

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-13 07:39:48 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 119 Message: 119

Hi !!!

here are few frequencies on which i found QRM :

QRM by cordless phones : 144.900 145.135 145.165 145.200 145.612

By Zee Alpha Marathi channel :
145.730 to 145.790

Unknown QRM on 145.680

i'd request you all to monitor the band whenever possible from yr QTH
and maintain a log of QRM found like Freq : Date & Time : Signal Report : Identification marks like name of the owner,
his LL no., location etc. of the Cordless phone user
(e.g. - 144.90 - 12FEB'2001 : 11.25pm - 5/9 - Azimbhai from Dahisar and the same signal was heard
by VU2UGJ at Andheri with a 5/9 report)

here is a small freeware program (189kb)
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files/VoxRecorder.zip
which allows recording sound from your Transceiver when an audio signal is present
(for this you need to give yr Transceiver's audio output to soundcard's LINE IN or MIC);

the main purpose this program is to avoid the recording of the silence.
and with help of this one can record only the QRM (in WAV format).

if you can record DTMF tones, those can be decoded with VU2IIA's help.

you can send yr feedback/log to me directly on my e-mail ID i.e. sandipadiwarekar@...

73s,
de VU2UGO

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MSN & Yahoo : sandipadiwarekar
ICQ # 36285628

Site Under Construction - http://qsy.to/vu2ugo

120. Ham radio coverage for Gujart Disaster by Indya.com

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-15 06:15:09 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 120 Message: 120

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

check out the article covered by Indya.com.

http://news.indya.com/apps/gx.cgi/ips?pagename=bluesky/news/articlenewr&aid=ZZZFTCW3KIC&cid=DEVON1PW2CC

121. Fw: response

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-16 02:56:46 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 121 Message: 121

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----- Original Message -----
From: Adolf B.Shepherd <adolfbs@...>
To: <vu2nlf@...>; <rkavadia@...>
Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2001 6:19 PM
Subject: Fw: response

> Hi Folks,
> CONGRATULATIONS> !!!! Job well done Hi!! Keep it up.
> Do pass this on to each and every one that did work.
>
> Adolf, VU2AF
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Bindu M. Rao <vu2ir@...>
> To: Adolf B. Shepherd <adolfbs@...>
> Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2001 8:10 PM
> Subject: response
>
>
> > Hello Adolf !
> > >
> > Last Sunday at the BARC monthly meeting,
> > we heard the "Report" from the boys just returned
> > from Gujarat. They had a lot of good things to say
> > about the Bombay group who went there.
> > Specially appreciated was the very quick response.
> > >
> > All the best & 73 de Bindu VU2IR
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122. Disaster report on Trishna site

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-16 03:04:36 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 122 Message: 122

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

Gujrat disaster communication support reported in TRISHNA site.

Special thanks to Major garewal.

http://communities.msn.co.uk/TRISHNAMILLENNIUMEXPEDITION&naventryid=123

73s
Nilesh

123. Disaster report on Trishna site

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-16 03:08:06 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 122 Message: 123

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

Gujrat disaster communication support reported in TRISHNA site.

Special thanks to Major garewal.

http://communities.msn.co.uk/TRISHNAMILLENNIUMEXPEDITION&naventryid=123

73s
Nilesh

124. Gujrrat disaster communication report on qrz.com

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-20 07:46:40 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 124 Message: 124

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

Gujrat disaster communication support reported on qrz.com

http://www.qrz.com/article.pl?sid=01/02/16/2148210&mode=thread

Special thanks to Colonel A.P.Singh (vu2apt)

73s
nlf

125. ham radio article in times of india

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-20 15:38:42 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 125 Message: 125

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

Ham Radio Article The Times of India.

http://www.timesofindia.com/190201/19colu2.htm

73s
vu2nlf

126. happy birrthday - vu2auu

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-20 15:40:54 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 126 Message: 126

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its founder member udayan desai [VU2AUU] a very happy birthday

127. happy birthday vu2lib

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-22 10:08:06 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 127 Message: 127

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its founder member madhu rajan [VU2LIB] a very happy birthday

128. ham radio classes needs volunteers.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-24 10:48:27 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 128 Message: 128

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

required volunteers for teaching section - II and Morse, any takers call nlf - 3866312.

129. volunteers for classes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-26 07:16:24 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 129 Message: 129

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

further to my mail for volunteers for teaching section - II and Morse. till date no one has volunteered. We shall wait for the response for few more days and then decide weather to continue with the classes or shut down.

73s
nlf

130. Fw: [Letter-List] The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 8

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-02-27 06:57:50 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 130 Message: 130

----- Original Message -----
From: <n1ist@...>
To: <letter-list@...>
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2001 7:40 PM
Subject: [Letter-List] The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 8

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==>LF-TO-LF TRANSATLANTIC AMATEUR CONTACT IS HISTORY

Amateur Radio history was made this month when amateurs in Canada and the UK completed what appears to be the first two-way transatlantic Amateur Radio exchange on 136 kHz. Larry Kayser, VA3LK, and Lawrence "Laurie" Mayhead, G3AQC, managed the LF feat using extremely slow CW that featured 90-second-long dits and 180-second-long dahs. The two-way contact took two weeks to complete.

"We are the first to do a two-way QSO on LF across the North Atlantic as far as I am concerned," Kayser said. "We are the ones who put the stakes in the ground; others will build on what we have done."

The VA3LK-G3AQC contact began February 5 and was completed February 19 with the reception and confirmation of VA3LK's report by G3AQC. Kayser said the participants agreed in advance to a "firewall" between them for the duration of the contact and that all QSO information was exchanged over the LF radio link.

Mayhead said it was clear from the outset that, because of the relatively short band openings, he and Kayser would have to spread the contact out over several days. "It was not easy," he said. "I stayed up late most nights--3 AM on one occasion--changed blown fuses in my transmitter six times, and reconfigured my receiver to include a narrow filter because of interference that was desensitizing it." Kayser says he once had to climb the tower supporting his wire antenna in total darkness.

The UK has authorized amateur operation on 136 kHz, with special authorization and strict limits on radiated power. While Canada has not yet authorized general Amateur Radio operation on 136 kHz, Kayser and a few other Canadian amateurs have received special authorization to experiment there.

Reception of weak LF signals typically is done using spectrographic software like ARGO or Spectran. Signals are transmitted using dual-frequency CW--or DFCW--or very slow-speed CW, also known as "QRSS." Using their particular brand of QRSS, Kayser calculated that it took nearly 70 minutes for him to send his call sign. "Certainly the information rate will improve," he said. "We did the best we could with what we had to work with over the last two weeks."

G3AQC and VA3LK were using a combination of commercial and surplus equipment at their respective stations. G3AQC estimated his effective radiated power at 350 mW, while VA3LK said he might have been at the 5 W ERP level.

In October 1998, the ARRL petitioned the FCC to create two amateur LF allocations at 135.7-137.8 kHz and 160-190 kHz. The FCC has not yet acted on the request.

==>WWV SURVEY PLANNED

The National Institute of Standards and Technology plans to survey users of WWV and WWVH later this year. The time and frequency-standard stations have been airing occasional announcements about the upcoming poll in order to start building a mailing list of survey recipients. The announcements state that NIST "is seeking information on how listeners use the broadcast services offered on the WWV broadcast," but the survey will not begin for at least several weeks.

WWV Station Manager John Lowe says the announcements are being broadcast now as a heads up and to encourage early mailing list signups. The survey itself will not be released until approved by the Office of Management and Budget,

Lowe said, and he doesn't expect that to happen until May, although it could be sooner. The survey period likely would extend through the summer, he said.

According to Lowe, the last WWV-WWVH user survey was done in 1985. "We just don't know who our user base is anymore," he said. Lowe confirmed that the data collected ultimately could be used to determine whether WWV and WWVH remain on the air--especially given the popularity of NIST's other outlets, including its Web-based time server that gets in excess of 3 million hits a day.

"If we get only two people who say they're using WWV, then we've got a problem," he said. Lowe added that he does not think WWV and WWV will be shut down, and he vowed to "fight for the radio stations," if it came down to that. "But the ultimate decision is not in my hands," he said. "We have to look at our budget and our users."

Lowe strongly encouraged WWV users to get on the mailing list and to send in a survey when the time comes. He suggested, however, that more weight will be given to survey responses from corporate and institutional users of the radio service as opposed to individual users.

To be added to the NIST WWV-WWVH survey mailing list, send your name and postal address to the NIST Radio Station WWV, 2000 E County Road 58, Ft Collins, CO 80524, or e-mail the information to nist.radio@....
Lowe urged WWV-WWVH users to hold their fire until the survey begins.

WWV in Ft Collins, Colorado, and WWVH on Kauai, Hawaii, broadcast continuous time and frequency information to millions of listeners worldwide. For more information, visit the NIST Web site, http://www.nist.gov.

==>CANADIAN YOUNGSTERS SPEAK WITH COMMANDER SHEPHERD ON ARISS QSO

A dozen youngsters at Merivale Public School in Ottawa, Ontario, this week became the first Canadian students to speak with Space Station Alpha Commander William "Shep" Shepherd, KD5GSL, operating from space as NA1SS. The successful Amateur Radio on the International Space Station--or ARISS--school contact February 22 likely will be the last for the Expedition 1 crew.

Amateur Radio coordinator Steve McFarlane, VE3TBD, worked in concert with his wife, Lori--a teacher at the school--to make the contact a reality. Lori McFarlane has been working with youngsters at the school for several weeks in anticipation of the ARISS QSO.

After a few unsuccessful calls, VE3TBD raised NA1SS on the ARISS backup frequency. Youngsters asked Shepherd about trash disposal and recycling aboard the ISS, procedures for dealing with a sick crew member, and what the crew does for exercise.

One fourth grader wondered why building a space station was necessary, given problems with pollution and poverty on Earth. Shepherd had a ready reply. "We live on a planet that's really kind of an island, and it's not going to

last forever," he said. Shepherd said he thinks humans probably will one day need to "go places other than Earth" and that the ISS made possible the research needed to do that.

Shepherd said the crew members all missed their families and friends but he said he gets to talk to his wife via Amateur Radio "every couple of days." He also said he has photos and videos of his family aboard. Responding to another student's question, Shepherd said the crew had exercise equipment aboard, and that exercising was considered essential.

Near the conclusion of the contact, the students on hand hollered "73, Commander Shepherd!" in unison. Looking on in addition to other students and teachers were TV and newspaper reporters. It had been hoped that Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien would be able to be on hand, but he was occupied with a visit by British Prime Minister Tony Blair.

The Merivale ARISS contact probably will be the last school QSO for the current crew of Shepherd, Yuri Gidzenko, and Sergei Krikalev, U5MIR. ARISS spokesman Will Marchant, KC6ROL, said he expects it will be sometime in late March--after the Expedition 2 crew arrives--before ARISS school contacts can resume.

For more information on the ARISS program, visit the ARISS Web site, http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov.

==>THREE ARRL SECTIONS TO GET NEW SECTION MANAGERS

Three ARRL sections will get new section managers, while incumbents were declared elected in six others. All new terms begin April 1.

The only contested race was in Kentucky, where challenger John D. Meyers, N4GNL, of Butler, outpolled incumbent SM William L. "Bill" Uschan, K4MIS, and another challenger, David W. Glass, WA4QAL. The final tally was 244 votes for Meyers, 236 for Uschan, and 137 for Glass. Ballots were counted February 20 at ARRL Headquarters.

In Arkansas, Bob Ideker, WB5VUH, of Little Rock ran unopposed and was declared elected to succeed Roger Gray, N5QS. Gray decided not to seek another term. In North Texas, Larry Melby, KA5TXL, of Dallas--appointed to take over the reins from Donald Mathis, KB5YAM, on March 1--ran unopposed and was declared elected to a full term in his own right.

Incumbent section managers were re-elected without opposition in six other ARRL sections. They include Cliff Hauser, KD6XH, Arizona; Jim Lasley, N0JL, Iowa; Randy "Max" Wendel, KM0D, Minnesota; Malcolm Keown, W5XX, Mississippi; Joe H. Brown, W6UBQ, Orange, and Robert Williams, N7LKH, Wyoming. Wendel agreed to run again last year when no other candidates came forward, and he has remained in office in the interim. As a result, his term will run through September of next year.

In Montana, a resolicitation for candidates will be announced in April QST. Incumbent Darrell Thomas, N7KOR, will remain in office at least through September.

==>MAINE LAWMAKERS KILL MOBILE HAND-HELD DEVICES BILL

A Maine legislative committee has killed a bill that would have made it illegal to use hand-held electronic devices such as cellphones and two-way radios while driving. ARRL State Government Liaison Zane Keeler, AA1WV, reports the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation on February 21 reported out an ought-not-to-pass recommendation for LD 95.

The bill would have restricted the use of hand-held cellular telephones as well as "computers, Citizens Band radios, dictaphones, microphones and other electronic devices" not essential to the operation of a vehicle on Maine's highways.

The same legislative panel also turned away a similar, but less restrictive bill, LD 102. Both bills would have permitted the use of hands-free accessories for cellular telephones used on the road.

The committee's vote on both bills was 7-1. Keeler said both bills are dead for the current session. Those opposing the bill included several Maine Amateur Radio operators, cellular telephone providers, emergency medical service providers, and the American Automobile Association. The state Highway Safety Bureau took "a neutral position" on the measures.

Several hams, including Maine Section Manager Bill Woodhead, N1KAT, were on hand February 12 for a public hearing before the legislature's Transportation Committee. Keeler said a half-dozen Maine hams showed up for the February 21 legislative workshop.

In Maryland, a bill to ban the use of hand-held cellular telephones while driving was killed February 15 by a House of Delegates committee on a 14-7 vote. Several other states are considering similar measures. While no states have banned cellular telephone use altogether, California, Florida and Massachusetts impose some restrictions on their use. Nearly 40 states have considered such legislation since 1995. Five municipalities require drivers to use hands-free technology within their borders.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Heliophile Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: The sun continues to be quiet, and this really looks like a significant decline in activity. Average daily sunspot numbers for the first and second weeks of this month were 149.1 and 143.7, and it was 124.1 for this past week. The average solar flux for each of those same weeks also declined. It was 164.9, 150.7 and 136.1.

Solar flux last Friday was 129.6. Flux values have not been this low since May 6, 2000, when the flux was 126.8, and on January 29, 2000 when it was 127.7. If the peak in the cycle was in mid-2000, then these numbers possibly were on the other side of the cycle peak.

The forecast for the next few days shows solar flux values of 150 for Friday and Saturday and 145 for Sunday and Monday. Planetary A index is predicted to be a very quiet five on all of those days. Solar flux is expected to dip again to around 135 on the last day of this month--next Wednesday--then rise

to around 165 for the first week of March.

We are about a month away from the spring equinox, when some of the best seasonal HF conditions prevail. Look for 20-meter openings later into the evening. Ten meters will probably be good for only another two months or so, so now through the equinox is probably the best time to work that band.

Sunspot numbers for February 15 through 21 were 113, 133, 95, 143, 147, 119 and 119 with a mean of 124.1. The 10.7-cm flux was 135.1, 129.6, 129.8, 132, 137, 145.5 and 143.6, with a mean of 136.1. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 3, 3, 4, 6, 8 and 6 with a mean of 5.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The CQ WW 160-Meter SSB Contest, the REF French Contest (SSB), the UBA Contest (CW), the RSGB 7 MHz Contest, the CQC Winter QRP QSO Party, and the North Carolina QSO Party are the weekend of February 23-25. JUST AHEAD: the ARRL International DX Contest (SSB) is March 3-4 (see December 2000 QST, page 110 for rules). See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ for more info.

* Clarification: A story in The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 7, FCC Queries Wireless 'Net Provider About Interference To Hams, quoted an FCC enforcement letter to the effect that Darwin Networks' Part 15 devices "apparently were installed in the apartment complex to provide Internet service using wireless 2.4 GHz nodes by Cisco Systems Inc." FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth said his inquiry letter was not intended to suggest any defective operation on the part of the Cisco Systems nodes. "This inquiry was directed at Darwin Networks," he said. "The mention of the node manufacturer was incidental to the inquiry and was never intended to suggest that Cisco Systems equipment was faulty or that the company is part of this FCC inquiry."

* RTTY signal in AM window being investigated: In its periodic report to the FCC Notifications Branch, The ARRL Monitoring System has asked the FCC to help identify the source of a RTTY transmission near 3.885 MHz, the 75-meter AM calling frequency. "We received numerous reports of this signal from AM enthusiasts on February 22," said Monitoring System Administrator Brennan Price, N4QX. "We have asked the FCC HF Direction Finding Facility in Maryland to determine the origin of the signal." Price said this was the first step in resolving the situation, but he notes that the signal may not be illegal. "US hams are fortunate to have access to 3800 to 4000 kHz," he said. "In many countries, this segment is used by a variety of fixed, mobile, and broadcasting services." He said that if the RTTY transmission is not coming from the US, it may be legal in its country of origin. "In that case, any resolution will have to be achieved through negotiation rather than through enforcement," he said.

* ARRL Emergency Communications on-line course again fills up fast: The ARRL course, Introduction to Emergency Communications, was fully subscribed

within 72 hours of the opening announcement earlier this week. A ham in Italy has been added to the growing list of foreign students "attending" this on-line course. Plans call for offering a new course every four weeks, and a "live" classroom version of the course is now in beta testing. For more information on this on-line course, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education page, http://www.arrl.org/cce .

* ARRL seeks RFI/EMC specialist: The ARRL Laboratory has a job opening for an RFI/EMC specialist. The successful candidate will work at ARRL Headquarters in Newington, Connecticut, on a variety of technical projects and programs relating to radio frequency interference and its effect on the Amateur Radio service. An Amateur Radio license and experience is required for this position. This job is a unique opportunity to work with ARRL members, the FCC, industry groups and standards organizations to make a real difference in this critical area for Amateur Radio. Some additional duties of this position are: Work with amateurs to find solutions to RFI problems; maintain and improve ARRL's RFI information; write articles, book material and papers about RFI; and develop and maintain a database for tracking and documenting RFI problems. The ideal candidate will have one or more of the following qualifications or experience: Experience in EMC engineering at the design, system or field level EMC testing or field measurements; RFI troubleshooting and debugging; authoring published papers, articles or reports related to EMC; experience with industry committees and/or standards organizations; BSEE or equivalent degree or experience. To be considered for this position, send a resume and salary expectations to Bob Boucher, Personnel Manager, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. Resumes can be accepted by e-mail at rboucher@.... No telephone calls, please. ARRL is an equal opportunity employer. For information on other ARRL openings, visit the "Employment at ARRL" page, http://www.arrl.org/annnounce/jobs.

* China team to compete in first USA ARDF Championships: The Chinese Radio Sports Association has announced that it plans to send a team to the first USA ARDF Championships to be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, July 31 through August 4. The USA ARDF Championships invite all ARDF enthusiasts, at any skill level, from any country. ARRL ARDF Coordinator Joe Moell, K0OV, says registration is now open, and a 10% discount is offered to those who register before March 1. For more information on the event, sponsored by the Albuquerque Amateur Radio Club, visit http://groups.yahoo.com/group/abqardf/files/web/index.html . For more information on Amateur Radio Direction Finding, visit Moell's ARDF Web site, http://www.homingin.com .--Joe Moell K0OV USA ARDF Coordinator

* D68C DXpedition at 126,000 Qs and counting: The D68C DXpedition to Comoros reports logging more than 4650 QSOs in the recent ARRL International DX Contest (CW), probably topping the current the Africa multi-two record by a significant margin. D68C has been active on 30, 17 and 12 meters as well as on 14 and 28 MHz RTTY and PSK31. The D68C will not do any satellite operation, as originally planned. The team reports occasional high noise levels on the lower bands. "We are working all we can hear. Sometimes it is really hard to hear anything at all with all the static," said John Linford, G3WGV. As of February 20, the team had 126,000 QSOs in the log, and Linford

said he anticipates when all is said and done, the D68C operation will hold several new records, including total number of QSOs.--John Linford, G3WGV

* Jack R. Carter, KC6WYX, SK: Jack Carter, KC6WYX, of Rancho Palos Verdes, California, died February 20. He was 71. An ARRL member, Carter served as executive officer of the World War II Tank Landing Ship LST-325, which recently completed a 4200-mile journey from the Greek island of Crete to Mobile, Alabama, and gained extensive news coverage en route. Carter had ham radio gear aboard and used the WW2LST call sign of the USS LST Amateur Radio Club while under way. According to a report in Stars and Stripes, 29 sailors--men in their 60s, 70s and older--signed on to deliver the ship to a permanent berth to be used as a floating museum. Most of the sailors were US Navy retirees. Carter, an electrical engineer, was past president of the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club. For details of Carter's "voyage of a lifetime," photos of the voyage, and information on the PVARC, visit the club's Web site, http://palosverdes.com/pvarc/index.htm .

* New chair appointed for NTS Eastern Area staff: Marcia Forde, KW1U, has been appointed as chair of the Eastern Area Staff of the ARRL National Traffic System. From Edgartown, Massachusetts, Forde was nominated by fellow Eastern Area staff members for the two-year term. She continues as Transcontinental Corps director for Cycle 2, a position that she has held since 1984. A member of the ARRL for 19 years she also holds Official Relay Station and Official Emergency Station appointments in the League's field organization.

* QCWA honors Bob Baird, W9NN: Some 30 hams and friends gathered February 17 in Mosinee, Wisconsin, to honor and recognize a ham of 80 years, Bob Baird, W9NN. Baird, who turned 95 February 18, was one of the founding fathers of the Quarter Century Wireless Association in 1947. He also founded the W9DXCC gathering, which attracts hundreds of hams, DXers and DX each year. In his younger years, Baird was an engineer for WGN Radio, Chicago. He still frequents HF CW.--Badger State Smoke Signals

* Vote on QST Cover Plaque Award: The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for January was Murray Greenman, ZL1BPU, for his article "MFSK for the New Millennium." The winner of the February award was Larry Scheff, W4QEJ, for his article "How to Maximize Your Receiver's Effective Selectivity" (Part 1). Congratulations, Murray and Larry! ARRL members are reminded that the winner of the QST Cover Plaque award--given to the author(s) of the best article in each issue--is determined by a vote of ARRL members. Voting takes place each month on the ARRL Members Only Web site at http://www.arrl.org/members-only/qstvote.html. As soon as your copy arrives, cast a ballot for your choice as the favorite article in the March issue of QST. Voting ends March 15.

* World Amateur Radio Day set for April 18: The Administrative Council of the International Amateur Radio Union has selected the theme "Providing Disaster Communications: Amateur Radio in the 21st Century" for World Amateur Radio Day, April 18, 2001. IARU has been the watchdog and spokesman for the world Amateur Radio community since its founding in Paris, France,

in 1925. Hiram Percy Maxim, 1AW, was its first president. In a related item, the International Telecommunication Union has approved publication of the Disaster Communications Handbook for Developing Countries. The role of the Amateur Radio service in disaster communications is one of the main points of the Handbook. IARU is the principal contributor to the Handbook. This event will coincide with the 76th anniversary of the founding of the IARU.--Fred Johnson ZL2AMJ/IARU Region 3

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==>AMATEUR RADIO MOUNTS QUICK QUAKE RESPONSE

Hams responded within minutes after an earthquake hit the Seattle area the morning of February 28. The epicenter was some 35 miles southwest of Seattle, but the quake was felt as far away as Salt Lake City. Washington Gov Gary Locke declared a state of emergency for western Washington.

As of week's end, Amateur Radio had scaled back its response as power and telephone service returned to the stricken region. Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) and Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) teams in the quake zone were mobilized within minutes of the event. The Salvation

Army Team Emergency Radio Network (SATERN) and the Military Affiliate Radio System (MARS) also activated.

Residents in the affected region now are picking up the pieces. Damage estimates could top $2 billion. Upwards of 350 injuries--a few of them serious enough to require hospitalization--were reported, but no deaths were directly attributed to the earthquake.

ARRL Western Washington Section Manager Harry Lewis, W7JWJ, reported that very soon after the quake struck, State RACES Officer Jim Sutton, WA7PHD, was on the air, handling net control duties for the Washington State Emergency Net on 75 meters from the State Emergency Operations Center at Camp Murray. Western Washington Section Nets also activated on HF SSB, and in the Seattle area, ARES volunteers had mounted an emergency repeater net with King County EC Rich Hodges, KB7TBF, and Lt. Russ Reed, N7NOV, of the US Coast Guard sharing NCS chores. Several other county ARES nets took to the air.

Amateur Radio operators also set up a temporary 2-meter net to assist the Red Cross with damage assessment. An unconfirmed report says one ham used an ATV link from a helicopter to the State EOC--where Gov Locke was on hand--to survey the damage below.

While Eastern Washington was not as badly affected, Spokane County ARES/RACES activated to assist. Because the Spokane County Department of Emergency Management had trouble maintaining contact with the State EOC at Camp Murray, an auxiliary cross-state link was established via the Washington Emergency Net. "This HF link was maintained by Spokane County's off-site Official Emergency Stations, communicating with operators at the County EOC by 2 meters," said Spokane County EC Nathan Jeffries, KI7QT, who said the action drew later praise from a County emergency official.

Eastern Washington SM Kyle Pugh, KA7CSP, said "a loose information net" also fired up on 40 meters to handle general inquiries and health-and-welfare traffic.

The Alaska Pacific Emergency Preparedness Net also took the airwaves on 20 meters (14.292 MHz). "The net was opened within minutes of the quake, and hundreds of messages were passed," said Bob Baker, NL7UH, in Anchorage, Alaska. Baker praised net participants for their "very highly professional manner. The net was formed after the 1964 Alaska earthquake, and it includes several net control stations in Alaska and in the "Lower 48."

The SATERN Net activated for about six hours on 20 meters (14.265 MHz), processing health-and-welfare information requests and handing out situation reports from Washington and Oregon amateur stations. "Scores of stations over the nation assisted in relay," said National SATERN Director Pat McPherson, WW9E. SATERN's Web site, www.go.to/satern , remains available for inquiries.

Lewis said he was "deeply impressed" by the speedy amateur response.

==>A GLIMMER OF GOOD NEWS FOR AO-40

AMSAT reports that the sun began triggering AO-40's sun sensor as the satellite emerged from Earth's shadow on orbit 147. The news has boosted ground controllers' optimism that they might be able to regain control over the satellite's spin rate and attitude sooner than had been predicted.

AMSAT-DL's Peter Guelzow, DB2OS, said this week that as soon as the sensor unit delivers good sun sensor data, controllers will be able to reduce AO-40's spin and make it easier to adjust attitude. "This also will lead to an improvement in reception of the S-Band telemetry," he said.

For the past few weeks, the AO-40 has remained in what AMSAT called "a semi-hibernation state," because the satellite's high angle has prevented the sensor from seeing the sun's light. Controllers had planned to work around the sun sensor issue by using a software routine.

Once ground controllers can get accurate AO-40 attitude data, they should be able to correctly aim AO-40's high-gain antennas for optimal reception on Earth. Ground controllers have been relying on telemetry from AO-40's S-band (2.4 GHz) downlink--the only transmitter now operating--but they are holding out hope that at least some of the satellite's other transmitters still function. Since the satellite went silent for about two weeks in December, ground controllers have had no luck hearing the 2-meter, 70-cm or 1.2 GHz transmitters using AO-40's omnidirectional antennas.

The next major step will be to bring AO-40 into an orientation where ground controllers can fire the onboard arc-jet thruster--using only gaseous ammonia and no electrical power. The test firing will allow checking out the guidance electronics and the arc-jet valves. Guelzow said the thrust of the test will be enough to lift the satellite's perigee by about 100 km.

Guelzow said plans call for optimizing the current orbit with a live arc-jet firing. He said that several independent analyses--including one done by the French space agency, CNES--confirm that the current orbit will be stable for many years--longer than the spacecraft's anticipated lifetime.

For more information, visit the AMSAT-NA Web site, http://www.amsat.org.

==>FCC LAUNCHES REVIEW OF LA AREA REPEATER

The FCC has launched a review into the operation of the W6NUT repeater in the Los Angeles area. The repeater, which has attracted a following of what some observers call "nontraditional" amateur users, also was said to have been radio home of Richard Burton, ex-WB6JAC, sentenced earlier this year to prison for unlicensed operation.

"We've gotten more complaints about that repeater than any other repeater in the country, FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth said of the W6NUT machine, which operates on 147.435 MHz. "If there's a control operator, we sure haven't seen any evidence of it."

Hollingsworth wrote the repeater's trustee, Kathryn Tucker, AA6TK, and two W6NUT users regarding lengthy broadcasts made over the repeater in early

February. Hollingsworth told Tucker that the FCC has received complaints that control operators and the repeater licensee "fail to address long periods of jamming by users, broadcasting, music playing as well as a plethora of other violations."

He cited one transmission of more than two hours on the evening of February 1-2 that included music and commentaries on many of the songs. A similar lengthy broadcast aired over W6NUT a few evenings later, he said. Both transmissions repeatedly timed out the repeater, Hollingsworth said, and there was no evidence that a control operator was present at any time.

In separate letters to Technician licensees Ted R. Sorensen III, KC6PQW, and Gregory S. Cook, KC6USO, Hollingsworth cited monitoring information alleging that Sorenson actually transmitted both broadcasts. On the first occasion, on February 1-2, Sorenson is said to have acted in concert with Cook, who was hooked in via phone patch. The second similar transmission February 4-5 was said to have featured only Cook, again via phone patch to Sorenson's transmitter, Hollingsworth said.

Citing Sec 308(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, Hollingsworth requested that all three licensees respond to the allegations within 20 days. In addition, Hollingsworth asked Tucker to furnish specific details about the W6NUT repeater system, including names of control operators on duty on the two evenings in question.

Cook's license is due to expire May 7, 2001. Hollingsworth advised Cook that his renewal application would "not be routinely granted unless these issues are resolved" and that his renewal application could wind up being designated for hearing.

==>SPACE STATION SHIFT CHANGE SET WITH NEXT SHUTTLE LAUNCH

It's almost time for a shift change aboard the International Space Station, and two hams are among the new crew members. Relieving the current ISS crew will be the Expedition 2 team of Commander Yuri Usachev, UA9AD/R3MIR, of Russia and US astronauts Susan Helms, KC7NHZ, and Jim Voss. The Expedition 2 crew is scheduled to head into space March 8 aboard the space shuttle Discovery. The Expedition 1 crew has spent more than four months in orbit.

The Space Station Alpha crew is staying in space a couple of weeks longer than planned because of a tight shuttle launch schedule and necessary refitting on the Discovery. Expedition 1 Commander William "Shep" Shepherd, KD5GSL, and Russian cosmonauts Yuri Gidzenko and Sergei Krikalev, U5MIR, arrived at the station November 2. During their stay, Shepherd has spoken via ham radio with students at several schools as part of the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station--or ARISS--program.

In addition to ferrying the Expedition 2 crew, Discovery will have in tow an Italian-made cargo carrier that's filled with laboratory experiments and equipment. At the end of its almost 12-day flight, Discovery will transport Shepherd, Gidzenko and Krikalev back to Earth. Discovery is planned to land March 20 at NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

Commanding Discovery will be Jim Wetherbee. Jim Kelly, KC5ZSW, will be the shuttle's pilot, and Andy Thomas, KD5CHF--a Mir veteran--and Paul Richards, KC5ZSZ, will serve as mission specialists. No Amateur Radio activity from the shuttle is scheduled.

==>LEAGUE SEEKS GREATER FLEXIBILITY AT 219-220 MHz

The ARRL is urging the FCC to retain the 219-220 MHz shared Amateur Radio allocation and says it wants the Commission to make it a bit easier for hams to use the segment. In comments filed February 6 in an FCC rulemaking proceeding, the ARRL said it believes the 219-220 MHz band "must be maintained and enhanced."

The League commented in PR Docket 92-257, released last November. The Third Further Notice in that proceeding proposed to designate licensing regions for the Automated Maritime Telecommunications System (AMTS) facilities at 216-220 MHz and to authorize a single licensee for each unassigned AMTS frequency block on a geographic basis. The current AMTS system uses a site-based licensing structure.

Current rules require that amateurs planning to operate within 80 km (50 miles) of an AMTS facility get written permission from the AMTS licensee, but getting that consent has been difficult to impossible for hams in coastal areas. "The Commission's intended flexibility in amateur station operation at 219-220 MHz has not, in general, been realized," the League commented.

The ARRL suggested letting amateurs seeking to use 219-220 MHz submit computer-generated field strength contours that demonstrate a lack of interference potential at the relevant AMTS boundaries in lieu of having to get written permission.

"It is ARRL's intention that the Amateur Service be provided a practical opportunity to make substantial, flexible use on a secondary basis of the 219-220 MHz allocation, taking into account expanded development of AMTS stations," the League said. The FCC should "provide some flexibility in the engineering of amateur systems in that band, to the extent consistent with avoidance of interference to AMTS stations."

The 219-220 MHz amateur segment was created in 1995 as a result of an ARRL petition for rulemaking. The FCC has designated the band on a secondary basis for amateur fixed point-to-point digital message forwarding systems.

While the ARRL said it's unaware of any amateur interference to AMTS stations, attempts by hams to use the band to construct digital backbone systems "have been largely thwarted to date" because on the inability to get consent from AMTS licensees within 50 miles of the proposed operation, as rules now require.

A copy of the ARRL's comments is available at www.arrl.org/announce/regulatory/pr92-257/.

==>HIKING HAMS CLAIM PEDESTRIAN MOBILE DISTANCE RECORD

Bonnie Crystal, KQ6XA, of San Mateo, California, and Max Pompe, ZL1BK, of Auckland, New Zealand, are claiming the record for the longest direct-path, pedestrian-to-pedestrian Amateur Radio contact. The two worked each other February 18 on 10 meters using compact SSB transceivers and homemade antennas.

On the New Zealand end, ZL1BK used a 1.8-meter (5 feet 11 inches) homebrew telescopic whip mounted on his Yaesu FT-817 running 5 W. Crystal had a 6-meter (19 feet 8 inches) fishing pole strapped to an aluminum pack frame and ran 20 W using a Vertex/Standard VX-1200 HF Manpack transceiver, a radio that's not marketed in the US. "Both of us used 3-meter insulated-wire dragging counterpoises," said Crystal.

The 6500-mile contact began on 15 meters but ended on 10, because conditions were better there for that path. "Other stations in the HFpack group here in the US had been trying to make a go of it, but we just lucked out," Crystal said.

For his part, ZL1BK said, "I still can hardly believe we did it, but the Pacific gods smiles on us as we rode the airwaves today."

The HFpack Web site has more information at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/hfpack/ . More information on Bonnie Crystal, KQ6XA, is available on her Web site, http://www.qsl.net/kq6xa/.

==>CALL BOOK COLLECTION DONATED TO ARRL HEADQUARTERS

Amateurs are known to be collectors, but Al Hall, W9IVA, who became a Silent Key last year at the age of 93, was the collector's collector! Not only did he collect radio gear but also Call Books dating back to the 1940s and other call sign directories going back even further. Now, his collection has been donated to ARRL Headquarters by the ham who inherited it.

A longtime resident of Madison, Wisconsin, and an ARRL member at the time of his death, Hall left his Call Book collection to Jim Green, KG9MM, who donated and shipped the entire collection to ARRL Headquarters last month. The volumes will augment the League's Call Book and call sign directory collection, and some of the books will replace directories that have deteriorated with age or become dog-eared through use.

Green said Hall--who first used the call of 9BOX at the age of 12 around 1920--"still had his first rig, his last rig, and according to him, every rig in between." Hall's equipment now is on display in a private museum in Madison, Wisconsin, he said.

The Hall Call Book collection now is archived in the Field and Educational Services offices at League Headquarters. ARRL Regulatory Information Specialist John Hennessee, N1KB, maintains the small, but expanded, library. He says the League now has 165 call sign directories in its archive, including a complete Call Book collection from the late 1940s. Some gaps remain between 1932 and 1955, however.

Hennessee said the ARRL invites donations of needed Call Books to the ARRL collection. Contact Hennessee at 860-594-0236 or by e-mail at n1kb@....

He asks that donors not ship books but check with him first to ensure that a particular edition is needed.

In addition to its historical significance, the collection of directories also is in demand for research purposes.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Sun watcher Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Greetings from Seattle, where we just lived through an exciting earthquake on Wednesday. No damage at K7VVV, but it has had everyone a bit rattled.

Average sunspot numbers were lower last week, but average solar flux was about the same, when compared to the previous week. Sunspot numbers were down to 88 on Wednesday, the lowest since January 17. Average daily solar flux for the months of December, January and February were 173.6, 166.6 and 147.2, indicating a decline in activity. Average sunspots over the same period were 146, 143 and 131.

The next short term peak in activity is expected around March 8, with a solar flux of 155. Predicted flux values for the next few days, Friday through Monday, are 135, 140, 145 and 150. Moderate geomagnetic conditions are expected for the ARRL International DX Phone Contest this weekend, with planetary A index of 12 on Saturday and 10 on Sunday. This estimate is based on the 80 percent chance that a full halo coronal mass ejection Thursday will not have a large effect on Earth.

We are moving toward spring conditions, which means better DX openings between the northern and southern hemispheres. Watch for the upper HF spectrum to open toward the east and south early in the day, then peak north and south in mid day, and then toward the west and south toward the evening.

Sunspot numbers for February 22 through 28 were 135, 135, 99, 111, 91, 90 and 88 with a mean of 107. The 10.7-cm flux was 145.8, 145.2, 137.3, 134.9, 135.4, 130.6 and 131.8, with a mean of 137.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 6, 11, 5, 3, 10, 13 and 7 with a mean of 7.9.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL International DX Contest (SSB) is March 3-4 (see December 2000 QST, page 110 for rules). JUST AHEAD: The North American Sprint (RTTY) and the Wisconsin QSO Party are the weekend of March 9-11. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ for more info.

* ARRL seeks articles for Antenna Compendium: ARRL is looking for original, unpublished articles for the next volume of the extremely popular book series The ARRL Antenna Compendium. Articles should be about antennas, propagation, transmission lines, antenna tuners, towers--anything dealing with antennas! Submit articles to Dean Straw, N6BV, c/o ARRL HQ, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.

* ARRL DXCC Desk approves ST0P operation for credit: Last summer's ST0P DXpedition by Jeff Hambleton, G4KIB/5B4YY/KF9BI, in Khartoum, Sudan, has been approved for DXCC credit. The DXCC Desk has reviewed and accepted ST0P documentation, and stations now can now receive DXCC credit for ST0P. Rejected ST0P submittals can be updated without having to re-submit a QSL by contacting the DXCC Desk, dxcc@.... QSL information for ST0P is on the Web at http://www.qsl.net/st0p.

* Tristani poised to exit FCC: FCC member Gloria Tristani reportedly will join three present and former colleagues in exiting the Commission. According to Dow Jones Newswires, Tristani will leave the FCC by the end of the year, possibly to pursue elective office in her home state of New Mexico. Nominated to the Commission by President Clinton, Tristani joined the FCC in 1997. Her term expires June 30, 2003. Tristani, a Democrat, joins former FCC Chairman William Kennard--who left the FCC January 19 and was replaced by Commissioner Michael Powell--and commissioners Harold Furchtgott-Roth, a Republican, and Susan Ness, a Democrat, who plan to leave but remain on the FCC for now.

* Taroh Yagi, JH1WIX, SK: Well-known JA DXer and Amateur Radio pioneer Taroh Yagi, JH1WIX (ex-J1DO, J2GX) died January 29. He was 93. First licensed in 1924, Yagi, often was the first JA contact for many new hams. Among the founding members of the original JARL, founded in 1926, Yagi in his later years made most of his contacts on CW and spent a lot of time on the 15-meter Novice band handing out JA to newcomers. Bill Acito, W1PA, remembers when he first worked JH1WIX. "I was 15, with an NC300 receiver and a Heath DX-60 transmitter, and tried patiently to work him over several nights," he wrote. "When I finally did, I think I was more excited than when I made my first QSO." ARRL Membership Services Manager Wayne Mills, N7NG, said he remembered Yagi very well, but for a different reason. "For some reason he remembered my name--"Wyne"--many, many times when I worked him in a contest. He never forgot, and he misspelled my name each time. I will miss him." Yagi has belonged to ARRL, JARL, QCWA, FOC and the Tokyo Old Timers Club.--thanks to Bernie McClenny, W3UR; Bill Acito, W1PA

* Jack Carter, KC6WYX, SK, to be buried at sea: A memorial service for Jack Carter, KC6WYX, was held March 1 and burial was expected to be at sea from a US Navy vessel. Carter died February 20. He was the executive officer of the World War II Tank Landing Ship LST-325, which recently completed a 4200-mile journey from the Greek island of Crete to Mobile, Alabama, where it will become a museum. Carter had ham radio gear aboard and used the WW2LST call sign of the USS LST Amateur Radio Club while under way. The family invites memorial donations to the American Cancer Society. The Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club has assumed QSL responsibility for contacts Jack Carter made during his WW2LST/MM voyage.--Herb Clarkson, KM6DD/PVARC

* QRP EME QSO reported: A posting on the EME reflector reports that Ernie Manly, W7LHL, and Larry Liljequist, W7SZ, both in Washington, successfully completed an Earth-Moon-Earth (moonbounce) contact February 25 while running 5 W on 1296 MHz. "This was using the PUA43 mode with their DSP-10 transceivers and transverters," said Bob Larkin, W7PUA. This marked their first attempt at using the 5-W level for a QSO. The DSP-10 was a QST

construction project by Larkin that appeared in three parts in the September, October and November 1999 issues of QST. The antennas for the QRP contact consisted of 10 and 12-foot TVRO-type dishes. Details are available at Larkin's Web site, http://www.proaxis.com/~boblark/dsp10.htm .

* New BVI QSL Bureau address: The British Virgin Islands has a new QSL Bureau address effective immediately. It's BVI QSL Bureau, PO Box 4, West End, British Virgin Islands.

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133. help..!!! save VHF band.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-05 12:18:04 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 133 Message: 133

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

You all must be aware that lately we are experiencing lot of QRM on VHF frequencies. It is due to illegal use of some chinese made long range cordless telephones.

M.A.R.S have officially complaint to W.P.C vide our letter dated 17/01/2001, In response the W.P.C instructed our monitering station at Gorai to take necessary action.

We have also been it constant touch with the monitering station and pressuring them to take action. They have sent their mobile van to search and locate these illegal user, but so far nothing concrete has materialize out of our efforts. We have requested the montering station to give a press release to this effect, which may crub the illegal usage. but still they have not taken the matter seriously.

If this continues then we are sure to loose our VHF band without any doubts. We must take action or there will be no VHF activity.

I therefore appeal to all the members to call the monitering station on telephones numbers 805 6244 / 801 1626 and give your callsign and complaint aleast twice every day for few days, so that they have no choice but to take immediate action.

Mark my words we if don't take action now , we will definately loose our VHF band, Don't say I didn't warn you guys. I am doing my best to change this , question is are you doing anything about it ??

73s
NLF.

134. happy birthday - VU2RIO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-07 05:57:16 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 134 Message: 134

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its founder member Pankaj Pasad [VU2RIO] a very happy birthday

135. Founder Members Meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-08 04:06:49 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 135 Message: 135

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

In order to obtain the call sign for the Society, some paper needs to be signed by all the founder members of the Society.

Hence all founder members are requested to kindly attend the Sunday Society meeting and we can complete the formalities at the same time.

73s
NLF

136. monthly meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-08 04:57:56 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 136 Message: 136

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

The monthly meeting for March 2001 will be held at Shishu Vihar School, Dadar(E) on Sunday 11th March 2001 at 10:00 hours.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows :-

1. Callsign for the Society. (Please bring suggestions after refering the call book)
2. Callsign for the Repeater.(Please bring suggestions after refering the call book)
3. Progress report of the Ham Radio Classes.
4. Import of Bulk H.F sets.
5. Nomination forms for the 2nd Managing Committee.
6. anything else with the permission of the chairperson.

Kindly note that this will be the last meeting conducted for this accounting year and probably
the last meeting conducted by the present Managing Committee. So please ensure to attend.

Tea/Coffee and snacks will be served as usual.

Please also note that the Annual General Meeting, Elections for the 2nd Managing Committee and the Annual Dinner of the Society will be held on 1st May 2001. as per schedule without any change. Please keep yourself free on that day.

73s
NLF.

137. Annual subscription to ARRL.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-09 04:48:56 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 137 Message: 137

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

I am pleased to announce that our member Kiran Padiyar [VU3KPL], who is presently in USA has subscribed to ARRL for the next 2 years on behalf of MARS.

He has also sent us 3 ARRL books

1.The ARRL Satellite Anthology,
2.The ARRL Packet: speed,more speed and application,
3.The ARRL Guide to APRS.

The above contributions from him is deeply appreciated by us. We Thank him for the same.

73s,
NLF

138. society registered.!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-12 06:12:40 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 138 Message: 138

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

We are pleased to announce that MARS is now a registered Society.

73s
NLF

139. Re: [m_a_r_s] society registered.!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-12 14:12:14 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 138 Message: 139

thats great guns
thanks to all
zrs

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140. Disaster Communication Management Commitee for all India.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-17 04:43:50 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 140 Message: 140

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

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Mr Saad Ali informed that he appreciated all the work done by MARS members during the recent Gujrat Disaster. He said he has discussed the experiences with many participents of the Gujrat Disaster including Nilesh, Huzefa and other hams in India.

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Mr.Saad Ali suggested that to "Set up a Joint Emergency Command, which would consist of all clubs and groups interested in providing emergency services. This Adhoc group of 10 or 12 persons would elect a central coordinator (CC) who should be experienced in handling traffic, who is available at a moments notice and has respect of all major groups"

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141. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 83

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-18 05:16:03 UTC
From: ratnesh@softhome.net
Topic: 141 Message: 141

Dear Team,

In my opinion:

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2. Joining as MARS would yeild more results than anything else bcos we as team are also attached to each other as very close friends.

3. The decission should be left to individual if he / she wants to be direct or thru MARS part of this National effort.

4. Getting views from the State / Central Govt officials involved in disaster relief about the National Formation, would be good as finaly we all know we are providing service and not making decissions.

5. There should be regional CC and not a single person trying to dominate the scene.

6. Most important lets understand the limitations of HAM Radio and look for other allied services too for better utilisation of this efforts.

More as I think about this.

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Singapore is hectic: working 9:30 AM to (thru the day) 2:00 AM. More as we correspond.

I will be back on 31st March so will be missing the meeting. In any case keep me posted on the decissions / discussions.

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142. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 83

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-19 04:56:44 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 141 Message: 142

dear ratnesh,

Thanks for your reply and your valued suggestions.

What we are looking at is a new National Body which has all the Societies and clubs in India as members, The Societies and clubs can be the coordinators at the local level
(City Level or State Level). They can coordinate with the Govt and the NGO's better.

One of the representative from each society or club can be on the New National Body.
and they can elect a CC.

All the local clubs and societies can work in a server and nodes configuration. By joining all these networks we can form a cluster.

Periodical meetings on the Air and simultaneous simulated disaster communication exercise can be conducted to improve coordination amongst all the Societies and clubs
and ofcourse we can always start a egroup for disaster communication and make the best use of Internet.

further suggestions are welcome.

73s
nlf.

----- Original Message -----
From: <ratnesh@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Cc: <projwoct@...>
Sent: Sunday, March 18, 2001 10:46 AM
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-19 05:53:13 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 143 Message: 143

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Reg
VU2LIB

>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
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>X-MimeOLE: Produced By Microsoft MimeOLE V5.00.2615.200
>Mailing-List: list m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com; contact
>m_a_r_s-owner@yahoogroups.com
>Delivered-To: mailing list m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Precedence: bulk
>List-Unsubscribe: <mailto:m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com>
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>MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
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>dear members,

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>Recently Mr. Saad Ali of ARSI called upon us to discuss the plans to form a
>Disaster Communication Management Committee for all India.
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>The meeting was attended by Mr. Saad Ali, Mr. Adolf Shepherd, Mr. Nilesh
>Rathod, Mr. Pankaj Pasad, Mr.Mukesh Jaitley, Mr.Rajen Kavadia and Mr.
>Huzefa Merchant.
>
>Mr Saad Ali informed that he appreciated all the work done by MARS members
>during the recent Gujrat Disaster. He said he has discussed the
>experiences with many participents of the Gujrat Disaster including Nilesh,
>Huzefa and other hams in India.
>
>It was concluded that lot of hams were working but there was a lack of
>centralize control during the Disaster . Prem [vu2xmx] and Pravin [vu2cpv]
>did their best no doubt, but still there is a lot of room for improvement.
>Co-ordination of ham all over India is a must.
>
>Mr.Saad Ali suggested that to "Set up a Joint Emergency Command, which
>would consist of all clubs and groups interested in providing emergency
>services. This Adhoc group of 10 or 12 persons would elect a central
>coordinator (CC) who should be experienced in handling traffic, who is
>available at a moments notice and has respect of all major groups"
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>"The Central Command (JEC) would lay down policies, make programmes for
>training and plan of action for impelmentation. It would then be the job of
>the Central Coordinator (CC) to implement these programmes and policies. It
>may be necessary for small groups in all cities and towns to form core
>groups to implement the programmes and undertake regular training"
>
>JARL (Japan Amateur Radio League) had offered a lot of equipment to ARSI
>for Disaster Management. they also wish to impart training to gear up for
>such disasters.
>
>Mr. Saad Ali Shall be mailing a "Performa for Emergency Services" (a form
>if you wish to join the emergency service).
>
>Conclusion of MARS:
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>1. We can either join emergency Service on individul level and form a
>complete new disaster
>team which includes all ham (Mars Members and others in Mumbai)and appoint
>a Control for this team for Mumbai.
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>
>2. MARS can join the emergency service and other Non MARS hams can join us
>during the disaster and other simulated exercises. MARS retains the Control
>for Mumbai. MARS can further participate in the National Disaster
>Committee.
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>I have discussed the above with few of our members. It is suggested that
>lets not re-invent the wheel , we are already having a good disaster
>communication team and excellent coordination amongst us. We sould join in
>as MARS rather then as an individul ham.
>That way we can have good coordinaton and control in any situation.
>
>Nevertheless, I request you to kindly give your point of view on this issue
>at the earliest.
>Mr. Saad Ali is conducting a meeting is to be conducted SAT 24th March to
>discuss the matter. All are invited. But let us decide amongst ourselves
>first before attending the meeting.
>
>please reply urgently to this mail or contact NLF on 3866312-(R) and
>4136636(O).
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>73s
>NLF
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144. SSTV QSO with VU2IIA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-19 09:34:17 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 144 Message: 144

Hi everybody!!!

here are the SSTV QSOs received from VU2IIA using JVComm 32 (Demo version)

Scottie 1
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files/20010318%200701%20Scottie%201.jpg

Scottie DX
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files/20010318%200741%20Scottie%20DX.jpg

Robot 36
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files/20010318%200758%20Robot%2036.jpg

P7
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files/20010318%200804%20P7.jpg

73s,
VU2UGO
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MSN & Yahoo : sandipadiwarekar
ICQ # 36285628

Site Under Construction - http://qsy.to/vu2ugo

145. Fw: ARLX006 Ham radio aids high seas rescue

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-24 04:49:28 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 145 Message: 145

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----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@...>
Cc: <Subscribed ARRL Members: ;>
Sent: Friday, March 23, 2001 10:10 PM
Subject: ARLX006 Ham radio aids high seas rescue

> SB SPCL @ ARL $ARLX006
> ARLX006 Ham radio aids high seas rescue
>
> ZCZC AX06
> QST de W1AW
> Special Bulletin 6 ARLX006
> From ARRL Headquarters
> Newington CT March 23, 2001
> To all radio amateurs
>
> SB SPCL ARL ARLX006
> ARLX006 Ham radio aids high seas rescue
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> Amateur Radio operators assisted in a high seas rescue operation
> after pirates attacked a private sailing vessel March 20 off
> Venezuela. The as-yet-unidentified skipper reportedly was shot, and
> his wife summoned help via the Maritime Mobile Service Net on 20
> meters. The victim was reported to be recovering in a Trinidad
> hospital.
>
> The incident in the Caribbean occurred some 3200 km east-southeast
> of a similar pirate attack nearly a year ago. In that incident armed
> marauders shot young Willem van Tuijl from the Netherlands, who was
> sailing with his parents.
>
> According to Coast Guard Lt. Jose Diaz, KP3J, of the Rescue
> Coordination Center in San Juan, Puerto Rico, the 44-foot ketch
> Lorna, of Swedish registry, was enroute to Trinidad and Tobago when
> pirates attacked some three nautical miles offshore. The husband was
> shot once in the abdomen.
>
> The pirates destroyed the VHF radio, so the woman activated an
> emergency locator transmitter (ELT). The San Juan Rescue
> Coordination Center received ELT ''hits'' from the Lorna and notified
> Venezuelan authorities.
>
> Word arrived at Miami Coast Guard some 90 minutes later from the
> Maritime Mobile Service Net's Mike Pilgrim, K5MP, of a distress call
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> from the Lorna on 14.300 MHz. Miami Coast Guard forwarded the
> information to the San Juan rescue center. Diaz tuned to 14.300,
> where Bobby Graves, KB5HAV, Dave Dalziel, N4ICE, and Jim Hirschman,
> K4TCV--a physician who had assisted in the van Tuijl pirate attack
> last year--already had activated an emergency net. An amateur in
> Trinidad, Eric Mackie, 9Z4CP, also assisted in communications.
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> Among those standing by on frequency were Ed Petzolt, K1LNC, in
> Florida, and Hector Godoy, HR3HGB, in Honduras, both of whom were
> instrumental in the van Tuijl rescue operation a year ago. The
> amateurs on 20 meters were able to calm the woman aboard the
> sailboat and provide medical counseling.
>
> Diaz got permission from Venezuela to allow a vessel from Trinidad
> to assist, and a Venezuelan Navy vessel arrived on scene
> simultaneously with a Trinidad Coast Guard fast boat, with medical
> personnel. Trinidad medical personnel and crew took control of the
> sailboat from the shaken and exhausted victim's wife.
>
> High seas made it too risky to move the victim. Instead, the Swedish
> sailboat continued on to Trinidad escorted by the Venezuelan Navy
> vessel and the Trinidad CG cutter.
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> Diaz credited amateurs with doing ''a tremendous job'' in helping to
> keep the injured man's wife calm and to relay information for the US
> Coast Guard to her and for maintaining order on frequency.
> NNNN
> /EX

146. Fw: [Letter-List] The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 12

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-27 06:10:14 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 146 Message: 146

----- Original Message -----
From: <n1ist@...>
To: <letter-list@...>
Sent: Sunday, March 25, 2001 6:31 AM
Subject: [Letter-List] The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 12

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==>HAM RADIO AIDS RESCUE ON THE HIGH SEAS

Amateur Radio operators again have assisted in a high seas rescue operation after pirates attacked a private sailing vessel March 20 off Venezuela. The skipper, identified as Bo Altheden, reportedly was shot, and his female companion, ViVi-Maj Miren, summoned help via the Maritime Mobile Service Net on 20 meters. The victim was reported to be recovering in a Trinidad hospital.

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High seas made it too risky to move the victim. Instead, the Swedish sailboat continued on to Trinidad escorted by the Venezuelan Navy vessel and the Trinidad CG cutter.

Diaz credited amateurs with doing "a tremendous job" in helping to keep Miren calm and to relay information for the US Coast Guard to her and for maintaining order on frequency.

"This is what it is all about," Diaz said. "Stay always ready, that others may live."

Pilgrim called the afternoon rescue "one of the most rewarding experiences I have had during my 45 years on ham radio."

==>AMSAT DETAILS LIKELY AO-40 FAILURE SCENARIO

AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, has issued a likely explanation of why AO-40 suddenly went silent in mid-December. Haighton's March 16 statement outlines a three-part failure scenario theorizing that AO-40's problems began with a fault in a helium valve.

"Initial thoughts were that the spacecraft was completely dead and that chances of recovery were remote, with the possibility that AO-40 was in multiple pieces," Haighton said. The satellite's 2-meter beacon quit while ground controllers were testing the onboard 400-newton motor system after anomalies with an orbit-shifting burn that lasted several minutes too long. It was almost two weeks before ground controllers were able to reset the onboard computers and restart a beacon on 2.4 GHz.

Ground controllers have been somewhat successful in regaining control of the next-generation amateur satellite since telemetry transmissions resumed Christmas Day, but Haighton concedes some onboard systems may not be recoverable.

Haighton said that while the Phase 3D team may never know exactly what happened, the likely scenario includes what Haighton told ARRL was "a minor explosion" aboard AO-40, as out-of-place fuel mixed and then ignited as a result of a blocked exhaust port on a helium valve.

"We think it was a human error thing," Haighton conceded in an interview with the ARRL. He did not elaborate.

Ground controllers have used AO-40's magnetorquing system to reduce the satellite's spin rate to around 5 RPM and are optimistic that they'll be able to re-orient the satellite for communication with Earth. The satellite's omnidirectional antennas appear to be lost, but ground controllers hope the high-gain directional antennas still work and that reorienting the spacecraft will bring about a resumption of signals from other transmitters.

AO-40's heat pipe system--which could not work at the higher spin rates--has begun operating again too, considerably reducing internal temperatures. But ground controllers are pessimistic about being able to restore AO-40's 2-meter and 70 cm transmitters.

Yet to be tested is the onboard arc-jet motor, which ground controllers hope to use to reorient the satellite so that the high-gain antennas will face the Earth.

"Following the reorientation it will be possible to test the remaining systems on board the spacecraft and to determine which systems and bands will be available for future operations and under what conditions," Haighton said.

==>QST TO GET NEW EDITOR, PUBLISHER

Steve Ford, WB8IMY, will become the new editor of ARRL's official journal QST effective April 2. Ford, who's now QST managing editor and supervises the magazine's editorial staff, will succeed Mark Wilson, K1RO, as QST editor and Editorial and Production Department manager, ARRL Executive Vice President and CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, announced today.

Ford said that under his leadership QST will maintain its current editorial direction. "QST has been very successful," he said. "The membership clearly enjoys the magazine, and I don't foresee any changes in the near future."

Wilson, who was designated earlier this year as ARRL's chief operating officer, will become QST publisher, a title Sumner now holds.

Ford, 46, came to ARRL Headquarters in 1991 as an editor on the Book Team, and he is the author of several League publications. He became assistant managing editor of QST in 1993 and managing editor in 1995.

In his new role, Ford will be responsible for the QST and ARRL book editorial teams, as well as production of CD-ROM publications and the graphics and editorial production areas at ARRL Headquarters.

Taking over as QST managing editor and editorial team supervisor will be Book Team Supervisor Joel Kleinman, N1BKE, a 25-year HQ veteran.

"QST is Joel's first love, and we're looking forward to putting his excellent editorial and organizational skills to use there," Sumner said. "We believe that he and Steve will make a great team."

==>ISS EXPEDITION 2 CREW TRIES OUT HAM GEAR; SCHOOL QSOS SET

Expedition 2 crew member Susan Helms, KC7NHZ, had barely settled in aboard the International Space Station when she apparently felt the urge to do a little hamming. Helms, who traveled to the ISS last week aboard the shuttle Discovery with crewmates Yury Usachev, UA9AD--the Expedition 2 commander--and fellow US astronaut Jim Voss--worked a couple of US stations March 18 and 19 and was monitored by another in Australia.

The ham who had snagged the first-ever casual ham contact with the ISS--Randy Shriver, KG3N, of Hanover, Pennsylvania--got lucky again with the Expedition 2 crew. Shriver heard Helms calling CQ early on the morning of March 18 and gave her a call. "Using NA1SS she came back to me," he reports. "I was able to talk to her for 45 seconds." On November 13, Shriver worked Expedition 1 crew commander William Shepherd, KD5GSL.

Samuel Danner, N3MPE, of Smithsburg, Maryland, had his police scanner set to a ISS 2-meter downlink frequency on the off chance he might hear something--and he did. Danner reports he wasn't prepared for the shock of hearing Helms' voice calling CQ. Danner says he ran out to his car, equipped with a scanner programmed with ISS frequencies, to listen further. "It was 29 degrees in the car; I didn't care." he said, adding that he could even see the space station overhead at the time. "It was fantastic!" Danner also was able to make contact with NA1SS.

Gordon Williams, VK6IU, reports that he heard Helms calling while the ISS was over Western Australia on March 18.

Helms likely will handle on-air duties next week when the first Amateur Radio on the International Space Station school contacts for the Expedition 2 crew are scheduled to occur. Students at the John B. Reible School in Santa Rosa, California, are scheduled to speak with the crew March 26 or 27, while students at Vicksburg High School in Mississippi are scheduled for April 4 or April 6.

The Expedition 1 crew of William Shepherd, KD5GSL, Yuri Gidzenko, and Sergei Krikalev, U5MIR, arrived back on Earth this week aboard the Discovery. Usachev, Helms and Voss were reported to be adapting to the new quarters they'll call home for the next four months.

For more information on the ARISS program, visit the ARISS Web site, http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov.

==>AMATEUR RADIO SPECTRUM PROTECTION ACT OF 2001 INTRODUCED IN SENATE

The Amateur Radio Spectrum Protection Act of 2001, introduced earlier this month in the US House, now is officially a Senate bill, S.549. Republican Sen Michael Crapo of Idaho introduced the bill in the upper chamber March 15.

Democratic Sen Daniel Akaka of Hawaii was a cosponsor. The bill has been referred to the Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee. In introducing the Senate measure again this year, Crapo and Akaka referred to the importance of Amateur Radio in providing communication in times of disaster

S.549 is identical in its wording to H.R.817, introduced in the House of Representatives March 1 by Rep Michael Bilirakis of Florida. If approved by both chambers and signed by Pres George W. Bush, the Spectrum Protection Act would require the FCC to provide equivalent replacement spectrum should it ever reallocate primary Amateur Radio spectrum to another service. The same requirement would apply if the FCC acted to diminish any secondary amateur allocations or to make additional allocations in ham bands that diminish their utility.

Bilirakis and Crapo introduced the Spectrum Protection Act in a past session of Congress at the request of the ARRL. The League's Legislative and Public Affairs Manager Steve Mansfield, N1MZA, says he's encouraged by the fact that the Spectrum Protection bill is getting a head start with early introduction in both chambers this time around.

More information on the Spectrum Protection Act, including a copy of the House and Senate versions of the bill, is available on the ARRL Web site, http://www.arrl.org/govrelations/arspa.html .

==>GEORGE JACOBS, W3ASK, IS DAYTON HAMVENTION'S AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Dayton Hamvention has named broadcasting engineer and propagation guru George Jacobs, W3ASK, as its Amateur of the Year. Hamvention also announced the winners of its Special Achievement and Technical Excellence awards.

A renowned international broadcast engineering pioneer, Jacobs has authored hundreds of technical articles and is a co-author of a handbook detailing shortwave radio propagation characteristics. Jacobs is perhaps best known in the amateur community as propagation editor for CQ for 50 years, and as a contributing editor for World Radio-TV Handbook for 39 years.

"His contributions to Amateur Radio, both technical and fraternal, have furthered the state-of-the-art for half a century." said a Hamvention news

release. Jacobs is credited with pioneering and developing the worldwide Voice of America system and with overseeing the post-1974 modernization of Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. He's also served as a delegate on international regulatory conferences.

Frank Bauer KA3HDO, has been chosen to receive Dayton Hamvention's Special Achievement award for 2001. Bauer's countless hours of behind-the-scenes work with the Space Amateur Radio EXperiment and Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) programs have made these very high-profile activities world-wide successes. Bauer, who chairs the ARISS Board, organized and led the teams that provided the links to schools so that students could talk with astronauts as they orbited the earth. He developed band plans for spectrum utilization for Amateur Radio space operations and continues his leadership role as a technical liaison between the Amateur service and NASA.

Peter Martinez, G3PLX, has been chosen to receive Dayton Hamvention's Technical Excellence award for 2001. Martinez, active on RTTY since the 1960s, is recognized as the father of PSK31, an increasingly popular mode of digital communication. PSK31's elegant and effective design has helped revitalize interest in HF digital modes.

All three awards will be formally presented at the Dayton Hamvention banquet on May 19. This year's Dayton Hamvention, May 18-20, will be the 50th.

==>NEW YORK MAKES ANOTHER ATTEMPT AT HAM ANTENNA BILL

True to their word, supporters of an Amateur Radio antenna bill in the State of New York are back this year with new bills introduced in both houses of the legislature. ARRL Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, says measures to incorporate the essence of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 into state law have been filed in the Senate as S.2893, with four sponsors, and in the Assembly as A.1565.

If approved, the companion measures would require localities to "reasonably accommodate" Amateur Radio antennas and would prevent localities from restricting antenna structures to less than 95 feet above ground level or from restricting the number of support structures. The bills have been referred to the Local Government Committee.

An effort to get an antenna law on the books in the Empire State last year failed to make it through the legislative process despite gaining significant support. This year's bills are identical to last year's.

Fallon said he's hoping that support for last year's campaign will carry over to this year's effort, and he's calling on New York amateurs to "help make ham radio history in New York" by getting behind the bills.

In addition to contacting their Assembly representatives and state senators, Fallon said, hams should contact the two chairs of the Local Government Committee, Assemblyman Thomas P. DiNapoli, Senator Mary Lou Rath, as well as Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver and Senate Majority Leader Joseph L. Bruno.

The Hudson Division Web page http://www.arrlhudson.org has a copy of the bill, links to find names and addresses of state representatives, and copies of sample letters.

"As one of the ARRL Directors who has been dealing with this issue for a number of years I am very happy about all the efforts in the other states and now again in New York," Fallon said.

==>GEORGE THURSTON III, W4MLE, SK

Broadcast journalism pioneer, Amateur Radio writer and ARRL field volunteer George Thurston III, W4MLE, of Tallahassee, Florida, died March 20. He was 75. Thurston was editor of the first ARRL Radio Amateur's Operating Manual, the author of QST "Public Service" columns and at least 10 other QST articles from 1951 to 1994. He also won a QST Cover Plaque award.

A Virginia native and a victim of tuberculosis as a teenager, Thurston was first licensed in 1947. He went on to become a respected broadcast news reporter and print journalist who covered stories of national and international interest during his career.

Retired ARRL Communications Manager George Hart, W1NJM, who collaborated with Thurston on the first ARRL Operating Manual, called him "a great guy."

In the 1960s, Thurston and Andy Clark, W4IYT--now a Silent Key--who was then SEC of Southern Florida, put into place what is now the Amateur Radio Emergency Service in Florida and established close ties with the National Traffic System. ARRL Southeastern Division Director Frank Butler, W4RH--then a section manager--had appointed Thurston as Section Emergency Coordinator for the old Western Florida Section. "Thurston did a great job in Florida," he said. "He was an all-around good ham, and an excellent CW operator."

Thurston later served as SEC of the Northern Florida Section--from July 1990 through November 1996--and is credited with helping to strengthen the ARES organization in the section. W4MLE also was an ARRL Official Relay Station and a past president of the Tallahassee Amateur Radio Society.

ARRL Southeastern Division Vice Director Evelyn Gauzens, W4WYR, called Thurston "a backbone in emergency communications in Florida."

Northern Florida Section Manager Rudy Hubbard, WA4PUP, said Thurston was dedicated to Amateur Radio and an experienced and knowledgeable operator.

As a free-lance broadcast journalist, Thurston spent two decades in the state capital press corps, including many years as bureau chief for the Washington Post-owned stations in Florida.

Thurston's obituary in the Tallahassee Democrat notes that in 1959 Thurston was the first broadcast journalist to cover the Florida Legislature full-time. He also inaugurated the first live television broadcasts from the legislative chambers. Thurston later covered the arrest, conviction and execution of serial killer Ted Bundy. He also worked as a correspondent for Time.

His wife, Maryjane, four children and seven grandchildren survive. A funeral service is set for March 24, 11 AM, at Bevis Funeral Home in Tallahassee.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Heliophile Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: This week we've seen a major geomagnetic storm, which began on Monday. The disturbance reached a peak on Tuesday, with a planetary A index of 66 and planetary K indices of 5, 6 and 7. The high-latitude college A index was 105, and the K index reached 8.

The energy released produced dramatic auroral displays. Check out the images at http://spaceweather.com/aurora/gallery_20mar01.html .

With the equinox this week, springtime HF conditions should be at a peak, when the southern and northern hemispheres each gets an equal amount of solar radiation. Average solar flux this week was 144.2 which is slightly lower than it was during this week in 1999, when it was 147.5. Last year at this time it was 207.8. So we are currently still enjoying the peak of cycle 23, but conditions are more like they were at this time two years ago.

Solar flux rose sharply to 183 on Thursday, and the latest projection shows solar flux around 180 for the next week. There may be unsettled geomagnetic conditions this weekend for the CQ WW WPX Contest. Current projections show the planetary A index for Friday through Monday at 15, 10, 12 and 12.

Sunspot numbers for March 15 through 21 were 126, 86, 90, 91, 85, 98 and 136, with a mean of 101.7. The 10.7-cm flux was 136.1, 139.9, 134.2, 139.8, 147, 153.3 and 159.4, with a mean of 144.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 2, 4, 7, 22, 66 and 19 with a mean of 17.6.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The CQ WW WPX Contest (SSB) is the weekend of March 24-25. The Spring QRP Homebrewer Sprint is March 26. JUST AHEAD: The SP DX Contest, the EA RTTY Contest, the QCWA QSO Party are the weekend of April 7-8. The UBA Spring Contest (SSB) is April 8. The VHF/UHF Spring Sprints are April 9. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* "Boing-Boing" Intruder Moves Off 12 Meters: Some said it sounded like a squeaky spring; others said it sounded like marching. However one's ears interpreted the recent intruder on the 12 meter amateur band, it was gone by Monday, March 19, thanks to successful direction-finding, identification and diplomatic efforts by the FCC. Acting on numerous amateur reports--including one from ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP--the FCC agreed to utilize its HF direction-finding facility in Columbia, Maryland, to locate the source of the periodic, broadband transmission. The HFDF facility isolated the transmissions to Honduras. It also promptly identified the transmissions as Coastal Ocean Dynamics Applications Radar (CODAR), an ocean current-mapping technology used in meteorological and commercial applications. A quick phone

call and e-mail to the provider of the CODAR equipment at the Honduras site set the wheels in motion to make the signals disappear from 12 meters. "As is often the case in many intrusions, the operator dialed in the wrong frequency," said Brennan Price, N4QX, administrator of the ARRL Monitoring System. "Fortunately, the equipment provider and operator of the CODAR equipment were very cooperative and wanted to do the right thing. We appreciate their efforts."

* Europe Adopts 5 WPM as Morse Code Standard: The Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations--CEPT--has effectively lowered the Amateur Radio Morse code test speed to 5 WPM for all European countries. The CEPT Radio Regulatory Working Group (WGRR), meeting last month in The Hague, adopted a revision of Recommendation 61-02 to include the 5 WPM standard. The European Radiocommunication Office published the revised version of T/R 61-02 this month. The revision, which establishes requirements for the issuance of a Harmonised Amateur Radio Examination Certificate (HAREC), reduces the Morse requirement from 12 WPM. "In revising what is known as the CEPT Recommendation T/R 61-02, it has in effect recommended to 44 European countries to adopt the 5 WPM standard," said Wireless Institute of Australia-Victoria President Jim Linton, VK3PC, who closely follows global developments in Amateur Radio Morse code trends. Additional information is available on Linton's Morse code watch site, http://www.wiavic.org.au/mcw . More information on CEPT is on the ERO Web site, http://www.ero.dk .

* Alaska PRB-1 Bill Passes Senate: Alaska's Amateur Radio antenna bill, Senate Bill 78, was approved by the Alaska Senate this week in a 20-0 vote. Last week, SB 78 got approval from the Senate Community and Regional Affairs Committee. The measure now goes to the Alaska House for consideration. ARRL Alaska Section Manager Kent Petty, KL5T, encouraged amateurs in his section to thank the Senate lawmakers for their votes. "They certainly listened to our requests, and deserve our thanks," he said. "The next challenge will be to convince our representatives in the House to take the same important action, and to send this bill to Gov Knowles to sign into law." House members' names and contact information are available on Alaska's legislative Web site, http://www.legis.state.ak.us/. More information on PRB-1 and Amateur Radio antenna regulation, is on the ARRL Web site, http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/#local .

* AMSAT-NA 2001 Annual Symposium issues call for papers: The first call for papers has been issued for the AMSAT-NA 2001 Annual Symposium, set for October 5-6 in Atlanta, Georgia. Papers may be presented by the author during the symposium or simply offered for inclusion in the Symposium Proceedings. Subject matter should be of general interest to Amateur Radio operators involved in satellite communications. Suggested topics include operating techniques, antenna design and construction, spacecraft design and construction, current mission status, proposed satellite missions, telemetry acquisition and relay, satellite microwave projects, etc. An outline abstract of the proposed paper should be submitted as soon as possible. The final date for abstracts is June 30, 2001. Completed papers must be received no later than August 15. Electronic submittal is preferred. The format must be either MS Word-compatible or plain text. For security purposes, Symposium

Chairman Steve Diggs, W4EPI, asks authors to send files as e-mail attachments to w4epi@....--AMSAT News Service

* FCC chairman touts "enforcement model": Speaking at the CTIA 2001 Wireless show in Las Vegas, Nevada, this week, FCC Chairman Michael Powell said the FCC is rethinking its business model. According to an Infoworld.com report (http://www.infoworld.com/articles/hn/xml/01/03/20/010320hnpowell.xml?0321weam), Powell told the gathering that the FCC is "reviewing the optimal organization and structure" with an eye toward a more-responsive FCC. "We are putting increasing emphasis on an enforcement model as opposed to a regulatory model," he said, in order to speed up the FCC's decision-making process. "When you cheat, we'll get you at the back end." Powell also said there's a delicate balance for agencies such as the FCC between fostering innovation but not imposing it.

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148. VU2JPN'S fundamental goes silent key.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-31 04:49:33 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 148 Message: 148

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

With much regret it is to inform that VU2JPN [P.V.JAIPRAKASH]'s father died today morning. He was in Coma for past few days. May his soul rest in peace.

149. renewal of the annual membership.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-03-31 04:55:21 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 149 Message: 149

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

The Annual membership is now due for the year 2001-2002, all ordinary members are requested to remit a sum of Rs.250/- by cheque in favour of "Mumbai Amateur Radio Society" or in cash at the earliest.

The option for converting the membership into Life Membership is also open.

73s
NLF.

150. Re: [m_a_r_s] VU2JPN'S fundamental goes silent key.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-03 03:33:41 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 148 Message: 150

Dear friends.

Thanks for the condolence messages. My father was in coma for nearly 16 days. He was 70 and since last 1 year he had been suffering from paralysis and was literally in bed. Thanks to god for not making him suffer further.

from vu2jpn & family members.

Chequemail.com - a free web based e-mail service that also pays!!!
http://www.chequemail.com

151. Monthly meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-06 07:24:13 UTC
From: coilnrs
Topic: 116 Message: 151

Hiya people,
The monthly meeting will be held on 8/4/01,Sunday at 10.a.m.Venue is Shishu vihar school opposite King George School,dadar east. All members must attend.
Members must renew their membership for the coming year.Please do so at the meeting.
Snacks will be served at the meeting.
See you on sunday!

Sarla
VU2SWS

152. Its a Boy!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-06 07:29:26 UTC
From: coilnrs
Topic: 152 Message: 152

Hiya all,
Jayshree,VU2WEE delivered a baby boy today.Fundamental and Harmonic are in great shape.!!
For those who dont know, Jayshree before she was crystal connected was an active VHF operator from Airoli,Navi Mumbai. She has moved to Delhi now.

Sarla
VU2SWS

154. fw: [Icom] 80M Telephone QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-10 06:46:38 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 154 Message: 154

> ** Original Subject: fw: [Icom] 80M Telephone QRM
> ** Original Sender: sx28@...
> ** Original Date: Thu, 5 Apr 2001 20:53:42 EST

> ** Original Message follows...

>From: sx28@...
>
> Check 3.525 and 3.558 in the FM mode for telephone modem signals. A
> couple years ago discount stores and cable companies sold these modems
> which plug into a wall receptical and transmitted for miles. You plug
> your phone into one and located a second unit in another room or garage
> to extend your phone line without wires. These are manufactured in China
> and are intruding into the ham bands again. If you hear these signals
> report your log to the ARRL at w1aw@...
> Cable companies recalled these units and the 80M band was free again of
> these signals. Now they are coming back...we could use your help. Make
> your log report short with a signal strength report and times. If you
> listen long enough you will be able to hear two way phone conversations.
> I found my neighbor using one and told her about all the gossip I
> overheard and she quickly unplugged the units.
> Dan, ni9y@...
> _____
> GET INTERNET ACCESS FROM JUNO!
> Juno offers FREE or PREMIUM Internet access for less!
> Join Juno today! For your FREE software, visit:
> http://dl.www.juno.com/get/tagj.
> ----
> Your Moderator: Dick Flanagan W6OLD, owner-icom@...
> List Archives : http://www.qth.net/archive/icom/icom.html
> To unsubscribe: <mailto:majordomo@...?body=unsubscribe%20icom>

>** --------- End Original Message ----------- **

>

155. Re: [m_a_r_s] fw: [Icom] 80M Telephone QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-11 05:51:58 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 154 Message: 155

dear prashant,

Thanks for the info, well it seems that the chinese are out to put ham radio out of business. We hams surprisingly don't fight back, and they know that. Well after all, this is our hobby and most of feel it does not matter even if we loose all our bands.

I can take the horse to the water but can't make him drink. after repeated request to all the HAMS in mumbai, still nothing fruitful has materialized about chinese phones. if HAM RADIO is destined to go , I alone cannot stop it.

I can also assure you that none of the members will even respond to these e mails, so doing something for ham radio is far a fetched thing.

73s
NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: Prashant Koli <prashantz@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 10, 2001 11:57 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] fw: [Icom] 80M Telephone QRM

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> > Dan, ni9y@...
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> > GET INTERNET ACCESS FROM JUNO!
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> > Join Juno today! For your FREE software, visit:
> > http://dl.www.juno.com/get/tagj.
> > ----
> > Your Moderator: Dick Flanagan W6OLD, owner-icom@...
> > List Archives : http://www.qth.net/archive/icom/icom.html
> > To unsubscribe: <mailto:majordomo@...?body=unsubscribe%20icom>
>
>
> >** --------- End Original Message ----------- **
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>
> To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
>
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>
> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
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156. Details reqd for the web page..

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-12 10:53:51 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 156 Message: 156

Hi Nilesh,
I am awaiting the details required for the web site. Without those details I would not be able to get the web page done.
Kindly check that the following topics are covered in the document that u are sending to me.

1. Our Mission
2. Our Vision
3. Contact details of commitee members
4. Scanned pics (if any)

Also attach the document that u had prepared on our visit to Bhuj. U can also send me the list of founder members if u wish that the list should be displayed on the site.

Any other details or information that u would like to incorporate is also welcome.

Thanks and Regards,

Mehul.

157. WEB SITE Data .

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-13 05:02:51 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 157 Message: 157

dear mehul,

I simply do not understand what you want me to do, I have mailed you guys all the data
on 27th march, again on 28th March, again on 02 April, again on 12th April at 10:46 am.

After sending the mail again on 12 April at 10:46 am to all your possible e mail addresses, I fail to understand how can you send a mail at 04:23 pm that I have not sent you any details.

Please note the attachments of all my earlier mails consisted of all you required data,
such as :-
1. Objects of our society.
2. what is ham radio.
3. what can you do with ham radio.
4. how to become a ham.
5. activities of MARS.
6. Disaster communication report.
7. Details of MARS classes.
8. Photographs (JPG) of BHUJ.

Practically all the details required for our WEB SITE. If you still claim that I have not sent you the details then I can send it to you by Courier with confirmation.

Also kindly check with Sandip (vu2ugo), he has confirmed that he has received the data.

73s
NLF.

======= details of e-mails starts here ==========================

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: vu2ugo
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2001 9:06 AM
Subject: mars web data.

dear sandip,

pls find enclosed a zip file containing rough idea for our web site. pls do the needful.

73s
nlf

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: vu2ugo
Cc: vu3mbf
Sent: Wednesday, March 28, 2001 9:20 PM
Subject: Fw: mars web data.

Hi mehul & sandip

look I am sending you some rough plans for our web site, pls for god sake keep a dead line
for the complete proper site (I suggest 1 may 2001) but you guys know the best, in the mean time at least put some stuff on the web (such as Address , Telephone nos, email and some activity list)

if you any help from my side do let me know, pls coordinate with each other and do the needful,

73s
NLF

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: vu3mbf ; vu2ugo
Sent: Monday, April 02, 2001 10:21 PM
Subject: MARS web site.

hi guys !

what's happening, still nothing on our web site.

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: vu3mbf
Cc: vu3mbf@...
Sent: Thursday, April 12, 2001 10:45 AM
Subject: Fw: mars web data. for Mehul Chovatia.

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: mehul@...
Sent: Thursday, April 12, 2001 10:46 AM
Subject: Fw: mars web data. for Mehul Chovatia.

==========details of e mails ends here ==========

----- Original Message -----
From: <mehul2k@...>
To: <vu2nlf@...>
Cc: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 12, 2001 4:23 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Details reqd for the web page..

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> Any other details or information that u would like to incorporate is also welcome.
>
> Thanks and Regards,
>
> Mehul.
>
> To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
>
>
>
> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
>
>

158. Re: [m_a_r_s] WEB SITE Data .

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-13 12:08:46 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 157 Message: 158

Hey Friends,
To Start anything it need not be with complete data,
but with complete vision. We can start with making an
outline of the website and make it visible to people.
Then members will come up with the more & more data.
Its the process of evolution as some people call
'eDarwinism..' cheerup!!!

If its 'One World One Language'---> we understand each
other..
All the best in your efforts guys
kiran

--- vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
> dear mehul,
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> received the data.
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> 73s
> NLF.
>
>

Do You Yahoo!?
Get email at your own domain with Yahoo! Mail.
http://personal.mail.yahoo.com/

159. member's details.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-13 15:02:49 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 159 Message: 159
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

dear members,

listed below are the details of all our members, also a text file is attached herewith.

73s

NLF.

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CALL SIGN :VU2ZRS MEMBERSHIP NO : 1

ZYROS ZEND DEND. RES TEL : 287 5741

57, BENNET VILLA, OFF TEL : 287 0739

WODEHOUSE ROAD, MOBILE : 98210-25289

COLOBA,

BOMBAY - 400 039.

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CALL SIGN :VU2LNZ MEMBERSHIP NO : 2

GIRISH C.SHUKLA. RES TEL : 385 8195

83,T.G.PATH, OFF TEL : 287 0824

DESAI BUILDING, MOBILE :

1ST FLOOR, R.NO.15,

BOMBAY - 400 004.

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CALL SIGN :VU2NLF MEMBERSHIP NO : 3

NILESH M.RATHOD. RES TEL : 386 6312

15/60, MATRU MANDIR, OFF TEL : 413 6636

278,TARDEO ROAD, MOBILE :

BOMBAY - 400 007.

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CALL SIGN :VU3MHC MEMBERSHIP NO : 4

MINOO HOMI CONTRACTOR. RES TEL : 492 0898

MANAV MANDIR, FLAT NO.17, OFF TEL :

1ST FLOOR, WORLI HILL RD, MOBILE : 98211-94242

WORLI,

BOMBAY - 400 018.

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CALL SIGN :VU2RIO MEMBERSHIP NO : 5

PANKAJ RAVJI PASAD. RES TEL : 819 7272

1A/103,INDIRA COMPLEX, OFF TEL : 388 5302

Dr. B.AMBEDKAR ROAD, MOBILE : 98200-50135

BHAYANDER (W),

THANE - 401 101.

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CALL SIGN :VU2NFS MEMBERSHIP NO : 6

NAFISA H.SHIKARI. RES TEL : 373 9546

52-A,ASRAF APARTMENTS, OFF TEL : 261 5413

GANGA BAUDI ROAD, MOBILE :

MAZGAON,

BOMBAY - 400 010.

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CALL SIGN :VU2NHR MEMBERSHIP NO : 7

NIRAV HASMUKH SANGHAVI RES TEL : 495 1736

B/2, DHIRAJ APARTMENTS, OFF TEL : 289 8812

11, PEDDER ROAD, MOBILE :

MUMBAI - 400 026.

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CALL SIGN :VU2JPN MEMBERSHIP NO : 8

P.V.JAIPRAKASH. RES TEL : 524 4784

28/984,TILAK NAGAR, OFF TEL :

CHEMBUR, MOBILE :

BOMBAY - 400 089

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CALL SIGN :VU2SWS MEMBERSHIP NO : 9

SARLA N.R.SHARMA. RES TEL : 567 3390

7,GAURAV APARTMENTS, OFF TEL :

BEHIND ASHOK NAGAR, MOBILE :

NAHUE,MULUND (W),

BOMBAY - 400 080.

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CALL SIGN :VU2AUU MEMBERSHIP NO : 10

UDAYAN C.DESAI. RES TEL : 387 2245

PRATAP MANSION, OFF TEL :

10, LABURNUM ROAD, MOBILE :

GAMDEVI,

BOMBAY - 400 007.

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CALL SIGN :VU2VPQ MEMBERSHIP NO : 11

ZARIR BOMI VESUNA. RES TEL : 387 9248

F/20,SHAPUR BAUG, OFF TEL :

V.P.ROAD, MOBILE :

BOMBAY - 400 004.

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CALL SIGN :VU3AUA MEMBERSHIP NO : 12

ARUN SINGH RAWAT. RES TEL : 565 4547

62, SANMAN SINGH KUNJ, OFF TEL :

S.P.S MARG, MOBILE : 9622-301724

BHANDUP,

BOMBAY - 400 078.

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CALL SIGN :VU2HIT MEMBERSHIP NO : 13

HUZEFA H.MERCHANT. RES TEL : 373 1646

129,EBRAHIM REHMATULLA RD OFF TEL : 346 0575

KAMOD YAKOOB BLDG, MOBILE :

4TH FLOOR, R.NO.16/17,

BOMBAY - 400 003.

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CALL SIGN :VU2SXF MEMBERSHIP NO : 14

SANDESH KAMAT. RES TEL : 873 4719

A 3/6, MANAV KALYAN, OFF TEL :

BANGUR NAGAR GOREGAON (W) MOBILE :

MUMBAI - 400090

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CALL SIGN :VU2OUT MEMBERSHIP NO : 15

RATNESH NEELARATNA JAVERI. RES TEL : 389 3407

267,JAGANNATH SHANKARSETH OFF TEL :

MARG, GIRGAON, MOBILE : 98201-31722

BOMBAY - 400 004.

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CALL SIGN :VU2JYO MEMBERSHIP NO : 16

JYOTIKA D.DALAL. RES TEL : 369 0268

10,SITAL MAHAL,4TH FLOOR, OFF TEL :

SITAL BAUG, MOBILE :

64,WALKESHWAR ROAD,

MUMBAI - 400 006.

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CALL SIGN :VU2ESP MEMBERSHIP NO : 17

JAYESH KANWAR. RES TEL : 445 8105

40,GOKHALE ROAD (NORTH) OFF TEL : 270 0385

A/7, ASHRAM, MOBILE : 98210-82216

DADAR,

BOMBAY - 400 028.

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CALL SIGN :VU2LIB MEMBERSHIP NO : 18

MADHU S.RAJAN. RES TEL : 769 6933

SHAKTISRI,PLOT NO.76, OFF TEL : 281 4000

SECTOR 4-D, AIROLI, MOBILE :

NEW BOMBAY - 400 708.

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CALL SIGN :VU2RIG MEMBERSHIP NO : 19

RAJEN PURSHOTTAM KAVADIA. RES TEL : 386 2840

9 B, GIRIRAJ, OFF TEL : 496 1441

ALTAMOUNT ROAD, MOBILE :

BOMBAY - 400 026.

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CALL SIGN :VU2REK MEMBERSHIP NO : 20

DR. SUDHIR GOPALKRISHNA SHENOY. RES TEL : 493 7540

14-B, ZAVER MAHAL, OFF TEL : 308 1490

MARINE DRIVE, MOBILE : 98211-14098

BOMBAY - 400 020.

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CALL SIGN :VU2IAA MEMBERSHIP NO : 21

MAHESH SHIVRAM VHATKAR RES TEL : 624 5661

25/416, E.S.I.C NAGAR, OFF TEL :

ANDHERI (WEST) MOBILE :

MUMBAI - 400 058

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CALL SIGN :VU3PDZ MEMBERSHIP NO : 22

PRASHANT BARDINATH KOLI RES TEL : 567 5226

601,CHANDRAGANGA APTS, OFF TEL : 564 5288

NEAR FLYOVER, MOBILE :

MULUND(EAST)

MUMBAI - 400 081

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CALL SIGN :VU2UGJ MEMBERSHIP NO : 23

MUKESH GOPALKRISHNA JAITLEY RES TEL : 6331692

BHUFORGAT, 4B/25,RTO LANE OFF TEL : 380 6502

4, BUNGLOWS, MOBILE : 98200-34431

ANDHERI (W),

MUMBAI - 400 058.

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CALL SIGN :VU2UGO MEMBERSHIP NO : 24

SANDIP BABAN ADIWAREKAR RES TEL : 8684994

347/43, SHIVSHAKTI CHS OFF TEL : 491 8661

SECTOR 3, CHARKOP, MOBILE :

KANDIVLI (W),

MUMBAI - 400 067

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CALL SIGN :VU3MBF MEMBERSHIP NO : 25

MEHUL A.CHAUATIA. RES TEL : 206 5383

KARNATAKA HOUSE,2ND FLOOR OFF TEL :

DADI SANTUK LANE, MOBILE : 98201-34631

CHIRA BAZAAR,

BOMBAY - 400 002.

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CALL SIGN :VU2KPL MEMBERSHIP NO : 26

KIRAN PADIYAR RES TEL : 8962077

501, B2 BLOCK, A - WING, OFF TEL : 829 2355

VAISHALI NAGAR, MOBILE :

DAHISAR (E),

MUMBAI - 400 068

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CALL SIGN : MEMBERSHIP NO : 27

DINESH SARDARBHAI PATEL. RES TEL : 283 6087

C/o, K.J.MEHTA. OFF TEL :

17/3, MHB COLONY,DATAPADA MOBILE :

RAJENDRA NAGR,BORIVALI(E)

MUMBAI - 400 066.

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CALL SIGN :VU2QIJ MEMBERSHIP NO : 28

RAJESH RATNAKAR BAGWE RES TEL : 418 3782

RATNADEEP, 1st FLOOR, OFF TEL : 834 4246

M.H.No.5, PLOT No.32 MOBILE :

TILAK COLONY, DADAR(E),

MUMBAI - 400 014

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CALL SIGN :VU2KGO MEMBERSHIP NO : 29

KARRI GANESHWARA RAO RES TEL : 857 7512

FLAT No.107,BUILDING No17 OFF TEL : 281 7126

HORIZON,RAHEJA VIHAR COMP MOBILE :

CHANDIVALI,SAKI NAKA,

MUMBAI - 400 072

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CALL SIGN :VU3ITT MEMBERSHIP NO : 30

VIJAY CHAGANLAL DAIYA RES TEL : 623 5185

36/1442, D.N.NAGAR, OFF TEL : 200 2236

ANDHERI(W), MOBILE :

MUMBAI - 400 053.

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CALL SIGN :S.W.L MEMBERSHIP NO : 32

YOGESH MEHTA RES TEL : 614 3078

1,BHATRUCHAYA NIWAS CS LD OFF TEL :

GOKHALE ROAD, MOBILE :

VILE PARLE(E),

MUMBAI - 400 057

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CALL SIGN :S.W.L MEMBERSHIP NO : 33

IVOR SIMON PEREIRA RES TEL : 623 2754

7, D'SOUZA APARTMENTS, OFF TEL :

3rd FLOOR, CEASAR ROAD, MOBILE :

AMBOLE, ANDHERI (W),

MUMBAI - 400 058.

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CALL SIGN :VU3VRB MEMBERSHIP NO : 34

RUSS FRAM BALAPERIA RES TEL : 367 7332

73,MISTRY PARK, OFF TEL : 385 4455

77, BHULABHAI DESAI ROAD, MOBILE :

MUMBAI - 400 036

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CALL SIGN :VU2UNO MEMBERSHIP NO : 35

RAPHEL PUPESH JASSANI RES TEL : 309 7055

4-49, NAVROZ MANOR, OFF TEL : 422 5864

CLARE ROAD, MOBILE :

BYCULLA,

MUMBAI - 4000 008

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CALL SIGN :VU2PAN MEMBERSHIP NO : 36

PANCHAL PRAVINKUMAR PURSHOMTTAMDASRES TEL : 825 5898

1ST, SUSHMA SADAN, OFF TEL : 761 5890

CAVES ROAD, PRATAP NAGAR, MOBILE :

JOGESHWARI (E),

MUMBAI - 400 060.

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CALL SIGN :VU3OAM MEMBERSHIP NO : 37

SUDHIR KESHAVRAO KALKAR. RES TEL : 582 1504

11/10, JAHAWAR JYOTI CHS OFF TEL :

LEWIS WADI,PIPE LINE ROAD MOBILE :

THANE (W) - 400 604.

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CALL SIGN :VU2NNF MEMBERSHIP NO : 38

NEVILLE NOSHIR SHROFF. RES TEL : 283 4065

EDDIE HOUSE, OFF TEL : 497 3928

PEDDER ROAD, MOBILE : 98210 30730

MUMBAI - 400 026.

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CALL SIGN :VU2PTM MEMBERSHIP NO : 39

VIKRANT PATIL RES TEL : 886 3361

23/445, ASHIYANA, OFF TEL :

SAMANTA NAGAR, MOBILE :

KANDIVLI (E),

MUMBAI 400 101.

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CALL SIGN :VU2HEC MEMBERSHIP NO : 40

ASHISH RAJ JOSHI. RES TEL : 623 3866

7A/380, SATYAM, OFF TEL : 518 8686

NEW D.N.NAGAR, MOBILE :

ANDHERI (W),

MUMBAI - 400 053.

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CALL SIGN :VU2CCH MEMBERSHIP NO : 41

ROHIT ASHOK ARORA. RES TEL : 825 1046

F-2/203, JUMBO DARSHAN, OFF TEL : 830 1023

ANDHERI (E), MOBILE :

MUMBAI - 400 069.

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CALL SIGN :VU2VVP MEMBERSHIP NO : 42

VIJAY ARUN MOTWANE. RES TEL : 542 4313

A1/1003, HYDE PARK, OFF TEL :

GHODBUNDER ROAD, MOBILE : 98211-29268

BEHIND GREEN WOOD,

THANE (W).

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CALL SIGN :VU2VVJ MEMBERSHIP NO : 43

VIJAYLAXMI VIJAY MOTWANE. RES TEL : 542 4313

A1/1003 HYDE PARK, OFF TEL :

GHODBUNDER ROAD, MOBILE :

BEHIND GREEN WOOD,

THANE (W)

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CALL SIGN :VU3KUN MEMBERSHIP NO : 44

KUNAL RAJENDRA MASHRU RES TEL : 3671854

4/14,GUIDE BUILDING, OFF TEL : 2874029

16, NAPEAN SEA ROAD, MOBILE : 98210-24032

MUMBAI - 400 006

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CALL SIGN :VU2KIB MEMBERSHIP NO : 45

JAGDISH GATULAL MUKHTYAR. RES TEL : 6319822

1409/10, MAGNUM TOWERS, OFF TEL : 6322715

CROSS ROAD NO.2, MOBILE :

LOKHANDWALA COMPLEX,

ANDHERI(W),MUMBAI-53.

160. QRM on VHF Band.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-13 15:18:55 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 160 Message: 160

Dear Members,

Most of you are aware that we are facing serious QRM on VHF made by chinese long range telephones. MARS had officially written to WPC in January. Upon receiving our complaint WPC-Delhi instructed the Monitering Station at Gorai to talk immediate action.

Till date No Serious has been taken by the Monitering Station and the QRM is increasing day by day as new telephones are coming in. At this rate we could be out of business on VHF very soon.

During the Managing Committee of MARS held on 12th April 2001 it is decided that some immediate action must be taken , 18th April 2001 (Wednesday) being International Communication Day. has been choosen.

A Rally (Morcha) is organised to go to the Monitering Station at 10:00 am. We expect many hams to participate in this rally. We hope that our personal visit to the monitering station in large numbers would force the authorities to taken action. Such as confisticating these telephones and give necessary press releases to curb this QRM.

All Hams interested to participate in this cause can meet up at Borvili Station on the West side at the ticket counter at 10:00 am on 18th Morning. Mukesh Jaitley (VU2UGO) shall be leading the group. You can also call him on 98200-34431 for further clarification.

We sincerely hope that we shall have good participation.

73s
NLF

161. Membership Renewal

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-15 03:23:49 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 161 Message: 161

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO > SOCIETY
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dear members,
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Membership Payment Reminder. This is to remind you all that Annual Membership Fees of all Ordinary Members for the year 2001-2002 is now due for renewal. Hence all are request to post the payment by cheque to the registered office at the earliest. Trust all members should have received the reminders sent by post. Best Regards Jaiprakash - VU2JPN, Treasurer Chequemail.com - a free web based e-mail service that also pays!!! http://www.chequemail.com

162. MARS Website

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-15 04:58:30 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 162 Message: 162

Hi All,

Our first page of MARS is out in its beta version !!!

This is the basic design of the first page. The links are non-functional as we have done this in just 2 hours. We expect the complete site to be functional by 17th or 18th. Hence u all can revert with ur suggestions on the first design so that changes (if any) can be incorporated.

It has been uploaded on www.dotteq.com/mars for all of you to evaluate and provide your valued feedbacks.

WE HAVE NOT LOADED ON THE OFFICIAL MARS WEBSITE.

Kindly visit the website and revert with ur valued suggestions.

Regards,

Mehul.
VU3MBF (License Expired)

163. Good Start-- webpage

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-16 12:31:25 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 163 Message: 163

Good Work on Website guys. Page layout seems to be
very professional and attractive also.
All the best
Kiran

Do You Yahoo!?
Get email at your own domain with Yahoo! Mail.
http://personal.mail.yahoo.com/

164. Re: -- webpage

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-17 07:19:04 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 164 Message: 164

Hi - The web page looks very attractive indeed. I just wondered at the focus on disasters (incl. the pics on top)! do we pursue the hobby only to help during disasters? very morbid kind of a hobby that makes it! keep the perspective a little broad please. Like tata steel we also chat you know!
wonderful work tho! that too in a couple of hours
cheers!

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Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com.

165. Fwd: [m_a_r_s] MARS Website

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-17 16:14:34 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 165 Message: 165

Only two responses so far..... (Kiran & Madhu)

What's happening ??

I guess people are either not opening mails or are not interested in giving a feedback......

Looking forward at your valuable suggestions.

73s.
Mehul.

---------- Forwarded Message ----------
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166. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 15

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-18 05:40:24 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 166 Message: 166

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+Available on ARRL Audio News

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Because ARRL Headquarters will be closed Good Friday, April
13, The ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News for that date are being posted a day
early.
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==>RED RIVER VALLEY HAMS BRACE FOR SERIOUS FLOODING

Hams on both sides of the Red River in Minnesota and North Dakota are
bracing for the possibility of serious flooding. ARRL Minnesota Section
Manager Randy "Max" Wendel, KM0D, and North Dakota SM Kent Olson, KA0LDG,
say area amateurs are ready. The region was devastated by flooding in 1997.

"We learned a lot back in the floods of '97, and everyone is much more aware
of the needs that can arise with emergency communications as a result, so
we're much more prepared this time," Wendel said. "Right now, we're in a
standby mode." Wendel says he's touched bases with state emergency
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management officials and said he could mobilize at least 100 hams at a moment's notice, if needed.

"I think the point is, being prepared and organized and ready to go," he said. "I think the floods of '97 were quite an eye-opener for a lot of people."

In North Dakota, Olson said hams already are pitching in to assist by helping to dispatch sandbagging teams, by doing house-to-house checks and assisting the Salvation Army units on scene. "We're definitely ready," he said. "Our guys sprang right in from the get-go."

Wendel says water levels in Minnesota are approaching the 1997 flood levels, at the time dubbed a 500-year flood. "Rivers all across the state are rising to levels predicted to come very near the disastrous levels of three years ago," he said. But this time around, dikes and flood walls installed or upgraded since 1997 are helping to reduce damage.

Locations affected are the Red River Valley along the Minnesota and North Dakota border, the Minnesota River through the southern part of the state, along with the St Croix and the Mississippi River on the east side of Minnesota. Rain across the region at mid-week brought nearly two inches to many areas already threatened by rising waters.

"So far," Wendel said, "ARES has not been requested to assist with communications, but we are ready for the call." He said State Emergency Coordinator Gary Peterson, N0ZOD, has been in contact with the Minnesota Department of Emergency Management and has reassured state emergency officials that ARES is ready to go with just a phone call.

"The people in Minnesota are known for their volunteerism, and once again, they're proving it, one sandbag at a time," Wendel said. Both Wendel and Olson note that this time around, temperatures have not been as cold, eliminating ice from the rivers, and nearly all snow cover has melted.

==>HAYNIE ADDRESSES AMATEUR RADIO INDUSTRY GROUP

For the third year in a row, the ARRL has joined Amateur Radio equipment manufacturers and publishers to exchange ideas and discuss issues facing the ham radio industry. As the guests of AES owner Phil Majerus, the industry representatives gathered last weekend near Milwaukee in conjunction with Amateur Electronic Supply's "Superfest 2001."

ARRL president Jim Haynie, W5JBP, spoke to the group about ARRL activities to promote Amateur Radio. Calling it "an exciting time in Amateur Radio," Haynie outlined plans for expansion of youth recruitment activities in schools, involvement with ham radio aboard the International Space Station and increased ARRL membership. He also highlighted ARRL's ongoing efforts in Washington, DC, to protect the interests of the Amateur Radio Service.

Among those attending from ARRL Headquarters were Advertising Manager John Bee, N1GNV, and ARRL Marketing Coordinator Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R.

During his stay in Wisconsin, Haynie was interviewed by a Milwaukee television station April 5 for the station's morning news show. Joining Haynie during the interview was Chip Margelli, K7JA, of Yaesu USA, and Gordon West, WB6NOA, of the Gordon West Radio School. As several ham radio industry representatives looked on, the three answered general questions about Amateur Radio, demonstrated equipment, and invited viewers to attend Superfest 2001. AES Manager Ray Grenier, K9KHW, organized the interview, which Haynie touted as a "great recruitment opportunity."

Superfest 2001, an ARRL-sanctioned hamfest, was held at the AES store in Milwaukee April 6 and 7.

==>KENTUCKY STUDENTS CHAT WITH JIM VOSS ABOARD ISS

Youngsters at the Woodford County Middle School in Versailles, Kentucky, showed up for school during their spring break to ask questions of astronaut Jim Voss aboard the International Space Station. The contact April 9 was scheduled through the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station, or ARISS, program. Voss used the space station's NA1SS call sign.

Voss' first outing on Amateur Radio from space as part of the ISS Expedition 2 crew got off to a shaky start because of difficult copy on Voss's part. A solid contact for the southern hemisphere pass via Tony Hutchison, VK5ZAI, in Australia, eventually was established as precious seconds ticked by. As a result, only eight students got to ask their questions. Students were networked--or telebridged--with Hutchison via a WorldCom telephone connection for the ARISS contact.

During the question-and-answer session, one student asked about research projects. "We've conducted a lot of experiments in space over time," Voss said. "We grow crystals in space that help us to better understand the structure of crystals." He said this research might have applications in developing pharmaceuticals and other products. "We do a lot of things we can't do on Earth by using the microgravity of space," he said, explaining that eliminating gravity makes research a lot easier.

Food is a favorite question topic, and the Woodford students were no exception in posing one on the subject. Voss said that half of the crew's meals are Russian cuisine, the other half American. Voss signed off by urging the students to work hard in school and to do their best.

"I think everybody enjoyed it," said the Woodford County Amateur Radio Club's Steve McFadden, KA4TJD, following the contact. "It's been a learning experience for all of us."

==>HOPEFUL SPACE TOURIST TITO IS NOW KG6FZX

Wealthy US businessman Dennis Tito, who hopes to be the first space tourist aboard the International Space Station, now is an Amateur Radio operator. Tito, 60, has been in Russia training to go into space.

Last weekend a volunteer examination session was set up for Tito in Russia and he passed the Technician exam. The FCC issued Tito the call sign KG6FZX April 11. It's not clear at this point how Tito plans to use Amateur Radio

aboard the ISS.

Press accounts say Russia has given Tito the go ahead to visit the ISS as part of a three-man team that will blast off April 28 on a 10-day mission. Tito reportedly is paying the cash-strapped Russian space program some $20 million for the privilege of being the first space tourist. Accompanying Tito into space will be Talgat Musabayev as team commander, and Yuri Baturin as onboard engineer. Tito reportedly will handle communications systems during the flight.

Tito, the founder of a California investment firm, studied aerospace engineering in college and later worked for five years at NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab. He told a news conference that he's excited about the prospect of going into space and he's looking forward to the experience. Tito had hoped to visit the Russian Mir space station, but those plans had to be scrapped when the Russians decided that it was time to deorbit the aged spacecraft.

The prospect of Tito's visit aboard the ISS has generated some tension between the US and Russian space agencies. NASA chief Dan Goldin has suggested that Tito's planned visit this month would be a disruption to the Expedition 2 crew during a complex mission. Russia's space agency director general Yuri Koptev said the mission will go forward. He said Russia does not need permission from its international partners to fly specific individuals to the space station.

==>IDAHO GOVERNOR INKS AMATEUR RADIO ANTENNA BILL

Idaho Gov Dirk Kempthorne has signed an Amateur Radio antenna bill into law. The bill, called "The Emergency Communications Preservation Act," incorporates the language of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 into Idaho state law. Idaho Section Manager Mike Elliott, K7BOI, has credited John Cline, K7BDS, and his staff at the Idaho Bureau of Disaster Services with leading the effort to get the bill passed.

The new law will require local rules or ordinances involving placement, screening or height of antennas or towers and based on health, safety or aesthetic considerations to "reasonably accommodate" Amateur Radio communication. Such laws also must represent "the minimum practicable regulation to accomplish a legitimate purpose" of the municipal government.

After consideration by the House Business Committee, the measure passed the Idaho House 66-1 and the Senate 34-1. Kempthorne signed the measure into law on April 4. When the new law goes into effect July 1, 2001, Idaho will become the eleventh state to have an Amateur Radio antenna bill on its books.

For more information on the Idaho Amateur Radio antenna legislation, visit the Idaho legislature Web site, http://www3.state.id.us/oasis/H0232.html .

==>WHITE HOUSE TAPS THREE FOR FCC SEATS

President George W. Bush has tapped Republicans Kevin Martin and Kathleen Abernathy and Democrat Michael Copps for seats on the FCC. All three White House choices are described as experienced Washington players. The nominations are undergoing FBI background checks before being submitted for Senate confirmation.

Martin, a telecommunications attorney and former adviser to Republican commissioner Harold Furchtgott-Roth, left the FCC to join the Bush-Cheney campaign. He has been nominated to serve until 2006 in the seat vacated January 19 by former FCC Chairman William Kennard, a Democrat.

Abernathy, also an attorney and a former aide to former Democratic FCC member James Quello and a former lobbyist for US West, was nominated to serve until 2005. She'll taking over the seat of Furchtgott-Roth, who announced earlier this year that he would not seek reappointment.

Copps is a former aide to South Carolina Sen Ernest "Fritz" Hollings and former assistant secretary of commerce for trade development in the Clinton administration. He will replace Democratic commissioner Susan Ness and can serve until 2004.

Yet to be named is a nominee for the seat now filled by Democratic Commissioner Gloria Tristani, who has not said when she plans to leave the FCC. Among the suggested replacements is Andy Levin, counsel to Democratic US Rep John Dingell of Michigan.

No more than three members of the FCC may be from the same political party.

==>ARRL HQ STAFFER CHUCK HUTCHINSON, K8CH, RETIRES

ARRL Headquarters staff member Chuck Hutchinson, K8CH, has retired. Hutchinson, 60, began his League career in 1981 as a technical editor. He served as Membership Services Manager from 1991 until 1998, when, for medical reasons, he moved into a part-time editorial role. Hutchinson has been working from his home in Michigan for the past several months.

"Our community is indebted to Chuck for the contributions he made to both the technical and the operating sides of Amateur Radio during his 20-year career with the ARRL," said ARRL Executive Vice President David Sumner, K1ZZ, who's known Hutchinson for many years.

A long-time SWL and a ham since his late teenage years, Hutchinson was first licensed as KN8UDJ in 1960. He says the first thing he did after getting licensed--even before buying equipment--was to join ARRL. He's now a Life Member.

Hutchinson said short-wave listening and ham radio were major influences on his educational and work careers. Before coming to ARRL, Hutchinson worked as a studio engineer for international short-wave broadcaster HCJB in Quito, Ecuador, in the mid 1970s. He says Amateur Radio legend Doug DeMaw, W1FB, interviewed him for his first job at ARRL.

Hutchinson's first major project at HQ was editing the 1985 Handbook. As manager of the Membership Services Department, he oversaw the early

transition from paper to computerized DXCC records. He also reorganized contest rules into the present format and was responsible for reinvigorating the A-1 Operator's Club. Hutchinson also contributed dozens of columns and articles for QST.

Hutchinson says he and his wife, Sylvia, K8SYL--whom he married in 1961--now are enjoying their new home on a hill in Michigan's Ionia County, where both are active in the local ARES organization. The couple has two sons, including Scott, N1DSF, who serves in the US Air Force.

"It's been very satisfying to work for ARRL," Hutchinson said. "I'm looking forward to a continuing relationship as I work on special projects." One of those "special projects" will be a book on his favorite subject--antennas.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Propagation prognosticator Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: High solar activity continued this week. Although the actual sunspot numbers and solar flux values have generally declined, new active areas on the sun have rotated into Earth's view, bringing flares and coronal holes--and with them geomagnetic storms and dramatic auroral displays.

Average sunspot numbers for the week declined more than 100 points, and average solar flux was off more than 62 points. Again this week, on April 5 and 6, the 10.7 cm solar flux value had to be adjusted because the observatory in Penticton, British Columbia was overwhelmed by energy from solar flares. Daily values for last Thursday and Friday were flare enhanced at 398.7 and 563.5, but were adjusted downward and reported by NOAA as 210 and 192.

As this bulletin is being written on Thursday, two clouds of charged particles are headed our way. The last is from another X-class solar flare. This one erupted near sunspot group 9415 at 1025 UTC, and caused a radio blackout across the Atlantic Ocean, Europe, and parts of Western Asia.

On Wednesday energy from a pair of coronal mass ejections hit Earth and triggered a severe G4-category geomagnetic storm between around 1500-1800 UTC. G4 category is severe, one step below the top G5 category, which is extreme. This may cause problems with power distribution systems, with surges in voltage and tripping of circuit breakers. On Wednesday the planetary K index hit 8, and the planetary A index was 60. Middle latitude A index was 69.

On the bands expect long periods of very little HF propagation, but look for auroral propagation on VHF. Current predictions call for solar flux to decline below 150 this weekend and bottom out around 140 on Sunday. Then, it is expected to rise to 180 around April 20, and peak around 185 after April 23 and toward the end of the month.

Sunspot numbers for April 5 through 11 were 214, 136, 153, 188, 185, 170 and 178 with a mean of 174.9. 10.7 cm flux was 210, 192, 179.5, 169.2, 164.8, 169.7 and 159.6, with a mean of 177.8, and estimated planetary A indices

were 19, 12, 16, 41, 19, 9 and 60 with a mean of 25.1.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The DX YL to NA YL Contest (CW) is Apr 11-13; the Lighthouse Spring Lites Rites QSO Party is April 13-23; the EU Spring Sprint (SSB) is April 14; the Japan International DX Contest, the MARAC County Hunter Contest (SSB), the QRP ARCI Spring QSO Party, and His Majesty King of Spain Contest are the weekend of April 13-15. JUST AHEAD: The 222 MHz Spring Sprint is April 17; the TARA Spring Wakeup PSK31 Rumble, the YU DX Contest; the EU Spring Sprint (CW), the Michigan and Ontario QSO parties, and the Holyland DX Contest are the weekend of April 21-22. The 432 MHz Spring Sprint and the Harry Angel Memorial Sprint are April 25; the DX YL to NA YL Contest (SSB) is April 25-27. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ for more info.

* Clarification: An announcement concerning in-person Level I Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Courses that ran in The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 14 (Apr 6 2001), was premature. At this point, ARRL is seeking volunteers to serve as Certification Instructors and Certification Examiners for the in-person courses. Certification Instructors will come from the ranks of those amateurs who have successfully completed the Level I course, which has only been offered on-line until now. To learn how to qualify for these positions, see http://www.arrl.org/cce/admin-criteria.html. As in-person courses are scheduled, details and contact information will be announced. For more information on the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Program, see http://www.arrl.org/cce/ or e-mail cce@arrl.org.

* World Amateur Radio Day set for April 18: The Administrative Council of the International Amateur Radio Union has selected the theme "Providing Disaster Communications: Amateur Radio in the 21st Century" for World Amateur Radio Day, April 18, 2001. IARU has been the watchdog and spokesman for the world Amateur Radio community since its founding in Paris, France, in 1925. ARRL co-founder Hiram Percy Maxim, 1AW, was its first president.

* ARISS packet system working, sort of: ARISS Board Chairman Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, says the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station packet system is operational, but because of a failed RAM backup battery, the system at present has no call sign. "We have been waiting for the crews to connect a laptop to the packet module to check out the packet system and re-install the packet parameters," he said. Some tests were run to see if the system worked with only PROM parameters. "We have determined from our ground tests that one can connect to the packet system using 'nocall' and digi through it." Bauer said he recently ran tests on two passes to validate that the packet system was still operational, but with a dead battery. He was able to successfully connect to "nocall" on one pass and digipeat on a second pass. Bauer says the ARISS team will continue to work with the Expedition 2 crew to get the packet parameters installed, so that the packet system fully configured.--ARISS

* Dayton Hamvention announces banquet MC, speakers, and entertainment: Carl Nichols, N8WFQ, will be back this year as Banquet Master of Ceremonies for the 2001 Dayton Hamvention. Nichols is Chief Meteorologist for WDTN Channel 2 news in Dayton. The featured banquet speakers are Bob Heil, K9EID, of Heil Sound Ltd; FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, and Space Amateur Radio EXperiment (SAREX) Working Group Chairman Roy Neal, K6DUE. Their topic will be "Amateur Radio, Past, Present and Beyond." Post-banquet entertainment will be provided by Jim Whitter and Jude Johnson of Canada--The Hammer Band. For more information, visit the Hamvention Web site, http://www.hamvention.org/ .--Dayton Hamvention

* Ham radio to be represented at NAB convention: Amateur Radio will once again have a presence at the National Association of Broadcasters' convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, April 21-26. NAB donates booth space to ARRL, and local hams volunteer for booth duty. This year's "booth coordinator" will be Ed Terrell, KB5FNX. The ARRL booth attracts broadcast professionals who are hams, as well as other visitors with technical backgrounds and interests. The annual and very popular Amateur Radio reception will be held April 25 at 6 PM at the Las Vegas Hilton. NAB Vice President for Science and Technology John Marino, KR1O, will host. ARRL donates selected publications for door prizes. Approximately 1000 amateurs are expected to attend. ARRL Southwestern Director Fried Heyn, WA6WZO, and Pacific Director Jim Maxwell, W6CF, plan to be among them.

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the key. Details about International Marconi Day are available on the Cornish Radio Club Web sit, http://www.users.globalnet.co.uk/~straff/ . Visit the Maritime Radio Historical Society Web site, http://www.radiomarine.org .--Dick Dillman, W6AWO

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> ==>RED RIVER VALLEY HAMS BRACE FOR SERIOUS FLOODING
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> Hams on both sides of the Red River in Minnesota and North Dakota are
> bracing for the possibility of serious flooding. ARRL Minnesota Section
> Manager Randy "Max" Wendel, KM0D, and North Dakota SM Kent Olson, KA0LDG,
> say area amateurs are ready. The region was devastated by flooding in
> 1997.
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> "We learned a lot back in the floods of '97, and everyone is much more
> aware of the needs that can arise with emergency communications as a
> result, so we're much more prepared this time," Wendel said. "Right now,
> we're in a standby mode." Wendel says he's touched bases with state
> emergency management officials and said he could mobilize at least 100
> hams at a moment's notice, if needed.

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> "I think the point is, being prepared and organized and ready to go," he
> said. "I think the floods of '97 were quite an eye-opener for a lot of
> people."
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> In North Dakota, Olson said hams already are pitching in to assist by
> helping to dispatch sandbagging teams, by doing house-to-house checks and
> assisting the Salvation Army units on scene. "We're definitely ready," he
> said. "Our guys sprang right in from the get-go."
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> Wendel says water levels in Minnesota are approaching the 1997 flood
> levels, at the time dubbed a 500-year flood. "Rivers all across the state
> are rising to levels predicted to come very near the disastrous levels of
> three years ago," he said. But this time around, dikes and flood walls
> installed or upgraded since 1997 are helping to reduce damage.
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> Locations affected are the Red River Valley along the Minnesota and North
> Dakota border, the Minnesota River through the southern part of the state,
> along with the St Croix and the Mississippi River on the east side of
> Minnesota. Rain across the region at mid-week brought nearly two inches to
> many areas already threatened by rising waters.
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> "So far," Wendel said, "ARES has not been requested to assist with
> communications, but we are ready for the call." He said State Emergency
> Coordinator Gary Peterson, N0ZOD, has been in contact with the Minnesota
> Department of Emergency Management and has reassured state emergency
> officials that ARES is ready to go with just a phone call.
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> "The people in Minnesota are known for their volunteerism, and once again,
> they're proving it, one sandbag at a time," Wendel said. Both Wendel and
> Olson note that this time around, temperatures have not been as cold,
> eliminating ice from the rivers, and nearly all snow cover has melted.
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> ==>HAYNIE ADDRESSES AMATEUR RADIO INDUSTRY GROUP
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> For the third year in a row, the ARRL has joined Amateur Radio equipment
> manufacturers and publishers to exchange ideas and discuss issues facing
> the ham radio industry. As the guests of AES owner Phil Majerus, the
> industry representatives gathered last weekend near Milwaukee in
> conjunction with Amateur Electronic Supply's "Superfest 2001."
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> ARRL president Jim Haynie, W5JBP, spoke to the group about ARRL activities
> to promote Amateur Radio. Calling it "an exciting time in Amateur Radio,"
> Haynie outlined plans for expansion of youth recruitment activities in
> schools, involvement with ham radio aboard the International Space Station
> and increased ARRL membership. He also highlighted ARRL's ongoing efforts
> in Washington, DC, to protect the interests of the Amateur Radio Service.
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> Among those attending from ARRL Headquarters were Advertising Manager John
> Bee, N1GNV, and ARRL Marketing Coordinator Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R.

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> During his stay in Wisconsin, Haynie was interviewed by a Milwaukee
> television station April 5 for the station's morning news show. Joining
> Haynie during the interview was Chip Margelli, K7JA, of Yaesu USA, and
> Gordon West, WB6NOA, of the Gordon West Radio School. As several ham radio
> industry representatives looked on, the three answered general questions
> about Amateur Radio, demonstrated equipment, and invited viewers to attend
> Superfest 2001. AES Manager Ray Grenier, K9KHW, organized the interview,
> which Haynie touted as a "great recruitment opportunity."
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> Superfest 2001, an ARRL-sanctioned hamfest, was held at the AES store in
> Milwaukee April 6 and 7.
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> ==>KENTUCKY STUDENTS CHAT WITH JIM VOSS ABOARD ISS
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> Youngsters at the Woodford County Middle School in Versailles, Kentucky,
> showed up for school during their spring break to ask questions of
> astronaut Jim Voss aboard the International Space Station. The contact
> April 9 was scheduled through the Amateur Radio on the International Space
> Station, or ARISS, program. Voss used the space station's NA1SS call sign.
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> Voss' first outing on Amateur Radio from space as part of the ISS
> Expedition 2 crew got off to a shaky start because of difficult copy on
> Voss's part. A solid contact for the southern hemisphere pass via Tony
> Hutchison, VK5ZAI, in Australia, eventually was established as precious
> seconds ticked by. As a result, only eight students got to ask their
> questions. Students were networked--or telebridged--with Hutchison via a
> WorldCom telephone connection for the ARISS contact.
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> During the question-and-answer session, one student asked about research
> projects. "We've conducted a lot of experiments in space over time," Voss
> said. "We grow crystals in space that help us to better understand the
> structure of crystals." He said this research might have applications in
> developing pharmaceuticals and other products. "We do a lot of things we
> can't do on Earth by using the microgravity of space," he said, explaining
> that eliminating gravity makes research a lot easier.
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> Food is a favorite question topic, and the Woodford students were no
> exception in posing one on the subject. Voss said that half of the crew's
> meals are Russian cuisine, the other half American. Voss signed off by
> urging the students to work hard in school and to do their best.
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> "I think everybody enjoyed it," said the Woodford County Amateur Radio
> Club's Steve McFadden, KA4TJD, following the contact. "It's been a
> learning experience for all of us."
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> ==>HOPEFUL SPACE TOURIST TITO IS NOW KG6FZX
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> Wealthy US businessman Dennis Tito, who hopes to be the first space
> tourist aboard the International Space Station, now is an Amateur Radio

> operator. Tito, 60, has been in Russia training to go into space.
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> Last weekend a volunteer examination session was set up for Tito in Russia
> and he passed the Technician exam. The FCC issued Tito the call sign
> KG6FZX April 11. It's not clear at this point how Tito plans to use
> Amateur Radio aboard the ISS.
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> Press accounts say Russia has given Tito the go ahead to visit the ISS as
> part of a three-man team that will blast off April 28 on a 10-day mission.
> Tito reportedly is paying the cash-strapped Russian space program some $20
> million for the privilege of being the first space tourist. Accompanying
> Tito into space will be Talgat Musabayev as team commander, and Yuri
> Baturin as onboard engineer. Tito reportedly will handle communications
> systems during the flight.
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> Tito, the founder of a California investment firm, studied aerospace
> engineering in college and later worked for five years at NASA's Jet
> Propulsion Lab. He told a news conference that he's excited about the
> prospect of going into space and he's looking forward to the experience.
> Tito had hoped to visit the Russian Mir space station, but those plans had
> to be scrapped when the Russians decided that it was time to deorbit the
> aged spacecraft.
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> The prospect of Tito's visit aboard the ISS has generated some tension
> between the US and Russian space agencies. NASA chief Dan Goldin has
> suggested that Tito's planned visit this month would be a disruption to
> the Expedition 2 crew during a complex mission. Russia's space agency
> director general Yuri Koptev said the mission will go forward. He said
> Russia does not need permission from its international partners to fly
> specific individuals to the space station.
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> ==>IDAHO GOVERNOR INKS AMATEUR RADIO ANTENNA BILL
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> Idaho Gov Dirk Kempthorne has signed an Amateur Radio antenna bill into
> law. The bill, called "The Emergency Communications Preservation Act,"
> incorporates the language of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1
> into Idaho state law. Idaho Section Manager Mike Elliott, K7BOI, has
> credited John Cline, K7BDS, and his staff at the Idaho Bureau of Disaster
> Services with leading the effort to get the bill passed.
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> The new law will require local rules or ordinances involving placement,
> screening or height of antennas or towers and based on health, safety or
> aesthetic considerations to "reasonably accommodate" Amateur Radio
> communication. Such laws also must represent "the minimum practicable
> regulation to accomplish a legitimate purpose" of the municipal
> government.
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> After consideration by the House Business Committee, the measure passed
> the Idaho House 66-1 and the Senate 34-1. Kempthorne signed the measure
> into law on April 4. When the new law goes into effect July 1, 2001, Idaho

> will become the eleventh state to have an Amateur Radio antenna bill on
> its books.
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> For more information on the Idaho Amateur Radio antenna legislation, visit
> the Idaho legislature Web site, http://www3.state.id.us/oasis/H0232.html .
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> ==>WHITE HOUSE TAPS THREE FOR FCC SEATS
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> President George W. Bush has tapped Republicans Kevin Martin and Kathleen
> Abernathy and Democrat Michael Copps for seats on the FCC. All three White
> House choices are described as experienced Washington players. The
> nominations are undergoing FBI background checks before being submitted
> for Senate confirmation.
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> Martin, a telecommunications attorney and former adviser to Republican
> commissioner Harold Furchtgott-Roth, left the FCC to join the Bush-Cheney
> campaign. He has been nominated to serve until 2006 in the seat vacated
> January 19 by former FCC Chairman William Kennard, a Democrat.
>
> Abernathy, also an attorney and a former aide to former Democratic FCC
> member James Quello and a former lobbyist for US West, was nominated to
> serve until 2005. She'll taking over the seat of Furchtgott-Roth, who
> announced earlier this year that he would not seek reappointment.
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> Copps is a former aide to South Carolina Sen Ernest "Fritz" Hollings and
> former assistant secretary of commerce for trade development in the
> Clinton administration. He will replace Democratic commissioner Susan Ness
> and can serve until 2004.
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> Yet to be named is a nominee for the seat now filled by Democratic
> Commissioner Gloria Tristani, who has not said when she plans to leave the
> FCC. Among the suggested replacements is Andy Levin, counsel to Democratic
> US Rep John Dingell of Michigan.
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> No more than three members of the FCC may be from the same political
> party.
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> ==>ARRL HQ STAFFER CHUCK HUTCHINSON, K8CH, RETIRES
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> ARRL Headquarters staff member Chuck Hutchinson, K8CH, has retired.
> Hutchinson, 60, began his League career in 1981 as a technical editor. He
> served as Membership Services Manager from 1991 until 1998, when, for
> medical reasons, he moved into a part-time editorial role. Hutchinson has
> been working from his home in Michigan for the past several months.
>
> "Our community is indebted to Chuck for the contributions he made to both
> the technical and the operating sides of Amateur Radio during his 20-year
> career with the ARRL," said ARRL Executive Vice President David Sumner,
> K1ZZ, who's known Hutchinson for many years.
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> A long-time SWL and a ham since his late teenage years, Hutchinson was
> first licensed as KN8UDJ in 1960. He says the first thing he did after
> getting licensed--even before buying equipment--was to join ARRL. He's now
> a Life Member.
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> Hutchinson said short-wave listening and ham radio were major influences
> on his educational and work careers. Before coming to ARRL, Hutchinson
> worked as a studio engineer for international short-wave broadcaster HCJB
> in Quito, Ecuador, in the mid 1970s. He says Amateur Radio legend Doug
> DeMaw, W1FB, interviewed him for his first job at ARRL.
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> Hutchinson's first major project at HQ was editing the 1985 Handbook. As
> manager of the Membership Services Department, he oversaw the early
> transition from paper to computerized DXCC records. He also reorganized
> contest rules into the present format and was responsible for
> reinvigorating the A-1 Operator's Club. Hutchinson also contributed dozens
> of columns and articles for QST.
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> Hutchinson says he and his wife, Sylvia, K8SYL--whom he married in
> 1961--now are enjoying their new home on a hill in Michigan's Ionia
> County, where both are active in the local ARES organization. The couple
> has two sons, including Scott, N1DSF, who serves in the US Air Force.
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> "It's been very satisfying to work for ARRL," Hutchinson said. "I'm
> looking forward to a continuing relationship as I work on special
> projects." One of those "special projects" will be a book on his favorite
> subject--antennas.
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> ==>SOLAR UPDATE
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> Propagation prognosticator Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports:
> High solar activity continued this week. Although the actual sunspot
> numbers and solar flux values have generally declined, new active areas on
> the sun have rotated into Earth's view, bringing flares and coronal
> holes--and with them geomagnetic storms and dramatic auroral displays.
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> Average sunspot numbers for the week declined more than 100 points, and
> average solar flux was off more than 62 points. Again this week, on April
> 5 and 6, the 10.7 cm solar flux value had to be adjusted because the
> observatory in Penticton, British Columbia was overwhelmed by energy from
> solar flares. Daily values for last Thursday and Friday were flare
> enhanced at 398.7 and 563.5, but were adjusted downward and reported by
> NOAA as 210 and 192.
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> As this bulletin is being written on Thursday, two clouds of charged
> particles are headed our way. The last is from another X-class solar
> flare. This one erupted near sunspot group 9415 at 1025 UTC, and caused a
> radio blackout across the Atlantic Ocean, Europe, and parts of Western
> Asia.
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> On Wednesday energy from a pair of coronal mass ejections hit Earth and
> triggered a severe G4-category geomagnetic storm between around 1500-1800
> UTC. G4 category is severe, one step below the top G5 category, which is
> extreme. This may cause problems with power distribution systems, with
> surges in voltage and tripping of circuit breakers. On Wednesday the
> planetary K index hit 8, and the planetary A index was 60. Middle latitude
> A index was 69.
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> On the bands expect long periods of very little HF propagation, but look
> for auroral propagation on VHF. Current predictions call for solar flux to
> decline below 150 this weekend and bottom out around 140 on Sunday. Then,
> it is expected to rise to 180 around April 20, and peak around 185 after
> April 23 and toward the end of the month.
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> Sunspot numbers for April 5 through 11 were 214, 136, 153, 188, 185, 170
> and 178 with a mean of 174.9. 10.7 cm flux was 210, 192, 179.5, 169.2,
> 164.8, 169.7 and 159.6, with a mean of 177.8, and estimated planetary A
> indices were 19, 12, 16, 41, 19, 9 and 60 with a mean of 25.1.
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> ==>IN BRIEF:
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> * This weekend on the radio: The DX YL to NA YL Contest (CW) is Apr 11-13;
> the Lighthouse Spring Lites Rites QSO Party is April 13-23; the EU Spring
> Sprint (SSB) is April 14; the Japan International DX Contest, the MARAC
> County Hunter Contest (SSB), the QRP ARCI Spring QSO Party, and His
> Majesty King of Spain Contest are the weekend of April 13-15. JUST AHEAD:
> The 222 MHz Spring Sprint is April 17; the TARA Spring Wakeup PSK31
> Rumble, the YU DX Contest; the EU Spring Sprint (CW), the Michigan and
> Ontario QSO parties, and the Holyland DX Contest are the weekend of April
> 21-22. The 432 MHz Spring Sprint and the Harry Angel Memorial Sprint are
> April 25; the DX YL to NA YL Contest (SSB) is April 25-27. See the ARRL
> Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ for more info.
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> * Clarification: An announcement concerning in-person Level I Amateur
> Radio Emergency Communications Courses that ran in The ARRL Letter, Vol
> 20, No 14 (Apr 6 2001), was premature. At this point, ARRL is seeking
> volunteers to serve as Certification Instructors and Certification
> Examiners for the in-person courses. Certification Instructors will come
> from the ranks of those amateurs who have successfully completed the Level
> I course, which has only been offered on-line until now. To learn how to
> qualify for these positions, see
> http://www.arrl.org/cce/admin-criteria.html. As in-person courses are
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> connect a laptop to the packet module to check out the packet system and
> re-install the packet parameters," he said. Some tests were run to see if
> the system worked with only PROM parameters. "We have determined from our
> ground tests that one can connect to the packet system using 'nocall' and
> digi through it." Bauer said he recently ran tests on two passes to
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> battery. He was able to successfully connect to "nocall" on one pass and
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> Amateur Radio station K6KPH will be on the air for International Marconi
> Day from the original transmitting and receiving stations of ex-RCA coast
> station KPH. Operation is set to start at 0700 UTC Saturday, April 21. The
> frequencies of operation will be 7050 and 14,050 kHz. KPH traces its
> history back to the days of Marconi operation at the Bolinas transmitting
> site. K6KPH will be operated using the original transmitters, receivers
> and antennas of KPH. The operators will be at the Point Reyes receiving
> station, remotely keying the transmitters in Bolinas, just as was done
> when the station was in commercial operation. Members of the Maritime
> Radio Historical Society--which include several original KPH
> operators--will be at the key. Details about International Marconi Day are
> available on the Cornish Radio Club Web sit,
> http://www.users.globalnet.co.uk/~straff/ . Visit the Maritime Radio
> Historical Society Web site, http://www.radiomarine.org .--Dick Dillman,
> W6AWO
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> * N1IN, named to MARS PR post: Retired journalist Bill Sexton, N1IN, of
> Richmond, Massachusetts, has been named as public awareness coordinator
> for the Military Affiliate Radio System, or MARS. Sexton succeeds Lori
> Matthew, N4ZCF, whose public relations coordinator title was retired after
> her death last September. In the volunteer position, Sexton reports to
> Army MARS Chief Bob Sutton, N7UZY, and is responsible for disseminating
> information about MARS member activities. "MARS may be among the most
> active sectors of amateur radio but it's also among the least known,"
> Sexton said. "The fact that we operate on frequencies outside the ham
> bands accounts in good part for the lack of public familiarity." Sexton
> explains that in all three branches--Army, Air Force and Navy-Marine Corps
> MARS--the primary mission is maintaining readiness for emergency
> communications support to the Defense Department and other government
> agencies. "Training is constant and demanding," he said, and has overtaken
> the traditional MARS function of handling health-and-welfare traffic
> between service members and their families. A former newspaper and wire
> service journalist, Sexton joined MARS in 1992. Write him at William C.
> Sexton, N1IN, PO Box 428 Richmond, MA 01254-0428; e-mail sextonw@....
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> * Wisconsin declares Amateur Radio Operator Recognition Day: Wisconsin Gov

> Scott McCallum has signed a proclamation declaring April 19 as Amateur
> Radio Operator Recognition Day in Wisconsin. The proclamation cites
> Amateur Radio's role in providing emergency communication "at no cost to
> Wisconsin taxpayers" and singles out RACES, ARES and SKYWARN, as well as
> the clubs throughout the state that provide Amateur Radio training and
> school programs. Included as well was Amateur Radio's support for the
> annual run of the Great Circus Train.--Mack Brophy, N9NTB
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> * ARRLWeb, http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/. (NOTE: The ARRL Letter will be
> posted each Friday when it is distributed via e-mail.
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> * The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur
> Radio Club: Send e-mail to majordomo@... (no subject needed). The body
> of the message should say "subscribe letter-list" to subscribe or
> "unsubscribe letter-list" to unsubscribe. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist
> subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)
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168. fw: Fwd: Amendment of Amateur Service Rules

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-20 00:53:37 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 168   Message: 168

> ** Original Subject: fw: Fwd: Amendment of Amateur Service Rules > ** Original Sender: "Prashant Koli" > ** Original Date: Fri, 20 Apr 2001 05:39:27 +0530 > ** Original Message follows... >
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>From: "Sandeep Baruah" >
>To: >
>CC: ,
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>Subject: Amendment of Amateur Service Rules >
>Date: Fri, 16 Mar 2001 13:34:34 -0800 >
> >
>Amendment of Indian Wireless Telegraph (Amateur Service) Rules 1978 >
> >
>Hi Ham Friends/Ham Radio Enthusiasts! >
>We would like to inform you that we (VU2NCT: Club station of National Council for Science & Technology Communication & Vigyan Prasar, Govt. of India) are in receipt of a letter from the WPC, Ministry of Communications, New Delhi requesting our suggestions in response to the "Suggestions sent by Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI)" to WPC regarding the amendment of Indian Wireless Telegraph (Amateur Service) Rules 1978. >
> We are expressing our strong support to the suggestions made by ARSI adding a few more suggestions in the list. An online submission form has been prepared to enable the Indian radio amateurs/radio enthusiasts to send in their opinion regarding the proposed amendment. >
> Shri Sahruddin (VU2SDN), President, Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI) would also like to receive your valuable suggestions through the online submission form available at the following URL before 30.04.2001: >
>http://www.geocities.com/vu2msy_99/debate.htm >
> Some of you might have already sent your responses through this form. I would like to thank them all. But, now, THE FORM HAS BEEN REVISED (updated on 19.04.2001) with further suggestions, acceptance of which would surely benefit the ham radio operators/would be hams of this country. >
>"LET US EXPRESS OUR SOLIDARITY!" >
>I request you all to visit the above URL (once again-for those who have already sent their responses) and contribute your valuable suggestions which would be forwarded to the WPC for possible acceptance. >
>Thanking you. Best 73s >
>-Sandeep Baruah, VU2MUE (Ex-VU2MSY) >
>New Delhi >
>PLEASE SEND YOUR SUGGESTION before 30th April, 2001 through: >
>http://www.geocities.com/vu2msy_99/debate.htm >

Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com.
>** --------- End Original Message ----------- ** >

169. happy birthday - VU2UGJ.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-21 03:10:53 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 169 Message: 169

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its founder member Mukesh Jaitley [VU2UGJ] a very happy birthday

170. Warning : Condition Yellow Alert.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-21 03:32:05 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 170 Message: 170

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

You all must be aware that the term of the First Managing Committee has ended on 31/3/2001. The Committee will continue to hold office till 1st May 2001.

The Annual General Meeting and the Elections for the Second Managing Committee shall take place on 1st May 2001. The Last day for filing your nomination for election is 28/04/2001.

Unfortunately till date we have received only 3 nominations. It takes atleast 7 members to form a Committee. If the new Committee is not formed then the consequences are that the Society may become DEFUNCT.

Please note that as per our constitution only the founder members can run for election for this year. from the next year any member who has a valid Amateur Radio Licence and a society membership of one year can run for election.

If any members who is not a founder member, but still wishes run for the election, can inform the under signed, That is , just in case if we do not get 7 Founder Members for the Managing Committee, then the Present Managing Committee may pass a resolution to amend the Constitution accordingly.

73s
NLF.

171. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 16

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-21 07:31:55 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 171 Message: 171

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==>HAM RADIO NUMBERS SHOW POST-RESTRUCTURING GROWTH SPURT

Amateur Radio is experiencing a bit of a growth spurt in the wake of amateur
license restructuring. FCC licensing statistics as of the end of March--the
most recent complete figures available--show a net gain of approximately
6600 current licensees, or about 1%, from last April, when restructuring
went into effect. Prior to that, the number of amateurs had remained
relatively stable since 1998.

ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, says the full impact of license
restructuring--including the elimination of the 13 and 20-WPM Morse
exams--is slowly making itself felt within the amateur community. "For the
first quarter of 2001, ARRL VEC test session statistics show that new and
upgrading amateurs continue to earn licenses at a rate stronger that that of
first quarter 1999 and first quarter 2000," he said. "This is a positive
trend that we expect will continue over the coming months."

As of the end of March, according to statistics compiled by Joe Speroni,
AH0A, the FCC showed 684,359 current licensees on its books, although the
number of active amateurs is believed to be far smaller. Speroni's figures
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show that more than 20,000 new amateurs entered the hobby over the past year, while attrition was on the order of 13,600.

Overall, statistics show growth in the number of Extra, General and Technician licensees from year-earlier figures, while the number of Advanced, Tech Plus and Novice licensees declined.

Jahnke says comparing the ARRL VEC's first quarter 2001 numbers shows that interest in the Extra class license is up by as much as 30% over the first quarters of 1999 and 2000. "Extraordinarily, interest in the General license is up 450% to 650%!" he said.

With the change to a new, 50-question Extra class written element that combines material formerly covered in the 90 questions contained within the old Advanced and Extra tests, some predicted the Extra test would be easier to pass. That's not proving to be the case this year--at least at ARRL VEC-sponsored sessions, where the Extra pass rate has declined by nearly 7% from 1999. Technician and General pass rates this year have been up on the order of 10% to 12% from pre-restructuring rates, however, at ARRL VEC sessions.

Licensee numbers compiled by Speroni show that the FCC issued nearly 5400 new licenses in the first quarter of this year--more than 2230 in the month of March alone. That compares with around 3730 new hams in the same quarter last year. As would be expected, the vast majority of the newcomers entered the hobby as Technician licensees. March was one of only three months in the past year where the number of new licensees exceeded 2000. For more information, visit Speroni's Amateur Radio Education Web Site, http://ah0a.org/AH0A.html.

==>AMATEUR ANTENNA BILLS MOVE FORWARD IN ALASKA AND NEVADA

Amateur Radio antenna bills have made significant legislative headway in Alaska and Nevada. The Alaska bill is on its way to the governor, while the Nevada measure has cleared the Assembly and is bound for the state Senate.

Alaska Section Manager Kent Petty, KL5T, reports that Senate Bill 78 passed the House of Representatives 37-0 on April 19 after clearing the House Community and Regional Affairs Committee. The measure now goes to Gov Tony Knowles for his signature, and Petty says he's confident the governor will sign the bill.

The Alaska Senate had passed SB 78 in March on a 20-0 vote. The bill, "An Act Relating to Municipal Regulation of Radio Antennas," was introduced by Sen Robin Taylor of Wrangell. It would incorporate the wording of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1--calling on localities to "reasonably accommodate" amateur antennas--into Alaska's state statutes. It also includes a schedule of antenna heights, below which municipalities could not regulate, and it includes a "grandfather" provision to protect existing towers should a municipality enact a restrictive antenna ordinance.

The Alaska bill's three-tier minimum regulatory height schedule depends on local population density and lot size. Municipalities would not be permitted to further regulate antennas shorter than 75 feet in areas with a population density of more than 120 people per square mile. A minimum regulatory height of 140 feet would prevail in areas with a population density of more than 120 people per square mile on a lot of an acre or more. The top-tier 200 feet minimum regulatory limit would apply where the population density is 120 people or less per square mile.

More information on SB 78 is available at the Alaska Legislature Web site, http://www.legis.state.ak.us/.

There's good news and not-so-good news about Nevada's amateur antenna bill, Assembly Bill 61. On April 12, the Nevada Assembly Government Affairs Committee acted to remove sections of AB 61 that dealt with deed restrictions. Those sections of the bill would have prohibited antenna restrictions from future deed covenants, conditions and restrictions--or CC&Rs--in Nevada.

On the plus side, Nevada Assistant Section Manager Dick Flanagan, W6OLD, reports that the Committee referred the amended bill to the full Assembly with a recommendation to approve it. The Assembly passed the measure April 19 on a 40-0 vote. Left intact were sections that would add the wording of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 to the Nevada Revised Statutes. The bill now goes to the Nevada Senate. "We'll be rounding up the troops in support," said Nevada Section Manager Jan Welsh, NK7N.

Flanagan concurs that the battle isn't over. "While we have achieved a major milestone by passing the Nevada Assembly, we are still anticipating a fight from the local government associations in the Senate," he said. Flanagan has urged amateurs there to make their feelings known on the bill by sending e-mail or letters to their local lawmakers and by recording their opinions with the Nevada Legislature's "Share Your Opinion" page, http://www.leg.state.nv.us/71st/opinions/ or by telephone.

The Carson Valley Radio Club Web site, http://www.cvrc.net/ab61/, and the Nevada Legislature's Web site, http://www.leg.state.nv.us/, have more information.--Kent Petty, KL5T; Dick Flanagan, W6OLD

==>MISSISSIPPI, ALABAMA YOUNGSTERS ENJOY ARISS SPACE CHATS

Youngsters at schools in Mississippi and Alabama have had a chance to chat via Amateur Radio with the two US crew members of International Space Station. The contacts were arrange by the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station--or ARISS--program. Astronaut Susan Helms, KC7NHZ, spoke last week with Vicksburg (Mississippi) High School students, while her astronaut colleague Jim Voss took a turn at the NA1SS mike this week during a contact with youngsters at Admiral Moorer Middle School in his home state of Alabama.

After a couple of false starts, nine Vicksburg High School students finally got to meet Helms on the air on April 11. "The contact was near perfect," said Bill Ford, W5WAF, a member of the Vicksburg Amateur Radio Club

committee that helped set up the equipment for the contact. Two previous QSO opportunities had to be scrubbed because of the ISS crew workload.

Initially anticipating a direct contact with NA1SS, the Vicksburg ARC had installed antennas and equipment at the high school. As things turned out, the contact ended up being telebridged through the Sacred Hearts Academy station in Honolulu, Hawaii. Audio was handled via special telephone circuits.

The students fired off 18 questions, ranging from the salary of an astronaut to the sensation of riding the shuttle to orbit. One student who happens to be 6 feet 3 inches tall asked about the height requirements for astronauts. Helms told senior Christopher Withrow that the height restriction is 6 feet 4 inches. Withrow said he's still growing.

Vicksburg ARC President Eddie Pettis, N5JGK, called the contact a very successful community-wide effort. The event also got excellent media coverage.

On April 16, youngsters at Admiral Moorer Middle School in Eufaula, Alabama, worked the ISS through a telebridge with ground station NN1SS at the Goddard Space Flight Center in Maryland. Youngsters managed to complete their entire list of two dozen questions, several focusing on the health effects of being in space.

One youngster asked what Voss would do if he got sick during his stay aboard the ISS. He explained that he and Helms were the medical team during the Expedition 2 crew mission and that if one became ill, the other would provide treatment. Voss said the crew can talk with a physician on Earth if they need help.

Voss also told the students in Alabama that the body adjusts to the lack of gravity by using visual cues rather than the inner-ear to determine balance. Voss also said that he considered research in the field of radiation monitoring very important to opening the way for colonizing space.

ARISS mentor Randy Becnel, W5UE, worked with both the Vicksburg and Moorer ARISS teams.

The Moorer school QSO was scheduled at Voss's request. Helms and Voss have participated in several ARISS school contacts since coming aboard the ISS in March. The Expedition 2 Commander is Russian cosmonaut Yury Usachev, UA9AD. The next tentatively scheduled ARISS contact is with Parkway Central High School in Chesterfield, Missouri, later this month.--thanks to Bill Ford, W5WAF, Allen White, WB4MIO, Will Marchant, KC6ROL; The Vicksburg Post, and MSNBC

==>DAVID CLARK, KB6TAM, IS BACK ON THE HIGH SEAS

Call him persistent, even stubborn, but don't call him a quitter, and don't count him out. Rebounding from the February 7 disaster that sank his first sailboat, the Mollie Milar, David Clark, KB6TAM, again set sail April 11 from Cape Town, South Africa, in a new boat. His goal is to become the

oldest person to sail solo around the world. Clark will turn 77 on May 17.

The February maritime disaster in which his sailboat sank also claimed the life of his beloved canine companion, Mickey, who was lost at sea during the rescue. Clark has named his new vessel Mickey in the dog's memory. The new boat is a 34-foot fiberglass hull vessel.

Now some 800 miles out of Cape Town, Clark has been keeping a daily ham radio schedule with the Pacific Seafarer's Net on 20 meters, according to Bob Reed, N6HGG. The net has been running phone patches so that Clark can speak with his wife. Clark's next port of call is St Helena, where he will take on water and supplies. He expects to reach there in about 10 days. Reed says Clark has been keeping a daily schedule on 14.245 MHz at around 1400 UTC. He's also keeping in touch with South African hams at 1500 UTC on 14.195 MHz.

Clark says he expects to be back in Ft Lauderdale, Florida--where his journey began in December 1999--sometime between the middle of June and the first of July. While Clark has some corporate sponsors, he's been funding his trip largely out of his Social Security income and his occasional clarinet gigs.

For more information on David Clark's journey, visit http://www.dclark.com and http://www.captainclark.com.

==>QST TECHNICAL EDITOR PAUL PAGEL, N1FB, RETIRES

ARRL Headquarters staff member and well-known QST technical editor Paul Pagel, N1FB, has retired. Pagel, who turned 63 this month, was on the HQ staff for nearly 22 years. In his capacity as a senior assistant technical editor, Pagel prepared much of QST's technical content for publication. He also handled the popular "Technical Correspondence" column.

Outgoing QST editor Mark Wilson, K1RO, who's now ARRL's chief operating officer, says the QST editorial team won't be the same without Paul Pagel. "He's helped countless authors polish their articles for the magazine," Wilson said. "He also helped train a number of ARRL technical editors over the years--including me. I still remember Paul's patient advice and guidance as I worked on my first articles for the magazine. We'll miss him."

A ham since 1958--when he went from ground zero to Conditional class (K1KXA) in one leap--Pagel says he can't remember when he was not interested in Amateur Radio. Growing up in New Britain, Connecticut, he taught himself the Morse code at age 16. "I got a J-38 key for $1 at a rundown radio-TV shop," he said, "and I learned the Morse code by listening to the clicks of the key, because I didn't have a code oscillator." This gave him a leg up when he joined the Air Force right out of high school and became a ground radio operator in Germany. While overseas, he also met his wife, Karin. The couple now lives in Enfield, Connecticut. Their son, Eric, is a police officer. Following the service, Pagel went to the FCC office in Boston one day and upgraded all the way to Amateur Extra in a single sitting. After graduation from Ward School of Electronics in Hartford, he went to work for IBM.

Prior to coming to work in the old Technical Department at ARRL, Pagel spent 12 years as an engineer at WWLP-TV in Springfield, Massachusetts. He learned of that opening from a fellow ham. Pagel said that making the jump from his TV job to ARRL in June 1979 meant "a huge cut in pay," but writing and editing in a ham radio environment were what he'd always wanted to do.

"I immediately took over the 'Product Review' column," he said. "That was scary!" He cites as one of his major contributions convincing then-ARRL General Manager Dick Baldwin, W1RU, to purchase state-of-the-art test gear for the ARRL Lab to conduct routine evaluations of new Amateur Radio products. "That was the turning point for 'Product Review'," he said.

Over the years, Pagel has enjoyed several facets of hamming, including CW--his first love--AM, SSB, RTTY and weather satellites. During his ARRL tenure, he collaborated with ARRL Technical Advisor Ralph Taggart, WB8DQT, on the first edition of the Weather Satellite Handbook. He also enjoyed building his own gear. An ARRL Life Member, Pagel said he hopes to get back into the hobby, now that he has more time and isn't involved with it professionally.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Sun watcher Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Solar flux and sunspot numbers have been declining, but still there is plenty of activity to keep geomagnetic conditions active. Mean daily sunspot numbers declined by nearly 60 points this week over last, and average solar flux was down nearly 44 points. Sunspot numbers were down to the double instead of triple digits this week, with Tuesday through Thursday sunspot numbers at 89, 63 and 85. Sunspot numbers were last in the double digits about a month ago.

The large sunspot that caused so much excitement a few weeks ago now is visible again and about to rotate into full view. Daily solar flux probably bottomed out on Monday at 123.4, and the latest forecast has solar flux for Friday through Monday at 155, 165, 175 and 185. Solar flux is expected to peak somewhere around April 27 or 28 at 230. Of course, new activity could change this. After all, when solar flux peaked at 273 and 274 on March 27 and 28 the best guess a week earlier was that solar flux would peak around 180 on those dates.

Last Friday a strong geomagnetic storm was triggered by an interplanetary shock wave. This followed a couple of days of similar effects from coronal mass ejections. Then on Sunday, one of the most powerful solar flares ever recorded was observed, but it was near the sun's western limb and aimed mostly away from Earth. Some bands closed down entirely!

Another interplanetary shock wave struck Earth on Tuesday. This has been quite a week for auroras. The most disturbed day this week was Wednesday, when planetary A index was 50 and the planetary K index reached 7 over two periods. This came one week after another severe disturbance, when the planetary A index was 60 and the high latitude College A index was 100.

Sunspot numbers for April 12 through 18 were 159, 138, 149, 100, 107, 89 and 63 with a mean of 115. The 10.7 cm flux was 149, 137, 138.7, 134.2, 123.4,

126.1 and 131.8, with a mean of 134.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 38, 36, 15, 13, 7, 7 and 50 with a mean of 23.7.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The TARA Spring Wakeup PSK31 Rumble, the YU DX Contest; the EU Spring Sprint (CW), the Michigan and Ontario QSO parties, and the Holyland DX Contest are the weekend of April 21-22. The 432 MHz Spring Sprint and the Harry Angel Memorial Sprint are April 25; the DX YL to NA YL Contest (SSB) is April 25. JUST AHEAD: The Florida and Nebraska QSO parties and the Six Meter Sprint are the weekend of April 28-29. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info..

* Correction: Operation from K6KPH for International Marconi Day from the original transmitting and receiving stations of ex-RCA coast station KPH. Operation will begin at 2100 UTC Saturday, April 21. The time was reported incorrectly in The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 15 (Apr 13, 2001). Details about International Marconi Day are available on the Cornish Radio Club Web site, http://www.users.globalnet.co.uk/~straff/ . More information about the Maritime Radio Historical Society is at http://www.radiomarine.org .

* ARRL seeks chief development officer: The ARRL seeks an experienced fund-raising professional to serve as its chief development officer. This position is at ARRL Headquarters in Newington, Connecticut. Reporting to Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, the CDO will create fund-raising strategies, implement and solidify structure and provide experienced leadership and vision in support of program development, advocacy and ongoing operations. This individual will involve and educate the organization's CEO, Board of Directors, staff and volunteers as well as the Foundation Board in attaining philanthropic support for ARRL. Emphasis will be placed on strategic planning, annual fund activities, planned giving, major gifts and corporate relations. Candidates must have at least 5 to 10 years of professional fund-raising experience. This is a unique opportunity to build a development program, to make a crucial difference to the ARRL community and to strengthen its position well into the 21st century. Qualified candidates should e-mail or mail a resume and a letter of interest to executive recruiter Belinda Benincasa, bbenincasa@astbryant.com or Stefanie Borsari, sborsari@..., or write c/o AST/BRYANT, 1 Atlantic St, Stamford, CT 06901.

* Reminder: Amateurs attending the National Association of Broadcasters Convention in Las Vegas next week are invited to the 2001 Amateur Radio Operator's Reception. This year's reception, sponsored by Kenwood Communications Corp and CQ magazine, will be held Wednesday, April 25, 6-8 PM, in Ballroom C of the Las Vegas Hilton. Hundreds of amateurs involved in all areas of the broadcast industry get together at this annual event, organized by John Marino, KR1O, NAB Vice President, Science & Technology.

* First Tuna Tin 2 WAS claimed: When the Tuna Tin 2 low-power transmitter article appeared in QST in 1976 (http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/pdf/7605014.pdf), its author Doug DeMaw, W1CER (later W1FB), envisioned it as a weekend project that could be used for short-range contacts. Now, a quarter of a century later, a Canadian amateur has claimed the first Tuna Tin 2 Worked All States Award! Steve McDonald, VE7SL, got caught up in "Tuna Tin 2 Mania" and bought one of the popular TT2 kits. After working about 30 states with the little rig, WAS suddenly seemed plausible. McDonald realized his dream several months later when he turned in his cards for WAS. All contacts for the award had been completed while he was running about 400 mW from a Tuna Tin 2. As far as the ARRL awards folks know, this marked the first time WAS was achieved with a Tuna Tin 2--although there is no special endorsement for having done so. "Doug DeMaw knew in his heart that the rig would be useful and popular, but I don't think he ever envisioned that this little transmitter would still be working its QRP magic over 25 years after it first appeared in the pages of QST," said ARRL Lab Supervisor Ed Hare, W1RFI--himself a QRP and TT2 aficionado who has promoted the Tuna Tin 2 Revival and was McDonald's Connecticut contact for WAS. Congratulations to VE7SL on a tremendous operating accomplishment.--Ed Hare, W1RFI

* CQ Contest and DX Hall of Fame inductees for 2001 announced: CQ magazine has announced its 2001 inductees into the CQ Contest and CQ DX halls of fame. Algis Kregzde, LY2NK, and Ron "Sig" Sigismonti, N3RS, were named to the CQ Contest Hall of Fame. Robert Allphin, K4UEE, and Robert Eshleman, W4DR, join the roster of the CQ DX Hall of Fame. Kregzde is a coach, leader and coordinator of the Lithuanian National HF Team, president of the Lithuanian Radio Sports Federation and vice president of the international European Radio Sports Federation. Sigismonti has been contesting for four decades and is past president of the Frankford Radio Club, which nominated him. Allphin, a member of the 1996 and 2000 US WRTC teams, was nominated by the Southeastern DX Club. Eshleman, the recipient of the 2000 ARRL Clinton DeSoto DXCC Challenge Cup, is a past chairman of the ARRL DX Advisory Committee. He holds Five-Band DXCC certificate No 1. He was nominated by the Tidewater DX Club, the Flanders DX Club, and UBA--Belgium's national Amateur Radio society. Induction ceremonies will be held at the Dayton DX and Contest banquets.--CQ news release

* SETI League bouncing signals off moon: With financial assistance from the American Astronomical Society, The SETI League Inc has placed on the air a transmitter that bounces microwave signals off the moon's surface for use in testing Earth-based radiotelescopes. Operating on 1296 MHz under the call sign W2ETI, the EME beacon enables amateur and professional radio astronomers to calibrate their receiving systems by providing a stable reference signal from a known point in the sky. The SETI League's EME beacon received its first shakedown in March, providing scientists at the Arecibo Observatory in Puerto Rico with a weak, well-calibrated test signal for use in conjunction with the Project Phoenix targeted search for extraterrestrial intelligence. Project Phoenix scientists had formerly used a microwave transmitter aboard the Pioneer 10 spacecraft for this purpose. Twenty nine years after its launch, Pioneer 10 is now outside our solar system, seven billion miles from Earth, and its 8 W beacon is too weak to be

received--even by Arecibo. The SETI League promotes a privatized search for extra-terrestrial intelligence. The organization boasts more than 1200 members in 60 countries, many of the Amateur Radio operators. Its executive director is Paul Shuch, N6TX. For more information, visit the SETI League Web site, http://www.setileague.org/ .

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* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio Club: Send e-mail to majordomo@... (no subject needed). The body of the message should say "subscribe letter-list" to subscribe or "unsubscribe letter-list" to unsubscribe. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)

172. WTB: VX-5R

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-21 08:02:32 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 172 Message: 172

Has anybody VX-5R for sale?
May consider any other dual bander HT also.

Please mail me offer directly.

73's_Prashant, vu3pdz

173. Re: [m_a_r_s] happy birthday - VU2UGJ.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-21 23:21:04 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 169 Message: 173

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>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] happy birthday - VU2UGJ.
>Date: Sat, 21 Apr 2001 08:40:53 +0530
>
>MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
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>
>M.A.R.S wishes its founder member Mukesh Jaitley [VU2UGJ] a very happy
>birthday
>

Dear Mars members ,

Thanks alot for wishes ,

sincerly yours ,

mukesh , vu2 ugj

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174. SUGGESTION

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-22 02:35:47 UTC
From: sudhir keshvrao kalkar
Topic: 174 Message: 174

Chat with your friends as soon as they come online. Get Rediff Bol at
http://bol.rediff.com

175. happy birthday - vu3kpl

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-27 16:33:54 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 175 Message: 175

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its Life member Kiran Padiyar [VU32KPL] a very happy birthday

176. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 17

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-28 02:43:24 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 176 Message: 176

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==>AO-40 TRANSPONDER OPERATION POSSIBLE THIS SUMMER

AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, this week raised the possibility
that AO-40 could inaugurate transponder operation this summer, if tests and
orbital maneuvers between now and then go as planned.

"We are learning how to fly this thing," Haighton said. "But I still think
we're going to end up with a darned good satellite."

The most likely initial transponder configurations, Haighton said, would be
Mode L/S--1.2 GHz up and 2.4 GHz down, Mode U/S--435 MHz up and 2.4 GHz
down, and possibly Mode V/S--145 MHz up and 2.4 GHz down.

Recent data suggest that the mid-December incident that silenced AO-40 for
two weeks and rendered some systems unusable also might have blown a hole on
the 400-newton motor side of the spacecraft. "Speculation is there could be
damage, and sunlight is getting right in," Haighton said. He noted that
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ground controllers have detected a distinct rise in temperature when sunlight strikes that side of the satellite. The speculated opening was not causing any major problems, he said, but it could explain why efforts to adjust AO-40's attitude via magnetorquing have been unpredictable.

As the AO-40 recovery effort continues, Haighton said, ground controllers plan to raise the height of the perigee in the very near future. That process, using the onboard arc-jet motor, could take up to several weeks. The AO-40 team hopes the maneuver will minimize or eliminate possible effects on the satellite's orbit caused by atmospheric expansion at the peak of the solar cycle.

AO-40 currently is approximately 320 km--almost 200 miles--above Earth at perigee--its closest point--and some 51,000 km--some 31,600 miles--at apogee. Plans call for raising the orbit at perigee to around 520 km, or some 320 miles. The maneuver would "hardly affect" the satellite's apogee, Haighton said. The arc-jet would be operated without electrically igniting it, using the pressure of the ammonia fuel alone.

Once the orbit has been adjusted, ground controllers would orient the spacecraft's attitude and check out the various onboard transmitter and receiver systems to see what works and what does not. "We're still pretty confident that the 2 meter and 70 cm transmitters are not there," Haighton said, "but we're equally confident that the receivers for those bands still are."

The satellite has been transmitting telemetry on the 2.4 GHz (S-2) beacon, and signals reportedly have continued to improve--although the beacon has been out from time to time as needed to conserve power during eclipse periods.

==>WRTC 2002 TO BE HELD IN FINLAND

The next World Radiosport Team Championship--which some characterize as the "Olympics of Amateur Radio"--will be held next year in Finland. A formal announcement came April 21 during the International DX Convention in Visalia, California.

WRTC 2002 will be jointly organized by Contest Club Finland and the Finnish Amateur Radio League (SRAL). The on-air competition will take place July 13-14, 2002, in conjunction with the IARU HF Championship.

Last held in Slovenia in July 2000, the WRTC involves on-air contest-style competition among two-person teams operating from the same geographical vicinity at stations having equivalent capabilities. All operation is done at 100 W with modest antennas.

The WRTC 2002 Organizing Committee Chairman is Jouko Häyrynen, OH1RX. Sharing duties in chairing the competition will be Martti Laine, OH2BH, and Pasi Luoma-aho, OH2IW, both world-class contesters. Ari Korhonen, OH1EH, who's handling WRTC 2002 publicity, was paired with OH1NOA on Team Finland, which finished fifth at WRTC 2000.

Team selection will begin soon. Considered likely contenders next year are WRTC 96 and WRTC 2000 winners Dan Street, K1TO, and Jeff Steinman, N5TJ. Participants from all continents will be selected based on their track-records in past contests. Korhonen said every effort would be made to provide teams with comparable operating conditions. "Our plan is to have 45 to 50 station sites set up in locations around Helsinki, each equipped with identical antenna systems," he said.

The WRTC 2002 Web site is http://www.wrtc2002.org.

==>ISS PARTNERS GRANT FLIGHT EXEMPTION FOR DENNIS TITO, KG6FZX

The International Space Station Partnership has granted an exemption for the flight of American businessman Dennis Tito, KG6FZX, to the ISS aboard a Russian Soyuz 2 taxi mission. Russia already had given Tito the go ahead to visit the ISS as part of a three-man team on the 10-day Soyuz mission, scheduled to begin April 28. NASA has extended the shuttle Endeavour visit to the ISS by at least a day as the space station crew resolves computer problems and recommended that Russia postpone the Soyuz mission.

A NASA statement said that following "intense and extensive consultations" among all space station partners, the Multilateral Coordination Board "achieved consensus on the proposed Tito flight." A former Jet Propulsion Lab engineer, Tito, 61, reportedly has agreed to pay the Russian space program $20 million for the privilege of becoming the first "space tourist."

The public relations value of Tito's imminent visit was not lost on the Board. "It is understood that Mr. Tito will contribute to the formation of positive public opinion about the ISS program and the ISS partnership," its meeting report concluded.

There are conditions to Tito's visit. He reportedly has agreed that neither he nor his heirs will hold NASA liable for anything that might happen to him on board and that he will pay for anything he might damage. A NASA task force has recommended that Tito have an astronaut escort to visit the US sectors of the ISS and that he sleep near the Soyuz escape vehicle in case an emergency arises.

During Tito's visit, the crew of Russian Commander Yury Usachev, UA9AD, and US astronauts Susan Helms, KC7NHZ, and Jim Voss, is expected to adopt a minimal work routine and maintenance schedule.

Initially, NASA had vigorously opposed allowing Tito to fly to the ISS at this time and had suggested putting the mission off until later this year. NASA said the Board agreed that no ISS partner would propose to fly another "non-professional crewmember" until the ISS partnership had finalized and adopted detailed crew criteria. Those criteria are to be in place by June.

Tito has been in Russia training to go into space. He took and passed the Technician exam earlier this month.

NASA sources have said that Tito will have access to the ARISS amateur gear on a "non-interference basis"--meaning that he must not interfere with the crew's work or sleep schedules. At this point, the ham gear is installed in

the module that doubles as sleeping quarters for some of the crew. Tito is not scheduled to be involved in any ARISS school contacts--such QSOs normally are not scheduled during docked operations anyway, because the crew is too busy--but it's expected that he may use ham radio to keep in touch with his family. He's also indicated a preference for packet over FM voice.

==>MISSIONARY-HAM, INFANT, DIE WHEN PLANE IS DOWNED IN PERU

A missionary from Michigan, killed after the plane in which she was a passenger was shot down last week in Peru, was an Amateur Radio operator. The Harrisburg, Pennsylvania-based Association of Baptists for World Evangelism, identified the dead as Veronica "Roni" Bowers, 35, and her infant daughter, Charity, seven months. Roni Bowers was KD4CKM, a Tech Plus licensee.

The Cessna 185 float plane ditched in the Amazon River after being fired upon. Bowers' husband, Jim, and their son, Cory, 6, were not seriously injured in the incident. Jim Bowers is KD4CKN, a General licensee. Pilot Kevin Donaldson was shot in the leg in the incident but survived.

The Bowerses, from Muskegon, Michigan, had been serving in Peru since July 1993. News accounts say the Peruvian Air Force shot down the plane carrying the missionaries in the Amazon jungle April 20. The Peruvian military said it opened fire after the pilot ignored warnings to land, but that claim is disputed.

A communiqué from the Peruvian Ministry of Defense said that the Peruvian Air Force "deeply regrets the loss of human life." It said its actions were part of its anti-drug operations procedures. Reports say a US military aircraft associated with anti-drug trafficking operations first spotted the Cessna but told the Peruvians the plane might be legitimate.

An investigation continues. Funeral services for the mother and infant were set for April 27 in Michigan.

==>KANSAS HAMS RESPOND IN TORNADO'S AFTERMATH

Several dozen Amateur Radio Emergency Service members turned out to help in the wake of an F4 tornado that ripped through the small Central Kansas town of Hoisington April 21. The surprise twister left one dead, dozens injured and millions of dollars in damage. A weather-spotting ARES net active prior to touchdown had received reports of a funnel cloud at Hoisington, but the National Weather Service had issued no tornado warnings.

Kansas District 5 Emergency Coordinator Bob Haneke, WG0Q, says storm spotter Larry Bruce, KC0IFO, called in a report of extensive damage in Hoisington and said help was needed. Haneke first checked on his brother, who lives in Hoisington, then headed out. Barton County Emergency Coordinator Carl Anderson, N0ORS, activated an ARES emergency net on the 146.76 repeater. Then, accompanied by his wife and two sons--all hams--Anderson and several other amateurs established initial emergency communications from Hoisington. Others helping in Hoisington included ARRL Midwest Division Vice Director

Bruce Frahm, K0BJ.

The town of about 3000 is located some 100 miles northwest of Wichita and just north of Great Bend in Barton County. The storm took the roof off the Hoisington High School auditorium, and gutted a strip mall, the town's only grocery store, and a Dairy Queen where some people took shelter in a walk-in freezer. Also heavily damaged was Hoisington's hospital. Its patients had to be relocated to Great Bend or to the local nursing home, which had no power or telephone. Later, severe flooding swamped sections of the town that the tornado had skipped.

At one point early on, Haneke said, the only link parts of Hoisington had with the outside world was via Amateur Radio VHF to the emergency operations center in Great Bend. "The outgoing phone line trunk had been damaged," he said, "and cellular phones in the area were useless, as the system was grid-locked."

Amateurs assisted in several ways during the relief effort. Haneke says hams provided communication support to several responding agencies, including the American Red Cross, the Salvation Army and Adventist Community Services. Hams also provided primary or back-up communication for hospital facilities and shelters and assisted the Red Cross with damage assessment. In addition, HF and VHF links were established to handle health-and-welfare traffic. The Golden Belt Amateur Radio Club dispatched its emergency communications bus.

Haneke says that as power and telephone service were restored to the community on April 24, amateur operators were able to stand down from active duty, and the ARES emergency net was deactivated that afternoon. A contingent from the Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network (SATERN) remained in Hoisington to handle additional requests and to support Salvation Army relief efforts. Frahm said amateurs also still were assisting at the nursing home, municipal building and hospital area.

==>ASTRONAUT MAKING CASUAL QSOS FROM NA1SS

Astronaut Susan Helms, KC7NHZ, recently put smiles on the faces of a number of US hams. Reports from several amateurs indicate that she's made several casual voice contacts from her perch aboard the International Space Station.

Mike Seguin, N1JEZ, was one of the stations who made contact with Helms on April 20. He reports she had a great signal. Also reporting contacts were Tom Blubaugh, N7HXP, Samuel Danner, N3MPE (who worked NA1SS for the second time), and Stan Vandiver, W4SV (who posted audio from his QSO on his Web site, http://stan.vandiver.com). Helms also was active on April 23. Several stations have managed to connect with the ISS packet system, still operating as "NO CALL". Bruce Paige, KK5DO, reports he worked a male operator at the NA1SS mike on April 25.

As of April 27, the ARRL had received QSL card requests for two Expedition One FM voice contacts and four Expedition Two FM voice contacts (along with several dozen SWL reports for both missions), plus eight "NO CALL" packet encounters.

With the STS-100 mission under way, four of the five space agencies involved in building the space station are now represented on board. Endeavour's crew includes Italian Umberto Guidoni of the European Space Agency, Russian Yuri Lonchakov--who's been granted the call sign RS1ISS--and Canadian Chris Hadfield as well as US astronauts Kent Rominger, Jeffrey Ashby, John Phillips and Scott Parazynski, who's KC5RSY.

Endeavour docked with the ISS April 21. It's return flight was delayed at least a day and possibly two because of the ISS computer difficulties. It's not known if either of the hams from Endeavour planned to do voice QSOs while aboard the ISS. There is no amateur gear installed aboard the shuttle.

Here are the QSL routes for W/VE stations working NA1SS: US stations QSL to Margie Bourgoin, KB1DCO, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. Canadian stations QSL to Radio Amateurs of Canada, 720 Belfast Rd--Suite 217, Ottawa, ON K1G 0Z5. A self-addressed, stamped envelope is required to get a QSL in return.--ANS; news reports

==>HUDSON DIVISION DELEGATION PROMOTES ANTENNA BILL IN CAPITAL

A delegation of four from the ARRL Hudson Division recently trekked to the state capital of Albany on April 17 to garner support for New York's Amateur Radio antenna bill. Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, reports the group met for nearly five hours with Assembly and Senate members and staffers as well as with Gov George Pataki's assistant counsel Greg Allen.

An effort to incorporate the wording of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 into New York's statutes fell short of its mark last year. Fallon says he's more optimistic this time around, now that companion bills have been introduced in the Assembly and Senate, designated A 1565 and S 2893. Accompanying Fallon on the visits were Assistant Hudson Division Directors Gerry Agliata, W2GLA, and Diane Ortiz, K2DO, and Eastern New York Local Government Liaison Ray Wemple, KA2DVM.

During the visits, Fallon said, the delegation explained that a state antenna bill was needed to supplement PRB-1, since many local town and villages seem unaware of PRB-1 or ignore its provisions. "We explained how our bills would save local governments time and money and avoid confrontation among neighbors over a very technical issue few local legislators fully understand," he said. Fallon said the group likened Amateur Radio operators to volunteer firemen who, rather than responding to fires "respond to communications emergencies when the lights go out and phones go dead."

"Those we spoke to seemed receptive to our arguments," Fallon said, "and one assemblyman said that his committee would again report our bill out as it had done last year." Fallon predicted that Gov Pataki--a former ham (ex-K2ZCZ)--will almost certainly sign the bill when he receives it."

Fallon encouraged support from New York amateurs. "Letters, phone calls and visits are much more effective than e-mails," he said. The Hudson Division Web page http://www.arrlhudson.org has a copy of the bill, links to find names and addresses of state representatives, and copies of sample letters.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Heliophile Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: After bottoming out on April 16 at 123.4, solar flux is on the rise. Average flux values for this week were up more than 50 points, and activity continues to rise with the return of sunspot region 9393.

Solar flux is expected to peak this weekend around 210, but a rise in geomagnetic activity due to a large M7-class solar flare on April 26 is expected on Sunday. This flare was from sunspot 9393, which also hurled a full-halo coronal mass ejection. This sunspot covers about half the area that it did when it was on our side of the sun last month, but it is still quite large. Last month it produced the largest solar flare ever recorded--which fortunately was not pointed toward Earth.

On Monday an enormous prominence--a filament of cool dense gas suspended above the sun--extended over the sun's southwestern limb. You may still be able to view a photo from the Solar and Heliospheric Observatory at http://spaceweather.com/images2001/23apr01/20010423_1837_eit_304_big.gif .

Sunspot numbers for April 19 through 25 were 85, 103, 156, 164, 140, 175 and 182, with a mean of 143.6. The 10.7 cm flux was 144.5, 180.4, 191.1, 192.5, 196.4, 193.5 and 193.9, with a mean of 184.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 8, 7, 28, 21, 8 and 7 with a mean of 12.3.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The Florida and Nebraska QSO parties and the Six Meter Sprint are the weekend of April 28-29. JUST AHEAD:
See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* ARECC on-line course full: The April ARRL on-line Emergency Communications Level I classes now are closed to further enrollments. If you missed out, two new classes will open in mid-May. In the meantime, watch the ARRL Web site for the latest information on the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Program.

* McGan Award entry deadline looms: The deadline to receive nominations for the 10th annual Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award is 5 PM, Friday, May 25. The McGan Award goes to an individual who has achieved volunteer public relations success on behalf of Amateur Radio, exemplifying the efforts of Phil McGan, WA2MBQ (SK). Nominating someone for this award is the perfect way to recognize an ARRL Public Relations Coordinator, Public Relations Officer or club PR appointee for his or her dedication to the promotion of ham radio on the local, regional or national level. For more information about the McGan Award, see February QST. Entry forms and the award program guidelines are available on the ARRL Web site, http://www.arrl.org/pio.

* A weekend's work compressed into two hours at Visalia: Three ARRL staffers and 18 volunteers from California DX clubs combined their talents to field

check 83 DXCC applications during the 52nd annual International DX Convention in Visalia, California, April 20-22. The task of checking the approximately 5000 QSL cards typically would take the equivalent of an entire weekend. But this year, 21 card checkers showed up and whittled a weekend's work down to an astonishing two hours! Ken Anderson, K6TA, organized the project. The Northern California DX Club-this year's convention sponsor-and the Southern California DX Club take turns organizing the convention. The Redwood Empire DX Association assisted. More than 600 registered for this year's event. ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, encouraged those assembled to stress membership recruitment in their respective clubs. Other ARRL officials attending included Vice President John Kanode, N4MM, Southwestern Division Director Fried Heyn, WA6WZO, and Pacific Division Director Jim Maxwell, W6CF, plus other section and division volunteers. Membership Services Manager Wayne Mills, N7NG, participated in the DX Forum moderated by DXAC representative Jack Troster, W6ISQ. ARRL Contest Branch Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, participated in the Contest Forum moderated by Bob Wilson, N6TV.

* Ham helps his "Elmer" in health emergency: Kansas Section Emergency Coordinator Joseph Plankinton, WD0DMV, reports that a new ham in his section recently got to return a favor for the amateur who'd helped him get his license--his "Elmer." On April 5 Conrad Lauck, KC0JUV, of Topeka was enjoying a QSO on a local repeater with his old friend Wayne Peterson, KB0AMY, 55 miles away in Horton. Both hams are blind, and Peterson is a diabetic. During the contact, Peterson mentioned that he was not feeling well, and, as the conversation progressed, his speech began to slur. Finally, Lauck heard Peterson key his microphone but not speak, and he knew his friend was in trouble. He contacted authorities in Horton to check on Peterson, who apparently had suffered a health emergency. An ambulance was called, and the crisis was averted.

* Hosstraders has moved! The popular Hosstraders event--considered the premier hamfest in New England--has moved again. Originally held in Deerfield, New Hampshire, the Hosstraders event shifted venue to Rochester, New Hampshire, several years ago. Starting with the May 4-5 event, the Hosstraders will move to the Hopkinton State Fairgrounds, located off I-89 (Exit 7), in Hopkinton, New Hampshire. "We are excited about this big step forward," says organizer Joe DeMaso, K1RQG. "Those of you who miss the old days at Deerfield will be especially happy with the look of our new home." The Hosstraders location change to Rochester led many hams to dub the event "Deerchester." Now, some are starting to call it "Deerkinton" as a result of the latest move. More information is available on the Hosstraders 2001 Web site, http://www.qsl.net/k1rqg.

* Submarines on the air: The Submarine Veterans Amateur Radio Association will sponsor its fifth annual Submarine Memorial Radio Reactivation Day April 28-29 in honor of the 101st anniversary of the US Navy Submarine Service. More than 50 subs were on the air around the world for last year's event. Submarines on the Air will run from April 28 at 0600 UTC until April 29 at 2359 UTC. Among subs which will be "radio-active" are the Cobia in Manitowoc, Wisconsin, with the ManCoRad Radio Club, Fred Neuenfeldt, W6BSF,

operating, the German U-505 at the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago, and the WA3KEY/2 operation from the conning tower of the nuclear guided missile submarine USS Growler (SSG-577) in New York's Hudson River. Suggested operating frequencies: AM/SSB, 3.943, 7.243, 14.243, 21.313, and 28.343 MHz; CW up 43 kHz from the lower band edge. For a Submarine Veterans Amateur Radio Association certificate, send copies of at least four QSLs from participating subs to Jim Flanders, W0OOG, 1539 California Trail, Plano, TX 75023-4300; e-mail jaf@.... Visit Jim Flanders' Tubes Forward Web site, http://w0oog.50megs.com/ .

* Vote on QST Cover Plaque Award: The winners of the QST Cover Plaque Award for April was Frank N. Musso, WA5QHV, for his article "Laser Generated Antennas." Congratulations, Frank, for a great April Fool spoof! ARRL members are reminded that the winner of the QST Cover Plaque award--given to the author(s) of the best article in each issue--is determined by a vote of ARRL members. Voting takes place each month on the ARRL Members Only Web site at http://www.arrl.org/members-only/qstvote.html. As soon as your copy arrives, cast a ballot for your favorite article in the May issue of QST. Voting ends May 15.

* Smithsonian "Space Day" to include ham satellites: Amateur Radio satellites will be on display at the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum in Washington, DC, in conjunction with the museum's "Space Day" activities on May 3. Young people who attend The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation's (AMSAT) display, can take a crack at building their own MicroSats as they learn more about Amateur Radio and amateur satellites. "Our goal is to interest students in entering careers in the technical fields," says AMSAT Vice President Perry Klein, W3PK. The AMSAT display will be located in the Air and Space Museum's Space Race Gallery 114 and will run from 11 AM until 3 PM.

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177. RE: [m_a_r_s] happy birthday - vu3kpl

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-28 05:37:34 UTC
From: Nilesh Sangoi
Topic: 175 Message: 177

Dear Nilesh,

Your PC seems to be infected with some script virus/worm like KAK Worm.
Please get it checked.

Regards,

Nilesh

-----Original Message-----
From: vu2nlf [mailto:vu2nlf@...]
Sent: Friday, April 27, 2001 10:04 PM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] happy birthday - vu3kpl

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its Life member Kiran Padiyar [VU32KPL] a very happy birthday

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m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com

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178. Annual General Meeting & Annual Dinner.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-29 16:45:43 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 178 Message: 178

Ref:MARS/NLF/37 27th April 2001

Sub : The First Annual General Meeting and Annual Dinner.

DEAR MEMBERS,

We are pleased to inform you that the First Annual General Meeting of our Society, The Elections for the Second Managing Committee and The Annual Dinner shall be held on 1st May 2001.

Venue : 'Green Room', Garware Club House, Wankhede Stadium 'D' Road, churchgate, Mumbai - 400 020.

Timing: 7:30 pm to 10:30pm

Agenda for the Meeting.

7:45pm Chairperson's Report.

8:00pm Secretary's Progress Report.

8:15pm Treasurer's Financial Report.

8:30pm Reports from other Members of the Managing Committee

8:45pm Plans and proposals for the year 2001 - 2002.

9:00pm Voting for the Second Managing Committee.

9:15pm Any other topic with the permission of the Chairperson

9:30pm Results of the Election.

9:45pm Annual Dinner.

Friends.! Please note that the society has already paid for the dinner for all its members in advance, Hence all are requested to attend this function. Members are also requested to bring their Guests (XYLs / Girl Friend / Boy Friend) The Guest shall be charged Rs.180/- per head. Dress code is formal.

Kindly confirm your participation with Minoo-4920898 / Sarla-5673390.

We sincerely hope that you will join us and make this event successful.

Thanking You,

For Mumbai Amateur Radio Society.

Nilesh Rathod, Secretary.

179. Cure for Kak Worm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-30 12:21:54 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 179 Message: 179

Dear Ham,

this is a common problem with users of outlook express.
(It attaches itself as a signature to all the people you mail without
telling you. Every time you boot your comp it creates a fresh instance of
itself i.e. it 'reproduces'.)

Here's the cure.

please download this attachment and run it. it is a really small file.

You can also click on yes to immunise your pc against kak. This way you will
not get it in the first place.

NU2NHR

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Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com.

180. Kak Clean

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-04-30 05:31:32 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 180 Message: 180
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear YL/OM,

Sorry, here is the attachment for cleaning kak out of your system. Run it anyway(most of the time you don't know it's there)

VU2NHR (no typo this time!)

181. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-01 19:13:27 UTC
From: tomchi21
Topic: 181 Message: 181

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

01/05/2001.

Dear Members ,

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I Once again , thank you all , on behalf of commitee , and hope to have your fullest co-operation for my team to carry on the work and responsibility , placed upon us .

Thanking you ,

yours sincerely,

Mukesh Jaitley .

(CHAIRMAN).

182. happy birthday - vu2esp

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-04 06:41:33 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 182 Message: 182

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its Founder Life Member Jayesh Kharwar [VU2ESP] a very happy birthday

183. IC 706 mkiig specifications

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-04 07:38:52 UTC
From: PRAVIN KUMAR
Topic: 183 Message: 183
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

DEAR MEMBERS

FIND ATTACHED HEREWTIH IC 706 MKII G SPECICATIONS, HTMP FILE.
file: ic706mkiig.html

HAPPY HAMMING
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73 DE VU3PAN
PRAVIN

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Send a cool gift with your E-Card
http://www.bluemountain.com/giftcenter/

184. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 105

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-04 08:57:03 UTC
From: Ratnesh Javeri
Topic: 184 Message: 184

Dear Team,

Congratulations on the new committee and good job done to the old one.

Regards & 73
Ratnesh VU2OUT
----- Original Message -----
From: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, May 04, 2001 12:02 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 105

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> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
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> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

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185. Re: [m_a_r_s]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-04 12:21:35 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 181 Message: 185

congragulations!!!... To new commitee..

Wish coming years will be more active and progressive

kiran

--- tomchi21 <tomchi21@...> wrote:
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186. MARS - Military Affiliate Radio System

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-05 12:03:51 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 186 Message: 186

Hello Friends !!!

Here is some info on MARS,

Amateur Radio operators are invited to take part in the 51st celebration of Armed Forces Day by exchanging contacts with Army, Air Force, Navy-Marine Corps and Coast Guard radio stations.

Military-to-Amateur cross band operations will take place during 12-13 May 2001. Contacts will include operations in single sideband voice (SSB) and digital modes (RTTY, PACTOR, AMTOR, GTOR, and CLOVER).

Participating military stations from US, Europe and the Pacific will transmit on selected Military MARS frequencies and listen for amateur radio stations in the Amateur bands indicated below. The military station operator will announce the specific amateur band frequency being monitored. For Timings and frequencies for each station visit : http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2001/05/01/2/afday-2001.html

For more info visit - http://www.asc.army.mil/MARS

73s,
de VU2UGO

For Announced DX Operations visit : http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxo.html

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MSN / Yahoo ID : sandipadiwarekar
ICQ # 36285628
Site Under Construction - http://qsy.to/vu2ugo

187. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 18

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-06 01:56:34 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 187 Message: 187

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+Available on ARRL Audio News

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==>DENNIS TITO PHONES HOME VIA HAM RADIO

Having the time of his life aboard the International Space Station, US
businessman Dennis Tito, KG6FZX, this week made his first Amateur Radio
contacts from his perch in space. Tito arrived aboard the ISS on April 30.

The first "space tourist," Tito spoke May 1 via Amateur Radio with his
family as the ISS was passing over Hawaii. The audio was telebridged to the
mainland. On May 2, Farrell Winder, W8ZCF, in Cincinnati, reported snagging
two contacts with the ISS--the second time chatting with Tito for several
minutes. Tito used the NA1SS call sign for the contact. He reportedly made a
few other contacts this week as well.

Winder said Tito told him he loves space and was having a ball. "He said it
is the greatest experience of his lifetime," Winder said. He also said Tito
was eager to know what was being discussed about him on Earth.

During Tito's visit, the crew of Russian Commander Yury Usachev, UA9AD, and
US astronauts Susan Helms, KC7NHZ, and Jim Voss, are undertaking a minimal
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work routine and maintenance schedule. Winder says he also spoke with Helms during another pass.

In a TV interview from space earlier this week, Tito said he was not nervous at all about the launch. He reports suffering some space sickness early on but has begun to get used to weightlessness. "I'll tell you, there is nothing like this as an experience," Tito said. He said the ISS crew welcomed him and gave him a tour of the spacecraft.

Tito reportedly will pay Russia a total of some $20 million for the privilege of going into space. He and two Russian cosmonauts launched April 28 from Kazakhstan on a 10-day Soyuz vehicle taxi mission. NASA initially opposed Tito's visit, but Russia insisted. Last week, NASA relented and agreed to the arrangement under certain conditions.

Tito, 60, took and passed the Technician exam earlier this month after a volunteer examination session was set up for him in Russia.

==>7 MHZ "REALIGNMENT" AMONG WRC-2003 ADVISORY COMMITTEE PRELIMINARY VIEWS

The FCC's World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 Advisory Committee has approved several "preliminary views"--or PVs--on expected WRC-03 agenda items. Among these is a US preliminary view supporting a realigned 40-meter amateur allocation at 6900-7200 kHz on a worldwide primary basis. The FCC is soliciting public comment on all preliminary views by May 9.

The preliminary view was developed by Informal Working Group 6, which is dealing with most issues of concern to amateurs. ARRL Technical Relations Specialist Walt Ireland, WB7CSL, serves as vice chairman of IWG-6. The PV says that, alternatively, the US could support a 7000-7300 kHz worldwide primary amateur allocation.

Only amateurs in Region 2, which includes North and South America, have access to 7000-7300 kHz; the rest of the world has only 7000-7100 kHz, with the upper 200 kHz allocated for broadcasting. ARRL Technical Relations Manager Paul Rinaldo, W4RI, says the ARRL would prefer going back to the pre-World War II worldwide 7000-7300 kHz scheme. Some broadcasters, on the other hand, would like amateurs worldwide at 6800-7100 kHz, he said, so they would not have to move. A Radio Conference Subcommittee backgrounder from the Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee--which reflects views of the federal government--said the issue "is liable to be very controversial."

Further complicating matters, Rinaldo said, is the fact that international HF broadcasters want to fold the 7 MHz realignment question into another WRC-03 agenda item examining the adequacy of HF broadcasting allocations from approximately 4 MHz to 10 MHz. Broadcasters are expected to seek additional HF elbow room to accommodate digital transmissions to complement their existing AM channels.

Any realignment scheme will involve having to move existing occupants--broadcasters on one side or fixed and mobile services, mostly government and Part 90 users, on the other.

"We want 300 kHz," Rinaldo said--reflecting the position of the International Amateur Radio Union, "but, we have some flexibility as to where it is."

Another PV with implications for amateurs would oppose the use of 420-470 MHz for use by the Earth Exploration-Satellite Service for so-called synthetic aperture radars, or SARs unless it can be shown that the satellites "do not cause harmful interference to amateur systems and stations." SARs are used to map regions on Earth's surface and are expected to be deployed primarily over tropical rain forest areas.

Rinaldo emphasized that the preliminary views do not represent formal US positions and are subject to change as preparations for WRC-03 move forward.

Comments on WAC preliminary views may be filed via e-mail to wrc03@fcc.gov. The FCC's WRC-03 Web site, http://www.fcc.gov/wrc-03, includes additional information as well as links to related documents.

WRC-03 is scheduled to begin June 9, 2003, and continue until July 4, 2003. The conference is expected to take place in Venezuela.

==>AO-40 TRANSPONDERS TO OPEN FOR EXPERIMENTAL OPERATION

The AO-40 team has announced plans to inaugurate experimental transponder operation on Saturday, May 5, at approximately 0800 UTC. The announcement came in the wake of successful initial transponder tests last weekend.

"We expect good conditions on Saturday morning over North and South America and Europe," said AMSAT-DL President Peter Guelzow, DB2OS, an AO-40 team leader. Guelzow said the 435 MHz and 1.2 GHz (L1-band) uplinks will be connected to the 2.4 GHz (S2-band) downlink passband.

It's estimated that AO-40 will be available on May 5 in the Western Hemisphere from 0800 until approximately 1400 UTC. Stations should use only SSB and CW. Guelzow said it's expected the transponders will remain available over a period of approximately 10 days.

"Needless to say, we're all very excited," he added.

The uplink frequencies are 435.550-435.800 MHz and 1269.250-1269.500 MHz. The Downlink passband is 2401.225-2401.475 MHz. The transponders are inverting, so a downward change in uplink frequency will result in an upward frequency shift in the downlink.

Users are asked to avoid the "middle" 2.4 GHz telemetry beacon and give it a clearance of 5 kHz on either side. "If the beacon cannot be copied because of interference from transponder users, the passband will be closed and the transponder shut down," Guelzow warned.

He emphasized that the operation is experimental, the schedule subject to change, and the transponders could be shut down at any time without warning.

AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, last week raised the possibility that AO-40 could inaugurate transponder operation this summer, if tests and

orbital maneuvers between now and then go as planned.

AO-40 ground controllers also plan to test the problematic VHF and UHF transmitters again.

In other AO-40 news, AMSAT-DL reported the RUDAK experiment was powered up and made available to the RUDAK team for testing on May 1. The RUDAK--the German acronym stands for "Regenerative Transponder for Amateur Radio Communication"--is a digital transponder system that can be programmed to perform a variety of functions.

Jim White, WD0E, in Colorado reports reliable command results with the RUDAK-A processor on the L-band (1.2 GHz) uplink. This week White successfully loaded the primary housekeeping task on RUDAK-A, which is now sending telemetry and a pass-through of the IHU downlink. The RUDAK-B software has not been loaded yet, and White said that a lot of testing remains. He requested that hams not attempt to uplink to RUDAK until testing is completed, and it is made available for general operation.

==>TRIAL DATE SET IN DELIBERATE INTERFERENCE, UNLICENSED OPERATION CASE

Monday, May 7, has been set as the tentative trial date in Federal District Court in the case of William Flippo, arrested last summer for interfering with Amateur Radio operations and for transmitting without a license. The date could change, however. Flippo, of Jupiter, Florida, faces four counts of operating without a license and four counts of deliberate and malicious interference to a licensed service. He was taken into custody last July and is free on bond.

The criminal charges set for trial cover violations allegedly committed between June 1999 and April of last year. Each count carries a maximum penalty of one year in prison and a $10,000 fine.

Flippo, 58, already faces a $20,000 fine levied in 1999 for unlicensed operation, willful and malicious interference to Amateur Radio communications, and failure to let the FCC inspect his radio equipment. In January 2000, the FCC referred the matter to the US Attorney after Flippo failed to pay the fine, and the interference complaints continued.

During a search of Flippo's property after he was taken into custody, the FCC reportedly seized some three dozen items related to the alleged offenses, including radio equipment. Flippo was released on $100,000 bond. As a condition of his release, Flippo was prohibited from making any radio transmissions and from contacting any witnesses in the case. Neither he nor any of his family members may handle or possess firearms, and Flippo's travel was restricted to southern Florida.

Personnel from the FCC's Tampa District Office followed up on complaints from amateurs that Flippo--also known by his CB handle of "Rabbit Ears"--regularly interfered with amateur operations, especially on 10 and 2 meters.

FCC personnel visited the Jupiter area at least twice in 1999 as a result of amateur complaints alleging malicious interference. The FCC said it was able to track offending signals to Flippo's residence. At one point, an agent monitored and heard taped portions of a 2-meter ham radio net earlier that day being replayed on top of amateur communications on 10 meters, the FCC has said.

==>ALASKA GOVERNOR SIGNS ANTENNA BILL

Alaska Gov Tony Knowles has signed that state's Amateur Radio antenna bill into law. Alaska Senate Bill 78, An Act Relating to Municipal Regulation of Radio Antennas, was signed April 27. It will become effective July 26. Alaska becomes the 12th state to adopt such legislation.

The bill was approved by unanimous votes in the Alaska House of Representatives and Senate. The measure goes beyond incorporating language from the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 into Alaska's state statutes. It includes a schedule of antenna structure heights, below which municipalities could not further regulate. It also contains a "grandfather" provision to protect existing towers should a municipality enact a restrictive antenna ordinance.

The new law will require localities in Alaska to "reasonably accommodate Amateur Radio antennas" and impose "only the minimum requirements" necessary, although they can require "reasonable and customary engineering practices" be followed.

The measure also will establish a three-tier minimum regulatory height schedule that depends on the population density of the community in which the antenna is installed and the size of the lot on which it is sited. Municipalities would not be permitted to further regulate antennas shorter than 75 feet in areas with a population density of more than 120 people per square mile. A minimum regulatory height of 140 feet would prevail in areas with a population density of more than 120 people per square mile for a lot size of an acre or larger. The top-tier 200 feet minimum regulatory limit would apply in areas where the population density is 120 people or less per square mile.

Alaska Section Manager Kent Petty, KL5T, said many of the state's hams deserve credit for helping to obtain passage of the important legislation. Petty said the letters, e-mails, and telephone calls and legislative testimony "really paid off" and suggested that Alaska amateurs write their representatives, senators and governor to thank them for their "unwavering and unanimous support."

A copy of the Alaska legislation is available as a PDF file on the Alaska legislature's Web site, http://www.legis.state.ak.us/PDF/22/Bills/SB0078B.pdf. More information on PRB-1 and Amateur Radio antenna regulation, is at http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/#local .

==>ARRL FILES ADDITIONAL ULTRA-WIDEBAND COMMENTS

The ARRL once more has recommended that the FCC take a "reasonably conservative" approach in its plans to deploy ultra-wideband (UWB) devices on an unlicensed basis under its Part 15 rules. The ARRL's latest comments came in response to a late-March FCC request for comments on five reports addressing UWB's interference potential. The comments were filed April 25.

The reports were submitted by Qualcomm, Time Domain, the NTIA, and the Department of Transportation (two reports). Reply comments are due by May 10.

Citing the Qualcomm report, submitted March 5, the ARRL said "the broad nature of the interfering signal . . . indicates that any interference would extend to all VHF and UHF amateur bands." That particular report dealt with lab tests to assess the impact of UWB emissions on PCS phones using code division multiple access (CDMA).

The March 9 reports by Time Domain--a leading UWB proponent--and from the NTIA dealt with interference potential from UWB devices operating below 2 GHz to GPS receivers at the L1 and L2 (1.5 and 1.2 GHz) frequencies. "Considering the wide frequency range and roll-off characteristics assumed, it is probable that interference to L1 or L2 will also adversely affect amateur station receivers in the band 1240 to 1300 MHz," the ARRL said, reacting to the Time Domain study.

The League has arranged with the University of Southern California's UWB lab to test the interference potential of UWB devices to "typical Amateur Radio station configurations." Those test results, the ARRL told the FCC, are expected in the next few months.

The ARRL also took advantage of the latest comment round to reiterate its opinion that the FCC has failed to provide either a specific definition of UWB or key operating parameters and performance criteria. Neither has the FCC proposed any rules or parameters, the ARRL said.

The ARRL said the FCC must propose "specific definitional and operating rules" for UWB and solicit additional comments from interested parties before issuing a Report and Order in the proceeding.

In its initial comments filed last September, the ARRL advised the FCC to put its UWB proceeding on hold until more evidence was available on the technology's interference impact. More recently, the ARRL joined an industry coalition in calling on the FCC to issue a further Notice of Proposed Rule Making before it takes final action to authorize UWB equipment.

The League has said that its own review supports a conclusion that UWB has potentially beneficial applications that should be accommodated under the FCC's Part 15 rules "subject to appropriate interference avoidance regulations." Based on test results to date, the ARRL said, "the Commission should restrict UWB operation in existing crowded bands to operation above 6 GHz."

All of ARRL's comments in the UWB proceeding are available at http://www.arrl.org/announce/regulatory/et98-153/index.html.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar maven Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Sunspot activity and solar flux were both up, with average sunspot numbers for the week increasing by thirty points and average solar flux up by almost seven points. Solar flux peaked on Tuesday at 209.7.

Saturday was the most disturbed day, with planetary A index at 28, and the Fairbanks, Alaska, high-latitude College A index at 46. This was from an interplanetary shock wave produced by a flare on April 26. The energy from this flare was expected to arrive Sunday, but showed up a day earlier. The peak in solar flux, last week expected to be on the weekend, arrived two or three days later than expected.

Currently the solar disk is covered with sunspots, although they are small fairly non-complex regions, not like the recent sunspot 9393 which caused so much excitement over the previous two solar rotations. There is some possibility of flare activity from sunspot 9445.

The latest forecast shows solar flux declining over the next few days, 170 on Friday, 165 on Saturday, 160 on Sunday and 155 on Monday. Flux is expected to reach a short term minimum around 130 between May 13-15, then peak again from May 20-29. The next peak is expected to be lower than recent activity, and not reach a flux value of 200.

Geomagnetic indices should be unsettled to active this weekend, with a planetary A index of 15 on Friday and Saturday, 12 on Sunday and 10 on Monday.

Sunspot numbers for April 26 through May 2 were 193, 181, 173, 161, 178, 152 and 179 with a mean of 173.9. The 10.7-cm flux was 196.2, 190.8, 187.8, 191.7, 187.8, 209.7 and 176.2, with a mean of 191.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 6, 28, 15, 5, 4 and 6 with a mean of 10.1.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The North American HSMS Contest continues through May 9. The MARAC County Hunters Contest (CW), the Danish SSTV Contest, the IPA Contest (CW + SSB), the 10-10 International Spring Contest (CW), the 903 MHz and Up Spring Sprint, the Indiana, Connecticut and Massachusetts QSO parties and the ARI International DX Contest are the weekend of May 5-6. JUST AHEAD: The Nevada and Oregon QSO Parties, the VOLTA WW RTTY Contest 1200Z, the FISTS Spring Sprint, the CQ-M International DX Contest and the 50 MHz Spring Sprint are the weekend of May 12-13 See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Clarifications: AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, said he erred concerning the location of a suspected hole in AO-40, mentioned in "AO-40 Transponder Operation Possible This Summer," The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 17 (Apr 27 2001). Haighton said he should have described the hole as being on "the bottom or Z axis" of the spacecraft. ### Commenting on the item

"Hosstraders has moved!" in the same edition, Ted Donnell, K1HD, said the original Hosstraders was held in Seabrook, New Hampshire, before it moved to Deerfield. The hamfest will be held in Hopkinton, New Hampshire, May 5-6.

* Spectrum Protection bill attracts additional cosponsors: ARRL Legislative and Public Affairs Manager Steve Mansfield, N1MZA, reports that the House and Senate versions of the Spectrum Protection Act are collecting cosponsors from both sides of the aisle. The House bill, HR 817, introduced by Rep Michael Bilirakis of Florida now has 18 cosponsors including Assistant Majority Whip Doc Hastings of Washington--part of the House Leadership. Other cosponsors include representatives John Baldacci of Maine, Tammy Baldwin of Wisconsin, Dan Burton of Indiana, John Conyers of Michigan, John Doolittle and Gary Miller of California, Virgil Goode of Virginia, Johnny Isakson of Georgia, William Jenkins of Tennessee, Walter Jones and Mike McIntyre of North Carolina, George Nethercutt of Washington, Ted Strickland and Patrick Tiberi of Ohio, Charles Stenholm of Texas, and Lee Terry of Nebraska. The Senate companion bill, S 549, introduced by Sen Michael Crapo of Idaho, currently has five cosponsors. These include senators Daniel Akaka of Hawaii, Susan Collins of Maine, Larry Craig of Idaho, Jesse Helms of North Carolina, and Bob Smith of New Hampshire.

* Wounded ham-sailor continues recovery: Sailboat skipper Bo Altheden, SM7XBH, shot and wounded after pirates attacked his vessel March 20 off Venezuela, continues his recovery in Trinidad. Following the incident, hams on the Maritime Mobile Service Net assisted Altheden and his wife, ViVi-Maj Miren, after Miren put out a call for help on 20 meters. Miren reports that Altheden had to be hospitalized for additional surgery after he developed an infection. The couple plans to fly to Copenhagen later this month. The couple and their 44-foot ketch Lorna were en route to Trinidad and Tobago when pirates--later described by Miren as six men in a fishing boat--pulled along side. Miren said the Lorna will be hauled out and stored in Trinidad for the next six months. "I hope Bo will recover during these months so we can come back and start sailing again," she told Eric Mackie, 9Z4CP, who was among the amateurs assisting in the rescue operation.--Eric Mackie, 9Z4CP

* Nevada antenna bill gets favorable committee vote: Nevada Assistant Section Manger Dick Flanagan, W6OLD, reports that the Nevada Senate Government Affairs Committee this week referred that state's pending Amateur Radio antenna legislation, Assembly Bill 61, to the full Senate with a "Do Pass" recommendation. The committee aired the bill April 30 in a public hearing. "Even though only three people showed up to voice their support of the bill, there was no one in opposition, and the committee members appeared open to our presentations," Flanagan said. The bill, sponsored by Assemblyman Bob Beers, WB7EHN, passed the Assembly last month on a 40-0-2 vote. Flanagan said all Nevada amateurs can record their opinions via the Legislature Message Center at http://www.leg.state.nv.us/71st/opinions/ or by telephone or fax. For updates and Senate contact information, visit the Carson Valley Radio Club Web site, http://www.cvrc.net/ab61/.

* AMSAT president to be available at Dayton: AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, says he'll make time available for one-on-one visits with

AMSAT members during Dayton Hamvention. Haighton has set up specific times when he plans to be present at--or near--the AMSAT booth "to meet as many AMSAT members as I can and to hear your thoughts and ideas." Haighton says he'll be available Friday, May 18, 10-11:30 AM and 2-3PM; Saturday, May 19, 11 AM-noon and 2-3 PM; and Sunday, May 20, 10-11 AM. In addition, Haighton will be at the AMSAT dinner at the Amber Rose Restaurant Friday evening and will appear at the AMSAT Forum on Saturday, 8:30-10 AM. "AMSAT is always looking for volunteers, people like you, who would enjoy contributing to the hobby," Haighton said, "and if you feel that there is something within the AMSAT organization that you would enjoy doing, please let me know when we meet."--AMSAT News Service

* Kansas amateur named NOAA "Environmental Hero" for SKYWARN service: ARRL member Mike Albers, K0FJ, of Colby, Kansas, is the recipient of a 2001 Environmental Hero award from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Albers was recognized for his outstanding service to the National Weather Service--a NOAA agency--as the volunteer director of the Thomas County SKYWARN network. NWS Meteorologist Scott Mentzer, N0QE, on April 26 presented a certificate and letter from Acting NOAA Administrator Scott Gudes to Albers during a special meeting of the Trojan Amateur Radio Club. Mentzer heads the National Weather Service office in Goodland, Kansas. NOAA Environmental Hero awards go to approximately 25 Americans each year in support of Earth Day. SKYWARN volunteers relay real-time severe weather data to National Weather Service via Amateur Radio. Mentzer said the SKYWARN network in Thomas County "has become a key source of weather data" for his office. As examples of SKYWARN's contribution, Mentzer cited the July 21, 1996, Colby tornado and a April 6, 2001, severe weather outbreak. More information about NOAA's Environmental Award is available at http://www.noaa.gov/earthday/heroes.htm .

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188. happy birthday - vu3mbf

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-08 10:59:07 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 188 Message: 188

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its Founder & Managing Commitee Member Mehul Chovatia [VU3MBF] a very happy birthday

189. Re: [m_a_r_s] happy birthday - vu3mbf

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-09 06:10:37 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 188 Message: 189

Thank u Nilesh and Thank u MARS....

Mehul.

190. lecture on Packet Radio.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-09 15:08:10 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 190 Message: 190

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

Mr. John R. Ackermann callsign [N8UR] from ohio U.S.A has arrived in Mumbai. He is currently the President of TAPR (Tucson Amateur Packet Radio, Inc., http://www.tapr.org), which is a large research-and-development oriented amateur radio group in the US.

Adolf Shepherd [VU2AF] has organised a lecture by Mr. Ackermann at Wilson College , Girgaum Chowpatty on Thursday, 10th May 2001 at 18:30 hours. All Hams are invited to attend this lecture.

All members interested in Digital Communications are requested to attend, I am sure we can learn a lot and improvise upon our communication skills.

looking forward to having an eyeball with you guys,

73s
NLF

191. Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-09 16:15:17 UTC
From: tomchi21
Topic: 191 Message: 191

Dear Members,

The first Monthly General Meeting of members for the year 2001-2002 is scheduled for 12th May 2001 at 10.00am at Shishu Vihar School, Dadar.

Agenda for the meeting is :
1. QRM of imported chinese long range cordless phone.
2. Classes
3. Renewal of membership
4. Membership Drive
5. Field Trip in May
6. Any other point with the permission of the Chairman.

You are requested to attend the same and come out with your suggestions for the upcoming year regarding activities.

73s,
de VU2UGJ

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192. Fwd: Re: [VUHams] Long Range Cordless Info to WPC

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-10 04:15:35 UTC
From: PRAVIN KUMAR
Topic: 192 Message: 192
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Send a cool gift with your E-Card
http://www.bluemountain.com/giftcenter/

193. Monthly Meeting 2

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-10 11:54:52 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 193 Message: 193

Dear Members,

Meeting will be as per the agenda mailed in my last message.
But it will be on 13th May 2001 i.e Sunday as per scheduled time and place.

73s,
de VU2UGJ

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194. Fw: Thank You For the Hospitality!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-11 14:52:34 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 194 Message: 194

----- Original Message -----
From: John Ackermann <jra@...>
To: Adolf B.Shepherd <adolfbs@...>; <m_a_r_s@...>;
<globes@...>
Sent: Friday, May 11, 2001 7:16 AM
Subject: Thank You For the Hospitality!

> To all the Mumbai hams I met last night --
>
> Thanks to all of you for the wonderful opportunity I had to meet with you
> last evening. I enjoyed it very much! One of the great things about ham
> radio is that wherever you go in the world, you have a community of
> friends. I certainly felt that last night.
>
> Thanks especially to Adolf, VU2AF, Nilesh, VU2NLF, Shashi, VU2NA, and
> Sudhir, VU2SYS who all went out of their way to help me with this visit.
I
> also really enjoyed my chat with Bob, whose call didn't stay in my mind,
> about the "old days."
>
> If any of you are ever visiting the US, please drop me a line and I will
do
> my best to help you get in touch with hams in the places you're visiting.
> If you ever happen to get to Dayton, Ohio (perhaps for the Hamvention), I
> will be very happy to see you again in person! And, if there's anything
> that TAPR or I can do to help you as ham radio "tinkerers," please feel
> free to email me.
>
> 73,
>
> John N8UR
>
> jra@... -or- n8ur@...
> http://www.febo.com
> http://www.tapr.org
>
> PS -- Please pass this on to others who attended last night; I only have a
> few email addresses that I was able to include directly in this message.

195. happy birthday - vu2lnz

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-11 14:53:39 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 195 Message: 195

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its Founder Member Girish Shukla [VU2LNZ] a very happy birthday

196. Happy Birthday - vu2sxf

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-12 01:25:14 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 196 Message: 196

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its Founder Member Sandesh Kamat [VU2SXF] a very happy birthday

197. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 19

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-13 11:42:24 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 197 Message: 197

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+Available on ARRL Audio News

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NOTE: Somewhat abbreviated editions of The ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News
for Friday, May 18, will be distributed on Wednesday, May 16, to accommodate
Dayton Hamvention travel schedules. See you in Dayton!--Rick Lindquist, N1RL
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==>AO-40 TRANSPONDER TESTS A HIT! 10-GHz TEST SET

The inaugural AO-40 transponder tests this past week have been a huge
success. Reports from amateurs making their first contacts on AO-40 have
come from all over.

"It was just great!" enthused AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, who
worked a dozen or so stations via AO-40 last weekend. AMSAT has announced
plans to test the 10-GHz X-band downlink over the weekend. The solid state
X-band amplifier will be turned on and adjusted on May 13 at 0500 UTC, at MA
165. If that works, the 60-W traveling-wave tube amplifier will be fired up.
"Beacons will be used and probably the L1 uplink," said the AO-40 team's
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Peter Guelzow, DB2OS. Guelzow said plans also call for connecting the C-band receiver to the X-band downlink.

AO-40 ground controllers opened up the next-generation satellite's transponders May 5 for general amateur use on an experimental basis. Stations can uplink on either 435 MHz or 1.2 GHz. The transponder downlink is at 2.4 GHz. The operation is experimental, the schedule subject to change, and the transponders could be shut down at any time without warning.

Mike Seguin, N1JEZ, in Vermont, says he successfully logged a dozen contacts in the first hour of operation, including two contacts using the Mode-L uplink. "I also logged my first DX contact with IZ8EDE." Seguin said his final first-day tally was 24 contacts.

Ed Krome, K9EK, in Indiana, echoed N1JEZ's comments. "Wow, AO-40 was terrific on this first morning of transponder operation, he said. "After almost 10 years, what a thrill!

Bruce Paige, KK5DO, in Texas also got lucky, racking up several DX contacts in Europe and later in Japan.

At this point, AO-40 may be available for use several hours a day, starting at orbital positions MA 136 and continuing through MA 240. During recent passes, the transponders have been available for six hours or so from a given point on Earth.

The tests have shown that uplink frequencies (without taking Doppler into account) are 435.495-435.780 MHz and 1269.211-1269.496 MHz, and the downlink passband is 2401.210-2401.495 MHz. The transponders are inverting, so a downward change in uplink frequency will result in an upward frequency shift in the downlink.

Users are being asked to avoid the "middle" telemetry beacon at 2401.323 MHz. For maximum QSO signal strength, stations should aim for a passband signal that's 10 dB below the beacon's. AO-40 has been operating without the benefit of the LEILA system, which can compensate for stations that are too strong in the uplink.

Haighton expressed appreciation for the "very hard work" of Project Leader Karl Meinzer, DJ4ZC, AMSAT-DL President Guelzow and the worldwide support group of command stations and technical advisors "for providing us with a great satellite."

Check the AMSAT-DL Web site for the latest information, http://www.amsat-dl.org/journal/adlj-p3d.htm .

==>ARRL AGAIN PETITIONS FCC FOR PRIMARY ALLOCATION AT 2300-2305 MHz

The ARRL has again asked the FCC to create a primary domestic Amateur Radio allocation at 2300-2305 MHz. Amateurs now are secondary there. The ARRL first asked the FCC in 1996 to upgrade the allocation there to primary, but the Commission never acted on the request.

"The segment 2300-2305 MHz is of extreme importance to the Amateur Service, especially for weak-signal communications and propagation research, including beacon operation, due to the low noise levels in that band," the ARRL said. The renewed petition was prompted by increasing demands on that portion of the spectrum due to development of new telecommunications technologies.

The Amateur Service has primary allocations in this part of the spectrum at 2390-2400 MHz and 2402-2417 MHz. The ARRL last year sought to have the segment 2400-2402 MHz elevated from secondary to primary, but the FCC has not acted on the request to date. The AO-40 satellite has been successfully using that band for downlink telemetry and transponder operation.

In light of the FCC's stated policy to protect incumbent amateur operation at 2300-2305 MHz, upgrading the amateur allocation there "would constitute the highest and best use of the band at present," the ARRL asserted in its latest filing. "It would also be consistent with the protection requirements for government and NASA operations immediately below 2300 MHz and the [M]WCS operation above 2305 MHz." Amateur Radio weak-signal work is centered near 2304 MHz.

The ARRL also requested the FCC not to introduce any other users to the band. The FCC has not yet put the ARRL's petition on public notice.

==>ARISS INTERNATIONAL TEAM MEETS

Members of the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station International Team met this month in the Netherlands to firm up plans to expand ham radio operation from space. The gathering offered an opportunity to involve all ARISS partners in future activities, not primarily the US and Russia.

Attending the sessions May 4-6 at the European Space Agency facilities in Noordvik were delegates from the US, Russia, Canada, Germany, Belgium, Italy, France, Japan, Great Britain, the Netherlands, Portugal and Poland. Those on hand included representatives from AMSAT and the International Amateur Radio Union. The partners reached accord--in some cases tentatively--on issues ranging from the scheduling of international ARISS school QSOs to future hardware plans and the final design of an ISS QSL card

"Up to now, we've mostly been working on projects by country," said Rosalie White, K1STO, who represented ARRL on the US delegation. "Now, we've realized that we need to learn to adapt together and to get things accomplished as an international group." Other American attendees included ARISS Administrative Committee Chairman Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, and Space Amateur Radio Experiment (SAREX) Working Group Chairman Roy Neal, K6DUE, who moderated the sessions.

ARISS Operations Committee Chairman Will Marchant, KC6ROL, updated the group on the status of school contacts to date. He also reviewed how the crew has been using the ARISS equipment on the ISS since the first crew came aboard in November.

The current "Phase 1" Amateur Radio facility aboard the ISS includes hand-held transceivers for 2 meters and 70 cm, although in its current location aboard the Functional Cargo Block, the station only has 2-meter capability. A packet setup also is aboard and working, but it still needs to be properly configured or replaced.

With a series of successful ARISS US and Canadian school contacts behind them, the ARISS partners have appointed an ARISS School Committee--with representatives from the US, Europe, Canada, Japan and Russia. "In the next few weeks, we'll be coming up with a plan to integrate the European schools," said White, who is among those on the panel. One issue is how to integrate school applications filed more recently with those from schools that have been waiting for several years to have a space contact.

Still outstanding are plans to complete fabrication of and install the four ARISS antennas on the ISS Service Module, the ultimate location of the Amateur Radio station. The antennas could be installed before the end of the year during a space walk, but several issues still need to be resolved.

The ARISS partners also reviewed applications for some Amateur Radio projects, including one for a slow-scan television setup. Another is a proposal from AMSAT-France to deploy a small "IDEFIX" satellite from the ISS, similar to the mini-Sputnik satellites launched from Mir.

The ARISS partners okayed a prototype design for a QSL card. It's expected to be finalized in a few weeks.

==>CALIFORNIAN TURNS IN TICKET; FCC STILL WANTS EXPLANATION

A California ham has turned in his Technician license in the wake of an FCC inquiry into his involvement in alleged rules violations on a Los Angeles-area repeater. But the FCC has told Gregory S. Cook, ex-KC6USO, of Chico that he must still address the allegations of broadcasting, playing music, and one-way phone patching before he'll be allowed to get another license.

FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth wrote Cook earlier this year, citing information that Cook had been party to the transmission of "a lengthy broadcast" in the late evening and early morning hours of February 1 and 2 over the W6NUT repeater in the Los Angeles area.

Hollingsworth also wrote Technician licensee Ted R. Sorensen III, KC6PQW, of Agoura Hills, citing information alleging that Sorenson had acted in concert with Cook, who was hooked in via phone patch while Sorenson facilitated the actual transmission. A similar transmission February 4-5 was said to have featured only Cook, again via phone patch to Sorenson's transmitter, Hollingsworth said.

Responding on March 10, Cook sent the FCC his ham ticket, which was due to expire May 7. Cook said he would agree to not renew his ticket and to stay off the air for a year if the FCC would consider the case closed.

Hollingsworth obliged him, but only to a point. In an April 18 letter, he said the FCC had accepted Cook's license for cancellation and that he could

reapply in a year. But before that, Hollingsworth said, Cook would have to "respond satisfactorily" to the allegations outlined in the FCC's February 21 letter.

In a separate reply, Sorenson told Hollingsworth that he intends to cooperate fully and adhere to FCC rules. He suggested that a "fair punishment" would be suspension from the W6NUT repeater for a year. Sorenson also offered to provide information on other rulebreakers on the W6NUT repeater.

On February 20, Hollingsworth initiated a separate inquiry with the repeater's trustee, Kathryn Tucker, AA6TK. Hollingsworth told Tucker that the FCC had received complaints that control operators and the repeater licensee "fail to address long periods of jamming by users, broadcasting, music playing as well as a plethora of other violations."

In a lengthy reply, Tucker, said the repeater's owners had not monitored the alleged February episodes involving Cook and Sorenson.

"The policy of the W6NUT repeater is not to attempt to remove unruly operators from its use," she told the FCC, adding that "an extensive educational campaign" has been conducted to inform users of proper operation.

Tucker said the W6NUT owners have received "numerous complaints" about the repeater's operation. "The policy is to let them 'go in one ear and out the other'," she told the FCC.

==>ANTENNA BILL INTRODUCED IN WISCONSIN

Wisconsin amateurs are making another attempt at getting an Amateur Radio antenna bill through that state's legislature. Assembly Bill 368 was introduced May 3 by Rep Joan Wade, with sponsorship from 11 of her Assembly colleagues and cosponsorship from four members of the Wisconsin Senate. Sen Fred Risser will shepherd the bill in the upper chamber.

The bill will attempt to incorporate language from PRB-1--the FCC's doctrine of limited preemption of authority over Amateur Radio antenna structures--into Wisconsin state law.

Wisconsin Section Manager Don Michalski, W9IXG, credited ARRL Public Information Coordinator Jim Romelfanger, K9ZZ, and ARRL State Government Liaison Jim Lackore, AD9X, for spearheading the effort within the amateur community.

If approved, AB 368 would require that ordinances or resolutions affecting the placement, screening or height of Amateur Radio antennas or support structures have a "reasonable and clearly defined aesthetic, public health or safety objective." Such an ordinance or resolution also must represent "the minimum practical regulation" necessary to accomplish the locality's objectives and must reasonably accommodate Amateur Radio communication.

The measure has been referred to the Committee on Urban and Local Affairs, and a hearing is set for May 15.

A copy of the proposed legislation is available on the Wisconsin Legislature Web site, http://www.legis.state.wi.us/2001/data/AB-368.pdf. More information is available on the Badger State Smoke Signals Web site, http://www.bsss.org.

A dozen states have incorporated PRB-1 language into their statutes. Bills also are pending in Nevada and New York.

==>RECOLLECTIONS, PHOTOS, ANECDOTES SOUGHT FOR COLVINS BOOK

A book now in the works will highlight the adventures of the late husband-and-wife DXpedition team of Lloyd and Iris Colvin, W6KG and W6QL. Author Jim Cain, K1TN, is seeking the assistance of radio amateurs and others around the world to share reminiscences, anecdotes, photos and other relevant information for possible inclusion.

Commissioned by the Yasme Foundation, the soon-to-be-published book will include a history of the Foundation and a biography of the Colvins. Anyone with information to share may contact Jim Cain at yasmebook@....

Iris Colvin died in 1998, and Lloyd Colvin died in 1993. Between the 1960s and the early 1990s, the Colvins took ham radio to some 200 countries--including nearly every member-nation of the United Nations. They racked up more than a million contacts over the years and amassed one of the largest QSL collections in the world--more than a half million cards at last count.

Yasme Foundation President Wayne Mills, N7NG, said the Foundation was extremely pleased to have retained Cain, a former ARRL Headquarters staff member and a ham since 1961, to research and write the Colvins' and the Yasme Foundation's story.

The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to conduct scientific and educational projects related to Amateur Radio, including DXing and the introduction and promotion of Amateur Radio in underdeveloped countries. Visit the Yasme site at http://www.yasme.org.

==>ALINCO SHIFTS NORTH AMERICAN DISTRIBUTION, SERVICE TO OHIO FIRM

Amateur Radio manufacturer Alinco has closed its US branch in Torrance, California, and shifted its North American distribution to an Ohio firm. Alinco product distribution and customer service now are being handled by Atoc Amateur Distributing LLC in Covington, Ohio. The change was effective May 1.

A news release posted on the Alinco Web site says that Alinco will continue to be "a very committed, viable player in the Amateur Radio marketplace" and that all Alinco warranties "will remain in force and continue to be honored through their term." Alinco will exhibit at Dayton Hamvention next week and will sponsor the W8BI special event station in the outdoor exhibits area as it has in past years.

In addition to dealer distribution, the Atoc facility in Ohio is taking over customer support and out-of-warranty service of Alinco products and sales of Alinco parts. Parts sales have been temporarily suspended during the changeover, and service could be disrupted for a time as well.

The announcement said Alinco will concentrate on designing and manufacturing products from its Japan headquarters in Osaka and factory in Toyama.

For more information, visit the Alinco Web site, http://www.alinco.com , or contact Atoc Distributing LLC, 23 S High St, Covington, OH 45318; 937-473-2840.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar seer Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: As sunspots fade from view, solar flux and sunspot numbers are down. Average sunspot numbers for the week declined by nearly 45 points, and average solar flux was off by more than 40 points.

The A and K indices went high this week, indicating a minor geomagnetic storm on May 9 and 10. This began on May 8 when the earth entered a high speed solar wind stream. The interplanetary magnetic field, which is another name for the sun's enormous magnetic field, turned south on May 9. This rendered Earth's magnetosphere vulnerable to gusts of solar wind.

Active geomagnetic conditions are fading, and should become unsettled on May 11 and 12, with planetary A indices of 15 and 12, dropping to around 10 on May 13 and 14. Contesters should see fairly good conditions for the CQ-M Contest this weekend. Solar flux is expected to stay near 135 for the next few days, then rise above 150 after May 17 and above 175 after May 19.

Currently we are moving from spring toward summer propagation conditions. Ten meters is not as viable as it was in late March, and as longer daylight hours in the northern hemisphere heat the ionosphere, the ionosphere thins and the MUF is lower during daylight hours. 15 meters can still be quite good, especially into areas that are dark, and as the days become longer, night time openings on 20 meters will become more common.

Sunspot numbers for May 3 through 9 were 157, 186, 151, 120, 103, 88 and 98 with a mean of 129. The 10.7 cm flux was 172.3, 175.6, 160.6, 155, 138.3, 128.7 and 129.4, with a mean of 151.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 9, 5, 7, 17, 14 and 32 with a mean of 13.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The Armed Forces Day Communications Test (see below), the Nevada and Oregon QSO Parties, the Volta WW RTTY Contest, the FISTS Spring Sprint, the CQ-M International DX Contest and the 50 MHz Spring Sprint are the weekend of May 12-13. JUST AHEAD: The Manchester Mineira CW Contest and the Baltic Contest are the weekend of May 19-20. The CQ WW WPX Contest (CW) is the weekend of May 26-27. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and

http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Armed Forces Day Communications Test reminder: To avoid conflict with the Dayton Hamvention, the Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard are co-sponsoring the annual Amateur Radio communications tests in celebration of Armed Forces Day the weekend of May 12-13. The annual celebration features the traditional military-to-amateur crossband communications test and message-receiving test. Full information is on the ARRL Web site, http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2001/05/01/2/afday-2001.html .

* NY governor enrolled as ARRL member; antenna bill reassigned: ARRL Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, says the Assembly version of New York's Amateur Radio antenna bill, A 1565, has been reported out of the Local Government Committee and now is in the Ways and Means Committee. The Senate version, S 2893, remains in the Senate Local Government Committee. Fallon says bill proponents have been encouraging club members around the Empire State to write letters in support of the measures. Fallon said he's "very optimistic" about the bill's chances this year. If approved by both chambers, the bill would go to Gov George Pataki, a former amateur (K2ZCZ) for his signature. In an effort to get Gov Pataki back into ham radio, Fallon said, the governor has been presented with a two-year ARRL associate membership with the inscription, "We want to get you back into Amateur Radio. We hope that you will do for ham radio in the 21st century what Barry Goldwater did in the last century." Fallon said he's hoping to get the governor enrolled in a ham radio class and to have him visit a Field Day site next month. "It sure would be great to see a Yagi flying over the Capitol Building," he said. The Hudson Division Web page http://www.arrlhudson.org has a copy of the bill and additional information.

* ISS astronaut to visit alma mater: ISS Expedition One Crew Commander William "Shep" Shepherd, KD5GSL, will visit his alma mater, Arcadia High School, in Phoenix, Arizona, on May 15. Students at Arcadia spoke with Shepherd via ham radio on March 7 when he was still aboard the ISS. The contact was arranged as part of the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program. This time, in answer to an invitation from students, he will address the entire school about his own life and times at Arcadia. He'll also share his ISS experiences and visit the Arcadia Amateur Radio Club, KD7LAC. Arcadia High School senior and club president Ross Tucker, AC7JO, spearheaded the effort to make the Arcadia ARISS contact a reality. During his visit to the school Shepherd will take part in a ham radio special event, taking calls from students and youth Amateur Radio clubs in Arizona, California, Oregon, Washington, Utah, New Mexico and Texas. School clubs can listen in at 28.500 MHz. For more information about ARISS, visit the ARISS Web site, http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov/. For more information on Shepherd's Arcadia visit, contact Ross Tucker, AC7JO, e-mail bomc@....

* May 12-13 is National Foxhunting Weekend: ARRL Amateur Radio Direction Finding Coordinator Joe Moell, K0OV, says CQ magazine is sponsoring National Foxhunting Weekend, May 12-13. Foxhunters from around the country will

choose their own favorite RDF adventure. For basic information about the sport of foxhunting, suitable equipment for mobile and on-foot hunting and a form for reporting the results of your NFW efforts, visit Moell's ARDF Web site, http://www.homingin.com .

* Kid's Day is June 16: Kid's Day is just around the corner. On June 16, 1800 to 2400 UTC, kids of all ages are invited to experience ham radio. Amateurs are encouraged to invite youngsters into their shack to enjoy the fun. Kid's Day began in 1994 with a one-hour program created by the Boring Amateur Radio Club in Boring, Oregon. The youngsters exchanged names and their favorite color. Forty kids participated. Last year, more than 1000 took part in the event, now sponsored by ARRL. All participants can download a personalized certificate. There's no limit on operating time. The suggested exchange is name, age, location and favorite color. You are encouraged to work the same station again if an operator has changed. Call "CQ Kid's Day." Kid's Day rules, frequencies and other information are on the ARRL Web site, http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html and in the June issue of QST, p 48.

* National Hurricane Center's W4EHW announces on-the-air test event: The National Hurricane Center in Miami will sponsor the W4EHW Hurricane Season 2001 On-The-Air Test Event Saturday, June 2, 1300-2200 UTC. W4EHW will be on-the-air on HF, VHF and UHF, including 7.268, 14.325, 21.325, and 28.525 MHz on HF, and on VHF and UHF repeaters and 146.52 MHz simplex FM in the Miami area. Stations should report call sign, signal report, location, and brief weather report (eg, sunny, rain, cloudy, etc). QSL via W4VBQ and include a self-addressed stamped envelope.--Julio Ripoll, WD4JR

* QSL card postage to jump a penny: It will cost another penny to mail a QSL card (sans envelope) after July 1. The US Postal Service has announced that it's raising the postcard rate by $0.01. First-class domestic postage in the US increased to 34 cents on January 7. The complete rate schedule is available on the USPS Web site, http://www.usps.com/.

* SETI League gives Bruno Memorial Award to DJ0BI: The SETI League has named Peter Wright, DJ0BI, as the winner of its 2001 Giordano Bruno Award, the organization's highest honor. Wright was cited for his efforts to promote the search for extraterrestrial intelligence and amateur radio astronomy in Europe. He is the seventh recipient of the award. A native of Scotland, Wright is a former member of the US-based Society for Amateur Radio Astronomy. He founded a similar organization in Germany--the European Radio Astronomy Club. The SETI League promotes a privatized search for extraterrestrial intelligence. Many of its members are hams, and the executive director is Paul Shuch, N6TX. For more information, visit the SETI League Web site, http://www.setileague.org .

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198. Chinese Phone's QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-14 14:47:48 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 198 Message: 198

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and wait for the action, no matter they react or do not react even after the spoon feeding them of everything
3.Wait for sometime since the chinese phone are not reliable and it may not work after a period of time and therefore people will stop buying it.
4. There was a suggestion that atleast two hams should visit the person and explain them the legal standing regarding the phones and make them known that we can all receive them,ofcourse we should carry our equipments i.e handy and a minature copy of the license which will pretend to look as we are from the Department and that would make them scary,keeping in mind that we should push them till they get scare and should not take the matter far,if they get message clear our job is done else we shall let matter pursue with the wpc .
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-14 15:10:28 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 199 Message: 199

Huzefa Bhai,

Great Work & great Literature.....

Keep it up !!

200. Re: [m_a_r_s] Chinese Phone's QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-15 02:23:42 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 198 Message: 200

dear hit,

great job done, I wish we had more people like you in MARS.

----- Original Message -----
From: Huzefa
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, May 14, 2001 8:17 PM
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201. Re: [m_a_r_s] Chinese Phone's QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-15 04:02:18 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 198 Message: 201

Dear HIT

Good work done for chinese phone QRM.

We all are facing the same problem. At my location I have located an antenna which was at a chawl area and I visited inside the area but it was so packed from the top that I could not locate antenna from inside of the area. I asked at the surrounding houses but no body could answer me. So I decided to tape their conversation on my tape recorder so that when I get this exact location I could keep it handy. It was a full 59+ signal and they are in some tpt/repair business. Hope I may locate the station shortly.

I think when we are on the move we should always hunt for these type of antenna and note down the locations so that at a later date we can follow-up.

If all members can watch out for such antennas in their location and forward the same to the club can help all to free our frequency from Chinese Phone QRM.

Best Regards

VU2JPN, Jaiprakash.

Chequemail.com - a free web based e-mail service that also pays!!!
http://www.chequemail.com

202. Membership Receipt

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-15 04:23:17 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 202 Message: 202

Dear Members

Thanks for The Annual Membership Fees for the year 2001-2002 and for Life Membership Fees.

All receipts for the payment received will be posted to respective members with a weeks time.

Thanks once again for all the co-operation and expect active participation in all our club activities.

73's

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203. Re: [m_a_r_s] Chinese Phone's QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-15 08:49:57 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 198 Message: 203

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i could've seen the faces of those people you visited!

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cheers!
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-17 03:09:08 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 198 Message: 204

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>I suggest that the society should request WPC Mumbai to depute us, as we
>have requested them and Mr.
>Nagarle has asked to find the address and he will do the needful, to trace
>the chinese phone by issuing the letter to that effect.This will make
>things easier & smoother,if we were suppose to go and trace the phones and
>if there is any legal issues we can rely on the letter issued by the WPC .
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>Suggestion and Reactions are welcome to what I have stated above
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lucky guy you , keep it up , but be cautoius too , well lets all of us pool in our efforts to curb this menace , which is upon us , and lets hope for the best ,

as regard , talking to wpc , well , we have corresponded with them on couple of occasions , and i will still speak to , station officer , here in mumbai , and try to get some kind of letter from him , where in
he authorises us to , go and inform , general public about , iilegaity of using these phones .

mukesh , vu2 ugj
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-18 05:10:52 UTC
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Topic: 205 Message: 205

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+Available on ARRL Audio News

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NOTE: To accommodate Dayton Hamvention travel schedules, The ARRL Letter and
ARRL Audio News for Friday, May 18, are being distributed Wednesday, May 16.
The Solar Update will be available Friday on the ARRL Web site and via W1AW.
See you in Dayton!--Rick Lindquist
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==>ARRL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REVIEWS PRELIMINARY 5 MHz BAND PETITION

The ARRL Executive Committee has reviewed a preliminary draft Petition for
Rule Making seeking a new US ham band in the vicinity of 5 MHz. Experimental
operation at 5 MHz under a license issued to the ARRL has been going on
since 1999. Participants in the ARRL WA2XSY experimental operation have
established that an allocation at 5 MHz could improve emergency
communication capabilities by filling the gap between 80 and 40 meters.

On a motion from Southwestern Division Director Fried Heyn, WA6WZO, the EC
agreed that the petition should seek a domestic secondary amateur allocation
around 5 MHz with a bandwidth of 150 kHz. Executive Committee members will
review the completed draft petition before it's filed with the FCC, possibly
before the next ARRL Board meeting in July.
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An amateur allocation in the vicinity of 5 MHz long has been an objective of the International Amateur Radio Union. The IARU's Administrative Council has approved a goal of "a narrow allocation, even on a shared basis in the vicinity of 5 MHz." Winning an allocation at 5 MHz--even on a domestic basis--could take several years. Securing an international allocation will be more difficult and take even longer. Consideration of an allocation at 5 MHz is not on the agenda for WRC-03 nor on the preliminary agenda for WRC-05/06.

A review of FCC-related issues dominated the May 5 Executive Committee session in Dallas. In other matters, the Executive Committee was told that an FCC Notice of Proposed Rule Making still is expected soon in response to the ARRL's petition, RM-9404, seeking Amateur Radio access to the low-frequency spectrum. Filed in late 1998, the ARRL petition asks the FCC to establish LF allocations in the vicinity of 136 kHz and between 160 and 190 kHz.

ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, also told the Committee that the ARRL's Application for Review that seeks to clarify the FCC's PRB-1 limited preemption policy with respect to amateur antennas is pending before the full Commission. The ARRL wants the full Commission to review--and reverse--an FCC staff decision declining to extend PRB-1 coverage to include CC&Rs--covenants, conditions and restrictions. The EC agreed to request an en banc presentation to the full FCC this fall, after new Commission appointees have been seated.

The Committee also was told that favorable FCC action is anticipated on a petition seeking to upgrade Amateur Radio's status from secondary to primary at 2400 to 2402 MHz. The ARRL recently renewed a longstanding request that the FCC elevate Amateur Radio from secondary to primary at 2300 to 2305 MHz. The minutes of the ARRL Executive Committee meeting in Dallas are available on the ARRL Web site, http://www.arrl.org/announce/ec_minutes_466.html.

==>ARRL AND REACT TO SIGN MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Representatives of the ARRL and REACT met in Dallas, Texas, May 16 to sign a memorandum of understanding between the two organizations. The agreement is intended to promote joint coordination of the resources between ARRL and REACT and to facilitate the flow of information to and from the public during emergencies.

ARRL president Jim Haynie, W5JBP, and REACT International president Chuck Thompson, N5IAG, signed on behalf of their respective organizations.

"This memorandum of understanding is part of our efforts to establish a common front in dealing with emergencies and disaster communication and with other issues facing the radio hobby, including such things as antenna ordinances," Haynie said. Thompson said the memorandum will strengthen the organizations' "common goal of providing assistance to the public."

While REACT has been associated primarily with Citizens Band in the past, the organization has widened its focus to embrace amateur and other services. ARRL and REACT share common goals in terms of emergency

communication. The primary mission of REACT is "to provide public safety communications to individuals, organizations, and government agencies to save lives, prevent injuries, and give assistance wherever and whenever needed."

The memorandum of understanding calls on the two organizations to "cooperate and utilize their resources from time to time to optimum mutual benefit to both parties." Among specific principles, the agreement will involve cooperation during emergencies and disaster relief and the elimination of "duplicative or technically inferior service" during such responses. "The parties will generally encourage ongoing liaison with each other and urge members of both organizations to develop increasingly effective communications and cooperation," the agreement states.

Thompson and Haynie are long-time friends, and Haynie is a member of REACT in the Dallas area. Haynie was the instructor for Thompson's Novice Amateur Radio license class. He says Thompson recruited him to REACT membership.

A copy of the REACT-ARRL Memorandum of Understanding is available on the ARRL Web site at http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/mou/react.html.

==>AO-40'S LEILA SOUNDS HER SIREN CALL

If you're planning to use the AO-40 satellite, watch out for LEILA! The satellite's ground controllers have turned on the LEILA system, which not too subtly discourages operators from putting too strong a signal into the satellite's uplink receiver.

AMSAT-DL President Peter Guelzow, DB2OS, says LEILA was turned on for the first time May 12 after some very strong signals--louder than the middle beacon--showed up in the satellite's passband.

"Several people tried to get them to reduce power, but they apparently weren't listening," he said in a posting on the AMSAT-DL site. The situation soon led to "massive grumbling" on the passband, he said.

LEILA soon was set up on the UHF uplink and "it worked like a charm!" Guelzow concluded. If a too-strong station fails to lower power, LEILA notches out the offender's uplink and sends the siren signal to the downlink for about five seconds.

Bruce Paige, KK5DO, who's AMSAT's new awards manager, was on hand for LEILA's debut. He says LEILA can notch out five signals at a time. "So if there are a lot of offenders, you might have to wait to get stomped by LEILA," he said.

Guelzow said if all goes well, ground controllers probably will leave LEILA switched on continuously.

The success of LEILA was dimmed by the apparent failure of ground controllers to get the AO-40 X band (10 GHz) system to operate. Ground controllers haven't given up yet, however. Guelzow said Stacey Mills, W4SM, and Michael Fletcher, OH2AUE, tested the X-band transmitters, both solid

state and traveling wave tube (TWT) over the weekend. "Unfortunately, the test was not successful," Guelzow said. Telemetry indicated the proper commands, but apparently no power was reaching any of the X-band modules. Another test will be run soon.

AO-40 ground controllers opened up the next-generation satellite's transponders May 5 for general amateur use on an experimental basis. Uplink frequencies (without taking Doppler into account) are 435.495-435.780 MHz and 1269.211-1269.496 MHz, and the downlink passband is 2401.210-2401.495 MHz. The transponders are inverting, so a downward change in uplink frequency will result in an upward frequency shift in the downlink.--thanks to AMSAT News Service and AMSAT-DL

==>ARRL ULTRA-WIDEBAND REPLY COMMENTS TARGET INTERFERENCE POTENTIAL

The ARRL says it's not reasonable to assume that the FCC's Part 15 rules can be applied to ultra-wideband (UWB) devices due to their unique transmission characteristics. The League drew that conclusion in responding to comments filed by others in reaction to five reports that address UWB's interference potential.

The FCC has proposed to deploy UWB devices on an unlicensed basis under its Part 15 rules. Last month, it requested comments on five reports. The ARRL commented on the reports April 25 and submitted its reply comments May 10.

The ARRL said tests conducted to date "reveal a significant potential for harmful interference to at least some licensed services, including GPS and the Amateur Service." In addition, the ARRL said, additional "more specific and targeted tests" must be conducted before the FCC can adopt appropriate rules for UWB devices.

The League called again on the FCC to take no action in the UWB proceeding, ET Docket 98-153, until it establishes specific rules, definitions and classes of UWB devices in a further Notice of Proposed Rule Making.

Remarking on comments filed by UWB proponent Time Domain Corporation, the ARRL said it would be reasonable to conclude that if UWB devices bother GPS receivers, "there is at least the same degree of interference potential to amateur receivers."

The ARRL also commented on remarks filed by XtremeSpectrum Inc, which proposed a spectrum mask to offer 18 dB of protection below Section 15.209 levels. The ARRL said specifying a spectrum mask for UWB is "an absolute necessity," and it called XtremeSpectrum's proposals "a step in the right direction."

In past comments in the UWB proceeding, the League has agreed that UWB has potentially beneficial applications, but it says these should only be accommodated under the FCC's Part 15 rules "subject to appropriate interference avoidance regulations."

ARRL's comments in the UWB proceeding are available at http://www.arrl.org/announce/regulatory/et98-153/index.html.

==>ARRL AT DAYTON: FORUMS, DEMONSTRATIONS AND DXCC CARD CHECKING

ARRL will offer two forums, a demonstration of its popular TravelPlus repeater-locating software--and DXCC card checking this year at Dayton Hamvention. In addition, a wide array of ARRL memberships, publications and products will be on sale, and there will be a table of freebies too. The 50th Dayton Hamvention takes place Friday through Sunday, May 18-20 in Dayton's Hara Arena.

Hamvention offers an opportunity to get acquainted with ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, and other volunteers and notables in the ARRL family. At the ARRL Forum, Saturday, 8:30-9:45 AM, Room 3, President Haynie will share the podium with ARRL Executive Vice President David Sumner, K1ZZ, Great Lakes Division Director George Race, WB8BGY, and others.

"I look forward to telling people how things are going at the ARRL and that League membership is on the rise," Haynie said. "We always enjoy Dayton Hamvention!"

During the ARRL Forum, members are encouraged to share their ideas and concerns. The forum also provides a chance to hear about League's latest activities on behalf of its members.

The ARRL Public Relations Forum is set for Sunday, 11 AM-noon, in Room 1. A panel of public relations volunteers will share their success stories on getting positive publicity for Amateur Radio in their areas. The moderator will be ARRL Public Relations Committee Chair Diane Ortiz, K2DO. Ortiz and ARRL Public Relations Manager Jennifer Hagy, N1TDY, organized this year's forum.

All visitors to the ARRL booth in North Hall of the indoor exhibits area can pick up a free Dayton Hamvention 50th show commemorative button. The ARRL booth will feature product demonstrations, DXCC card checking and, of course, sale of ARRL publications and products.

A variety of free ARRL materials--from operating aids to award applications and other forms--also will be available across the aisle from the retail sales area. Headquarters staff members will be on hand to answer questions, too.

The ARRL booth is also the place to catch up with ARRL Headquarters staff members who are attending this year's show as well as the various field organization volunteers who turn out to lend a hand. President Haynie and others plan to be available to chat as schedules permit.

ARRL headquarters staff and volunteers will participate in various Hamvention forums and programs. Here's a sampling:

* ARRL President Haynie share his vision of "The ARRL from 2001-2026" during the Ham Radio Town Meeting, Saturday, 2-4 PM, in Room 3, sponsored by Amateur Radio Newsline.

* ARRL technical editor and antenna guru Dean Straw, N6BV, will explain "What's New in the Latest Edition of The ARRL Antenna Book" during the

Antenna Technology Forum, Friday, 2:15-5 PM, in Room 1.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, will take part in the ARES Forum, Friday, 2-2:45 PM, in Room 4.

* QST Editor Steve Ford, WB8IMY, will moderate a PSK31 forum, Saturday, 2:15-3:45 PM, in Room 1. Ford also will sit on a panel at the RTTY Forum Saturday, 11:45 AM-12:45 PM in Room 3. ARRL Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, will moderate the RTTY Forum for the second year.

* ARRL Lab Supervisor Ed Hare, W1RFI, will recount "The Incredible Saga of the Tuna Tin 2," Friday, 10-11:30 AM, in Room 2 and describe an "RF Exposure Model" during the RF Safety Forum, Saturday, 12:45-1:45 PM, in Room 4. (Hare also will visit the off-site "Four Days in May" QRP gathering.)

* ARRL Field and Regulatory Correspondent Brennan Price, N4QX, will visit the National Frequency Coordinators' Council forum, Friday, May 18, 1-1:45 PM, in Room 4. Moderating that event will be Dick Isely, W9GIG, who also is ARRL Central Division Director

See you in Dayton!

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The Manchester Mineira CW Contest and the Baltic Contest are the weekend of May 19-20. JUST AHEAD: The CQ WW WPX Contest (CW) is the weekend of May 26-27. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* ARRL welcomes K2QAI to the lab staff: John Phillips, K2QAI, of Winsted, Connecticut, has joined the ARRL Laboratory staff as a radio frequency interference/electromagnetic interference engineer. An ARRL member and a native of Brooklyn, New York, Phillips graduated from Hofstra University with a degree in electrical engineering. He has worked in a number of RFI/EMI related positions, mainly in the military electronics field, prior to starting his own computer software and consulting business. Phillips holds an Extra class license and spends most of his ham radio time working CW--40 meters being his favorite band. Phillips' primary work will be assisting members with solutions to RFI problems and improving ARRL's RFI/EMI information capabilities. Contact John Phillips at k2qai@....

* Emergency Communications Course Registration is still open: May registration for the Level I Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course EC-001 opened at 4 PM EDT Monday, May 14. Each on-line class is limited to 50 students. There are still seats available but don't wait too long. The registration form can be found at https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce/ . The Certification and Continuing Education Program has a new home page http://www.ARRL.org/cce and a revised FAQ page http://www.ARRL.org/cce/faq.html .

* EIMAC co-founder Jack A. McCullough, ex-W6CHE, SK: The co-founder of tube manufacturer EIMAC, Jack A. McCullough, ex-W6CHE, of Cupertino, California, died April 28. He was 93. An ARRL Life Member, McCullough and Bill Eitel, W6UF (SK), paired up to start Eitel-McCullough--EIMAC--in the 1930s after building a tube for use as a grounded-grid amplifier. A DXer and contester in his younger years, McCullough also was a QST author in the 1930s and 1940s, writing mostly about what he knew best--high-power amplifier tubes.--thanks to Richard Tryce, W6WVP

* Cap and badge man Dale Marquis, WA4EZU, SK: Hamfest cap and badge vendor Dyrell "Dale" Marquis, WA4EZU, of Fairforest, South Carolina, died May 14 following an illness and hospitalization. He was 68. An ARRL member, Marquis ran Marquis Engraving and frequently marketed his wares--caps and badges bearing call signs or other legends--at Amateur Radio conventions and gatherings throughout the Eastern US. Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth, a son and three daughters. Condolences are welcome Elizabeth Marquis, PO Box 652, Fairforest, SC 29336.--thanks to Ben Marquis

* Electric bike-mobile nets DX for New Jersey ham: Operating bicycle mobile in New Jersey, ARRL member Vincent Diak, WB2PDW, made his first SSB DX contact, working G2BKZ on 20 meters. Diak's station, a Yaesu FT-817 running 5 W to an Outbacker Perth antenna, was installed on his Lafree electric bike (http://www.Lafree.com). The bicycle has a battery-driven motor to assist the rider on grades and a computer that determines when you need help. Signals were Q5 in both directions. Diak said he supplemented the Yaesu's internal battery with a "water bottle" battery--a battery pack made to fit into the water-bottle holder on the bike's frame. For a closer look at bicycle mobiling, see the Bicycle Mobile Hams of America Web site, http://www.lafetra.com/bmha/ .

* Field Day satellite update: The QST column "Amateur Satellites and Field Day 2001" (June QST, p 99) was not completely up-to-date concerning two amateur satellites. ARRL Technical Specialist Kevin Manzer, AC5DK, notes that the Russian RS-13 satellite was shut down in January, and RS-12 has been reactivated in Mode A, although Manzer notes that, most years, it is usually in Mode K or KA when late June rolls around. In Mode A, RS-12 uplinks at 145.910 to 145.950 MHz and downlinks from 29.410 to 29.450 MHz, CW/SSB. The beacon is at 29.408 MHz. The latest information on RS-12 and RS-13 can be found on the AC5DK RS-12/13 Satellite Operators page, http://www.qsl.net/ac5dk/rs1213/rs1213.html.--Kevin Manzer, AC5DK

* "Wireless Giant of the Pacific" on the air again: Former RCA coast station KPH, Point Reyes, California, will attempt to contact the Liberty ship SS Jeremiah O'Brien, KXCH, on Sunday, May 20, between 1730 and 2200 UTC. Initial contact on 500 kHz will shift to 426 kHz for KPH, and 425 kHz for KXCH. KPH may also transmit on 6477.5 kHz. KPH will broadcast commemorative messages and possibly a traffic list. The former KPH facilities are part of the Point Reyes National Seashore, which has a strong interest in the important role the station played in the history of radio communications. The Marine Radio Historical Society Web site http://www.radiomarine.org has more information.--Dick Dillman, W6AWO

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-18 06:03:50 UTC
From: Ratnesh Javeri
Topic: 206 Message: 206

Dear Team,

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What do you think???

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Ratnesh 2OUT

207. Re: [m_a_r_s] Chinese phone QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-18 07:18:47 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 206 Message: 207

good idea. increase awareness. makes our job easier.
Cheers!

>From: "Ratnesh Javeri" <ratnesh@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: "MARS" <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Chinese phone QRM
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208. Re: [m_a_r_s] Chinese phone QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-18 23:43:38 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 206 Message: 208

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-18 23:44:02 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 206 Message: 209

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210. Re: [m_a_r_s] Chinese phone QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-19 11:23:06 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 206 Message: 210

I thank all of you for your valued suggestions, but how about acutely doing something for a change?

NLF
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From: Ratnesh Javeri
To: MARS
Sent: Friday, May 18, 2001 11:33 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Chinese phone QRM

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211. Empire Strikes Back.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-21 06:28:47 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 211 Message: 211

dear Friends,

First it was Huzefa , now it is Jaiprakash, Huzefa visited the locations having chinese phones and got a couple of them down. This showed that it is not a lost cause.

Now Jaiprakash got one chinese phone down within 15 minutes of his visit.

Morale of the story, We can definetely reduce the QRM , if not totally eliminate it. But we have to work for it. Sitting in your shacks is not going help. I hope that the actions of our heroes will motivate more members to visit their nearby chinese loction and [TRY] to bring them down.

In the last monthly meeting some members were convienced that by the above mentioned action we are inviting trouble from the underworld. Well JPN & HIT can verify that the users are ordinary people like us and has no connections with the underworld whatsoever.

In the meeting it was finally decided that we will only survey the locations and collect the information above the person using the chinese phone (and not interact with them) then we should write a letter to the monitering station with the available info and ask them to take action. Many members were to survey and give me the details by last saturday.

I regret to inform you all that till today I have not received a single name and address from any of our members who promised in the above meeting. This very clearly proves that we have (vu4gas, vu5gas, vu6gas, vu7gas, vu8gas and so on) in our society.

Many people agree that we must use the media, but no one is doing so, I now therefore one again request all our members to take some interest and put in a very little time , even if you put in 1 hour in a month for our hobby , we can have about 50 man hours available to us all members club together.

Anyway my heartly congralatutions to HIT & JPN for doing a great job, keep it up guys.!!

73s
NLF.

212. early birds net to be revived.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-21 06:43:14 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 212 Message: 212

dear members,

The early bird net was discontinued by me under protest because of the Chinese phone QRM and our members were convinced it is a lost cause and we should lay down and simply give away our VHF Frequencies.

I have always pleaded to all our members to fight back but I guess most of us are scared chickens or just lazy and simply don't care. Now HIT & JPN have brought us new hope that we can fight back and keep our VHF frequencies.

Looking at the above situation we shall start the Early Birds Net from tomorrow Tuesday 22nd May 2001 at 07:00 hours IST on 145.100 Mhz (because we are still facing some QRM on 145.200 Mhz). All members are requested to check in the net and increase the activity on 2 meters.

I have also requested our members in past and now I do it once again to participate and make the net more interesting by giving information such as Weather Report for the day, Joke for the day, Thought for the day, riddle for the day and so on. otherwise it is pointless to check in and out of the net.

I hope many of you will volunteer to chip in.

73s catch up with you guys on the net..!!!

NLF

213. field trip on 25th/26th/27th May 2001

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-21 06:54:10 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 213 Message: 213

dear members,

The field trip of our 1st Ham Radio Classes will be held on 25th to 27th may 2001 at Wangaum [VU2ZRS QTH].

Interested members can join us and have a field day. Expenses at cost.

Please confirm with me about you participation at the earliest as we can accomodate limited people at the farm.

73s
NLF

214. Simulated Disaster Communication Exercise (Scrammble team Exercise)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-21 07:03:16 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 214 Message: 214

dear members,

We have scheduled a Simulated Disaster Communication Exercise on 9th & 10th June 2001. (Saturday & Sunday)

This is not a picnic or a field day. This is going to be a very challenging exercise demanding physical and techical fitness. All members who think they are tough enough to take up the challenge may get in touch with me at the earliest.

This exercise will train you to work and perform against all odds. It will bring in confidence in you and give you a peace of mind and prepare you for real Disaster.

Join us and take up the challenge...!!!

73s

NLF.

215. AUA Strikes.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-21 18:07:52 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 215 Message: 215

dear friends,

Now its Arunsingh [VU3AUA] pulling down one more chinese phones.

Great job AUA keep it up.

NLF.

216. Re: [m_a_r_s] Simulated Disaster Communication Exercise (Scrammble team Exercise)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-22 03:46:27 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 214 Message: 216

Dear Nilesh

Nice to hear about Communication Exercise.

I am ready for the job.

Best Regards

VU2JPN

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http://www.chequemail.com

217. Re: [m_a_r_s] field trip on 25th/26th/27th May 2001

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-22 03:48:44 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 213 Message: 217

Dear Nilesh

Pls. include my name for the Field Trip.

Regards

JPN

Chequemail.com - a free web based e-mail service that also pays!!!
http://www.chequemail.com

218. Re: [m_a_r_s] early birds net to be revived.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-22 04:54:29 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 212 Message: 218

Dear Nilesh

Thanks and congrats to start Early Birds net once again.

Members please make a pile-up for nilesh.

Good luck OM

73's

VU2JPN

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219. Re: [m_a_r_s] Empire Strikes Back.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-22 05:11:09 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 211 Message: 219

Dear Friends:

Thanks for the wishes and also for the encourgement from VU2HIT for removing of 1st Chinese phone.

At my location I have SILENCED 2 QRM's:

1. Chawl no.5 on Vidyavihar-Kurla road
"N" ward, near nala, Chembur, mumbai.
Down on 19/5/2001

2. Room no.15 behind Suma Palace beer bar
Amar Mahal, Chembur, Mumbai.
Down on 22/5/2001 just before coming to
this cyber cafe.

The above people were just common people.

I trust all the users may be common people only and I am sure no underworld people will use these type of equipments because they are more consious of their secrecy.

In case we find any hard nuts we can use our team power to encounter them.

I have now 3 more locations to handle. Hope to tackle them too. If not I will surely call for 2nd round visit with team power.

I sure all members should be on the look out for these type of antennas now.

We have to shoot down all the antenna in Mumbai as early as possible.

73's

VU2JPN.

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220. Re: [m_a_r_s] Chinese phone QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-22 05:20:53 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 206 Message: 220

Dear Friends:

I think we should give a press release for awareness so they no more Chinese phones come up in the market.

Now we have 4 Chinese Phones Down. We should use all type of media to do our job and free the frequency.

Good luck

VU2JPN.

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http://www.chequemail.com

221. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 21

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-28 04:24:06 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 221 Message: 221

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==>DAYTON HAMVENTION HOSTS BUOYANT CROWD

Rain on the opening day of the 50th Dayton Hamvention did not deter the
crowd from having a good time. Show-priced bargains offered by some dealers
enhanced the enjoyment, and the weather improved immensely on Saturday and
Sunday.

General Chairman Jim Graver, KB8PSO, said Hamvention officials believe that
between 27,000 and 28,000 turned out for this year's show--nearly the same
number as last year. Graver said he was happy to see a good crowd despite
higher gasoline prices and Friday's rain.

Unlike past Hamventions, major manufacturers had comparatively little new to
offer this year. Among the most noticeable items were: The new Kenwood
TH-F6A compact triband hand-held FM VHF transceiver with wideband receive
including HF; Ten-Tec's long-awaited 6 and 2-meter all-mode transceiver, the
Model 526 "6N2"--the Tennessee company's first factory-built VHF radio;
Yaesu's MD-200 desk mike "for elite-class Amateur Radio operators;" and
Alpha Power's Alpha 6/2 maximum legal power VHF amplifier--the first amp
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produced under the company's new management and ownership.

ARRL Advertising Manager John Bee, N1GNV, said he got "almost universally positive comments" from Dayton Hamvention 2001 exhibitors. "'They came to buy,' was a common refrain," he said. Bee called the number of new vendors at this year's show "an encouraging sign" for Amateur Radio.

During the ARRL Forum Saturday, Executive Vice President David Sumner, K1ZZ, said, "It's been great year for Amateur Radio and the ARRL. Things are moving in the right direction on a number of fronts." ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, echoed Sumner's sentiments. Pointing to his career in sales, Haynie said Amateur Radio is "the best product that I have in my repertoire of things to sell." Haynie called upon those on hand to think about "the product" that is Amateur Radio and how they can share the fun with others.

"I'm asking you to talk to your neighbor, I'm asking you to talk to your brother, your sister, your city council, your mayor, your congressman, and tell 'em about your product, which is Amateur Radio," Haynie exhorted.

Haynie presented a plaque to Graver in recognition of the 50th Hamvention. Speaking on behalf of the Dayton Amateur Radio Association and the Hamvention Committee, Graver thanked the League for its efforts on behalf of Amateur Radio.

Saturday morning's AMSAT forum included a telephone visit with "space tourist" Dennis Tito, KG6FZX. Tito told the gathering that Amateur Radio provided a great boost to his recent visit to the International Space Station. "The opportunity to do a phone patch five days in a row was a very important part of my flight, and I looked forward to it every day," he said. A planned ham radio contact with the ISS crew from the Hamvention did not work out, however. In addition to handling the Tito interview, Roy Neal, K6DUE, of the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station program, also chatted with astronaut Janice Voss, KC5BTK.

The FCC's Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, not only was one of the Saturday banquet speakers but the highlight of the Sunday morning FCC forum. Playing to a packed house, Hollingsworth and FCC colleague Bill Cross, W3TN, of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, reviewed regulatory and enforcement issues confronting ham radio (see below, "FCC to Amateurs: Detailed Regulation "Not in the Picture.")

Hollingsworth told the crowd that amateur enforcement complaints are way down. With tongue only somewhat in cheek, Hollingsworth said "California" topped his list of enforcement issues that keep him awake at night. "If it weren't for California, amateur enforcement would be a one-day-a-week job," he said, "and we wouldn't need most of the rules."

Hollingsworth also cited "stupidity" and unlicensed 10-meter operation as other factors that continue to provide grist for enforcement. He played taped excerpts of contentious on-air amateur discussions to demonstrate his point. "There was nothing illegal--nothing against our rules" on the tapes, he said. But, he continued, their content presents a poor image of the

Amateur Service to anyone listening in--and that could include the media, decision makers and the general public.

Graver said there are no current plans for Hamvention to move from the venerable Hara Arena. Dayton Hamvention's contract to use Hara runs through 2003.

==>FCC TO AMATEURS: DETAILED REGULATION "NOT IN THE PICTURE"

The FCC says the ball is in the court of the Amateur Service to determine the course of future Amateur Radio regulation. Speaking May 20 at the Dayton Hamvention FCC forum, Bill Cross, W3TN, of the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, said that the days of Commission-imposed regulation are past.

"Detailed regulation of the nitty gritty of communication services, including the Amateur Service, is not in the picture," Cross said. "Rather, the FCC is shifting to strong and effective enforcement of truly necessary regulations." The FCC, he said, now plans to look to the amateur community to reach consensus on any new regulations it thinks it wants and needs.

"I hope that those of you who are thinking about asking us to carve up a band by fiat will think again," he told the packed forum. "You really are asking us to tie your hands regarding your use of your spectrum."

Before the FCC initiates any rulemaking proceedings in the Amateur Service to change privileges, Cross said it wants to see proposals involving the implementation of "new and more modern communications technologies," such as digital. In addition, he said, any future proposal "must include all licensees, and it must include all bands," and--most important--the amateur community must reach a consensus on the topic.

Cross said the FCC does not want and cannot handle "multiple proceedings that address piecemeal changes in operating privileges" that affect only certain classes of licensees or certain bands. "You, collectively, need to reach agreement on how you want to use your spectrum," he reiterated.

Cross said he expected the issue of restructuring operator privileges to come up "in a couple of years" at the outside. "Changes in operating privileges for the different classes of operator licenses are inevitable," he said.

==>ASTRONAUT THRILLS MISSOURI, WASHINGTON STUDENTS VIA AMATEUR RADIO

While he doesn't yet hold a ham ticket, astronaut Jim Voss has been making a lot of friends on Earth via the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program. Voss on May 23 completed an on-air conversation with youngsters at the Moran Prairie Elementary School in Spokane, Washington. The previous week, Voss chatted with students at Parkway Central High School in Chesterfield, Missouri.

Youngsters at the Washington school asked questions ranging from bone density to exercising in space, radiation and solar flares.

"I think your brain does work a little bit differently up here," Voss said in response to a question from one Moran Prairie youngster. On the ISS, Voss said, "you're floating around, and your mind is having to do a lot of things that aren't natural to interpret the way you see things upside down." He said the crew members "have to be a little bit more careful up here."

Voss told the pupils that he enjoys space walks and was looking forward to an excursion outside the ISS in a couple of weeks could prove more challenging than usual. Voss said he even enjoys microgravity in his free time. "Sometimes I do things with the zero gravity, floating around and doing flips and somersaults--it's like playing in space."

Voss told students at both schools that the astronauts are enjoying "quite a variety" of foods on the space station's menu. He also said he misses his family but told the Missouri students that he felt "lucky and blessed" to be aboard the ISS and that he enjoyed the inspiring view. "The earth is quite a gorgeous place, and we can't take pictures that are good enough to make it look as good as it really is," he told the Parkway Central students May 17.

The high schoolers also wanted to know about such issues as sleeping in space, what the crew does if someone gets sick, and what it takes to become an astronaut and ISS crew member. Both contacts were made directly, via 2 meters, and Voss used the NA1SS call sign for the QSOs.

Voss, astronaut Susan Helms, KC7NHZ, and Russian crew commander Yuri Usachev, RW3FU, are approximately halfway through their Expedition Two tour of duty aboard the ISS. They will return to Earth in July.

==>KACHINA EXITS THE AMATEUR RADIO, HF MARKET

Kachina--which made a big splash at the 1997 Dayton Hamvention when it introduced its then-revolutionary 505DSP PC-controlled Amateur Radio transceiver--has quit the ham radio market. The Arizona manufacturer discontinued production and marketing of the 505DSP, its only ham product, and all other HF radio products and accessories, effective May 24.

Kachina Vice President Cameron Earnshaw blamed "the slowdown in Amateur Radio in general, and HF radio in particular" for the company's decision to exit the HF market. "Any radio selling for over $1000 is a pretty hard sell these days," he said. The Kachina 505DSP, the first amateur transceiver designed solely for control via a personal computer, has retailed in the vicinity of $2000.

"Unfortunately, the 505DSP was too expensive to produce," he told ARRL. "For that we have only ourselves to blame. Performance costs money, but you really limit your sales when you cross that $1000-$1200 mark."

Earnshaw said he does not know how the Japanese manufacturers continue to produce and market top-end Amateur Radio gear. He suggested they must be doing so "out of a labor of love, supporting the losses from other more-profitable ventures."

Earnshaw said Kachina will continue to provide service and spare parts for all Kachina HF radio products for the foreseeable future and will honor all

factory warranties through their duration. Amateur Radio products remaining in Kachina's inventory were being discounted through Kachina's Web site, http://kachina-az.com.

Kachina Chief Engineer Doug Smith, KF6DX, said he's sad to see the product line come to an end. "Some might say that this is another blow to Amateur Radio, but I would say it is just an indicator of the need to adapt to changing conditions," he said. "The Amateur Radio Service should see several exciting developments in the coming years, including digital voice, high-speed digital modes, remote control and further improvements in so-called software-defined radios, to name a few."

Smith says he'll be moving on "to greener pastures," but will continue to edit QEX/Communications Quarterly for the ARRL.

==>NEVADA GOVERNOR SIGNS AMATEUR ANTENNA BILL

Nevada Gov Kenny Guinn has signed that state's Amateur Radio antenna legislation--Assembly Bill 61. The law goes into effect October 1.

"I would like to commend everyone who assisted on this effort," said Nevada Assemblyman Bob Beers, WB7EHN, the bill's author and sponsor. "The grass roots support for this bill was key to its passage and enactment, and the subject of awed comments in both houses." The measure cleared the state Senate on a unanimous vote and went to the Governor this week for his signature.

The measure will incorporate the wording of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 into the Nevada Revised Statutes. Introduced by Beers in February, AB 61 will require municipal ordinances to "reasonably accommodate amateur service communications" and "constitute the minimum level of regulation practicable to carry out the legitimate purpose of the governing body." The bill would not apply to historic or architectural preservation districts.

As originally worded, the legislation also would have applied to future deed covenants, conditions and restrictions imposed by homeowners' associations. That language was stripped from the bill in committee, but the rest of the measure survived intact.

Nevada Assistant ARRL Section Manager Dick Flanagan, W6OLD, expressed his gratitude to the state's amateur community for the bill's success. "We have achieved passage of AB61 only through your efforts!" he said.

Nevada is the 13th state to incorporate PRB-1 language into its statutes. "I can't imagine a more natural state to acquire the Number 13 distinction than Nevada--a state world renowned for beating the odds!" Flanagan said. Amateur Radio antenna bills also were approved this year in Alaska and Idaho, and similar measures are pending in New York and Wisconsin.

Updated information on the Nevada PRB-1 legislation is available at the Carson Valley Radio Club Web site, http://www.cvrc.net/ab61/. The full text of AB 61 is available on the Nevada State Web site,

http://www.leg.state.nv.us/71st/bills/AB/AB61.html .

==>KENTUCKY AMATEUR DIES INSTALLING ANTENNA

A Kentucky Amateur Radio Emergency Service member died May 20 while installing a 2-meter antenna he'd just bought at the Dayton Hamvention. According to ARRL Kentucky Section Emergency Coordinator Ron Dodson, KA4MAP, Ronald L. Oller, KG4JVT, of Irvington, died when the groundplane antenna he was installing fell onto the overhead electrical service line to his house. He had been a ham for about eight months.

Dodson said Oller and a teenaged friend, John Betner, KG4LHQ, had purchased new 2-meter groundplanes at the Hamvention. The pair already had installed one of the units at Betner's home and were in the process of raising Oller's antenna when the incident occurred. Betner was not injured and summoned help for his friend.

Dodson said Oller had a history of heart trouble but said he did not know if that was a factor in his death.

Dodson described Oller as "one of the most enthusiastic hams I have ever met" and as "a generous individual who loved to be helpful in spite of his heart ailment." Earlier in the weekend, Oller had traveled to Dayton Hamvention on a chartered bus with other amateurs from Kentucky's Meade, Breckinridge, Jefferson and surrounding counties.

Oller got his license last October and became involved in public service and, as AAT4YQ/T, in the Military Affiliate Radio System. He also had "elmered" the 16-year-old Betner when he studied for his license.

"It can happen to any of us at any time," said Dodson, who advised caution when installing antennas. "It's too late to help Ron, but, please, let's not lose anyone else to such a terrible tragedy."

A memorial service for Ron Oller was set for May 27.

==>TWO ARRL SECTIONS TO GET NEW SECTION MANAGERS

New section managers will take office July 1 in the Maryland-DC and Northern New Jersey ARRL sections. Incumbent section managers were re-elected in six other sections.

The only contested race was in Rhode Island, where incumbent SM Armand E. Lambert, K1FLD, held off a challenge from Ellis H. Maris Jr, W3PDK, 180 to 123. Votes were counted this week at ARRL Headquarters.

In Maryland-DC, Tom Abernethy, W3TOM, will succeed Bill Howard, WB3V, who decided not to run for another term. An Advanced licensee from Accokeek, Maryland, Abernethy, 49, has field appointments as an Emergency Coordinator, Official Emergency Station, Official Bulletin Station and Official Relay Station.

In Northern New Jersey, William Hudzik, W2UDT, of Gillette, will succeed Jeffrey Friedman, K3JF, who did not seek another term. Hudzik, 54, holds an Extra Class ticket. He serves as a volunteer examiner and also volunteers in the QSL bureau.

Incumbent section managers reelected without opposition were Jan Welsh, NK7N, Nevada; Al Shuman, N1FIK, New Hampshire; Donald W. Costello, W7WN, San Joaquin Valley; Mel Parkes, AC7CP, Utah; and Clay Emert, K5TRW, West Texas.

All terms are for two years.

==>VIRGINIA SM POSITION DECLARED VACANT; NEW SM NAMED

The ARRL Executive Committee declared the office of Virginia Section Manager vacant on May 16. Carl A. Clements, W4CAC, of Portsmouth was appointed to fill the declared vacancy. Clements will fill out the term of Lynn Gahagan, AF4CD, of Chesapeake, who had been SM since April 1998.

"After lengthy deliberation and careful consideration, the ARRL Executive Committee has decided that it is in the best interests of the membership to declare the office of Virginia Section Manager vacant, effective immediately," a brief statement from the Executive Committee said. "A new Section Manager, Carl A. Clements, W4CAC, of Portsmouth, has been appointed to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the current term of office, through March 31, 2002. These actions have been taken in accordance with the rules and regulations of the ARRL Field Organization."

Gahagan was notified of the action last week by ARRL Executive Vice President David Sumner, K1ZZ, who thanked Gahagan for his service to ARRL. No details of what led the Executive Committee to declare the Virginia Section Manager's position vacant were released.

According to the minutes of the May 5 EC meeting in Dallas, Texas, ARRL First Vice President Joel Harrison, W5ZN, met with Gahagan in February to "review concerns that had been brought to the attention of the Executive Committee." Subsequently, at the direction of the EC, Sumner wrote Gahagan setting out "five points that had to be addressed and resolved with regard to the administration of the ARRL emergency communications program in the Section." The Executive Committee discussed Gahagan's reply at its meeting and agreed to resolve the matter last week.

EC members met May 14 in a teleconference to determine the final disposition of the matter. Minutes of that session and the May 5 meeting are available on the ARRL Web site.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Propagation prognosticator Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: SEATTLE, WA, May 25, 2001--Geomagnetic conditions were quieter this week, and solar flux and sunspot numbers were a little higher. Average solar flux was up nearly ten points, and average sunspot numbers were up by about seven points.

Solar flux is expected to peak over the next week. Solar flux for Friday is predicted at 165, and then 170 for Saturday through Tuesday. Predicted planetary A index for Friday through Monday is 8, 10, 20 and 12. Earth is currently inside a solar wind stream flowing from a coronal hole.

Sunspot numbers for May 10 through 16 were 94, 96, 127, 119, 149, 146 and 125, with a mean of 122.3. The 10.7 cm flux was 130.4, 136.6, 138.1, 138.9, 138.2, 142.1 and 137.8, with a mean of 137.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 28, 9, 34, 23, 12, 16 and 12 with a mean of 19.1.

Sunspot numbers for May 17 through 23 were 137, 109, 92, 99, 118, 159 and 192 with a mean of 129.4. The 10.7 cm flux was 147.4, 138.2, 141.3, 141.5, 150.1, 152 and 158.7, with a mean of 147. Estimated planetary A indices were 9, 11, 12, 10, 8, 9 and 11 with a mean of 10.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The CQ WW WPX Contest (CW), the Anatolian RTTY WW Contest, the Memorial Day CW Sprint and the ARCI Hoot Owl Sprint are the weekend of May 26-28. JUST AHEAD: The Major Six Club Contest is June 1-4; the QRP TAC Contest (CW), the WW South America CW Contest and the IARU Region 1 Field Day (CW) are the weekend of June 2-3. The ARRL June VHF QSO Party, the ANARTS WW RTTY Contest, the Portugal Day Contest, the Asia-Pacific Sprint (SSB), and the TOEC WW Grid Contest (SSB) are the weekend of June 9-11. Kid's Day is June 16-17. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* McGan Award nomination deadline extended: The ARRL Public Relations Committee has voted to extend the McGan Award nomination deadline. All nomination materials now must be received at ARRL Headquarters in Newington, Connecticut, by 5 PM Eastern Time on June 1, 2001. The ninth annual Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award will go to an Amateur Radio operator who has demonstrated outstanding volunteer public relations success on behalf of Amateur Radio. For more information on the award program, see QST, February 2000 (page 48). For a nomination form and official rules, visit the ARRL Web site Public Relations Department page, http://www.arrl.org/pio . Submit all McGan nominations and supporting documents to Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award, c/o Jennifer Hagy, N1TDY, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.

* Canada makes 5 WPM official: Canadian Basic operators with 5 WPM credit now have full HF Amateur Radio privileges. Effective May 19, Industry Canada has amended the Technical Requirements set out in the Radiocommunication Information Circular 2, "Standards for the Operation of Radio Stations in the Amateur Radio Service." The IC grants full operating privileges in all Amateur Radio frequency bands below 30 MHz to operators holding the Basic plus 5 WPM Morse code qualification. Copies of the revised RIC-2 are available from the Industry Canada Web site, http://strategis.gc.ca/SSG/sf01226e.html .--RAC

* FCC reiterates license renewal and modification basics: The FCC took advantage of the Dayton Hamvention FCC forum to remind Amateur Service licensees that license renewal and modification now is done via the Universal Licensing System--or ULS. The ULS is accessible via the FCC ULS Web site, http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/uls. Bill Cross, W3TN, of the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau noted that Amateur Radio licenses may not be renewed any sooner than 90 days prior to license expiration. When only changing an address, he said, licensees should choose the "Administrative Update" (AU) option. When renewing only, he said, choose "Renewal Only" (RO). To change an address while renewing your license within the 90-day window, select the "Renewal/Modification" option. An application requesting renewal that's outside the 90-day window will be dismissed, Cross said. Modifications no longer automatically result in a new ten-year license term. Call sign changes are not made unless requested by the licensee. Cross said amateur applicants needing assistance or who believe they have made an error on an application they've filed should contact the ULS help desk, ulshelp@....

* WRTC-2002 seeks donations: Donations are now being sought for the World Radiosport Team Championship 2002. Under the leadership of Organizing Committee Chairman Jouko Häyrynen, OH1RX, the Contest Club Finland and the Finnish Amateur Radio League have agreed to jointly host WRTC 2002 from July 9 through July 16, 2002. The on-the-air operating portion of the event will be held in conjunction with the 2002 IARU HF World Championship on July 14 and 15. Appointed as US representatives are Dennis Motschenbacher, K7BV, USA West; Bob Allphin, K4UEE, USA South and Jeff, Briggs, K1ZM, USA East. The Northern California DX Foundation has agreed to assist in processing US donations. Donations by credit card or by check (made out to "NCDXF [for WRTC Project]") are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law for US taxpayers. Send cash, check and VISA/MC/AMEX donations from the US to NCDXF, c/o Rusty Epps, W6OAT, 651 Handley Trail, Redwood City, CA 94062. (w6oat@...). Donations from outside the United States can be sent directly to a WRTC 2002 bank account. See the WRTC 2002 Web site, http://www.wrtc2002.org/support.htm for specific information. For event information, visit the WRTC 2002 Web site, http://www.wrtc2002.org.

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222. Happy Birthday - VU2NFS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-29 04:36:11 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 222 Message: 222

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its Founder Member Nafisa Shikari [VU2NFS] a very happy birthday

223. When the going gets tough, The tough gets going..!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-29 04:45:02 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 223 Message: 223

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

The Disaster Communication Exercise is scheduled on 9th & 10th June 2001 (Sat & Sun). In order to apply for the mobile licences to delhi we require list of all the participents . All members participating in the exercise are requested to confirm with me at the earliest.

73s
NLF.

224. ARRL HANDBOOK CD

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-29 15:26:03 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 224 Message: 224

Hi

I have purchased a ARRL HANDBOOK CD and intend to make the copy of the same. so if anyone interested pls let me know.
The cost worked out was approx.260-270 per CD only if we get around 20 people to buy the CD,oboviously more the people the cost will come down.However any profit made thereof will be donated to the society.

So pls hurry up and let me know by return mail or ctc me on LL O-3460575,R-3731646

Huzefa

225. Re: [m_a_r_s] When the going gets tough, The tough gets going..!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-29 15:55:55 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 223 Message: 225

I confirm my participant for the exercise

Huzefa
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 29, 2001 10:15 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] When the going gets tough, The tough gets going..!!

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73s
NLF.

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226. m.a.r.s goes HF Digital.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-30 05:58:59 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 226 Message: 226

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

we are pleased to inform you that we have succesfully worked Digital mode
on HF. The transmission was on 14,330 MHz from NLF's QTH received by UGJ in Andheri. RTTY mode (Chatting) , ASCII file transfer and SSTV (JPG & BMP file transfer) was sucessful.

Now we have Digital capablities and can definately work from field and especially during disasters.

73s
NLF.

227. Re: [m_a_r_s] ARRL HANDBOOK CD

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-30 06:43:57 UTC
From: vu2rek
Topic: 224 Message: 227

count me in..tnx
vu2rek
----- Original Message -----
From: Huzefa
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 29, 2001 20:56
Subject: [m_a_r_s] ARRL HANDBOOK CD

Hi

I have purchased a ARRL HANDBOOK CD and intend to make the copy of the same. so if anyone interested pls let me know.
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Huzefa

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228. Re: [m_a_r_s] When the going gets tough, The tough gets going..!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-30 21:10:55 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 223 Message: 228

>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] When the going gets tough, The tough gets going..!!
>Date: Tue, 29 May 2001 10:15:02 +0530
>
>MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
>
>Dear Members,
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>The Disaster Communication Exercise is scheduled on 9th & 10th June 2001
>(Sat & Sun). In order to apply for the mobile licences to delhi we require
>list of all the participents . All members participating in the exercise
>are requested to confirm with me at the earliest.
>

dear nilesh ,

count me in , for scrammble exercise ,

my licence no is 23810 date of exp 31/5/2005

please do the needful
>73s
>NLF.
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229. Re: [m_a_r_s] ARRL HANDBOOK CD

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-30 21:16:06 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 224 Message: 229

>From: "Huzefa" <vu2hit@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] ARRL HANDBOOK CD
>Date: Tue, 29 May 2001 20:56:03 +0530
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>So pls hurry up and let me know by return mail or ctc me on LL
>O-3460575,R-3731646
>
>Huzefa

dear huzefa ,

darling i wud be needing one of those , cd , of arrl handbook ,

pls do the need ful for me too , on sundays meeting i shall pay u up

bye ,
mukesh vu2ugj

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230. monthly meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-30 21:25:59 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 6 Message: 230

Fellow Hams ,

our 2nd monthly meeting of mars , is preponed to ist sunday this time thats is on 3rd june at 10.am venue is shishu vihar school at dadar , this was necisated due to , our diaster communication exercise on 9th /10 th june .
so please take the note of the same , and make it apoint to attend the meeting.

I would also once again , appeal you to participate in diaster communication exercise , it helps us in to be readiness of any kind of situation arising out of some kind of natural diaster.

Also , this is for members those who have not paid their renewal fees for this current year , may please pay up , on 3rd june at the meetimg .

HAPPY HAMMING

DE VU2UGJ,

MUKESH JAITLEY

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231. ARRL HANDBOOK CD

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-30 15:44:52 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 224 Message: 231

Hi

People interested for the ARRL HANDBOOK CD ,let me know on sunday at Monthly meeting with damages for the same to be approx 260-270/-

Huzefa

232. Fw: ARLB020 ARRL seeks FCC probe of long-range cordless telephone sales

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-31 01:51:07 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 232 Message: 232

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----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@...>
Cc: <Subscribed ARRL Members: ;>
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2001 11:52 PM
Subject: ARLB020 ARRL seeks FCC probe of long-range cordless telephone sales

> SB QST @ ARL $ARLB020
> ARLB020 ARRL seeks FCC probe of long-range cordless telephone sales
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> ZCZC AG20
> QST de W1AW
> ARRL Bulletin 20 ARLB020
> From ARRL Headquarters
> Newington CT May 30, 2001
> To all radio amateurs
>
> SB QST ARL ARLB020
> ARLB020 ARRL seeks FCC probe of long-range cordless telephone sales
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> The ARRL has asked the FCC to investigate and ''take appropriate
> action'' against several companies it alleges have been marketing
> so-called ''long-range cordless telephones'' via the Internet. The
> ARRL took the action in the wake of an interference complaint and
> numerous reports from the amateur community about sales of the
> devices, some operating on amateur VHF and UHF frequencies.
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> ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, said the League was seeking
> the FCC probe because the apparently uncertificated devices operate
> on amateur bands and are capable of interfering with amateur
> communication. He also noted that the devices are not likely to meet
> maximum permissible exposure levels for RF.
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> ''ARRL has not been able to locate any FCC certification for these
> devices and, based on the advertised frequency bands and ranges, it
> is believed that none of these devices could be certificated, or
> legally marketed or sold, under FCC rules,'' Imlay wrote.
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> Imlay said the ARRL also is looking into the marketing of products
> such as 434-MHz video surveillance equipment and other ''apparently
> non-certificated devices'' that use amateur frequencies but are being
> marketed in the US to non-amateurs.
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> report of actual harmful interference from a long-range cordless
> telephone to amateur communication. The amateur reporting it tracked
> the telephone to the home of a neighbor, who said he'd bought the
> device on eBay.
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> Hare said some long-range devices are legally certificated to
> operate on the 900 MHz or 2450 MHz Part 15 bands. ''These legal
> devices are only an issue if they cause actual harmful interference
> to the Amateur Service,'' he said.
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> Hare requests reports of unlicensed devices causing actual harmful
> interference to Amateur Radio operation. Reports may be sent to
> rfi@....
> NNNN
> /EX
>

233. Brief without vest

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-31 02:11:12 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 233 Message: 233

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear members,

The Monthly meeting for June 2001 shall be held on Sunday 3rd June 2001
at 10:00 am at Shishu Vihar School , Dadar as informed by the Chairman.

In addition to the above, we shall have the briefing meeting for the Scrammble team
Exercise also on the same day.

All members participating in the Disaster Communication Exercise on 9th/10th June are
required to attend the Sunday meeting. The briefing meeting will commence at 11:30 am after
the monthly meeting. All stations participating from Mumbai (going to operate from mumbai)
are also required to attend the meeting.

73s
NLF

234. Icom 706 Mk2G : QST review

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-02 00:17:33 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 234 Message: 234
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi guys,
Pl. dwnload the pdf attacment. I feel QST reviews are pretty good.
Read on!
73
Vijay Motwane VU2VVP

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235. Icom 746 : QST Review

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-02 00:22:27 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 235 Message: 235
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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236. Icom 746 : QST Review

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-02 00:29:53 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 235 Message: 236
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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237. ICOM 756 Pro : QST Review

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-02 00:33:10 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 237 Message: 237
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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238. monthly meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-29 17:55:47 UTC
From: tomchi21
Topic: 6 Message: 238
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Fellow Hams , Hope this finds you in best of spirits and health. Our 2nd general monthly meeting this time has been preponed to 1st sunday thats is on 3rd june

239. Re: [m_a_r_s] When the going gets tough, The tough gets going..!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-05-30 10:39:42 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 223 Message: 239

I confirm my participation in the DCE

73s de VU2UGO
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 29, 2001 10:15 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] When the going gets tough, The tough gets going..!!

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240. from vu2, wll.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-05 03:51:49 UTC
From: perviz
Topic: 240 Message: 240

Becoming a Ham - Part 1
By T. A. Benham, W3DD

My First Crystal Radio

I was born on December 30, 1914, and became blind two years later. In 1922 I was at the Western Pennsylvania School for the Blind in Pittsburgh. There was at least one educational enterprise in which I was engaged during that spring. In 1920, the world's first commercial radio station came on the air in Pittsburgh: KDKA. Somewhere, I had heard about making a radio receiver using a crystal substance, an antenna and an earphone. I learned later that the crystal substance was galena. I had heard it would be necessary to put the crystal in a small metal cup, get a fine piece of wire and connect it through an earphone to a water pipe. The surface of the crystal would be connected through a fine wire to an antenna. The antenna should be as long as possible, outdoors and as high as convenient. The crystal would rest in the small cup with its top surface available for touching the fine wire to it. My friend Tony and I went to a room located off the basement hall (a place where he once left me to find my way back to the recreation area alone). We stretched a piece of wire from the window out to a tree about 25 feet from the building. After much fiddling with all parts, we finally heard, very faintly at first, radio station KDKA. We found after some more experimenting that there was a most sensitive spot on the surface of the crystal so that eventually we were able to hear very clearly. This type of receiver would not work at all well nowadays because there are so many stations that they would all be piled upon each other, giving nothing but hash. In 1922, there was only one station in Pittsburgh. It wasn't long, however, before others appeared (I remember particularly WCAE). This was the beginning of my activity in radio which, has been going on for 75 years.

Beginning Amateur Radio

The most important part of those early years was the development of my interest and knowledge in radio, electronics and electricity. Shortly after moving to Ardmore, PA, at age 11, I acquired a one-tube broadcast band receiver made by Western Electric. It was of the regenerative detector type with a tuning capacitor for selecting the stations and a varicoupler to control the regenerative sensitivity. I had it on a small table beside the bed. I tried to keep that first radio as a souvenir but it met an untimely end. About 1963, while I was teaching at Haverford College, I had gotten together a small museum of unusual electronic gadgets and had them stored in a glass door cabinet in the science building. The College decided to put a

computer lab in the room where the cabinet was. Without asking me about any of the equipment, the professor in charge of the computer project had the room cleared. When I discovered what was happening, I asked what had been done with the exhibit case. I was informed, "Oh, all that junk was thrown out. There wasn't anything of value in it". So, my radio went with the rest of the treasures, some dating back before 1920. It wasn't long before I was trying to make my own radios, mostly of the one tube variety. A great deal of my learning came from people reading to me, mostly people who knew nothing about what they were reading, but, as they often said, "If you know what it's about, that's all that matters." I remember a funny thing that happened about this time. In a vacuum tube circuit, there is a resistor connected between the grid of the tube and ground (the negative terminal of the battery). This resistor is, or was, called the grid-leak, so named because it permits excess electrons to leak off to ground. One day, a man came to the door saying, "Would you like to buy a small pan to catch the drippings from the grid-leak in your radio? They cost only a dollar." As time went on, I met young people who were interested in the same sort of thing so I learned a great deal from talking to them. Along about 1930, I thought I would like to become a radio amateur operator. The ARRL Handbook was available in print only (about half as thick as today's version), containing all the theory, rules and regulations required by the F.C.C. to obtain a license. Today it contains all the new things that have been developed, but it doesn't treat the material that was new in 1930 with as much detail as it did then. Nevertheless, it contained a great deal of basic theory which I had to master. Such terms as kilo, mega, and micro kept me confused for a long time. I knew that a Farad of capacitance was so large that we used only a millionth of one and this was called a microfarad and that a millionth of that was a micro-microfarad. Then I heard about .0001 microfarad and then 100 micro-microfarad. One day, I realized all on my own that ten to the minus sixth meant micro. Then I figured out that a micro-micro must be ten to the minus twelfth Farad. This was such a revelation to me and I was so excited that I talked about it for a week! Nowadays, things have simplified because a micro-micro is called a pico. So, 100 micro-microfarad is 100 picofarad or abbreviated 100Pf. Oh, what a marvelous thing! So, a kilo-ohm resistor has a resistance of 1000 ohms, a megohm is 1,000,000 ohms, etc. I don't know how long it takes a modern child to learn such things, but to me it seemed like a tremendous accomplishment. I learned about resistors, capacitors, inductors, grids, plates, filaments, cathodes, etc. I learned about resonance and the formulae connected with these things. In order to take the F.C.C. examination for a license I had to learn the "Morse" code. This is not the original code used by Samuel Morse back in the 1830's, rather a modern version of it whose official name is International Morse Code. In the original Morse code dots and dashes were in different combinations. This was because the receiving device was a "sounder", a metal arm that clacked up and down instead of making a tone. A dot

involved two clicks close together, a stronger down-click and a lighter up-click. A dash had the same clicks but farther apart. The dots and dashes are very much more discernible in the modern Morse Code: referred to as CW. signals. I learned both systems as I found the evolution of the modern system rather interesting. So I spent many hours listening and practice-sending so that when the time came for me to take the exam, I was able to receive about 15 words per minute (the exam required 10 wpm). I figured it would be wise to be better than required so if I was nervous, I would have some leeway. The exam required the applicant to receive and send code for a period of five minutes with no more than three errors. Since I was perhaps the first blind person to take the exam, we anticipated some problems. We contacted the F.C.C. office in Philadelphia to ask them how to proceed. They were very interested in seeing what would happen. They agreed I should take the code exam by typing what I received on a typewriter and that I could answer questions orally and describe diagrams verbally.

Next week: The dreaded exam. (To be continued.)

241. Re: [m_a_r_s] m.a.r.s goes HF Digital.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-05 05:07:21 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 226 Message: 241

Dear Nilesh & Sandip

Congrats for success in Digital Comm.

I am on look out for 2nd hand (1) Computer & (2)HF Rig. If any infor pls contact me on LL : 524 47 84

73s de VU2JPN

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http://www.chequemail.com

242. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 22

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-05 06:13:11 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 242 Message: 242

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Ham-Com 2001 is June 8-10
Joe C. "Pat" Patterson, W5VY, SK

+Available on ARRL Audio News

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Editor's note: The ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News will be on vacation June
6. They will return June 13. The Solar Update for June 8 will be available
on the ARRL Web site and via W1AW.--Rick Lindquist, N1RL
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==>ARRL ASKS FCC TO INVESTIGATE LONG-RANGE CORDLESS TELEPHONE SALES

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against several companies it alleges have been marketing so-called
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"ARRL has not been able to locate any FCC certification for these devices and, based on the advertised frequency bands and ranges, it is believed that none of these devices could be certificated, or legally marketed or sold, under FCC rules," Imlay wrote. The League said some of the companies may be selling similar wireless products that may operate on amateur or restricted bands.

The letter was addressed to FCC Enforcement Bureau Chief David Solomon as well as to Raymond LaForge of the FCC's Office of Engineering and Technology's Equipment Authorization Division and to FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth.

Imlay said the ARRL also is looking into the marketing of products such as 434-MHz video surveillance equipment and other "apparently non-certificated devices" that use amateur frequencies but are being marketed in the US to non-amateurs.

The ARRL was able to obtain one of the long-distance cordless telephones for testing. The device, made in China and bearing no FCC identification number or label, operates near 147 MHz with an output power greater than 3 W. Other such phones are advertised as having ranges of up to 100 km operating at power levels of up to 35 W on VHF and UHF.

ARRL Lab Supervisor Ed Hare, W1RFI, said he's received at least one report of actual harmful interference from a long-range cordless telephone to amateur communication. The amateur reporting it tracked the telephone to the home of a neighbor, who said he'd bought the device on eBay.

Hare said some long-range devices are legally certificated to operate on the 900 MHz or 2450 MHz Part 15 bands. Hare invited reports of unlicensed devices causing actual harmful interference to Amateur Radio operation to rfi@....

==>AMSAT PRESIDENT LAUDS AO-40 SUCCESS, LOOKS TOWARD NEW PROJECT

With a modicum of success already assured for the troubled Phase 3D/AO-40 project, AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, says his organization already is looking toward its next bird. Haighton said AMSAT's newest satellite project could be up and running within three years, possibly sooner.

In an interview with the ARRL, Haighton lauded the "fantastic reports" and "great worldwide coverage" of the AO-40 satellite. Until this week AO-40 had operated its transponders in an experimental mode with uplinks at 435 MHz and 1.2 GHz and a downlink and beacons in the 2.4 GHz band.

AO-40 ground controllers have shut down the satellite's transponders in preparation for raising AO-40's perigee by about 200 km. AMSAT-DL President and AO-40 team member Peter Guelzow, DB2OS, said transponders will remain off "until further notice." The RUDAK beacon and the 2.4 GHz middle beacon

will remain up, however.

Haighton said this week that it's hoped the a slightly higher perigee will eliminate the effects of what he described as "a mysterious force" that alters the satellite's attitude when it comes through perigee.

While AMSAT continues dealing with AO-40, Haighton said it's also looking ahead to its next satellite, and design work is expected to get under way in earnest by this summer. "We would like people in apartments to have access to satellites with relatively small, easy compact equipment and not have to swing large antennas around," he said. "We're looking at our next satellite to provide that."

As plans now stand, the new satellite would--at least in a pinch--accommodate VHF users with omnidirectional antennas at perigee, plus users with good antennas at UHF as well as L band and S band. It also might employ digital modulation capabilities that, Haighton said, could make the new satellite "probably at least 10 dB better than anything we're currently using."

Like AO-40, the new satellite will not be a low-Earth-orbiting bird but have an elliptical orbit that Haighton said would be "very very similar to the current AO-40 orbit." The configuration would provide up to 17 hours or so of usage out of every 24.

"What we're actually looking at is a new class of satellite," Haighton explained. For the time being, the new satellite is going under the name "Project JJ" after the two people who came up with the idea--Lyle Johnson, KK7P, and Dick Jannson, WD4FAB.

"We've already started contacting launch agencies," Haighton said. He added that "a major design weekend" was set for July, and he expressed confidence that the new project could reach fruition "on the outside three years from now."

==>ASTRONAUT SUSAN HELMS BRINGS SMILES TO KENTUCKY VIA HAM RADIO

US Astronaut Susan Helms, KC7NHZ, took the microphone of NA1SS aboard the International Space Station May 31 to respond to questions from students at Daviess County High School in Owensboro, Kentucky. The contact marked the 15th Amateur Radio on the International Space Station QSO and the second with a Kentucky school.

"Welcome onboard Space Station Alpha. Go ahead with your questions," Helms invited. Eight students obliged with a dozen questions.

Helms told the high schoolers that if the station's communication systems were to fail, "we always have our ham radio, which we could use also to call people," she said. She told another questioner that she had been getting on the air from the ISS "on and off" depending on the crew's work schedule. She said she'd made a few contacts that morning. "I try to come to the ham radio and talk to people as much as I can," she said.

Helms said the international nature of the ISS program has involved having to deal with different languages and cultures. "My crewmates--Yuri and Jim--and I have worked very hard to become bilingual," she said, referring to cosmonaut Yuri Usachev, RW3FU, and astronaut Jim Voss. "All three of us have become bilingual so that we can communicate and talk in either Russian or English, and we're doing that extremely successfully," she said. In the future, she said, the ISS will have to become multilingual and multicultural.

Helms also told the students that NASA already was making plans to travel to Mars, "probably with international help." She called The Red Planet the most feasible target for an interplanetary space mission carrying human passengers.

Helms said she and the crew enjoy their "wonderful work" aboard the ISS but miss their families and friends on Earth.

The audience of students and guests included ARRL President Emeritus George S. Wilson III, W4OYI, who lives in Owensboro. The event also attracted extensive local news media coverage.

"We really are smiling ear-to-ear down here," Steve Morgan, W4NHO, said after the 10-minute contact. Morgan provided technical support at the school. The contact was made via AH6NM in Honolulu, and the audio was telebridged to the school.

The next scheduled ARISS contact will be next week with Henley Schools in Oregon via the Klamath County Schools Amateur Radio Club, KC7VWW.

==>ROUND-THE-WORLD HAM-SAILOR IS ON THE HOME STRETCH

Ham-sailor David Clark, KB6TAM, arrived May 30 on Fernando de Noronha and said all is well. He expects to resume his sail in a couple of days and plans to reach Fortaleza--some 350 miles distant--by early next week. Clark recently had departed Ascension after a brief stop. He's now is on the home stretch of his quest to be the oldest person to sail solo around the world.

Clark, who turned 77 on May 17, is hoping to make Fort Lauderdale by July. He is keeping in touch with wife, Lynda, and others primarily via ham radio phone patches. Fred Moore, W3ZU, has been running phone patches for Clark while Bob Reed, N6HGG, has also been keeping regular radio schedules with Clark since he departed Ascension. Both expect to continue working Clark short-path, now that he is nearer his Florida target.

Clark survived a disaster in February that sank his original sailboat, the Mollie Milar. His beloved canine companion Mickey was lost during the rescue efforts. Corporate sponsors and helpful hams in South Africa and elsewhere got him back into blue water with another sailboat--which he named Mickey in honor of his lost companion.

Clark reports the new vessel continues to handle well with no major problems. While in Ascension, he picked up a new autopilot and was invited by new friends on a neighboring yacht to celebrate his birthday, May 17, with a dinner party ashore.

For more information on Clark's journey, visit http://www.dclark.com and http://www.captainclark.com.--Archie McKay, K4GA

==>FCC SETS ASIDE LICENSE GRANT, ISSUES SHORT-TERM LICENSE

The FCC has set aside a recent license grant to a Florida man and issued a short-term grant in the case of an Illinois amateur. The two cases are among several recent FCC enforcement actions.

FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth said the Commission has set aside the Technician license of Joseph E. Mattern, KG4NGG, of Orlando. A former Tech Plus licensee--WW4WJD--who didn't make it past FCC-required retesting last year, Mattern was the subject of past FCC enforcement attention. He was relicensed on May 3.

"He was only back on the air for a few days before complaints started coming in, including one alleging use of a false call sign," Hollingsworth told ARRL. "He also was asked by the control operator to stay off several repeaters in the Orlando area."

In a May 16 letter, Hollingsworth said Mattern's Technician application now reverts to pending status. He said the latest complaints have been referred to the Enforcement Bureau for evaluation.

In an unrelated action, the FCC has issued a short-term license grant to General licensee Reyes Lugo, KB9YDM, of Chicago. Like Mattern, Lugo--who once held an Extra class ticket, NP3N--has a track record with the FCC's Enforcement Bureau. Last summer, he was requested to retake the Extra exam but passed only the Morse code element and his license was canceled.

Lugo subsequently retested and was granted KB9YDM. The FCC set aside the grant while it investigated complaints it had received about Lugo's radio operations. The Commission said those allegations had "raised questions" about Lugo's qualifications to hold an amateur license.

Hollingsworth informed Lugo on May 10 that the FCC was granting his General application for one year. After that, Hollingsworth said, Lugo would be allowed to renew, provided there were no violations of any sort on any frequency.

==>SENATE CONFIRMS FCC CHAIRMAN, COMMISSIONERS

The US Senate has confirmed President George W. Bush's three nominees for the FCC. The action gives Republicans a 3-2 majority on the regulatory panel.

FCC Chairman Michael K. Powell also was confirmed for a new five-year term.

The new Commissioners are Republicans Kevin Martin, a White House aide and deputy general counsel of the Bush campaign and Kathleen Abernathy, a telecommunications attorney and former advisor to FCC Commissioner James Quello, and Democrat Michael Copps, a former aide to Sen Ernest Hollings of South Carolina, the incoming Senate Commerce Committee Chairman.

Confirmation by the full Senate followed a 17-0 vote in favor of the nominees by the Senate Commerce Committee. Abernathy and Copps were sworn in this week.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Propagation guru Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Average daily sunspot numbers rose nearly 28 points and average solar flux increased slightly over the past week. Solar flux peaked on Thursday, May 24, at 170.3 and has been declining since. Solar flux for Friday and Saturday should be around 130, and 125 for Sunday and Monday.

Flux values are expected to rise very gradually, reaching 140 around June 8, 145 around June 11, and 150 around June 14. This is based on the recent solar rotation, and is blind to any new activity that may emerge.

Last week's prediction that solar flux would peak over the weekend was off. Instead it had peaked on the Thursday when the bulletin was written. A geomagnetic disturbance forecast for Sunday was only brief but came up again on Monday when the planetary K index was four during several periods.

Sunspot numbers for May 24 through 30 were 171, 146, 167, 189, 190, 131 and 105 with a mean of 157. 10.7 cm flux was 170.3, 161.9, 147.4, 146.9, 143, 138.5 and 132.3, with a mean of 148.6, and estimated planetary A indices were 9, 8, 8, 9, 18, 10 and 5 with a mean of 9.6.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The Major Six Club Contest is June 1-4; the QRP TAC Contest (CW), the WW South America CW Contest and the IARU Region 1 Field Day (CW) are the weekend of June 2-3. JUST AHEAD: The ARRL June VHF QSO Party, the ANARTS WW RTTY Contest, the Portugal Day Contest, the Asia-Pacific Sprint (SSB), and the TOEC WW Grid Contest (SSB) are the weekend of June 9-11. Kid's Day is June 16.See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Kid's Day is just around the corner: On June 16, 1800 to 2400 UTC, kids of all ages are invited to experience ham radio during Kid's Day. Amateurs are encouraged to invite youngsters into their shack to enjoy the fun. Kid's Day began in 1994 with a one-hour program created by the Boring Amateur Radio Club in Boring, Oregon. The youngsters exchanged names and their favorite colors. Forty kids participated. Last year, more than 1000 took part in the event, now sponsored by ARRL. There's no limit on operating time. The suggested exchange is name, age, location and favorite color. You may work the same station again if the operator has changed. Call "CQ Kid's Day." Complete information is on the ARRL Web site, http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html and in the June issue of QST, p 48.

* FCC puts paper on par with e-filing for vanities: The FCC has put paper vanity call sign applications on an equal footing with electronic filings in

terms of processing priority. The change was instituted a few months ago, according to Bill Cross, W3TN, of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, who spoke May 20 at the Dayton Hamvention FCC forum. Previously, the FCC had given priority to electronic applications for vanity call signs. "There is no preference anymore for electronically filed vanity applications," Cross said. "What they do now is key them in all together, and then the paper-filed applications have the same chance of being selected as the electronically filed ones." Vanity applicants should be familiar with acceptable call sign formats before filing. Cross warned that applications seeking unavailable call sign formats will be dismissed.

* Florida ARES group activates to cover 911 outage: On May 13, a water leak shorted out Jacksonville Fire-Rescue Department's telephone and radio systems, including the 911 trunk to the Jacksonville Sheriff's office. This event knocked out all emergency radio and telephone traffic. All police and rescue traffic was diverted to the single UHF repeater normally used for routing private ambulances to area hospitals--resulting in an instant frequency overload. JFRD officials turned to Amateur Radio. The ARES Quick Response Team was on-scene within 30 minutes of the call-up. In all, 21 hams assisted in passing continuous fire and rescue radio traffic over the 146.76 MHz repeater for nearly three hours. Duval County Emergency Coordinator Miller Norton, N4RYX, told the ARES volunteers, "We are the last defense and simply cannot fail to respond when called. Job well done."

* President Haynie attends RAC Board meeting: ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, was a guest at the Radio Amateurs of Canada Board of Directors meeting April 26-29 in Cornwall, Ontario. RAC President Ken Oelke, VE6AFO, and Federacion Mexicana de Radio Experimentadores (FMRE) President Pedro Mucharraz Gonzales, XE1PM, attended the ARRL Board's January meeting. The RAC returned the honor in April. "It is important that the respective organizations work together in establishing a strong association and establishing common goals in the Americas," Haynie said. "With WRC-2003 looming closer and closer, our goal of representing Amateur Radio requires a united effort." During its April meeting, the RAC Board adopted eight "core values" that included a pledge to "actively seek and protect adequate spectrum and antenna space for Amateur Radio activities and work in cooperation with other organizations and governments to ensure their availability at all times." The full list of "core values" is on the RAC Web site, http://www.rac.ca/core.htm.

* Vote on QST Cover Plaque Award: The winners of the QST Cover Plaque Award for May was Bob Lewis, AA4PB, for his article "An Automatic Sealed-Lead-Acid Battery Charger" Congratulations, Bob! ARRL members are reminded that the winner of the QST Cover Plaque award--given to the author of the best article in each issue--is determined by a vote of ARRL members. Voting takes place each month on the Cover Plaque Poll Web page (ARRL Members only), http://www.arrl.org/members-only/qstvote.html. As soon as your copy arrives, cast a ballot for your favorite article in the June issue of QST. Voting ends June 15.

* Writers wanted! We're looking for a few good stories--well, lots of them, actually. ARRLWeb seeks your Amateur Radio-related feature stories for posting on our site. You don't have to be a pro--you just have to have something to say that others will want to read. We'll correct your spelling and grammar errors and pay you to boot. Submittals should be organized and coherent and deal with a topic that others in the amateur community will want to read. Good photographs are a real plus, and we'll consider some submittals for use in QST. Articles on everything from antennas to zeners are welcome in electronic form, with text and images e-mailed as separate files. Submit articles for consideration to Rick Lindquist, N1RL, n1rl@....

* BBC to drop North American short-wave transmissions: The BBC World Service says it's eliminating its English short-wave transmissions to North America, Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands on July 1. "The Beeb" says it will focus its delivery in English via its FM and medium-wave "re-broadcasting partnerships," together with 24-hour on-line audio service. "We know that our listeners have migrated away from short-wave and are now accessing us on FM, via the Internet and also in some areas on satellite, cable and on mobile devices," the BBC said. "In the US, three times as many people listen to us on FM as on short-wave, and one and a half million users access on-line each month." The BBC says the money saved by closing short-wave transmissions to North America will go towards funding its investment in future technologies. It's been reported that the move will save the BBC some $700,000 a year.

* Ham-Com 2001 is June 8-10: The Lone Star DX Association announces Ham-Com 2001, June 8-10, in Arlington, Texas. ARRL President and LSDXA member Jim Haynie, W5JBP, will be the keynote speaker. Noted DXer and DXpeditioner Martti Laine, OH2BH, will talk at the DX luncheon. ARRL Vice President Kay Craigie, WT3P, will describe "The Big Project" in a Saturday presentation. In addition, the ARRL will offer its first all-day classroom version of the Emergency Communications Certification Course. For the complete Ham-Com schedule, visit the Ham-Com Web site, http://www.hamcom.org .

* Joe C. "Pat" Patterson, W5VY, SK: VHF pioneer and ARRL member Joe C. "Pat" Patterson, W5VY, died May 9. He was 93. In the 1940s Patterson was active on 50-MHz and 144-MHz AM and achieved many firsts. Patterson made the first 50 MHz contacts from the US to Uruguay and France. In June 1950 he worked W8WXV on 144 MHz for the first known 2-meter contact via sporadic E, which also set a new distance record for that band. He was one of the first to work all states and more than 100 countries on 50 MHz. He also made some of the earliest contacts via satellite and was also active on 432 MHz.--Derwin King, W5LUU

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243. Kid's Day

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Hi everybody!!!
Here is the INFO about the KID'S DAY :-

Purpose: Kid's Day is intended to encourage young people (licensed or not) to enjoy Amateur Radio. It can give young people hands-on on-the-air experience so they might develop an interest in pursuing a license in the future. It is intended to give hams a chance to share their station with their children.

Dates: June 16, 2001.

Time: 1800 to 2400Z. No limit on operating time.

Suggested exchange: Name, age, location and favorite color. You are encouraged to work the same station again if an operator has changed. Call "CQ Kid's Day."

Suggested Frequencies: 28350 to 28400 kHz, 21380 to 21400, 14270 to 14300 kHz and 2-meter repeater frequencies with permission from your area repeater sponsor. Observe third party traffic restrictions when making DX QSOs.

For more detail info visit :- http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html

73s,
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Becoming a Ham - Part 2
By T. A. Benham, W3DD

I went for the exam in May of 1931. It was a fun experience. They spent three hours with me, unheard of these days. The questions were easy to handle. The man assigned to work with me read them and I answered. They were not multiple-choice questions, but rather such questions as, "Give the regulations relative to amateur broadcasting." "What is the function of a capacitor in a resonant circuit." And many more of that sort. Then it was diagram time. I was asked to describe a circuit for a two vacuum tube receiver suitable for use in the 80 meter band. Then, describe the circuit for a typical oscillator- amplifier transmitter for the 40 meter band. I had no trouble with these questions, but the examiner and I got into an argument over a capacitor that I put in the circuit for the transmitter. He said it was not supposed to be there. I said that it was and that it was necessary to keep the grid bias constant during the part of the signal from the oscillator when the signal was negative. He said, "Wait, I will go look it up". I said, "Look on page ... in the handbook." He came back in a couple of minutes and said, "You're right. Go on." Then came the code test, receiving part first. They had a paper tape with holes punched in it which, when drawn through a machine, sent dots and dashes. I told the examiner I would like to have a few minutes to get used to their typewriter. So, he let me type on it for a couple of minutes and then set the code machine going. For the first few seconds, I had trouble getting synchronized so that my fingers would follow what I heard, but I got the five minutes in finally and had two errors. The sending part was easy. He read a sentence and then I sent it. He had me do about four or five sentences and declared that was enough. After five minutes of consultation with someone else in the office, they announced I had passed and would receive my license in a month or so. I waited with tremendous impatience until I got the "ticket" saying that my callsign was W3DD. That was 70 years ago last May, 2001. I still have it and am still active. We also have it as the license number for our car. Since the "ticket" arrived after we had gone on vacation, I didn't get on the air until October, 1931. My first contact was October 31, 1931, at about 5:00 PM, with W4OG in Salem, NC. It was an exciting time for me and for Dad, who had read so much for me and who had helped buy radios and parts. My first receiver was a two tube regenerative 40 meter one that I built and the transmitter was an oscillator-amplifier, called an MOPA system, meaning "master oscillator power amplifier." The amplifier tube was a UX-210 with 500 volts on the plate and about 20 watts output. We had a mishap with it before I was able to make a contact. Dad got the 210 tube for me at

our favorite radio store, M & H in Philadelphia, later to become H & R. For some reason, the tube behaved in a manner that indicated to us it was defective. It turned purple and drew far too much plate current when we tried to use it. Dad took it back and convinced Maury it was defective. Maury didn't want to admit it, but he gave us another tube and this one behaved for years. Either the first tube was bad or I learned how to handle the second one properly. I remember rather vividly one night soon after, Dad on his way from work, walking down the street carrying a heavy 6 volt storage battery. He had stopped at the Pep Boys store which he passed on his way from the train. This was to run the filaments of the receiver tubes. Another evening, just before Dad got home, I was working some stations. The receiver was not very stable, so the slightest disturbance in the electrical system would cause the signal to change frequency slightly, making it necessary for me to retune the dial to get it back again. Dad came in through the back door and said, "How's it going?" and snapped on the light. With that, the signal disappeared and I cried, "Oh damn, you made me lose the signal." He said in a hurt tone, "Well, alright, I'll get out of here". I jumped up and went after him. "I'm sorry, Dad, I didn't mean it the way it sounded. It's only that signals jump when the light is turned on. Come back and let me show you how things are doing." So he came back and chatted for a few minutes.

The story of how my antenna got put up is a story in itself. Suffice it to say that an antenna is not a simple hunk of wire thrown out the window or fastened to the bed springs. To get the 20 watts generated by the 210 tube, much care must be taken to have the wire just the right length, have it insulated at each end so the RF power does not go into the tree or the house or whatever holds up the wire, and the energy must be transmitted to the wire by a means that does not lose any of it. This is called "matching" the feed line to the antenna. To get this done Dad pressed one of his office cohorts into service. Mr. Springer came out one Saturday and climbed a ladder and a telephone pole while I measured the wire and fashioned the feed line system that was to go from the breakfast room window up to the end of the antenna. The feed line consisted of two parallel wires about five inches apart and held in position by insulated rods. We called it the "bird ladder." The connections from the output of the UX-210 were made to two special feed-through insulators that conveyed the energy through a narrow piece of wood fitted under the window sash. Thus, the window could be raised and lowered without interfering with the feedline system. This was my first Ham setup which lasted for two years. It was rebuilt in late 1933 or early 1934 for a special occasion that will be explained later.

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Editor's note: The ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News are on
vacation. They will return June 13. This is an abbreviated
Letter produced by the editorial staff. See you next week.
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== >HamCom Promotes Education in Amateur Radio

The West Gulf Division Convention and HamCom 2001 is just
days away--June 8-10--at the Arlington, Texas, Convention
Center. According to this year's Chairman, Maury Guzick,
W5BGP, it promises to be an education in Amateur Radio. "For
starters we have a new attraction this year that's never
been done before," Guzick wrote. "The ARRL and Ham-Com have
joined together to bring the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency
Communications Course to you, live and in-person. It's the
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same course as the one ARRL offers on-line, but with a live teacher in a classroom style."

ARRL Public Service Specialist Steve Ewald, WV1X, will conduct the two-day course at HamCom. Students have pre-registered and will attend class sessions Saturday morning and afternoon, completing the course Sunday morning. This is the first time that Level I: Introduction to Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-001) will be offered as a classroom course at a weekend convention.

To learn more about the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Program and the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course, see http://www.arrl.org/cce .

== >Kentucky Hams Substitute Their Repeater For "Deaf" 911 System

Twice within a 24 hour period, Harold Hicks, KE4HON, an EMT for the Whitley County, Kentucky ambulance service, and his father, Jim Hicks, WB4CTX, Asssistant Section Manager, Kentucky Division used an HT, the KB4PTJ 444.050 MHz repeater and a telephone to relay emergency information to 911 dispatchers.

On Sunday morning, May 27, Whitley County and McCreary County Emergency Medical Services responded to an automobile accident in a remote area where the two counties join. Both ambulance services lost radio contact with their 911 dispatchers due to the remoteness of the area. They could not relay patient information to their dispatcher, their location, nor advise them as to whether or not they needed a helicopter to fly the patient out. KE4HON, using his HT, contacted WB4CTX via the KB4PTJ repeater and asked him to relay information to the respective 911 dispatchers. Using the repeater and his home phone, Hicks advised Whitley County EMS that the patient was conscious and alert and that the helicopter and rescue crews could stand down. He told the McCreary County 911 that their unit was ok and would be the one transporting the patient.

Incredibly, less than 12 hours later, another accident occurred in almost the same place and with the same consequences regarding loss of 911-repeater contact. The same situation played out-Hicks-to-Hicks-to 911. Whitley County EMS was dispatched and the patient was brought to the hospital.

Again Amateur Radio stepped into the breach and rendered a public service. Incidentally, the KB4PTJ repeater and the ambulance service repeater are less than three air miles apart--John Meyers, N4GNL

== >IN BRIEF:

* Alinco still catching up with service issues following move: The transfer of Alinco's distribution system from California to ATOC Amateur Distributing in Ohio is nearly complete, according to Craig Cota, a principal with ATOC. Complicating the transfer was the fact that the Dayton Hamvention occurred as the transition was taking place. "Our timing couldn't have been worse," said Cota. "We were literally unloading a moving van, and driving merchandise directly to the dealers at the show." One aspect of the transfer still pending is the service function. "We had hoped to have factory training personnel work with our staff in the transition. Unfortunately, plans were delayed," said Cota. "We will continue to honor warranty claims, even if the warranty expires during the transition period." For More Information: http://www.alinco.com/usa.html .

* ARRL 2001 Atlantic Division Award Winners announced: The ARRL Atlantic Division Awards Committee has named Roy Heimel, AB4XS, 2001 Atlantic Division Ham of the Year. Dennis Silage, K3DS, received the 2001 Atlantic Division Technical Achievement Award. The committee members made their choices based upon ballots received. Heimel has served his club, the Headwaters ARC, in many capacities and has organized and taught amateur radio licensing courses. He has been associated with the Boy Scouts for over 22 years, and served as a Girl Scout leader. Silage, K3DS, is the technical chairman for the Delaware County ARA and the Mid-Atlantic ARC. He is a frequent speaker on technical subjects at amateur radio clubs through out the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania area--Bernie Fuller, N3EFN, ARRL Atlantic Division Director.

* Eleven year-old ham gets Life membership and 60-year plaque: Ryan Rose, K3RLR, of Pasadena, Maryland, got more than he bargained for at the Dayton Hamvention. Originally licensed in May 1999 as a Novice--KB3DVA--Ryan now hold a General ticket. This year at Hamvention he took out an ARRL life membership (thanks to his dad, Bob, AA3RR). Due to a vendor error, Ryan's plaque credited the 11-year-old with 60 years of membership instead of Life Membership! The problem was corrected, and the correct Life Membership plaque arrived a few days later.

* Francis Shepard, W7HAH, SK: Francis Shepard, W7HAH, of Stevensville, Montana died May 16. He was 79. An ARRL member, Shepard held VUCC on 50, 144 and 432 MHz. His 50-MHz certificate was endorsed for 625 grid squares. "Shep led the 2-meter EME roles for contacts with a four-Yagi system. As a

ham, he lent a hand and his friendship to many, far and wide," said his friend, Pat Hamilton, WA7PDC. "I will miss listening to W7HAH work the stations I barely even heard."

* Indiana policeman receives first Radio Hero Award: Bill Ward, N9RHY, of the Henry County, Indiana Sheriff's department received the Radio Hero Award in recognition of his use of Citizens Band radio in the capture of two suspected murderers. Ward is the first recipient of this award, which will be presented biannually by its sponsors-REACT International Inc, Cobra Electronics and Popular Communications magazine. The incident involved two Vermont high school students who were suspected of murdering a husband and wife-both professors at Dartmouth College. Ward intercepted a truckdriver's CB call asking if anyone could help these youths with a ride further west. Without identifying himself, Ward told the youths to wait and someone would be along to pick them up! In an earlier story regarding REACT, ARRL and REACT signed a Memorandum of Understanding intended to promote joint coordination of the resources of both organizations and recognize the capabilities of individual members to facilitate the flow of information to and from the public during disaster and emergency situations. For the complete MOU, see http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/mou/react.html.

* ISS Commander Frank Culbertson is now KD5OPQ: The latest NASA astronaut to become an Amateur Radio operator is the commander of Expedition 3, Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ. Joining him on the International Space Station as part of the Expedition 3 crew will be cosmonauts Mikhail Turin and Vladimir Dezhurov, who will also have Amateur Radio licenses prior to launch. Culbertson has logged over 344 hours in space. Shuttle Mission STS-105, scheduled to fly in August, will ferry Commander Culbertson to the ISS. It will return with Expedition 2 crewmembers Susan Helms, KC7NHZ; Yury Usachev, RW3FU; and James Voss who have spoken via Amateur Radio with students in 15 schools during scheduled ARISS QSOs.

* Mario Acuna, LU9HBG, elected Fellow of AGU: Mario Acuna, LU9HBG, has been elected Fellow of the American Geophysical Union, an honor reserved for the top one percent of the scientists working in Geophysics and Space Physics. The award was made at the AGU Spring Meeting in Boston. Acuna, well known in the AMSAT/Satellite community, helped in the development of P3A, AO-10 and AO-13. For many years Acuna has been the supplier of high accuracy magnetometers flown on the UoSATs , professional earth-orbiting satellites and deep-space probes.

* Meningitis scare at school brings out Ohio ARES unit: When two fifteen year old students in a near-by community died of Meningitis, the Salem, Ohio community hospital set up antibiotic dispensing stations at the southeast elementary school as a precaution. At times the line exceeded 1000 people. Hospital phone lines were jammed by incoming calls. People standing in line to get medication were using their cell phones making matters worse. ARES EC, KA8OEB, activated the Salem club and set up stations at the school and hospital. Members of Columbiana County ARES and Salem Area ARA assisted, using 2-meter and 70cm repeaters. ARES services ran for two days. More than 37000 people in Salem and Alliance received antibiotics.

* SKYWARN operator struck by lightning: Danny Townsend, KB5ZEA, was struck by lightning on Sunday, May 27, while engaged in SKYWARN reporting. As Townsend keyed his mike to respond to KD5JGW's weather report, lightning hit the tower, destroying the station equipment and knocking Townsend to the floor. He was taken to the hospital and found to be OK, but he says he still has a ringing in his ears. "As we operate Skywarn and ARES, we need to keep in mind the dangers we can be exposed to," said Townsend. " I have always been conscious of lighting and what it can do, but have continued to operate during bad weather. I will continue to do what I can to help my fellow man, but with a little more caution. I will attempt to rebuild my station with total emergency power as well as attic antennas."--KB5ZEA.

* Walter Taylor, K2MLT, SK: Walter Taylor, K2MLT, of Hammondsport, New York- died April 20. He was 69. A fourth-generation vintner, Taylor was also an artist, inventor, aviator and poet. An ARRL member, his radio interests also included ownership of two commercial broadcast stations. Among his survivors are his wife, Lillian, three sons, a daughter, and two grandchildren.

* Western Washington DX Club to host Northwest DX Convention: The Western Washington DX Club will host the Northwest DX Convention--DXing in the 21st Century!--in Seattle, Washington, July 20-22 at the Everett Holiday Inn. Speakers include Bill Fisher, W4AN; Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA; DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L; Garry Shapiro, NI6T and NCJ Editor Dennis Motschenbacher, K7BV. DX videos will be shown hourly. Send questions to convention@... or to WWDXC, PO Box 395, Mercer Island, WA 98040. For on-line registration and the up to date convention agenda, visit the WWDXC Web site, http://www.wwdxc.org/convention .

* WIDAD, K1MOM and K1D call signs mean it's Kids Day again: Peter and Jeanne Schipelliti, W1DAD and K1MOM, respectively,

and their kids Geena, age 6 and Luciano, age 4, have activated the special 1X1 call sign, K1D. The family wanted to promote ARRL's Kid's Day and assist hams in igniting the interest of children in Amateur Radio. They plan to use the call sign from June 2-17. Kid's Day is June 16, from 1800-2400Z. Listen for K1D on 28350, 21380, 14270, 7230 and 3895 kHz. Hams who plan to put youngsters on the air for Kid's Day, can get a free Amateur Radio coloring book and youthful operating aids from K1MOM at: k1mom@.... For more info on Kid's Day, see: http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html .

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246. Fw: ARLB022 Texas, Louisiana Hams Wade in to Help in Allison's Wake

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-13 01:48:52 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 246 Message: 246

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----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@...>
Cc: <Subscribed ARRL Members: ;>
Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2001 11:36 PM
Subject: ARLB022 Texas, Louisiana Hams Wade in to Help in Allison's Wake

> SB QST @ ARL $ARLB022
> ARLB022 Texas, Louisiana Hams Wade in to Help in Allison's Wake
>
> ZCZC AG22
> QST de W1AW
> ARRL Bulletin 22 ARLB022
> From ARRL Headquarters
> Newington CT June 12, 2001
> To all radio amateurs
>
> SB QST ARL ARLB022
> ARLB022 Texas, Louisiana Hams Wade in to Help in Allison's Wake
>
> Amateur Radio operators in Texas and Louisiana continue to provide
> emergency communication for flood-stricken areas. Flood waters
> generated over the weekend by Tropical Storm Allison are receding.
> The flooding has claimed more than a dozen lives.
>
> An FCC-declared general communications emergency requires amateurs
> to refrain from using 7285 kHz during the day and 3873 kHz after
> dark, plus or minus 3 kHz, unless they are taking part in the
> handling of emergency traffic. The order remains effective until
> rescinded. Hams also were active on VHF and UHF providing emergency
> communication and helping to coordinate relief activities.
>
> In Texas, telephone service was lost in most of downtown area of
> Houston, including the medical center. Bruce Paige, KK5DO, in
> Houston, said hospitals not only were without telephone service but
> water and power, as basements containing emergency generators
> flooded. At one point, he said, ham radio was a communication
> mainstay for the city.
>
> Hams were stationed at local Houston Fire Department stations on
> Saturday when the department lost its dispatching system. Hams were
> helping to direct emergency calls for service to the station
> best-equipped to handle the call.
>
> Hams also were linking local Red Cross shelters housing those
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> displaced by the flooding to Red Cross headquarters, as well as
> emergency operations centers. Some 10,000 people were in shelters.
>
> Amateur Radio also continue to handle health-and-welfare messages
> from the affected area to the outside.
>
> ARRL South Texas Section Manager Ray Taylor, N5NAV, said radio
> amateurs were helping Southwestern Bell employees to communicate
> with each other as they reinstalled a telephone trunk line in
> Houston that was shut down because of the flooding.
>
> In Louisiana, East Baton Rouge Parish EC Karl R. Sandstrom, K5MAN,
> reports that ARES and RACES were activated June 7 to assist the Red
> Cross in the Baton Rouge area following upwards of two feet of rain
> during the weekend.
>
> The Red Cross opened two shelters in Baton Rouge and one in Denham
> Springs, both staffed by local hams. The national American Red Cross
> on Saturday established a command center to coordinate activities in
> East Baton Rouge Parish. Shelters were expected to remain open this
> week.
>
> The Salvation Army Team Emergency Network's Jerry Jennison, N5OKQ,
> reported that SATERN operators were providing communication for five
> primary Salvation Army service locations in Houston.
> NNNN
> /EX

247. FWD URL: Schematics of radios.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-13 10:16:22 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 247 Message: 247

http://krasnodar.online.ru/hamradio/sch_eng.html

248. Chinese Phone QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-14 17:46:57 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 248 Message: 248

Hello Friends!!!

It has been given to understand that the problem of chinese long range cordless telephone can be best solved by approaching Department Of Telecommunication, Mumbai Circle.

The methodology can be as follows :
a. make aware the DOT of our problem regarding the interference of long range cordless telephone in our HAM band.

b. confirm from the DOT regarding the legality of using the long range cordless telephone.

c. if the use of long range telephone is illegal then furnished the details of people using these long range cordless telephones to DOT who might take suitable action against the offenders or may be also they may disconnect their telephone lines.

Any of our HAM who knows somebody higher-up in the DOT-Mumbai Circle can be of good help to us in approaching the department
and in turn helping the HAM faternity getting rid of this problem (QRM).

regards,
VU2UGJ

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249. Debriefing Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-14 17:54:46 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 249 Message: 249

Hi!!!

Members who participated in Simulated Disaster Communication Exercise are requested to attend the debriefing meeting on tomorrow, Friday, 15th June, 2001 at 7.00pm at the following address :-

ITC Godown Plot,
Opp Shirodkar High School,
Near KEM Hospital,
Parel (E)

73s,
VU2UGJ

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Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com.

250. Re: [m_a_r_s] Debriefing Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-14 19:50:38 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 249 Message: 250

dear sir

my dog s got loose motion so i have take him to the doc

so please excuse me

thank you

wof wof

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Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com.

251. Where would i get a dog ??

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-14 14:00:53 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 251 Message: 251

Great Sir !! I like that....
I would also like to have one of the dogs... Where would i get it ??

Thanks.

Mehul... Bow Wow

zzend@... wrote
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my dog s got loose motion so i have take him to the doc

so please excuse me

thank you

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252. Scrammble Team goes HF Digital Successfully.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-16 06:49:42 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 252 Message: 252

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY.

Dear members,

We conducted a simulated Disaster Communication Exercise on 9th & 10th June 2001.
5 teams participated in the exercise consisting of the following:-

Team [A] - VU2NLF & VU3MBF location : Malavali.
Team [B] - VU2ZRS & VU3AUA location : Wangaum.
Team [C] - VU2JPN, VU2SWS & VU2LIB location : Dhanu.
Team [D] - VU2UGJ, VU2UGO & VU3SOB location : Asangaon.
Team [E] - VU2HIT & VU2RIO loaction : Boiser.

All locations were able to establish contacts with all teams successfully. But the best part is 3 Teams were carrying Laptop Computers, Team -A, B, D. All 3 teams successfully worked digital on HF with each other.
Team A transmited a Message from Malavali to Team D in Asangaon on 7.020 Mhz [40 meters] as under :-

=====Actual Transmission & Reception ==

CALLING VU2UGJ VU2UGJ DE VU3MBF VU3MBF PLEASE COPY PLEASE COPY K

WE HAVE SAVED YOUR REPORT
KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK
YOU ALSO SAVE MY REPORF

VU2UGJ DE VU2NLF OK GIVE ME MY SIGNAL REPORT AND IN THE NEXT OVER I WILL
SEND YOU A TEXT FILE
VU2UGJ DE VU2NLF K

VU2NLF DE VU2UGO
YR RST 599 599 599

OK MUKESH GREAT NOW I AM GOING TO SEND YOU A TEXT FILE PLEASE STAND BY TO RECEIVE K

OK I'M STANDING BY VU2NLF DE VU2UGO K

Team A Questionaire
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1. What is the name of the village, Taluka & District ?
A. Village: Patan, Taluka: Mavad, District: Pune

2. Name of the Sarpanch of the village ?
A. Mr. Gulab Tikone

3. Population of the village ? Total & per family ?
A. About 2500. 5 to 6 people per family.

4. Male:Female Ratio ?
A. 60:40

5. Old:Young Ratio ?
A. 80:20

6. Migration levels of humans, birds & animals ?
A. No migration.

7. Are there animal husbandry / Poultry ?
A. Yes.

8. What are the water facilities ?
A. Tap water.

9. What are the electric facilities ?
A. Tube light, Fan, TV

10.What are the communication facilities ?
A. Telephones.

11.What transport facilities are available ?
A. Auto-rickshaw, Train.

12.What banking facilities are available ?
A. Banks are there.

13.Are postal facilities available ?
A. Yes

14.Are medical facilities available ? Hospital's name, Doctor's Name ?
A. No Hospitals. Four doctors available at Railway Station.

15.Are Govt. medical aids available ? Family Planning, Vaccination ?
A.

06/09/01 05:34:53 PM

100% ERROR FREE COPY
THATS GREAT VU2NLF DE VU3SOB PSE AND QSY TO 7035 ON SSB PSE K

OK VU3SOB THATS GREAT NOW TO QSY TO 7.035 ON SSB 73S TO ALL OF YOUR TEAM
VU3SOB DE VU2NLF SIGNING CLEAR
============End of Digital Communication==============================

253. Re: [m_a_r_s] Scrammble Team goes HF Digital Successfully.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-16 18:55:10 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 252 Message: 253

Congragulations MARSians!!...

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254. from vu2, wll

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-18 04:01:09 UTC
From: perviz
Topic: 254 Message: 254

Becoming a Ham - Part 3
By T. A. Benham, W3DD

The FCC pays me a visit

There were two incidents involving the FCC that occurred about this time. One afternoon there came a knock at the front door. It was a man from the FCC. "I've come to inspect your log." "Ok," I said, "come out to my radio room." We were required to keep a record of every transmission. I opened the file drawer and pointed to the cards. He said, "Pick one at random." I did and handed it to him. "I can't read this! It's in Braille, or something." "I keep the log that way." "But, I can't read it." "The law doesn't say how the log should be kept." "You're right," he replied. "Read this card for me." I did so and he was satisfied. He stayed a while and chatted about how I got along. The other incident happened a couple of years later. I received in the mail a "pink ticket," a warning that I was interfering with a commercial station on a certain frequency. When I thought about it a while, I realized the frequency mentioned was exactly twice my operating frequency. After studying the problem, I discovered that the tuning of the antenna was seriously affected by rain. The interference was eliminated by carefully tuning the system so that rain did not cause the second harmonic of my transmitter output.

Some Special Friends

A Ham friend from this period deserves some attention. He was Bob Maloney of Perth Amboy, NJ, W2PBY. He appeared in my log on March 9, 1932, and was in it many, many times until 1938. He and I chatted in CW almost every day. A good deal of my skill in operating, sending and receiving the code is due to our contacts. He came to visit a couple of times, staying for a few days each time. I went off to college in 1934 so we did not have as many contacts after that except for a visit with him to the huge commercial ship to shore station at Tuckerton NJ, WSC. I used to listen to it handling messages many times so I knew its procedures, jargon, and format. It was a Saturday afternoon, so the place was not busy. In fact, only the operator was there. After we chatted a while and the operator had shown me everything he could, I sat down at the operator's position and located the bug and dials. A bug is a key that send dots automatically in order to increase sending speed. It has the official name of Vibroplex, probably the name of the original one, but there have been several other manufacturers since the first. The operator showed me the switch which disabled the transmitter, turned it off, and said, "Go ahead, practice sending and get used to the feel of the

thing." I played around a few minutes sending nonsense sentences and tuned the receiver a bit. Suddenly I found a ship calling WSC, so without saying anything, I flipped the switch to "on" and began to answer the ship. The operator jumped up and shouted, "What are you doing, you can't do that." Pause. "Oh hell, go ahead, you seem to be making out alright." I always carried a Braille slate with a file card in it in my pocket along with my stylus, so I grabbed them with the other hand and put them on the desk. By this time, the ship had gotten my signal and was ready to reply. He said he had a message. I sent, "g a (go ahead)." He sent a message at about 25 wpm. I copied it without trouble, acknowledged and signed off. The operator of WSC was flabbergasted, jumping up and down with excitement and congratulations. I said, "Do you want me to read the message to you so you can get it in your log?" He said, "I have it. I wrote it at the same time, but read it to see if we agree." We agreed and all was well. You can imagine my excitement at all that and the pleasure it has afforded me over the years since. I had a similar experience except not so exciting one other time at about the same age. I had learned the old Morse code, as I mentioned earlier, but didn't have a chance to use it. However, one afternoon I was with a couple of friends when we went to the operating room of W I P, the station that operates on 610 KHz and is now known as the "Sports" station. At that time, about 1932, it played music and such, but it was also in communication with other stations by wire. They used old Morse to communicate between stations in the network of that time. As we were standing in the communications room talking, I heard the "sounder" send W I P W I P. No one paid any attention to it. After about four or five W I P's I said, "Hey, isn't that your call?" The operator on duty jumped and said, "Oh my god, yes", and ran to the desk. Of course, I was the hero of the day. One evening in September of 1938, I came home from a job I had at the time. I was greeted by Mother who said, "I have some bad news for you. Bob died the other day. He was only 25. He just dropped over while shaving. Here is a note from his mother." Of course, that was a sad moment in my life as we had had so many hours of pleasure together and now I would never hear W2BPY again. After thinking about it for a few days, I decided I would like to have something of his as a memento. I wrote to his mother and asked her if I could have his bug, the telegraph key that he had used all those years. She sent it to me. I have it on my desk even today beside the one I used then and still use. Mine is set to be used at 30 words per minute, considered to be quite fast, and his is set at 22 wpm. I left mine at the speed we always used after I got good enough, but I set his for 22 wpm because it is necessary to send at a slower rate some times. Also, some days I don't seem to be sufficiently alert to keep up the faster rate. Another interesting friend I came to know quite well was Howard Humpton, W3BY. My log shows I first contacted him in November, 1931, just after I got started. He lived close by, so he invited me to his house. I learned he was a ship's radio operator home on leave. He was not married and lived with his parents when he was home. He was an excellent CW

operator and helped me get my speed up and my sending as perfect as possible. I finally got good enough at 30 wpm for him to remark, "Gee, I can't tell whether you are sending or a machine is doing it." It has always been my ambition to send so that people would ask if I was using a machine. W3BY was one of my favorite call signs. I loved to hear it on the air. Howard sometimes called me on the phone. When I picked up the handset and said hello, and he was sure it was me. I would hear dot dash dash dot dot dot dash dash dash dot dot dash dot dot which is W3DD. He would carry on the entire conversation with his key sending code. Sometimes I would get my bug and a buzzer and answer in code, too. Of course, we could have done it over the air just as well. We did many things together. One evening he took me to Philadelphia to hear and meet Ted Weems and his orchestra. Naturally, Ted Weems became one of my favorite band leaders. The piece he did that I liked the most was "Heart Aches" which had a marvelous whistler featured in it. One evening, in Spring of 1932, he took me down to the Philadelphia dock area and took me aboard a ship that was anchored there. I forget the name of the boat and its radio operator, but he introduced me to both. The station call sign was W N W. I was allowed to operate it with the hand key, not his bug, and I contacted two or three ships at sea. I saw Howard, W3BY, off and on for many years. We would contact each other by Ham radio while he was at sea. He had his Ham station on board, and he called by phone when he was home on leave. All Hams were off the air during World War 2, when I began teaching Physics, Electronics, and Engineering at Haverford College, but were back in action immediately after. I was very active for a couple of years after the War, but then I got away from it for a while. I remember running into W3BY two or three times during those relatively inactive years. In July, 1962, the phone rang and when I answered it, there was the voice of W3BY. He asked me if I could get on the air to have a chat. He was staying somewhere near by. He said he had a station in his car and would call me on a certain frequency at 5:00 PM that day. I didn't tell him I had no transmitter. My receiver was in good working condition as I had been using it to contact satellites. So, between his phone call and 5:00 PM, I hurried to put together some sort of a transmitter. By schedule time I had a one tube thing with a few watts output. I called W3BY several times, signed my call, W3DD, and set about to listen on the agreed frequency. Much to my surprise, a station replied and signed W5DD. I about fell off of the chair. The long and short of it was that Howard had lost his original call, W3BY, and requested the F.C.C. to give him W5DD. Being an old-timer, he was granted the favor and got as close to my call as he could. His residence was in a state that came under the fifth district, which is how he got the W5 designation. This event gave me the incentive to get myself on the air properly, so a Haverford student helped me build a transmitter kit and put up a proper antenna. When Howard left Ardmore to go back to his ship, we kept in touch all the way down to New Orleans, where he was living when ashore. I heard and contacted him now and then for the next few years. In about 1973, I was talking

to a Ham on a ship just off the north coast of Brazil. He said he was from New Orleans. Since I hadn't heard from Howard for two or three years, I asked him if he happened to know W5DD. He replied "Yes, and he was a good friend of mine." "Was?" I asked. He told me that W5DD had died at sea two years ago. Howard had always been a rather "sickly" person, always having something bothering him, so it wasn't a big surprise, but I certainly was sad to think I would never

255. JollyHam2000

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-19 03:50:52 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 255 Message: 255

http://www.qsl.net/vu2jh/jh2000.htm

256. FWD URL: ST LOUIS VERTICAL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-20 08:30:26 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 256 Message: 256

http://www.fix.net/~jparker/slvt.html

257. Public Service Activities - Reality or PR Fluff? / On the Internet and Ham Radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-20 12:02:32 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 257 Message: 257

Public Service Activities - Reality or PR Fluff?
http://www.qrz.com/articles/01/06/17/1144244.shtml

On the Internet and Ham Radio
http://www.qrz.com/articles/01/06/19/1036245.shtml

258. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 24

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-21 05:09:53 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 258 Message: 258

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==>HAM RADIO IS HOT AT "THE BIG PROJECT" PILOT SCHOOL

The Texas elementary school serving as a pilot school for the ARRL's "The
Big Project" educational initiative already boasts more than a dozen new
hams--including the teacher who's spearheading the program--and a lot of
enthusiasm. Now, thanks to The Big Project, it's got some new ham gear.

The Everette Lee DeGolyer Elementary School in Dallas
(http://www.degolyer.com) recently received some $2600 worth of equipment
paid for through the ARRL Education Project Fund to equip its ham radio club
station, K5DES. Plans call for establishing similar programs at other
schools across the US, after The Big Project--formally The ARRL Amateur
Radio Education Project--is fully in place and under way.
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"Once we get a coordinator--an educational professional--at Headquarters, we'll begin to develop additional curriculum and coordinate with additional schools across the country," said ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP. Haynie proposed The Big Project shortly after taking office last year. The ARRL Board has adopted it as a League program, but it's still under development.

The ARRL Education Project supplied a Yaesu FT-847 HF/VHF/UHF multimode transceiver plus Cushcraft HF, VHF and UHF antennas as well as other accessories for K5DES. As a bonus, the club station recently benefited from the generosity of Keith Pugh, W5IU, who donated an ICOM IC-706MkIIG that he'd won at the recent HamCom convention. Pugh is AMSAT-NA vice president for operations.

DeGolyer teacher Sanlyn Kent, KD5LXO, says that, so far, 14 youngsters--ranging from 10 to 12 years old and in grades 4 through 6--have become licensed. Kent, an art teacher at the school, got her Technician ticket only last fall and says she's been learning along with the kids.

The DeGolyer students plan to be active during Kid's Day this weekend from K5DES.

Kent said the school has been able to integrate ham radio into nearly all aspects of the DeGolyer curriculum, from geography and social studies to science and math. In the art classroom, youngsters have been designing their own QSL cards.

While the program was initially intended to be aimed at middle school students, Kent says she believes it works better at the elementary level. She said older youngsters often find themselves involved in too many other activities by the time they reach middle school. "One of the greatest things is that ham radio gets kids used to talking to other people," she said. "We keep finding ways every day to make it fit in."

With a group of largely Technician class operators at this point, Kent said she and the other K5DES members are looking forward to upgrading, so they can chat more readily with stations in other countries and learn more about different cultures.

Under the guidance of ARRL Vice President Kay Craigie, WT3P, the ARRL Amateur Radio Education Project will work directly with teachers who use Amateur Radio as a teaching strategy in the classroom. "The goal is to improve the quality of education for kids by providing educationally valid techniques involving Amateur Radio for teaching all sorts of subjects--science, geography, languages, speech," Craigie said. "Kids get the hobby of a lifetime and preparation for good careers--that's the ultimate goal."

For information on donating to The ARRL Amateur Radio Education Project, contact ARRL Chief Financial Officer Barry Shelley, N1VXY, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111; bshelley@...; 860-594-0212, to discuss details. The ARRL is a 501(c)(3) organization, and donations are tax-deductible.

==>ARRL OFFERS CLASSROOM EMERGENCY COMMS COURSE

The ARRL "Introduction to Amateur Radio Emergency Communications" on-line course (EC-001) now is available in a classroom version. Instructors and examiners are being sought.

The Level I class--the first of three emergency communications training levels offered through the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education program--already has been offered in a small-group setting in South Carolina and for a much larger group in Texas, where ARRL Public Service Specialist Steve Ewald, WV1X, and certified examiner Joe Dorn, W5VEX, led 60 people through the classroom course at Ham Com, June 9-10. The Level II (Intermediate) and Level III (Advanced) classes will be added in the future.

In-person classes may be organized and sponsored by any interested group. At least one registered and qualified certification instructor is required to teach the class. Two registered and qualified certification examiners are required to conduct the certification exam. ARRL provides course materials, exams, and answer sheets.

Those interested in becoming certification instructors or certification examiners should review the ARRL C-CE Course Administration Criteria, available on the ARRL Web site (http://www.arrl.org/cce/ccecriteria2.html). Qualified individuals may sign up on-line using the CE/CI Registration Application (http://www.arrl.org/cce/ciceapp.html).

More information on the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) Program is on the ARRL Web site (http://www.arrl.org/cce/faq.html) or from Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

==>OREGON YOUNGSTERS ENJOY SPACE CHAT

Youngsters at Henley Middle School in Klamath Falls, Oregon, spoke this week via Amateur Radio with astronaut Susan Helms, KC7NHZ, aboard the International Space Station. Using the NA1SS call sign, Helms answered a dozen questions from the students--several of them also amateurs--during the June 12 QSO.

The Henley Middle School schedule, bumped from last week, was handled via a telebridge with Tony Hutchison, VK5ZAI, in South Australia. In Oregon, teacher Walter Jones Jr, KC7HEX, coordinated a group of 11 youngsters in grades three through 10 from the Henley Elementary, Middle and High schools. Many of the youngsters belong to the Klamath County Schools Amateur Radio Club, KC7VWW. Jones said all 400 middle school students got to listen in via the school's public address system.

Helms told the students that the Expedition Two crew has been conducting an "unofficial experiment" growing onion plants aboard the ISS. She said the onions arrived aboard a recent Russian supply ship. The crew wrapped the vegetables in wet wash cloths and attached them to the wall of the space station where they're now sprouting, she said.

She also addressed a question about the possibility that the ISS might encounter another object in space. "There is a lot of space stuff out here,"

she said. "We just have not seen it." She speculated that most of the space debris was in a higher or lower orbit than the ISS, and it has not yet presented a problem. Helms also said that ISS crew members no longer had to suck their meals through tubes. "We actually have fairly civilized food," she said, "like you could get at the grocery store."

Jones said most of the participating students had taken a class at the middle school, "Introduction to Amateur Radio," and have earned their ham tickets. He said response to the successful contact was extremely positive. "Everybody was ecstatic," he said. "Everybody had butterflies at first, but it went off perfectly."

The Henley Middle School has a Web site, http://www.jones-clan.com/amateur_radio/Klamath_County_Schools_ARC.htm

==>GULF REGION HAMS WADE IN TO HELP IN ALLISON'S WAKE

Amateur Radio continues to support relief agencies in the wake of heavy flooding in Texas, Louisiana and parts of Mississippi. South Texas ARRL Section Manager Ray Taylor, N5NAV, said June 15 that several dozen more volunteers were needed to help provide communication support for Salvation Army, Baptist Mens' Kitchen and Red Cross relief operations.

An FCC-declared general communications emergency in Texas and Louisiana for 3873 and 7285 kHz was rescinded at 2300 UTC on June 15.

The region suffered some of the worst flooding in decades after Tropical Storm Allison moved ashore last weekend and stalled. The storm claimed more than a dozen lives.

Although the initial flooding was receding, additional rainfall this past week--and more predicted--created an uncertain situation in the region.

Taylor said hams had been using HF links between their field volunteers and their regional headquarters operations in the Dallas area to support Salvation Army and Baptist Mens' Kitchen feeding efforts in the stricken area. Cellular telephone service was made available, however. Other links were made using Amateur Radio VHF.

Hams also have been using VHF and UHF repeater nets to provide emergency communication and to coordinate relief activities on the local level, including at Red Cross shelters. Taylor said he expected hams would be needed for the next couple of weeks.

Amateur Radio volunteers with VHF capability--either an H-T with extra batteries or a mobile and portable antenna--were needed to help relief agencies with conventional and cellular systems still knocked out due to flooding. Prospective volunteers should contact Taylor via e-mail at n5nav@...; South Texas Section Emergency Coordinator Bob Ehrhardt Sr, W5ZX, w5zx@..., or Jeff Salmons, N5ECP, n5ecp@....

Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service member Bruce Paige, KK5DO, in Houston said telephone service was lost in most of downtown area in the immediate

aftermath of the flooding. Several hospitals and the medical center also lost power and water, he said. In some cases, basement flooding prevented emergency generators from taking over.

Paige said hams provided a link between the Medical Center and local hospitals and were stationed at a triage center set up at the Houston Astrodome. He reports that hams assisted at local Houston fire stations last Saturday when the dispatch system went down. Hams helped to direct emergency calls for service to the station best-equipped to handle the call. Amateur Radio also handled health-and-welfare messages from the affected area to the outside.

Amateurs also provided vital links between the Austin Emergency Operations Center and Houston and Fort Bend EOCs after Houston and Fort Bend lost telephone service. Paige said ham radio was a communications mainstay at one point as other systems fell victim to the flooding or power outages.

In Louisiana, East Baton Rouge Parish EC Karl R. Sandstrom, K5MAN , reports that ARES and RACES were activated June 7 to assist the Red Cross in the Baton Rouge area following upwards of two feet of rain during the weekend.

The Red Cross opened shelters in Baton Rouge and Denham Springs and hams provided communication. Hams were able to stand down from duty when the Red Cross was able to re-establish its normal communication infrastructure.

"Communications Coordinator Joe Ross and the Red Cross extended their very sincere appreciation for the time and effort put forth by local ham operators helping to fill communications gaps," Sandstrom said.

Taylor said many hams in the Gulf region have volunteered to help out in the aftermath of the flooding, but he did not yet have an accurate head count.

==>NEW MEXICO ARES/RACES ACTIVATES IN WILDFIRES' WAKE

New Mexico ARES/RACES members responded earlier this month to Red Cross calls for communication assistance. The activation came after wildfires in Lincoln County caused several evacuations as they threatened Ruidoso. Hams also provided supplementary communication for the firefighting efforts.

American Red Cross official Arthur Hoopes, KD5NDK, put out the call for amateur assistance June 1 to Pat Chappelle, WA5HOK, JP Kenmore, K5FBK, and Lincoln County ARES Emergency Coordinator and RACES Officer Rick Sohl, K5RIC. Amateurs responded and worked steadily over the next four days. They set up communication between the Red Cross Office in Ruidoso, a shelter and command post, a canteen and five mobile radio units that were taking people and equipment to many areas of the fire. They also moved food and supplies to the Homestead fire suppression team.

A second fire developed the following day near the Inn of the Mountain Gods. As a precaution, commercial power was shut down, putting the Sierra Blanca Amateur Radio Club and the Buck Mountain repeaters off the air. Hams were forced to improvise. They reverted to simplex operation--just as they had rehearsed in training sessions. Sporting his brand-new K5RIC call sign

issued the same day, Sohl set up a relay station at his home. HF was used to communicate with other New Mexico ARES/RACES units and with the state EOC in Santa Fe. A secondary net was activated using a solar-powered repeater on Captain Mountain. ARES/RACES members in Rio Rancho set up a remote base to hit the Captain Mountain repeater and to keep in contact with members of the Lincoln County ARES/RACES team.

ARRL Section Manager Joe Knight, W5PDY, and New Mexico ARRL SEC and RACES Officer Bill Kauffman, K6YEJ, provided communication support and information to local ARES members.

Sohl said the extended power failure was excellent training for Amateur Radio VHF/UHF operations without the use mountaintop repeaters. "This event highlighted one of the main reasons that Amateur Radio stations can provide reliable radio communications during major disaster events," he said. "They can improvise and set up special radio networks without repeaters or commercial power and still provide local and statewide coverage."

Sohl said many of the Lincoln County ARES/RACES members who pitched in for the fire emergency had only recently become licensed and undergone emergency response training. More than a dozen amateurs assisted in the fire emergency.

==>WWV SURVEY NOW AVAILABLE ON THE WEB

The National Institute of Standards and Technology survey seeking information on how WWV and WWVH listeners use the standard time and frequency broadcast services now is available on the Web. The survey is posted at http://www.timesurvey.nist.gov/. It's also available as a printable PDF or HTML file.

The survey has been available as a hard-copy, mail-in version and promoted via WWV broadcasts. WWV Station Manager John Lowe says that more than 4000 completed surveys have been received so far by mail. "This proves the radio community is large and very active," he said.

NIST says the survey should take just a few minutes to complete. The survey deadline is September 30.

According to Lowe, the last WWV-WWVH user survey was done in 1985. He confirmed that the data collected ultimately could be used to determine whether WWV and WWVH remain on the air--especially given the popularity of NIST's other outlets, including its Web-based time server that gets in excess of 3 million hits a day. Lowe strongly encouraged WWV and WWVH users to send in a survey, but he has suggested that more weight will be given to survey responses from corporate and institutional users of the radio service than to individuals.

WWV in Ft Collins, Colorado, and WWVH on Kauai, Hawaii, broadcast continuous time and frequency information to millions of listeners worldwide. Information broadcast includes time announcements, standard time intervals, standard frequencies, UT1 time corrections, a BCD time code, geophysical

alerts, marine storm warnings, and Global Positioning System status reports.

For more information, contact John Lowe, lowe@....

==>JAN CARMAN, K5MA, JOINS ARRL HEADQUARTERS STAFF

Jan Carman, K5MA, has joined the ARRL Headquarters staff. Carman will supervise the Headquarters' Book Team. He replaces Joel Kleinman, N1BKE, who is now QST managing editor.

Carman's career has spanned the fields of aerospace, oil-field equipment, industrial control and instrumentation, underwater acoustics, communication systems, manufacturing automation and consulting.

"Jan Carman will be an outstanding addition to the ARRL publications staff," said QST Editor and ARRL Production and Editorial Department Manager Steve Ford, WB8IMY. "He brings decades of management experience and a fresh perspective."

Carman holds bachelor's and master's degrees in electrical engineering from the University of Pennsylvania. His Amateur Radio interests include contesting, DXing and VHF/UHF weak signal work. He is a member of the DXCC Honor Roll and the First Class CW Operators Club (FOC). He's also a member of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Sun watcher Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Sunspot numbers and solar flux rose this week. Average daily sunspot numbers were up nearly 75 points and average daily solar flux was up more than 26 points. The daily sunspot number peaked on Saturday at 250, dipped, and rose again to 249 on Monday. Daily sunspot numbers have not been that high since the big jump in activity around the end of March.

Disturbed days were Saturday and Sunday, when planetary A indices were 20, and the planetary K index was five over two three-hour reporting periods.

Solar flux rose to 194.7 on Thursday, but is expected to dip below 170 this weekend. Predicted planetary A index is 10 for Friday and Saturday and 15 for Sunday. On Wednesday a strong solar flare propelled a coronal mass ejection pointed away from earth. There is a possibility of more flare activity on Friday.

Sunspot numbers for May 31 through June 6 were 93, 120, 141, 143, 125, 160 and 170, with a mean of 136. The 10.7 cm flux was 132.8, 133, 134, 145.3, 153.8, 153.4 and 157.7, with a mean of 144.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 11, 21, 11, 11, 9 and 10 with a mean of 11.4.

Sunspot numbers for June 7 through 13 were 163, 179, 250, 217, 249, 193 and 221, with a mean of 210.3. The 10.7 cm flux was 164.8, 180.2, 177, 163, 162.4, 166.4 and 181.4, with a mean of 170.7. Estimated planetary A indices were 12, 8, 20, 20, 10, 7 and 14 with a mean of 13.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The All Asian DX Contest (CW) the SMIRK QSO Party, Kid's Day and the West Virginia QSO Party are the weekend of June 16-17. JUST AHEAD: ARRL Field Day, the Marconi Memorial HF Contest, and the ARCI Milliwatt Field Day are the weekend of June 23-24. The RAC Canada Day Contest is July 1. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Kid's Day is Saturday! Kid's Day is Saturday, June 16, 1800 to 2400 UTC. There's no limit on operating time. The suggested exchange is name, age, location and favorite color. Invite a youngster to operate from your shack. Participants are encouraged to work the same station again if an operator has changed. Operating details are on the ARRL Web site, http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html.

* ARRL seeks QST technical editor: The ARRL Publications Group is seeking a full-time QST technical editor. The position is located at ARRL Headquarters in Newington, Connecticut. The QST technical editor will provide leadership to the technical Amateur Radio community by developing and promulgating a vision of the state of the Amateur Radio art through the pages of QST. Responsibilities include: soliciting and preparing QST technical material for publication; working cooperatively with authors during the development, writing, editing and production of QST technical articles; working effectively and cooperatively with other QST editors, production staff and other in-house staff; editing QST technical manuscripts for technical accuracy, grammar, style and usage; ensuring that technical manuscripts and graphics are prepared for publication in a polished and professional manner, and by deadline; evaluating QST technical manuscripts and recommending whether or not they should be accepted for publication. Qualifications include a broad knowledge of and experience with Amateur Radio and electronics; design and construction of Amateur Radio equipment, antennas and accessories; and Amateur Radio software. Applicants should possess a college degree, preferably in a technical field; a minimum of three years of writing or editing experience; demonstrated ability to work effectively and productively with a variety of people; proficiency with Microsoft Office, especially Word and Excel; and an Amateur Extra Class license. To be considered for this position, send a resume, cover letter and salary expectations to QST technical editor position, Robert Boucher, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111-1494; fax 860-594-0298; rboucher@.... No telephone calls, please. ARRL is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

* QRZ.com is for sale: The QRZ.com Web site is for sale. Owner and webmaster Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ, says he wants to retire. "After eight years work on this project, I've simply decided to pursue other interests," he said. "When I started QRZ, I also became a certified flight instructor. Now I would like to spend more time teaching people how to fly." Lloyd said the Web site is being offered as a running business. For details contact Fred Lloyd, flloyd@qrz.com or visit http://www.qrz.com/qrz_sale.html .

ARRL RF Safety Committee chair named to FCC Technological Advisory Council: The FCC has re-established its Technological Advisory Council, and several Amateur Radio operators have been asked to serve as members. Among those appointed was ARRL RF Safety Committee Chairman Greg Lapin, N9GL. Technology guru Dewayne Hendricks, WA8DZP, a charter member of the TAC, was appointed to another two-year term. Also reappointed was former FCC Office of Engineering and Technology Chief Dale Hatfield, W0IFO. Hatfield, now with the University of Colorado, started the TAC while he was still with the FCC. The list of amateurs on the TAC also includes Telegen CEO Jessica L. Stevens, KF6WMY. The TAC is comprised of a broad array of well-known technologists and chaired by Robert Lucky of Telcordia. The TAC helps provide technological insights that the FCC needs to stay abreast of innovations in technology. Additional information about the Technological Advisory Council is available via the FCC's Web site, http://www.fcc.gov/.

* Ten-Tec Inc adds Doug Smith, KF6DX, to staff: Amateur Radio manufacturer Ten-Tec Inc of Sevierville, Tennessee, has announced that Doug Smith, KF6DX, will be joining the Ten-Tec engineering staff. Smith will start in his new position July 1. Previously employed by Kachina , Smith was lead designer for the Kachina 505DSP computer-controlled HF Amateur Radio transceiver. A respected author and editor, he serves as editor for the ARRL publication QEX/Communications Quarterly. He is also chairman of the ARRL Digital Voice Committee.--Ten-Tec news release

* Call issued to help with New York antenna bill: ARRL Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, and Atlantic Division Director Bernie Fuller, N3EFN, are asking New York amateurs in their respective divisions to express support for the Amateur Radio antenna bills pending in The Empire State. Fallon and Fuller are urging telephone calls or e-mails to three key decision-makers: Senate Majority Leader Joe Bruno of the Senate Rules Committee (518-455-3191; bruno@senate.state.ny.us); Assembly Ways and Means Chairman Herman D. Farrell Jr (518-455-5491; farrelh@...); and Assembly Speaker and Rules Committee Chairman Sheldon Silver (518-455-3791; speaker@....ny.us). The suggested message: "Please bring these bills to the floor for a vote so New York State Amateur Radio operators can continue to serve their communities, at no cost to the state, in times of communication emergencies like those now taking place during the Texas and Louisiana floods." Senate Bill S.2893B is currently in the Rules Committee. Assembly Bill A.1565B is in the Ways and Means Committee. For additional information, visit the ARRL Hudson Division Web site, http://www.arrlhudson.org.

* Hurricane Center hams honored: Amateur Radio operators at National Hurricane Center station W4EHW received the Volunteer of the Year award June 1 at the South Florida Hurricane Conference. The amateurs were recognized for 22 years of dedicated service at the National Hurricane Center, collecting weather and damage data for the NHC forecasters when tropical storms or hurricanes are within 300 miles of any land mass. Accepting the award on behalf of the many amateur volunteers were Amateur Radio Coordinator John Mc Hugh, KU4GY; Assistant Amateur Radio Coordinator Julio Ripoll, WD4JR, and volunteer operator and former Miami-Dade County RACES Officer Joel Kandel, KI4T. WD4JR and KI4T are founding members of the

station. The conference, held for the seventh year at the Broward County Convention Center in Ft Lauderdale, is sponsored by the emergency management and public safety agencies of Monroe, Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, Collier, and Lee Counties. It addresses many hurricane preparedness and response issues of particular concern to South Florida. More than 600 attended the conference luncheon and award ceremony, held propitiously on the first day of the Atlantic hurricane season.

* YU1RL takes up duties as Yugoslav ambassador to Brazil: Well-known contester and DXpeditioner Radivoje "Rasa" Lazarevic, YU1RL, has taken up his post as Yugoslav ambassador to Brazil. He arrived in Brasilia June 1. The 39-year-old Lazarevic has operated many times from Brazil and Fernando de Noronha. He says he likes Brasilia very much and hopes to be there for a long time.

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==>AMATEUR MORSE TESTING CHANGES EFFECTIVE JULY 1

New Morse code exam standards go into effect Sunday, July 1, for all Volunteer Examiner Coordinators. The new standards call for Farnsworth character speed in the 13-to-15 WPM range and the end of multiple-choice questions for routine Morse code exams.

The National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators voted last July to set up the revised standards for the administration of Morse code examinations in the US after amateur restructuring established 5 WPM as the sole Amateur Radio Morse code requirement.

ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, points out the required change to the Farnsworth protocol replaces the 18-WPM character speed ARRL VEC has used since 1989. "Standard 5 WPM messages with 5 WPM characters are available as an accommodation," he said. "Standard (non-Farnsworth) speed messages are available upon special request from the ARRL VEC for ARRL VE teams." In addition, the Morse exam audio frequency range should be between 700 and 1000 Hz for routine exams.

Consistent with the revised standards, Jahnke said, ARRL VEC has set 15-WPM characters as its Farnsworth setting and 750 Hz as its audio-frequency standard.

Code practice transmissions from Maxim Memorial Station W1AW will reflect the new Farnsworth standard. W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, says transmissions using the new protocol will begin Monday, July 2. "Any of our code transmissions at speeds below 18 WPM will drop from 18 WPM to 15 WPM character speed," he said. "We will maintain the standard method at speeds above 18 WPM--20 WPM at 20, 25 WPM at 25, etc."

Carcia said the W1AW Web code practice files <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/morse.html> also will be changed to mirror the W1AW transmission protocol. ARRL's Your Introduction to Morse Code cassette tapes and audio CDs also have adopted the new standards.

The new Morse examination standards also affect test administration. After July 1, Morse examinees will have to supply fill-in-the-blank answers for the 10-question Element 1 quiz. Multiple-choice type examinations no longer will be acceptable. Under the new testing regime, Morse code examinees must either correctly answer seven of the ten fill-in-the-blank questions or correctly copy 25 consecutive characters.

==>NEVADA ARES SUPPORTS RED CROSS IN FIRE RESPONSE

As a forest fire raged out of control along the Nevada-California border this week, amateurs from both states responded to lend valuable communication support to the American Red Cross. The Red Cross Sierra Nevada Chapter provided relief services to firefighters battling the major woodland blaze southwest of Reno. Northern Nevada Amateur Radio Services--representing Washoe County Amateur Radio Emergency Service and Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service--is coordinating the Amateur Radio effort.

The so-called Martis fire began June 18 about 20 miles west of Reno near Truckee, California--possibly the result of an improperly doused campfire that got out of control from high winds. Residents of several areas along Interstate 80 in California were briefly evacuated earlier in the week but were allowed to return home after the fire danger had subsided. At week's end, the fire covered nearly 15,000 acres and was considered 50-percent contained on the western side.

Nevada Section Emergency Coordinator Paul Cavnar, NN7B, said most of the fire is burning dense forest areas that have not burned for nearly 200 years.

Cavnar said local Amateur Radio resources have become strained as the week wore on because several volunteers were away on vacation or had full-time jobs during the daytime when the need for operators has been the greatest. Cavnar said hams from the Douglas County Amateur Radio Team (DCART) have provided "mutual assistance" operators during the day. "Most of them are traveling 50 or 60 miles," he said.

To the west of the fire in California, the California Department of Forestry set up a staging area in the Hirshdale area--not easily accessible from the east due to smoke and fire. Cavnar said he contacted Sacramento Valley (North) SEC Dave Thorne, K6SOJ, who alerted section leadership of the need for assistance from the California side of the fire. Placer County (West) EC, Wayne Mikel, KE6DJE, responded by providing operators for daytime shifts.

Efforts June 22 were concentrated on the fire's southern and eastern sides, Cavnar said. "We're all keeping our eyes on the weather. If we do get strong winds, we will go into active alert status, and all available operators will be put on standby to mobilize."

Washoe County RACES Officer and NNARS team member Russ Shively, W7LWI, said the Red Cross initially requested NNARS communication support because its radio liaison was on duty for the Texas and Louisiana floods. In light of the isolated, mountainous terrain involved, hams have made use of several repeaters. "Many of these areas were so remote, even cell phone links were inoperable," Shively said.

At one point on June 18, one of the Red Cross Emergency Response Vehicles lost its radio, and a ham with a hand-held transceiver was assigned to ride shotgun to provide communications. After an ERV broke down and lost contact and another ERV radio failed, it was decided that hams with H-Ts would ride along with all ERVs, Shively said.

==>AO-40 ORBIT SHIFT SET

With the AO-40 satellite's transponders still shut down, preparations are under way for a slight shift in orbital configuration. Ground controllers want to raise the satellite's orbit at perigee--the position nearest Earth--by about 200 km. As AO-40 approached the planned attitude, ground controllers successfully activated the arcjet--or ATOS--propellant feed system during orbit 295. According to telemetry, the ammonia heater, flow-rate controller, valves and pressure indicators seem to work appropriately.

For the "cold" test, the gas was warmed by a 120-W heater and flowed for approximately 22 minutes. Since AO-40's solar panels have not been fully deployed, no electric current was applied to the arc. Plans call for additional cold firings of the arcjet.

The next out-gassing will occur when the spacecraft reaches apogee again. It will probably last about an hour. The S2 transmitter will be turned off during the test to save power, so all telemetry will be logged in the IHU-2's memory and downloaded later. Guelzow says that if the hour-long

out-gassing works successfully, then it will be extended--possibly to as long as four hours.

AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, has said the arcjet firings will not significantly change the apogee. He said it's hoped that a slightly higher perigee for AO-40 will eliminate the effects of what he described as "a mysterious force" that alters the satellite's attitude when it comes through perigee. One possible theory, he said, is that atmospheric expansion caused by the current sunspot cycle peak is influencing the satellite's orbit in some way.

For more information on AO-40, visit the AMSAT-DL Web site, http://www.amsat-dl.org/ or the AMSAT-NA Web site, http://www.amsat.org.--thanks to Bruce Paige, KK5DO

==>COLORADO STUDENTS INTERVIEW ASTRONAUT VIA HAM RADIO

Eight students from several schools in the Boulder, Colorado, area used ham radio to ask US astronaut Jim Voss about his experiences and activities aboard the International Space Station. The June 21 contact was arranged through the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program.

Participants ranged from elementary school age through college, including one questioner who attends the University of Colorado in Boulder, Voss' alma mater. The students gathered at the home station of Bill McCaa, K0RZ, in Boulder for the linkup, which lasted just over 10 minutes.

Students' curiosity ran the gamut from scientific to spiritual. One high schooler asked about how the lack of gravity affected Voss' sensation of balance.

"Actually, the fluids of your inner ear do change a little bit, but after a day or so, you're used to it--your eyes take over and you don't really feel like you're off balance or anything like that," Voss replied. Voss said the body adapts very quickly to space, "and you feel like you're right at home, whether you're upside down or right side up."

Another youngster asked Voss if being aboard the International Space Station made him "feel any closer to any heavenly body." Voss pointed out that the ISS was only a couple of hundred miles or so above Earth and that the view of the heavens wasn't that much different than from the ground. "I just feel further away from Earth," he said.

Voss told the students that he and his crewmates still can see the stars and planets, but they don't twinkle as they do on Earth because of the lack of atmosphere. More spectacular, he said, is the view of Earth from the ISS. "It is truly beautiful!" Voss exclaimed. Seeing Earth from space for the first time was "a very emotional experience," he said.

He said the crew has been working to get the Canadian-built manipulator arm working properly and would be involved next month in the installation of a module that will serve as a launch platform for space walks.

Voss used the NA1SS call sign for the contact. Each student got to ask two questions. Questioners included at least two hams, 17-year-old Brian Bowman, KC0FSO, and 12-year-old Emily Arthur, KC0GIA.

Voss said he hoped to make it back to Boulder for an in-person visit after he returns to Earth. The Expedition 2 crew of Voss, Susan Helms, KC7NHZ, and Yuri Usachev, RW3FU, is scheduled to leave the ISS in mid-August.

==>FCC ORDERS TWO AMATEURS OFF MOST REPEATERS

Never say that FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth lacks creative flair in applying enforcement sanctions. Acting in two ongoing cases, Hollingsworth this month notified two Technician licensees that they must stay off all repeaters on the 144, 222, and 440-MHz bands for the next three years.

Hollingsworth invoked Section 97.27 of the FCC's Amateur Service rules to modify the licenses of Ted R. Sorensen III, KC6PQW, of Agoura Hills, California, and Joseph Mattern, KG4NGG, of Orlando, Florida. Both licensees have been the subject of repeater-related enforcement inquiries.

Sorensen's restriction was among other actions recently taken in conjunction with the Los Angeles-area W6NUT repeater. In February, the FCC asked Sorensen and Gregory S. Cook, ex-KC6USO, of Chico, California, to respond to allegations that they conspired in making late-night one-way transmissions on W6NUT that originated from Sorensen's station.

In March the FCC accepted Cook's voluntarily surrendered license. For his part, Sorensen, who did not dispute the allegations, wrote the FCC offering to accept a year's banishment from the W6NUT 147.435 repeater "as fair punishment." Instead, the Commission imposed a ban on the use of all repeaters on the three most popular repeater bands for the next three years.

Mattern, who formerly held the vanity call sign WW4WJD as a Tech Plus, was called for retesting last September after the FCC received allegations that the licensee had been using amateur repeaters in his area to solicit traffic reports for his employer, a company that markets the reports. In a reply to the FCC, Mattern characterized his traffic-reporting activities as "a hobby" that earned him very little money. He also agreed to abide by the wishes of repeater control operators who had asked him to stay off their machines.

Mattern failed all elements of last year's retest, but he passed the Technician exam earlier this year, and was granted KG4NGG on May 3. In reaction to numerous additional complaints from Central Florida amateurs the FCC set aside that license grant until the Enforcement Bureau could investigate. Mattern's application was granted on June 8 with the repeater restriction imposed.

==>ROUND-THE-WORLD HAM-SAILOR SETS NOVEMBER RETURN DATE

Ham-sailor David Clark, KB6TAM, plans to sit out the Atlantic hurricane season and complete his round-the-world sail this fall. Clark left Brazil June 10 and expects to make Trinidad around June 25. There he plans to rest and wait out the hurricane season before resuming his adventure. He now says

he'll arrive in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, on his wife's birthday, November 18.

Clark, 77, is seeking to be the oldest solo circumnavigator on record. Lynda Clark has been in regular contact with her husband via Amateur Radio phone patches. This week, however, Clark reported his radio was not working when he called his wife during a refueling stop in French Guiana.

Clark survived a disaster in February that sank his original sailboat, the Mollie Milar. His beloved canine companion Mickey was lost during the rescue efforts.

Clark gets support from corporate sponsors, but he has funded much of the trip through Social Security earnings and occasional clarinet gigs. For more information on Clark's journey, visit http://www.dclark.com and http://www.captainclark.com.--Archie McKay, K4GA

==>REGISTRATION OPENS FOR ARRL ON-LINE LEVEL II EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS COURSE

Registration for the ARRL Level II--Intermediate Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-002) will open Monday, June 25, at 4 PM EDT. The on-line class will begin the following week.

For those with previous experience and for anyone who took the Level I course (EC-001) the Level II course will enhance your skill and knowledge by providing a more in-depth look at emergency communications. Among the many topics covered are: Working With Volunteers, Human Resource Aspects for NCS, Net Manager Duties and Qualifications, Mutual Assistance and the ARESMAT Concept, FCC Emergency Frequency Declarations, Handling Hazardous Material Incidents, and National Disaster Medical System Emergency Communications.

If you found Level I--Introduction to Amateur Radio Emergency Communications an interesting and educational experience, you will certainly appreciate the Level II course even more.

The registration fee is $40 for ARRL members and $70 for non-ARRL members. To enroll, visit the ARRL Course Registration Page, https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce after 4 PM Monday, June 25. ARRL course welcome letters will be sent later in the week once mentors have been assigned to each student. Access codes will be sent the following week, so that all students can begin the program.

==>MARK SIMCIK, WA1VVB, JOINS HQ STAFF

Mark Simcik, WA1VVB, of Bloomfield, Connecticut, has joined the ARRL Headquarters staff. He will work in the Electronic Publications Branch as a Web applications programmer.

"Mark will be a strong addition to our group," said Electronic Publications Branch Manager Jon Bloom, KE3Z.

Simcik's career has been in the field of embedded software engineering and transaction processing. He's a University of Connecticut graduate with a degree cognitive science--an interdisciplinary degree in computer science, linguistics and psychology.

Simcik recently upgraded to General class and now serves as the president of the Bloomfield Amateur Radio Club. He is an ARRL Life Member.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Heliophile Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: All solar indicators rose this week. New sunspots emerged, and the average daily sunspot number for this week rose over 43 points. Average solar flux was up 32 points. 289 was the sunspot number on Sunday, the highest since April 1, when it was 320.

A strong interplanetary shock wave struck Earth on Monday, beginning its journey last Friday from a coronal mass ejection. The ejection was not aimed toward Earth, but as it expanded through the gaseous interplanetary medium it created a shock wave that affected Earth's magnetosphere. The result was a planetary A index on Monday of 34.

Solar flux for Friday through Monday is expected to be 205, 205, 200 and 195. Geomagnetic conditions should be fairly stable, with a predicted planetary A index of 10, 10, 10 and 12 for the same days.

Sunspot numbers for June 14 through 20 were 273, 264, 276, 289, 220, 222 and 232 with a mean of 253.7. 10.7 cm flux was 194.7, 196.9, 207.6, 204.6, 221.3, 195.4 and 198.5, with a mean of 202.7, and estimated planetary A indices were 9, 12, 7, 9, 34, 14 and 15 with a mean of 14.3.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: ARRL Field Day (see May QST, page 112), the Marconi Memorial HF Contest, and the ARCI Milliwatt Field Day are the weekend of June 23-24. The RAC Canada Day Contest is July 1. JUST AHEAD: The Michigan QRP July 4th CW Sprint is July 4-5; IARU HF World Championship is July 14-15. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* ARRL Headquarters seeks teacher: The ARRL is seeking a state-certified teacher/educator with classroom experience to serve as the coordinator of the ARRL Amateur Radio Education Project ("The Big Project"). Candidates should hold a current Amateur Radio license, have several years of teaching experience at the middle/junior high school-level, have excellent communication, computer and interpersonal skills and be involved in a wide range of amateur activities. The position is at ARRL Headquarters in Newington, Connecticut. Send resume and salary expectations to Education Project Coordinator, Bob Boucher, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111; fax 860-594-0298; rboucher@.... For more information, contact Rosalie White, K1STO, rwhite@..., 860-594-0237. The ARRL is an equal opportunity employer.

* West Texas getting new Section Manager: Lee Kitchens, N5YBW, of Ransom Canyon, Texas, has been appointed West Texas Section Manager, effective July 1. He succeeds Clay Emert, K5TRW, who stepped down for health reasons. Emert had been appointed SM last January and was recently elected to a two-year term. He also has served as an assistant section manager and assistant director. Kitchens is a retired electrical engineer. An ARRL member even before he got his license, he's been a ham for 10 years and holds a Tech Plus ticket.--Rosalie White, K1STO

* Ham radio-carrying balloon launch set: Four high-altitude balloons carrying Amateur Radio gear will be launched from Manhattan, Kansas, the weekend of June 30-July 1. Participants in "Great Plains Super Launch 2001" are preparing payloads supporting 2-meter APRS navigation and telemetry via packet radio, a 70-cm simplex voice repeater, 70-cm and 13-cm ATV, 2-meter SSTV, science experiments and film cameras. Amateur Radio operators within 350 miles of northeastern Kansas are encouraged to participate in all communications modes. More information is available at the Great Plains High Altitude Balloons site, http://users.crosspaths.net/~wallio/gpsl2001.html .--Ralph Wallio, W0RPK

* AMSAT-NA announces nominations for directors: AMSAT-NA has announced the slate of candidates for the four seats available on the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors. They are Barry Baines, WD4ASW; Dick Daniels, W4PUJ; Robin Haighton, VE3FRH; Bill Tynan, W3XO; Richard Hambly, W2GPS and Bruce Paige, KK5DO. Bains, Daniels, Haighton and Tynan are incumbents. Ballots will be mailed by July 15.

* GM creates Web link to aid mobile installations: In response to a request from ARRL, the General Motors Engineering Center has created a Web link to its official guidelines for installing radio transmitters in vehicles. The Radio Telephone / Mobile Radio Installation Guidelines page is http://service.gm.com/techlineinfo/radio.html. Installation guidelines for Chrysler and Ford are reprinted, with permission, in the ARRL RFI Book, http://www.arrl.org/catalog/6834 . ARRL offers additional information about automotive RFI on its Web site, http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/rficar.html.

* Hams assist US Navy flight: Participants on the 20-meter Maritime Mobile Net June 13 were a bit surprised when a ham aboard a US Navy plane checked in for assistance. John Pierce, KC4YWP, informed the Net that the Navy aircraft--using the military call sign "Copperhead 5"--had lost communication with its base. "He asked us to place a telephone call to his base to inform them he was returning due to loss of communications," said Bob Puharic of Pennsylvania--one of the net controllers. Puharic said that retired US Air Force Col Bob Botik, K5SIV, placed the call and informed Copperhead 5 that it had been delivered. "The US Navy thanked the net and secured," Puharic said.

* QRZ.com is for sale: The QRZ.com Web site is for sale. Owner and webmaster Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ, says he wants to retire. "After eight years work on this project, I've simply decided to pursue other interests," he said. "When I started QRZ, I also became a certified flight instructor. Now I would like to spend more time teaching people how to fly." Lloyd said the Web site is

being offered as a running business. For details e-mail Fred Lloyd, flloyd@... or see http://www.qrz.com/qrz_sale.html .

* QSL card postage jumps a penny on July 1: It will cost another penny to mail a QSL card (postcard) after July 1. The US Postal Service announced in January that it would raise the postcard rate by one cent--to 21 cents. The complete postal rate schedule is available on the USPS Web site, http://www.usps.com/ .

* Space tourist Tito expresses appreciation to ARISS: Dennis Tito, KG6FZX, the first so-called "space tourist" has written a letter of thanks to the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) International Team. "Now that I have returned to Earth and found my footing after nearly a week of weightlessness, I wanted to write to you to extend my personal gratitude for your assistance while I was aboard the International Space Station," Tito said. "Your help made it possible for me to share my deep feelings of joy and fulfillment. I thank you very much for making my space flight so much more meaningful for my family and me."--ANS

* Vote on QST Cover Plaque Award: The winners of the QST Cover Plaque Award for June were Wes Hayward, W7ZOI, and Bob Larkin, W7PUA, for their article "Simple RF-Power Measurement." Congratulations. The winner of the QST Cover Plaque award--given to the author of the best article in each issue--is determined by a vote of ARRL members. Voting takes place each month on the Cover Plaque Poll Web page, http://www.arrl.org/members-only/qstvote.html. As soon as your copy arrives, cast a ballot for your favorite article in the July issue of QST. Voting ends July 15.

* ARRL-Affiliated Club database now available to all: Each year thousands of people contact ARRL asking for information on Amateur Radio. Prospective hams may want to know if there is a nearby ARRL-affiliated club that holds licensing classes. Licensees may be looking for a club that offers assistance in a specialty area. The ARRL maintains a Web site, http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/club/clubsearch.phtml, that permits searches by state, ARRL section, ZIP code and club name or call sign. Club officials may update their clubs' information via a special site, http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/club/forms/fsd2/. As a security measure, clubs that are inactive or have not contacted ARRL within two years may not change any data. The site http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/club/biglist.html is available for all clubs to input data, and it's checked daily. Once verified, the data are transferred to the current database.

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260. Hello, I have shifted

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-28 19:56:27 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 260 Message: 260

Hello,

We have shifted to our new residence. The address reads as:

A1/1003 Hyde Park Regency,
Behind Greenwood Complex
Ghodbunder Road,
THANE 400 607

Tel: 542 4313
Cell: 98211 29268

Bye.

Vijay Motwane

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-06-30 08:30:24 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 261 Message: 261

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==>SURVEY SEEKS INPUT ON NOVICE/TECH PLUS HF SPECTRUM

The ARRL Novice Spectrum Study Committee is soliciting input from the
amateur community on possible ways to optimize use of the present Novice and
Technician Plus allocations on 80, 40, 15 and 10 meters. Survey results
might form the basis for the ARRL to approach the FCC and request changes in
the ways amateurs may operate within HF bands that contain Novice subbands.

The Novice Spectrum Study survey is available to ARRL members on the Web
<http://www.arrl.org/members-only/NoviceSurvey.html>. Members will be able
to complete and submit the survey only once. Nonmembers are invited to
e-mail comments and suggestions to novicesurvey@... .

The committee--chaired by ARRL International Affairs Vice President Rod
Stafford, W6ROD--has been examining the status and usage of the present
Novice HF bands with an eye toward determining what changes might be needed
now that the FCC no longer issues new Novice licenses. The survey offers
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members a chance to express opinions and preferences on various options--including leaving things as they are. Respondents are invited to add comments and suggestions before submitting the survey.

Some 40,000 Novice licensees remain in the current FCC database, and that number is dropping by some 6000 licensees each year through attrition and upgrading.

The Novice Spectrum panel will present an interim report at the July ARRL Board meeting, and a final report at the annual meeting next January.

==>SUSAN HELMS, KC7NHZ, THRILLS FIELD DAY OPS FROM ISS

Astronaut Susan Helms, KC7NHZ, took time out aboard the International Space Station to join in the ARRL Field Day fray last weekend. The operation was believed to mark the first time anyone participated in Field Day from space.

Helms worked several dozen stations--most of them Field Day operations--as the ISS passed over the US. ARRL Contest Branch Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, says the NA1SS contacts will count for Field Day credit, but they will not count for satellite bonus points.

Helms sounded like a veteran contester during Field Day, although not without some confusion as to what exchange she should transmit. Initially acting on incorrect information, Helms was giving out "one alpha maritime mobile-Russia" for a Field Day report. Later, she resorted to "1 alpha battery on the space station."

The NA1SS Field Day operation infused a lot of enthusiasm into the occasion. "This Field Day is the one I'll remember the most, even after doing FD for 40 years," said ARRL Wisconsin Public Information Coordinator Jim Romelfanger, K9ZZ. Romelfanger worked NA1SS as part of the WB9FDZ Yellow Thunder Amateur Radio Club Field Day crew. "Susan was having a ball up there!" he said.

Dave Swartz, KC7RRH, said his club's Field Day operation was another lucky enough to snag a contact with NA1SS. It happened almost by accident. Swartz, who operated with the Federal Way Amateur Radio Club's WA7FW setup in Washington, said the group was set up for a packet contact via the ISS when he heard Helms' voice coming over the speaker. Although he was on 20 meters at the time, he grabbed the mike at the packet setup next to him and made the QSO. Swartz said he was "very psyched" about working Helms but disappointed not to get the bonus points.

Henderson said that ISS contacts will not count for bonus points because the ISS is not an "Amateur Radio satellite," as rule 7.3.7 specifies <http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/rules-fd.html>. Henderson said that, because of their nature, bonus points "need to be readily available to everybody," and the ISS offers only a limited window of opportunity.

As for the correct Field Day operating class for NA1SS, Henderson said there is more than one possible choice, but the question is largely academic. "Whatever exchange she sent out, count it as a valid contact for Field Day

and enjoy the experience," he said. Field Day entries require a list of call signs worked by band and mode.

Henderson said Helms' ISS Field Day entry will end up "in a class by itself."

US stations working NA1SS aboard the International Space Station QSL to Margie Bourgoin, KB1DCO, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. Canadian stations QSL to Radio Amateurs of Canada, 720 Belfast Rd--Suite 217, Ottawa, ON K1G 0Z5. A self-addressed, stamped envelope is required to get a QSL in return.

==>FCC REVOKES HAM TICKET OF ALLEGED RADIO PIRATE, ISSUES FINE

The FCC has revoked the Amateur and General Mobile Radio Service licenses of reputed pirate broadcaster Leslie D. "Doug" Brewer of Tampa, Florida, and fined him $11,000 for "willful and repeated violation" of the Communications Act. Brewer already owes the US government $11,000 in forfeitures assessed previously for similar violations.

"Operating unlicensed radio facilities in deliberate and brazen defiance of our rules cannot and will not be tolerated," the FCC said in its Order of Revocation and of Forfeiture, released June 26. The FCC said that based on its considerable evidence, Brewer "lacks the basic character qualifications to be and remain a Commission licensee." The Order contained a footnoted reference to the case of Herbert L. Schoenbohm, ex-KV4FZ, who lost his Amateur Radio license on the basis of character issues.

The FCC said Brewer failed to file any notice of appearance at the revocation proceeding. As a result, the presiding judge waived hearing, and the FCC made its determination in the case based on the information it had before it.

Earlier this year, the FCC suspended Brewer's General ticket, KC4HAZ, for the rest of its term while it initiated revocation proceedings. Brewer also held the GMRS call sign KAE1170. He has 30 days to file a petition for reconsideration of the FCC's Order. Otherwise, he has 30 days to pay the fine. The revocations are to take effect 40 days from the release of the Order.

Brewer, 46, runs a two-way radio and electronics shop. He's the trustee of several Amateur Radio repeaters in Tampa and is well-known within the Tampa amateur community.

FCC and other sources say Brewer operated "The Party Pirate" on 102.1 MHz from his home. He was among those caught up in a November 1997 sweep by federal agents to shut down unlicensed broadcasting operations in Tampa.

The FCC said Brewer "continues to display a cavalier disregard toward his licensee obligations . . . notwithstanding clear and repeated notice that his behavior was unlawful." The $11,000 forfeiture was the maximum the FCC could have imposed in the case. The government is continuing its efforts to collect the $11,000 in forfeitures already assessed against Brewer.

The FCC Order in the Brewer case is available on the FCC Web site <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov:8835/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-01-1489A1.doc> .

==>NEVADA ARES/RACES WRAPS UP FIRE RESPONSE

With a forest fire along the Nevada-California border now largely contained, Amateur Radio support to the Red Cross relief effort has concluded. Amateur Radio Emergency Service District 1 Emergency Coordinator Matt Parker, N7TOD, said communication support efforts wrapped up June 24.

"Amateurs remain on standby should additional communication support be needed," Parker said this week. "However, at this point, it does not appear that any further assistance will be needed with this incident." He said hams also have volunteered to assist the Red Cross to rectify operational problems that cropped up with the agency's 47-MHz radio system during the incident response.

The Red Cross Sierra Nevada Chapter provided relief services to firefighters battling the major woodland blaze southwest of Reno. Northern Nevada Amateur Radio Services--representing Washoe County ARES and Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service--coordinated the Amateur Radio effort.

On a couple of occasions, radios aboard Red Cross Emergency Response Vehicles failed. As a result, H-T-equipped ham radio operators were designated to ride shotgun on all ERVs. As of week's end, the Red Cross had released some or all of its ERVs to return to their home bases.

The so-called Martis Fire began June 18 about 20 miles west of Reno--possibly the result of an improperly doused campfire that was blown out of control. Eventually, it consumed some 14,500 acres. Residents of several areas along Interstate 80 in California were briefly evacuated.

Last weekend, some feared that gusty winds might further spread the flames, but that did not happen. Parker said cooler temperatures and some rainfall earlier this week helped alleviate the situation.

Firefighters remaining on duty this week were "mopping up the hot spots," said Nevada Section Emergency Coordinator Paul Cavnar, NN7B. He reports one mobile home and three vehicles fell victim to the flames, but no one was hurt or killed.

"It has been a good learning experience for us and did expose some weaknesses that we will be addressing very soon," Cavnar said. "We actually had a few hams volunteer from other states to come in and assist as needed. Now, that's what I call solid commitment!"

==>NEW PACKET TNC ON THE WAY TO ISS

Amateur Radio on the International Space Station Board Chairman Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, says the ARISS-US team has delivered a new packet module to NASA. "This new packet module is expected to correct several of the problems that have been observed on the current ARISS packet system," he said.

The module is expected to undergo a "bench review"--or inspection--in the near future by one of the US astronauts. It is scheduled to fly to the ISS on shuttle mission STS-105, currently planned for launch in early August.

Bauer says Expedition 3 Crew Commander Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ, plans to make the packet module changeout early in his ISS tour of duty. Culbertson will be joined aboard the ISS in mid-August by Russian cosmonauts Mikhail Turin and Vladimir Dezhurov.

Bauer says all pertinent TNC parameters are embedded in the PROM, so the packet module should be fully functional even with a dead battery. It's believed the current TNC lost its backup battery. As a result it displays <NOCALL> as a call sign. Stations cannot connect but have been able to digipeat through the system, however. The new TNC will display the Russian call sign RS0ISS. The Personal Mailbox System (PMS) uses the call sign RS0ISS-1.

==>W1AW SEEKS 80-METER SIGNAL REPORTS

Maxim Memorial Station W1AW has changed its 80-meter bulletin antenna system and requests signal reports from those monitoring the 80-meter transmissions. An 80-meter "cage" dipole joined the W1AW antenna farm in May. W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, says the new dipole is oriented to radiate east-west. The "cage" complements a coaxial dipole that's been in use for several years.

Field Day marked the first official test of the new 80-meter cage. Previously, RFI problems with the alarm system had prevented general use of the new skywire. Carcia and Building Manager Greg Kwasowski, KB1GJF, solved the RFI problem by installing a number of ferrite cores on the unshielded wires entering the alarm box from the various smoke heads. "The wire installers failed to take into account that the alarm system is located in a high RF-environment," Carcia said.

Signal reports received during Field Day indicated the 80-meter "cage" antenna appears to be functioning quite well. W1AW put 512 QSOs into its Field Day log on 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY--for a claimed score of 1366.

Reports on W1AW's 80-meter signal should note your location, time of reception, mode, signal strength and quality. Use of the standard R-S-T system is acceptable. Mail reports on a postcard to W1AW 80-meter reports, 225 Main St, Newington, CT, 06111. E-mail reports may be sent to w1aw@.... The complete W1AW Operating Schedule appears in July QST, page 105, and on the Web, http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html.

==>DISASTER COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE PRAISES HAM RADIO

Amateur Radio's role in emergency communication received high praise in an opinion adopted by the recent Second Tampere Conference on Disaster Communication. Several speakers at the conference, held in late May in Tampere, Finland, also lauded the work of amateurs in the wake of disasters.

An Opinion of the Conference expressed appreciation for "the role played by volunteers, in particular those of the Amateur Radio Service," and encouraged administrations to facilitate their work in emergency telecommunications.

In the role of International Amateur Radio Union expert consultant, ARRL Technical Relations Manager Paul Rinaldo, W4RI, spoke at the conference on Amateur Radio and disaster communications. Approximately 125 attended the conference, including what Rinaldo called, "a notable percentage of radio amateurs" representing agencies or companies from several nations.

The conference Opinion also invited administrations to consider "the recognized need of disaster relief organizations to use their existing radiocommunication equipment under disaster relief situations" as well as "the need to conclude frequency arrangements" for such equipment in emergencies.

The conference--sponsored by the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs and the International Institute of Communications--was organized to raise visibility of the 1998 Tampere Convention <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/1998/12/02/1/> and to urge its ratification. The US is not yet among the nine countries that have ratified the Convention. Tampere II also provided a forum for administrations and nongovernmental organizations to exchange information about disaster communications.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Propagation prognosticator Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Conditions were good over Field Day weekend, with no big geomagnetic upsets. Forty meters was probably the best all-around band for Field Day contacts.

Sunspots and solar flux have been high recently, but both currently are declining. Average sunspot numbers dropped more than 48 points from last week, and average solar flux was off by nearly 17 points. Currently geomagnetic conditions are very quiet, and are expected to remain that way over the next week.

Single digit planetary A indices are forecast until after July 4. Solar flux is expected to decline over the next few days, to 130 on Saturday, Sunday and Monday. Flux is expected to rise to 160 by July 6 and 190 by July 11.

Sunspot numbers for June 21 through 27 were 212, 203, 228, 212, 220, 177 and 185, with a mean of 205.3. The 10.7-cm flux was 200.3, 203.6 206.2, 194.8, 182.4, 167.9 and 147.9, with a mean of 186.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 13, 7, 8, 10, 8, 13 and 10 with a mean of 9.9.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Beat the clock! Special ARRL membership rates expire June 30: A few hours remain to take advantage of special ARRL membership rates before new dues rates take effect July 1, 2001! Current or prospective ARRL members in the US and US possessions may qualify by Saturday, June 30, for the special five-year renewal rate: $146 ($122 for those 65 or older). Complete your renewal or new application online <http://www.arrl.org/join.html>. Members also may opt to lock-in an ARRL Life Membership at current rates. To beat the dues increase, Life Membership Applications must be completed, signed, and FAXed (860-594-0303 or 860-594-0259) to ARRL by Saturday, June 30. A downloadable PDF Life Member application is available <http://www.arrl.org/lmember.pdf>. On July 1, ARRL full membership dues increase to $39 per year for individuals ($34 per year for those 65 and older). Due to postal considerations, we cannot extend the special five-year discount plan to those living outside the US. Special discounts apply to family, youth and visually impaired applicants. A complete rate schedule and application form is available on ARRLWeb <http://www.arrl.org/join.html>.

* Dayton attendance down slightly: Dayton Hamvention General Chairman Jim Graver, KB8PSO, reports the official attendance at the 2001 Dayton Hamvention--the 50th event--was 26,151, down roughly 9% from last year's 28,804. Hamvention attendance peaked at 33,669 in 1993, before the change in date from April to May in 1996. Graver blamed rainy weather on the opening day of the event and high gasoline prices for the attendance drop. Graver also will chair next year's Dayton Hamvention.

* DXCC announces 12 meter DXCC: The ARRL DXCC Desk has announced the addition of the 12-Meter Single Band DXCC. Applications will be accepted starting July 2, 2001. The 12-Meter DXCC certificates will be dated but not numbered. Twelve-meter credits will not count toward the DeSoto Cup competition until October 1, 2001, but they will be included in the DXCC Challenge totals. DXCC records as Adobe PDF files may be ordered via e-mail to dxcc@... . The 12-meter band was added to the printout on January 1, 2001, and DXCC records ordered since then contain 12-meter credits. Hard copies also are available from DXCC, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. Include $2 for postage and handling. For more information, contact the DXCC Desk at dxcc@....--DXCC Desk

* NCVEC sets July meeting schedule: The National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators holds its annual VEC conference July 27 and 28 in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Among items on the agenda is discussion of the impact of Amateur Radio license restructuring on the amateur population and the topic of testing in sparsely populated areas, such as Alaska. Representatives from at 12 of the 14 Volunteer Examiner Coordinators in the US have indicated they'll attend. Bill Cross, W3TN, of the FCC Wireless Telecommunications Bureau staff is expected to be on hand to present the Commission's perspectives and to answer questions from VECs. Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, of the FCC's Enforcement Bureau also will be at the meeting. Attending on behalf of ARRL will be ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, and Vice President Kay Craigie, WT3P. The NCVEC also will elect its board and officers during the conference.

* California club to operate as W1AW/6 during IARU HF World Championship: ARRL has authorized the Northern California Contest Club to use the famous W1AW call sign for the IARU HF World Championship. For 24 hours on the weekend of July 14-15, NCCC operators will make W1AW/6 available to the world and attempt to top the IARU HQ competition category in this event. (The DARC's DA0HQ made nearly 20,000 QSOs in last year's running and is the current champion and record holder.) W1AW/6 will be active on 160-10 meters, SSB and CW. A certificate will be awarded to each station completing a QSO on 10 of the possible 12 band-modes, and an endorsement is available for working all 12 band-modes. Look for W1AW/6 near these frequencies: CW, 1818, 1833, 3508, 3538, 7008, 7038, 14,038, 21,038 and 28,038 kHz; SSB, 1848, 3738, 3898, 7158, 7238, 14,158, 14,238, 21,338 and 28,338 kHz. Details on the awards and the operation will be available in the July NCCC club report on the Northern California Contest Club Web Site, <http://www.nccc.cc/>. Contest rules are available on the ARRL Web site, <http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/rules-iaru.html> and in April 2001 QST, p 111.--Ken Keeler, N6RO/NCCC

* RAC announces Morse code proficiency certificate: Radio Amateurs of Canada now offers a Certificate of Proficiency in Morse Code, for speeds of 12, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, and 40 WPM. A certificate, also available in the French language, will be issued for each qualification. The $5 charge covers printing, handling and postage. Industry Canada RIC-1 standards will be used. Accredited Examiners also may certify candidates who produce an original Advanced Amateur, First Class or Second Class Commercial, or military Morse Code qualification certificate issued by the Canadian government. For more details, see the RAC Web site Morse program page, http://www.rac.ca/morseprog.htm.--RAC

* Vera M. Tallman, K4ICA, SK: Vera Mayree Tallman, K4ICA, of Mt Pleasant, Tennessee, died June 19, 2001. She was 99. Tallman was founder and past president of YL International SSBers (http://www.qsl.net/yl-issb/). She also was a nurse and one of the first airline stewardesses for American Airlines in Little Rock, Arkansas. A service was held June 23 in Mt Pleasant. Her son and a sister are among her survivors.--thanks to Bob Brown, KS4TD; The Daily Herald

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* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio Club: Send e-mail to majordomo@... (no subject needed). The body of the message should say "subscribe letter-list" to subscribe or "unsubscribe letter-list" to unsubscribe. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)

262. Happy Birthday - VU2VPQ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-03 08:13:36 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 262 Message: 262

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its Founder Member Zarir Vesuna [VU2VPQ] a very happy birthday

263. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2VPQ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-03 18:44:57 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 262 Message: 263

hahahahahahahahaa
wheres the party
how come nlf
no party

Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com.

264. Hi from VUCCH

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-03 17:56:20 UTC
From: Rohit Arora
Topic: 264 Message: 264

Hi to all my ham friends,

Belated birthday wishes to VPQ

Reminding Jayprakash for the receipt .

265. Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-05 14:50:28 UTC
From: vu2nlf@bol.net.in
Topic: 191 Message: 265

dear Members,

The monthly meeting for July 2001 shall be held on 8th July 2001
at 10:00 am at Shishu Vihar School, Opp King George School, Dadar(E).
All members are requested to attend the same.

All members who have not paid their membership fees for 2001-2002 are
requested to bring their fees along with them.

A Another Scrammble Team (Simulated Disaster Communication Exercise)
will be held on 21/22 July 2001 (sat/Sun). Priliminary Briefing will
be conducted along with the Monthly Meeting. (Hint: This exercise
will be mostly digital and working Satellites) Interesting..!!!

73s
NLF.

266. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 27

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-07 05:23:17 UTC
From: M.A.R.S
Topic: 266 Message: 266

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==>AMATEUR LF SIGNAL SPANS THE PACIFIC!

A signal transmitted on 184 kHz from ZL6QH--the Wellington, New Zealand,
Amateur Radio Club's Quartz Hill station--has spanned the Pacific. The
transmission, part of a series of announced transpacific tests, was received
on June 30 by Steve McDonald, VE7SL, of British Columbia, Canada.

"A claim is made for the confirmed reception of ZL6QH by VE7SL, on 184.4
kHz, over a path of 11,709 km," said Bob Vernall ZL2CA, who organized the
transpacific tests. "This is a one-way confirmation, as VE7SL does not have
transmitting capability." Vernall said that on June 30, seven New Zealand
stations--including ZL6QH--and one Australian transmitted test signals in
the 160-190 kHz band for the transpacific tests. Amateurs in New Zealand
have access to that band.
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Reception of weak LF signals typically is done using spectrographic software. McDonald used Argo software to capture the ZL6QH signal and very likely that of ZL4OL, although no claim was being made for the latter. The reception occurred right around the time of sunrise in British Columbia.

ZL6QH was transmitting dual-frequency CW with two-minute elements, one frequency representing dits, the other dahs. The ZL6QH station was running approximately 100 W into a longwire antenna.

Amateurs spanned the Atlantic in both directions earlier this year on 136 kHz. Efforts to make it across the Pacific on LF have been under way during the winter season in the Southern Hemisphere.

The ARRL has petitioned the FCC to authorize Amateur Radio allocations at 136 kHz and in the 160-190 kHz band. The petition is pending.

==>ASTRONAUT GREETS PARENTS DURING NEW MEXICO ARISS QSO

Astronaut Susan Helms, KC7NHZ, briefly greeted her parents via Amateur Radio June 27 before answering questions posed by youngsters visiting the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science in Albuquerque. The contact was arranged at Helms' request by the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station--or ARISS--program.

"Hi, Mom, hi Dad!" Helms said to her parents, before turning to the youngsters' questions. Patrick and Doris Helms live in Albuquerque and serve as volunteers at the museum.

It took several calls to raise Helms at the NA1SS mike aboard the ISS. Once contact was established, however, she reported being able to hear the Earth station's calls for two or three minutes before NA1SS was heard on the ground. Jerry Schmitt, KK5YY, who set up the Earth station, said part of the museum building was in the signal path. Joe Huffman, KG5GM--also a museum volunteer--was at the mike of the Earth station to establish the initial contact.

Seven third, fourth and fifth-graders--all enrolled in the museum's Space and Astronomy Day Camp--stood by with their questions in hand. Given the tardy start and a mid-QSO change in frequency, not all youngsters had a chance to ask their questions, however. Elementary pupils from a nearby school also were on hand as visitors.

Helms told the youngsters that music sounds the same in space and that the view from the ISS is "a spectacular sight," with the blue Earth and white cloud cover surrounded by a layer of air--although space, by contrast, is "absolutely dark, absolutely black," she said. The astronauts are able to spot large physical features on Earth, she said. "You can see the Grand Canyon and the Great Wall of China with no problem."

Schmitt, an engineer with Los Alamos National Labs, answered youngsters' questions following the contact. Jim Baremore, K5QQ, Brian Mileshosky, N5ZGT, and Paul Henckel, KA5H, assisted in the contact.

Helms also took the mike as RS0ISS on July 4 to speak with students at the St Petersburg, Russia, Junior Technical Centre, RZ1AWO. This marked the first European school contact arranged under ARISS. "It was really successful," said earthbound chief operator Boris Kirshenblat, UA1AAF. Two young hams were among the students asking questions.

For more information on the ARISS program, visit the ARISS Web site, <http://ariss.nasa.gov>.

==>AO-40 ACHIEVES A NEW ORBIT

AO-40 now is in a new orbit. Recent efforts to raise the satellite's orbit at perigee--its point closest to Earth--were somewhat more successful than originally anticipated. Ground controllers had planned to lift the perigee from 280 km to around 500 km. Successive firings of cold arcjet ammonia fuel resulted in an orbit that's 851 km at perigee, however.

"Indeed, the good news is that AO-40 is now in a safe and stable orbit!" said AMSAT-DL President Peter Guelzow, DB2OS, on behalf of the AO-40 team. "The bad news: All 53 kg of ammonia probably has been used up." This means further orbital adjustments--at least using the arcjet--are unlikely. Guelzow said ammonia stopped flowing after orbit 302, "and the pressure indicators in the telemetry show no more pressure in the motor and in the ammonia tanks, while the perigee clearly is higher than anticipated."

AO-40's height at apogee--58,971 km--was unchanged by the orbital adjustment.

Guelzow said stored telemetry was being downloaded and analyzed. Shut down prior to the start of the orbital adjustment, AO-40's transponders remain off the air. They will stay off as ground controllers adjust the satellite's attitude using on-board magnetorquing.

AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, has said it's hoped that a slightly higher perigee for AO-40 will eliminate the effects of what he described as "a mysterious force" that alters the satellite's attitude when it comes through perigee. One theory, he said, is that atmospheric expansion caused by the current sunspot cycle peak was influencing the satellite's orbit in some way. The higher perigee should eliminate any atmospheric impact.

For more information on AO-40, visit the AMSAT-DL Web site, <http://www.amsat-dl.org/> or the AMSAT-NA Web site, <http://www.amsat.org>.--thanks to AMSAT News Service

==>2001 ARRL/TAPR DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE SET

The 20th ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference will be held September 21-23 in Cincinnati. The annual gathering provides an international forum for radio amateurs involved in digital communication, networking, and related technologies to meet, publish their work, and present new ideas and techniques for discussion.

Papers are invited for publication in the conference Proceedings. Presentation at the conference is not required for publication. Submit papers by August 6 to Maty Weinberg, KB1EIB, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111 or via the Internet to lweinberg@.... Paper submission guidelines are available on the TAPR Web site, <http://www.tapr.org/dcc>.

The DCC is for digitally oriented amateurs of all experience levels to exchange ideas and learn about recent hardware and software advances, theories, experimental results, and practical applications. Sessions at the beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels will be offered in selected areas of digital communication. For those interested in attending only a session or two, registration for the conference is not required.

This year's fifth annual Automated Position Reporting System (APRS) National Symposium will be an all-day Friday event moderated by Steve Dimse, K4HG--the developer of javAPRS and www.findu.com.

Conference presentations, meetings, and seminars will be held at the Holiday Inn Cincinnati--Airport and Conference Center <http://www.basshotels.com/hotels/cvgap>; 859-371-2233. A special DCC room rate of $89/ (single or double) per night is available until September 1.

Conference registration includes the conference Proceedings, sessions, meetings, and lunch on Saturday. Registrations received before September 1 are $45. After September 1 or at the door, registration is $55. The Friday APRS National Symposium is $25; the Saturday banquet is $30; the Sunday seminar is $20.

Full information is available from Tucson Amateur Packet Radio <http://www.tapr.org> ; 940-383-0000; e-mail: tapr@....

==>"MISTER GUITAR," CHET ATKINS, W4CGP, SK

Guitar picker, music legend and Amateur Radio operator Chester B. "Chet" Atkins, W4CGP, of Nashville, Tennessee, died June 30. He was 77. Atkins reportedly died of cancer complications. Known as "Mister Guitar," Atkins--from East Tennessee--began his musical career in the 1930s playing fiddle. He earned his reputation as a guitarist, however, and went on to become the most-recorded solo instrumental musician in history.

Formerly WA4CZD, Atkins, a General licensee, in 1998 obtained the vanity call sign W4CGP--"certified guitar picker." He was an ARRL member. He won 14 Grammy awards during his career and was elevated to the Country Music Hall of Fame in 1973. He was presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award in 1993 by the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences in part to recognize his guitar-picking technique as well as his wide influence on music. He had more than 100 albums to his credit.

In addition to his own success as a performer, Atkins helped launch the careers of other notable performers. He is given primary credit for developing the uptown "Nashville Sound" that helped country music to compete with pop music.

In his later years of performing, he sometimes paired up with musicians from the pop and jazz worlds and was a frequent guest on the radio program "A Prairie Home Companion."

A funeral service for Chet Atkins was held July 3 in Nashville's Ryman Auditorium, which formerly served as the home of The Grand Ole Opry where Atkins performed for many years.

More information on Chet Atkins is on the Chet Atkins, Mister Guitar Web site <http://www.misterguitar.com/index.html>.

==>KC8BFD IS NEWSLINE'S 2001 YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR

Patrick Clark, KC8BFD, a 17-year-old ARRL member from Elkview, West Virginia, has been named the 2001 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year. Award Administrator Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, says Clark is heavily involved in public service, emergency communications and youth recruitment.

The Young Ham of the Year Award is jointly sponsored by Pasternak's Los Angeles-based Amateur Radio Newsline, Vertex Standard USA (Yaesu) and CQ magazine. The award is presented each year to a radio amateur 18 or younger who has provided outstanding service nationally or locally or has contributed to the betterment of the state of the art in communication through Amateur Radio.

A licensee since age 10, Clark comes from an all-ham family. His father, Jeff, and mother, Tina, are K8JAC and N8TSY respectively; his sister, Erin, is KC8PZZ. Patrick Clark has been involved in emergency service work from the day his ham radio ticket arrived in the mail. He was among amateurs who responded in the wake of the West Virginia Field Day floods of 1998--when the annual emergency preparedness drill turned into the real thing as the skies unexpectedly opened up.

In addition to his Amateur Radio Emergency Service activities, KC8BFD is also a certified severe weather spotter with SKYWARN. Clark has twice spoken at the Dayton Hamvention Youth Forum, and he promotes Amateur Radio to other youngsters through personal appearances.

Among those supporting Patrick Clark's nomination was ARRL West Virginia Section Emergency Coordinator Morris "Mac" McMillian, W8XF. "I have always been able to rely on Patrick's ability to think on his feet in a drill or actual ARES activation," McMillian said, adding that he believes that the future of ham radio is in good hands with amateurs like Patrick Clark, KC8BFD.

The 2001 Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award will be presented on Saturday, August 18, at the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville, Alabama. As Young Ham of the Year, Patrick Clark will receive--courtesy of Vertex Standard USA--an expense-paid trip to the 2001 Huntsville Hamfest, along with a gift of Yaesu ham radio equipment. CQ magazine will treat Clark to an expense-paid week at Spacecamp Huntsville and other gifts. Amateur Radio Newsline will present a commemorative plaque at the award ceremony.

For more information, visit <http://www.arnewsline.org/> .--Amateur Radio Newsline press release

==>ARRL MEMBER TOPS FIELD IN WORLDWIDE DESIGN COMPETITION

ARRL member Indranil "Kitchu" Majumdar, VU2KFR, of Calcutta, India, is the overall winner of the Texas Instruments Analog Design Challenge <http:www.ti.com/sc/analogdesignchallenge>. The competition carries a $100,000 top prize. An independent panel judged Majumdar to be the overall winner as well as the winner for Asia.

A member of the Calcutta VHF Amateur Radio Society, Majumdar won the top prize for designing a railway collision-avoidance system. His design incorporated a variety of Texas Instruments' power-management, interface, RF, logic and microcontroller products. The TI competition called on engineers to come up with real-world designs that utilized Texas Instruments devices.

Texas Instruments said that Majumdar's Railway Collision Avoidance System 2001, or RACAS, "uses paired digital transponders for radio ranging and quasi-packet connectivity."

Licensed since 1984, Majumdar is a founding member of the Calcutta VHF Amateur Radio Society and a life member. He's been an ARRL member since 1989. He's also a member of the Amateur Radio Society of India and of IEEE.

Majumdar was active during the Orissa cyclone disaster operation in 1999 and took part in the Sagar mobile operation last year (see "Sagar 2000: Public Service in India," QST, May 2001, written by Kitchu's brother, Nilanjan "Horey" Majumdar, VU2HFR). In addition to public service and VHF and satellite activities, he's an avid DXer and HF CW, PSK31, and digital-mode operator.--thanks to CVARS

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar sage Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: It has been a quiet week. There were no active or disturbed days, and solar activity declined. Average daily solar flux, compared the past week to the previous, declined over 51 points and average sunspot numbers were down more than 86 points.

Activity will probably reach a short-term minimum on Friday and Saturday, when solar flux is around 115, then it is expected to rise back to 130 by July 10, and near 200 around July 13-20. No increased geomagnetic activity is forecast, but the emergence of new sunspots could change that.

With summer here, MUF (Maximum Usable Frequency) is depressed. About the only openings on 10 meters are E-layer skip, which is somewhat sporadic and doesn't offer the longer distances of F layer communications. Twenty meters is open well into the night.

Sunspot numbers for June 28 through July 4 were 143, 98, 115, 108, 130, 132 and 106, with a mean of 118.9. The 10.7-cm flux was 140.2, 139.9, 136.6, 135.4, 134.3, 131.9 and 127, with a mean of 135. Estimated planetary A

indices were 5, 7, 10, 12, 8, 9 and 8 with a mean of 8.4.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The annual run of The Great Circus Train (W9D) with operation on 7.240 or 14.240 plus 146.55 MHz FM simplex (details at http://www.bsss.org) and the Venezuelan Independence Day Contest (SSB) are the weekend of July 7-8. JUST AHEAD: The IARU HF World Championship, the FISTS Summer Sprint, the CQ Worldwide VHF Contest and the QRP ARCI Summer Homebrew Sprint are the weekend of July 14-15. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html> for more info.

* ARRL Audio News shifts to single audio format: Starting with the July 6 edition, ARRL Audio News will be available only in MP3 format, which is compatible with currently available media software, including RealPlayer. ARRL Audio News will continue to be available for playback directly from the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/audio> or for downloading as an MP3 file. ARRL Audio News--a weekly Amateur Radio newscast--is available for personal or repeater playback without charge or special permission. ARRL Audio News will remain available as a dial-up telephone service at 860-594-0384. ARRL Senior News Editor Rick Lindquist, N1RL, produces the program. He said the change to MP3-only will mean consistently superior audio quality and eliminate the duplication of effort involved with producing the newscast in two audio formats.

* Outgoing QSL Service tops one million cards for 2001: The ARRL's Outgoing QSL Service Manager Martin Cook, N1FOC, reports that as of June 29, 2001, the service had shipped 1,041,316 QSL cards. This includes cards going to US incoming bureaus and cards sorted and mailed by contractor. "This is an increase of 135,456--15%--more cards than we had mailed at this time last year," Cook said. The Outgoing QSL Service handled 1,868,895 cards in 2000. For more information, visit the ARRL Outgoing QSL Service Web site, <http://www.arrl.org/qsl/qslout.html>.

* New York cell phone law does not apply to Amateur Radio: The widely reported New York bill banning the use of hand-held cell phone while driving should have no affect on Amateur Radio mobile operation, according to ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD. "There is no ambiguity in the bill," he said. The bill, A.9280, was signed into law recently by Gov George Pataki, a former amateur. It requires cell phone users to use hands-free devices when calling. The measure specifies "mobile telephone" use, and defines a "mobile telephone" as a device used by subscribers to a wireless telephone service. That, in turn, is defined to specify a commercial two-way wireless telecommunications service that accesses the public switched telephone network. The bill also specifies "using" as holding the mobile telephone "to, or in the immediate proximity of, the user's ear." The new law will be phased in starting November 1. It calls for fines of up to $100. The measure also calls upon the New York Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to study the effects of the use of mobile telephones "and similar equipment" in

conjunction with the operation of a motor vehicle and report back to the legislature in four years. The full text of the measure is available on the New York legislature's Web site <http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?bn=A09280&sh=t> . A similar measure requiring hands-free cellular telephones recently passed the Rhode Island legislature.

* Museum ship special event set for July 21-22: Amateur Radio stations aboard or associated with some 60 historic vessels will be on the air July 21-22 for the annual museum ship special event. The yearly outing is sponsored by the USS Salem Radio Club, K1USN, in Quincy, Massachusetts. Warships, submarines and various motorized vessels from WW II and earlier from the US and elsewhere will be on the air. All have a history and a story to tell. A certificate is available. Visit the USS Salem Web page <http://www.qsl.net/k1usn/event.html> for a list of participating ships, operating frequencies and certificate information.

* New York amateur antenna bill a step closer to passage: ARRL Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, says that New York's Amateur Radio antenna bill, Assembly Bill 1565, has been reported out of the Ways and Means Committee. Both A. 1565 and the companion bill, S. 2893, are in the Rules Committee, where they can immediately be brought to the floor before the 2001 session ends. Fallon says the legislative session resumes July 10. "The good news is that it's not over yet, but the bad news is that we have to continue to make the telephone calls, write the letters and send the e-mails," Fallon said. "We need to continue pushing for action on the bills." Fallon urged New York hams to continue sending the same message to Albany, "Please enact the Amateur Radio legislation." He said Senate Majority Leader Joe Bruno <bruno@...>, House Speaker Sheldon Silver <speaker@assembly.state.ny.us> and Gov George Pataki <gov.pataki@...>--a former ham (K2ZCZ) and a current ARRL member--each have the power to bring these bills to the floor for a vote. "We need to ask them to do so, now." Additional information on how to contact key lawmakers is available on the Hudson Division Web site, <http://www.arrlhudson.org>. "You may want to send QSL cards this time around," Fallon said. "The governor knows what they are."

* Ten-Tec solicits comments on pending transceiver: Ten-Tec is looking for comments and suggestions from the amateur community on its proposed Model 516 "IF-DSP" low-power (variable from 1-5 W) HF transceiver--a general coverage, software-defined radio. The rig is expected to be on the street by next January at a price under $600. It will offer CW, SSB and FM and AM and 38 DSP filters from 200 Hz to 8 kHz. Because of its software-defined design, Ten-Tec will be able to incorporate changes much later in its production schedule than typically is possible with discrete-component design. Ten-Tec says almost all functions and features are stored in flash ROM. To add new features, users will download the latest software version from the Ten-Tec Web site. Ten-Tec invites suggestions for features to be incorporated in the new radio via e-mail, sales@.... Details on the transceiver are available on the Ten-Tec Web site, <http://www.tentec.com/TT516.htm>.

* July is IOTA Month: DXers who participate in the IOTA (Islands On The Air) program, sponsored by the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB), know that July is IOTA Month. This is quite possibly the best month to work a new one, because so many people in the Northern Hemisphere go on IOTA DXpeditions at this time of year, especially during the RSGB IOTA Contest the last full weekend of the month. If you are just starting out in this DX award program you can easily work your first 100 IOTA counters and some of the more serious operators can work well over 200. This year's contest will be held on the weekend of July 28-29. For more information on IOTA, visit the RSGB's Islands on the Air Web site, <http://www.rsgbiota.org/>.

* French RAC Web site to close: Radio Amateurs of Canada has announced that it's closing "with regret" its French-language Web site. RAC said it attempted in vain for more than a year to find a volunteer with the time and skills to manage the French language pages on the RAC Web site. "Much of the information is no longer current, and we have therefore reluctantly decided that as of June 30 we will close down the French pages and replace them with links to other francophone sites," an RAC announcement said. "We apologize to those of our members who make use of our services in the French language." The RAC Web site is at <http://www.rac.ca>.--RAC

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267. Happy Birthday - M.A.R.S

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-07 07:03:01 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 267 Message: 267

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S has completed 1st successfully. We look forward to many many more sucessful years to come and may our family grow with Prosperity.

268. let celebrate.how about a MARS PARTY .....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-07 18:58:25 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 268 Message: 268

FRIENDS ,ROMANS , COUNTRYMEN AND RADIOMEN ,

LEND ME YOUR EARS and only your ears.

LETS NOT JUST WISH EACH OTHER ON THE COMPLETION OF 1 YEAR OF M.A.R.S.

LETS CELEBRATE IT WITH A PARTY at VANGAM.(the land of mist and masti)

NO RADIOS NO ANTENNA'S NO DIPOLES NO NOTHING JUST PLAIN party

REMEBER ALL WORK AND NO PLAY MAKE RADIO MEN ,BORING

SO IF YOU SUPPORT THIS IDEA ....CALL NLF AT ONCE (tel no.3866312)

AND ASK HIM FOR PERMISSION. (haha leave the rest to me)

"hai koi jawab"

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269. Fwd: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - M.A.R.S

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-07 16:18:03 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 269 Message: 269
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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270. Re: [m_a_r_s] let celebrate.how about a MARS PARTY .....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-07 16:19:19 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 268 Message: 270

Great Idea....

Mehul.

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271. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-07 17:03:44 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 271 Message: 271

hi

The Arrl Handbook cd is available with pankaj pasad for rs 200/-
pls ctc him for the same tel no:388502/7

Huzefa

272. Re: [m_a_r_s]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-09 06:18:49 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 272 Message: 272

lets not try to make money from Ham Radio.
----- Original Message -----
From: Huzefa
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, July 07, 2001 10:33 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s]

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273. Re: [m_a_r_s]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-09 06:48:06 UTC
From: Jayesh Kharwar
Topic: 273 Message: 273

I think he is just trying to recover the cost of burning the CD which seems justified. In any case ethically NO copies of the CD should be made.

VU2ESP

vu2nlf wrote:

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274. Re: [m_a_r_s] let celebrate.how about a MARS PARTY .....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-10 04:17:17 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 268 Message: 274

hi Hamara jawab hai yes - lock kardo. Bye 73's vu2jpn On Sat, 07 July 2001, mehul2k@... wrote: > > > > Great Idea....
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275. Welcome Sumeet Bal, Milind Mokashi, Dhaval patel, Ajay Solanki.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-21 11:41:56 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 275 Message: 275

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

The following Hams have joined our Society,

Sumeet Bal [s.w.l awaiting his ticket]
Milind Mokashi [vu2moo]
Dhaval Patel [vu3sob]
Ajay Solanki [vu2pao]

M.A.R.S welcomes them and invites to participate in all our forthcoming programs.

73s
NLF.

276. Re: [m_a_r_s] Welcome Sumeet Bal, Milind Mokashi, Dhaval patel, Ajay Solanki.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-21 19:16:57 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 275 Message: 276

welcome aboard pals
join the team
lots of love zy

ZYROS ZEND
FORTUNE COOKIE INDIA
300,CAWASJI HORMASJI STREET
DHOBI TALAO
MUMBAI.
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MOBILE. 9821025289

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277. Happy Birthday - VU3OAM.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-22 09:53:22 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 277 Message: 277

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its members Sudhir Kalkar [VU3OAM] a very happy Birthday.

278. Oath for Scramble Team

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-22 11:09:34 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 278 Message: 278

I Huzefa Merchant solemnly swear that I will be available for disaster communication at all times
I shall also attend all the scramble team exercise with out fail.

73s
VU2HIT

279. Re: [m_a_r_s] Oath for Scramble Team

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-23 11:08:28 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 278 Message: 279

KYA BAAT HAI HUZEFA..!!

----- Original Message -----
From: Huzefa
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, July 22, 2001 4:39 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Oath for Scramble Team

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280. Re: [m_a_r_s] Oath for Scramble Team

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-24 10:16:22 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 278 Message: 280

HEY HIT YOU SURE HIT THE HAMMER ON THE NAIL
GOOD SHOW
THERE ARE ALWAYS THE LEADERS ....

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281. Re: [m_a_r_s] Oath for Scramble Team

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-24 11:53:21 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 278 Message: 281

Excellent HIT!!!!!!! True be the Leaders.Keep up the Spirit.

>From: "Huzefa" <vu2hit@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Oath for Scramble Team
>Date: Sun, 22 Jul 2001 16:39:34 +0530
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282. Oath for Scramble team.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-24 17:25:35 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 282 Message: 282

FRIENDS ,ROMANS, COUNTRYMEN AND RADIOMEN ,

LEND ME YOUR EARS.

HUFEZA IS NOT THE ONLY ONE WITH GUTS AND COMMITMENT,

I ZYROS ZEND also solemnly swear that I will be available for disaster communication at all times

DISASTER COMMUNICATION TAKES THE CAKE & BREAD, SO LETS PARTY GUYS..!!

VU2ZRS.

283. Re: [m_a_r_s] Oath for being on the air

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-29 03:39:44 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 283 Message: 283

Dear Radiomens only

Declaring yourself for DMP plan is excellent also swear that we will be on the air DAILY.

73's

See you all on the air

VU2JPN

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284. Re: [m_a_r_s] Oath for being on the air

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-30 03:51:03 UTC
From: perviz
Topic: 283 Message: 284

bravo, J.P.

Vispi.

At 04:39 AM 7/29/01 +0100, you wrote:
> Dear Radiomens only
>
>Declaring yourself for DMP plan is excellent also swear that we will be on
the air DAILY.
>
>73's
>
>See you all on the air
>
>VU2JPN
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>
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285. Re: [m_a_r_s] Oath for Scramble team.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-30 12:38:59 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 282 Message: 285

Wah kya baat hain ZYROS-VU3SOB

>From: "ZYROS ZEND" <zzend@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Oath for Scramble team.
>Date: Tue, 24 Jul 2001 22:55:35 +0530
>
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>VU2ZRS.
>

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286. fw: Fwd: [VUHams] CW speed reduced!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-31 05:19:03 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 286 Message: 286

NLF/UGJ/UGO/JPN & Co.,

Please see if it's going to be applicable to students who appeared for exam on last Sunday!!

73's
de Prashant,VU2CBU (formerly VU3PDZ)
> ** Original Subject: fw: Fwd: [VUHams] CW speed reduced!
> ** Original Sender: "Prashant Koli" <prats2000@...>
> ** Original Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2001 10:20:23 +0530

> ** Original Message follows...

>>From: "Jose Jacob, India" <vu2jos@...>
> >Reply-To: vuhams@yahoogroups.com
> >To: vuhams@yahoogroups.com
> >Subject: [VUHams] CW speed reduced!
> >Date: Mon, 30 Jul 2001 17:28:22 -0700 (PDT)
> >
> >
> > Friends,
> >
> >
> >AIR Net India reports that the Morse speed test for
> >Indian Amateurs (Grade 1) has been reduced to 8 words
> >per minute from 12 wpm.
> >
> >In many other countries it has been reduced to 5 wpm.
> >
> >=====
> >73 de
> >
> > Jose Jacob, VU2JOS
> > National Institute of Amateur Radio
> > Box 1555, Somajiguda, Hyderabad 500082, INDIA
> > Telfax 91-40-3310287
> > www.bcdx.qrzindia.net www.niar.org
> >
> >_____
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>** --------- End Original Message ----------- **

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287. Disaster Communication Field team / base team.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-31 06:58:50 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 287 Message: 287

Dear Friends,

During the Gujrat earthquake Disaster, Hams have done a great job Specially MARS hams on Field and at base in Mumbai.

This has brought a lot of attention to Ham Radio, Specially because of the Press coverages. Many of NGOs and Govt Organisations have approched us to tie up with them for preparedness of possible future disasters.

So far we have not tied up with any of the NGOs or Govt organisations, But sooner or later we need to tie up with some of them for the following reasons.

1. Financial Aids.
2. Fast Transportation to the Disaster Area.
3. Proper utilization of our services.
4. Systematic planning and coordination for optimum results.

In order to tie up with any orgainsation we need to first evaluate our strength (Man Power). We need to have a clear picture for commitment.

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All members interested can give choice (field or base) to me (NLF) A.S.A.P. This will help in evaluating our strength and speed up the process of tieups with the NGOs and the Govt.

73s
NLF

288. Re: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-31 08:05:23 UTC
From: Jayesh Kharwar
Topic: 287 Message: 288
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear NLF,

Count me in for the Base Team

73's

VU2ESP

vu2nlf wrote:

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> NGOs and the Govt. 73sNLF
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289. Re: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-31 10:19:47 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 287 Message: 289

hi NLF!!!

add my name to the Field Team

73s,
UGO

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2001 12:28 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.

290. Re: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-31 12:10:45 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 287 Message: 290

Base station.
Thanks

>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>
>Dear Friends,
>
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291. Re: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-31 23:15:18 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 287 Message: 291

>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.
>Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2001 12:28:50 +0530
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>A.S.A.P. This will help in evaluating our strength and speed up the process
>of tieups with the NGOs and the Govt.
>
>73s
>NLF
>

hello freinds

nothing like to operate from luxury of your own shack at your place ,
and being part of gujrat earthquake team,
if god forbid anything disasterous occuring again , put me in any place ,
base/field , am ever willing to participate

73s
vu2ugj

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292. Re: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-31 16:23:01 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 287 Message: 292

hi NLF!!!

add my name to the Field Team

73s,
HIT

293. Disaster management

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-07-31 16:48:49 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 293 Message: 293

Hi Nilesh,

Count me in for Bombay team.
VU2 NFS

294. Re: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-01 17:45:43 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 287 Message: 294

dear nlf
base team for me.
thnank you
zrs

ZYROS ZEND
FORTUNE COOKIE INDIA
300,CAWASJI HORMASJI STREET
DHOBI TALAO
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295. Ganesh Visarjan.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-02 07:17:52 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 295 Message: 295

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The Ganesh Visarjan this year is on 1st September 2001. The past records reflect that we have maximum
participation in this event, most of our members volunteer to offer their communication support during this event. Lets hope that we can more number of participents this year.

Mr. P.V.Jaiprakash [VU2JPN] shall be handling the affairs of this event, all members interested to participate may contact JPN on 5244784 at the earliest. This will help him to plan & co ordinate with the concern NGOs and Govt Authorities.

73s
NLF.

296. RE: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-03 13:42:05 UTC
From: Rajen Kavadia
Topic: 287 Message: 296

Dear Nilesh
I send my first e-mail to the e-group.
Your approach is most appropriate for Ham Radio related Disaster Management preparation.
As for me, I?m available for both locations - field / base. We would be able to decide suitable use of oneself with discussions and prior planning
Regards
Rajen

-----Original Message-----
From: vu2nlf [mailto:vu2nlf@...]
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2001 12:29
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.

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297. Re: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-04 18:34:36 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 287 Message: 297

hi nlf,
add me anywhere in field/base team.
73,s
sob

>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.
>Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2001 12:28:50 +0530
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>NLF
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298. Re: DMP plan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-05 04:07:11 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 298 Message: 298

Dear Nilesh

I am there for Field team.

We have good crowd now to co-ordinate from Mumbai.

Field locations require more hams.

73's

jpn

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299. Assistance in preparation for Ganesh Visarjan.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-07 16:20:41 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 299 Message: 299

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

Ganesh Visarjan is probably the most popular event, reason best known to you all. Maximum Members participate in this event
VU2JPN is handling the affairs this year. vu2jpn@...

I now request all the members to kindly inform about your participation to him [ASAP] and also extend your assistance in preparation of this mega event.

I also request all the SWL's to take this oportunity and participate in this event, which I am sure will give them a very good exposure to our wonderful hobby.

Please note this year we are offering our services to many Govt & Non Govt Organisations. Hence we require as many hands as possible.

73s
NLF

300. Renewal of Licences and Photo copy of licences.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-07 16:20:52 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 300 Message: 300

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

I regret to inform you that inspite of repeated reminder in past most of the members have not submited the photocopy of their licence to the society. This is required for mainly to reasons
(1) For application for mobile Licences when you participate in any outdoor event of Ham Radio.
(2) To remind you for renewal and assist you in getting your renewals.

Listed below are the callsigns who have not submitted their photocopy and some have already expired by my records.

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VU2LNZ
VU2RIO - EXP
VU2RIG - EXP
VU2NFS - EXP
VU2AUU
VU2VPQ - EXP
VU3AUA
VU2HIT - EXP
VU2OUT ??
VU2JYO
VU2ESP ??
VU2LIB - EXP
VU2REK ??
VU2IIA
VU2CBU
VU2CBV
VU3MBF - EXP
VU3KPL
VU2QIJ - EXP
VU3ITT
VU3SOB
VU2VRB
VU2UNO - EXP
VU3PAN
VU2NNF
VU2PTM ??
VU2HEC
VU2CCH
VU2VVP
VU2VVJ
VU3KUN - EXP

VU2MOO - ??

ALL THE ABOVE CALLSIGN HOLDERS ARE REQUESTED TO SEND THEIR LICENCE PHOTOCOPY AT THE SOCIETY'S
REGD ADDRESS AT THE EARLIEST.

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY.
15/60, MATRU MANDIR,278,TARDEO ROAD, MUMBAI - 400 007.

All members whos licences have already expired and requires assistance may contact VU2UGJ on 98200 -34431 or mail at
tomchi21@... urgently.

73s
NLF.

301. RE: Ganesh Visarjan .

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-08 05:18:32 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 301 Message: 301

Dear Friends

For Ganpathy Visarjan Programme I have received only 50percent of Mars-inans confirmation.

We still require more people to volunteer the event. Those who have not yet confirmed, pls email at vu2jpn@... or give me LL on 5244784 about their decision.

73's

VU2JPN

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302. Fw: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-08 04:00:43 UTC
From: PRAVIN
Topic: 302 Message: 302

----- Original Message -----
From: PRAVIN
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2001 9:05 AM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.

DEAR NLF

PLEASE DO COUNT ME FOR THE BASE TEAM.

73 de VU3PAN
PRAVIN
----- Original Message -----
From: Jayesh Kharwar
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2001 1:35 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Field team / base team.

Dear NLF,
Count me in for the Base Team

73's

VU2ESP

vu2nlf wrote:

Dear Friends, During the Gujrat earthquake Disaster, Hams have done a great job Specially MARS hams on Field and at base in Mumbai. This has brought a lot of attention to Ham Radio, Specially because of the Press coverages. Many of NGOs and Govt Organisations have approched us to tie up with them for preparedness of possible future disasters. So far we have not tied up with any of the NGOs or Govt organisations, But sooner or later we need to tie up with some of them for the following reasons. 1. Financial Aids.2. Fast Transportation to the Disaster Area.3. Proper utilization of our services.4. Systematic planning and coordination for optimum results. In order to tie up with any orgainsation we need to first evaluate our strength (Man Power). We need to have a clear picture for commitment. We have learnt a lot from the gujrat Disaster. There were many flaws in planning and prepareness. But Most importantly The Base was not properly coordinated. On one hand VU2RIG from his QTH and VU2ZRS & VU2GT from Mantralaya did a great job, othersfelt left out and could not contribute to the cause. It is quite obvious that not everybody can venture into the fields during the disaster, but they would surely like to contribute from Mumbai. In Future We Shall require many many hams working from Mumbai coordinating with the NGOs and Govt. We can have Specific assigned hams interacting with the NGOs and GOVT throughout the year and keep ourselves updated with the latest news. These specific Hams can then perform and provide the optimum service during the actual disaster. The Disaster Communication Teams with be in 2 parts, (1) The Field teams . (2) The base teams (Mumbai). This will be on permenent bases, even during the Simulated exercises, these Hams will work

from their assigned locations. (Field or base) such as Mumbai Hams will work from matralaya and other NGO locations, they will have to actually put up a station at their locations in Mumbai and field teams will work from the field. All members interested can give choice (field or base) to me (NLF) A.S.A.P. This will help in evaluating our strength and speed up the process of tieups with the NGOs and the Govt. 73sNLF

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303. XYL.....

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When the XYL Objects to Hamfest Buys
(KE5GK) (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KE5GK)on August 3, 2001
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Top Ten Responses When the XYL Objects to Your Hamfest Purchases
1. "I'm not afraid of the landlord."
2. "Kid's teeth braces are a ripoff."
3. "Your Mom ate that much during her last stay."
4. "I was mugged by a homeless ham."
5. "I saw a nice dress for you at Goodwill."
6. "The family needs to diet anyway."
7. "Just hang up when the repo calls start."
8. "I invested in our electronic future."
9. "You said not to pass up a good sale."
10."You can use it while I am at work."

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by WB0SED (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WB0SED) on August 3, 2001

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Having been there---This looks like a good
recipe for having more money available right
after the child support and alimoney stops!!!!

Lots of time for hamming then....

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8081)

by G3RZP (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/G3RZP) on August 3, 2001

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You could change the XYL.....However, going to a hamfest with my XYL usually means she finds something for me to buy. Last time it was a 2kW diesel generator......

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8082)

by KC4YLX (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC4YLX) on August 3, 2001

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Do like I did.
My wife got her ticket! I plan to go to a hamfest this Sunday, she said lets go Saturday and get a room, then we will be at the gates early and have more time to look! What more could I want! My wife is the BEST!

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8084)

by WB5TVI (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WB5TVI) on August 3, 2001

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My XYL Julie N5KRM just bought me a new Yaesu MARK 5 for my 50th birthday year. Hey, life is good and marriage is better.

73,
Don WB5TVI

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8085)

by K5NIC (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K5NIC) on August 3, 2001

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My wife has her ticket, and she goes to ham fests with me...

...to make sure I DON'T buy anything!

73 de K5NIC

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8086)

by AD7DB (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AD7DB) on August 3, 2001

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Avoid the problem in the first place.

DON'T GET MARRIED!

RE: When The XYL Objects To Hamfest Buys

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8087)

by KD5MAW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KD5MAW) on August 3, 2001

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We have a deal. She doesn't bitch when I buy radio gear and I don't bitch when she buys one of her stupid expensive rugs. Jeez, how can a rug possibly be worth a grand???

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8088)

by KG4JZV (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KG4JZV) on August 3, 2001

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My XYL (of two months) won't let me go to a hamfest by myself - she has this fear that she will come home one day and find a 40+ foot tower in the backyard - I just don't understand why she feels this way .

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8089)

by W5WNC (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W5WNC) on August 3, 2001

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Rub it in, Don :-)

My XYL is also supportive, but not *that* supportive.

73,
Lauren W5WNC

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8091)

by W9JCM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W9JCM) on August 3, 2001

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Why dont you just sell all those radios and antennas and get out of the little room you call a shack. See the world not talk to it. It got all to geeky for me. I just sold everything out except for my little 2 meter in the truck. Bought 2 motorcycles and loving it. Ham radio baa humbug there is not point to it for me anymore.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8092)

by N3GWZ (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N3GWZ) on August 3, 2001

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My wife surprised me with a TS-2000 for my birthday. She just let me sell the SGC that she got me 2 Christmas's to buy an FT-817. And, she just paid off my Vette. Treat 'em good, fellas!

73, Pat N3GWZ

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8095)

by KU4QD (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KU4QD) on August 3, 2001

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Pardon me! I am the YL in the house, and the guy I live with isn't a ham and doesn't understand or have interest in the hobby at all. More women are getting into this hobby, guys. Don't you think the subject is just a wee bit sexist? Hmmm?

73,
Caity

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8097)

by KC0KZA (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC0KZA) on August 3, 2001

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You should post a "top ten reasons I won't take the man-thing to a hamfest" list! ;)

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8099)

by W5LEW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W5LEW) on August 3, 2001

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A good tip I got from a fellow ham that I bought a two meter rig from at our last hamfest: "Tell her it cost $40.00" Matter of fact, tell her everything cost forty dollars. After a while, she'll catch on but she'll go along with the gag (hopefully!) At least it worked for me.

73,
Lew, W5LEW

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8100)

by WB4QNG (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WB4QNG) on August 3, 2001

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Be a MAN. If they don't like you digging up their flower garden to put up your 70ft tower, or they get upset because your ham shack overtook the spare bedroom then the kitchen and then the living room, or they complain because they have to ride in the back of the bed of the new pickup truck because your ham gear took over the passenger seat, tell them to get out. Who needs them anyway. That next contact is what it is all about. If they don't know that they don't deserve you anyway. I almost forgot it was the money she makes on her job that got you all that neat stuff. Any relationship is a give and take situation be it ham radio equipment or everything else. I found that while a $3,000 state of the art rig would have been nice my old HW101 got me enough wall paper to cover two or three rooms. The 100ft tower would have been great too but the wires worked. I would loved to have had a Corvette but the minivan-got me back and forth. Tell you what guys I would trade all my eqipment to have her back but the good Lord wanted her more then me. The key to it all is just make

sure you get a good one and it will all work out. And you are right KU4QD this is a very sexist question. 73 WB4QNG

RE: When The XYL Objects To Hamfest Buys

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8102)

by KM5EW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KM5EW) on August 4, 2001

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I know a ham that used the "It cost forty dollars" option a lot. It worked very well until by accident he left a receipt for a new dual-band mobile worth $400.00 on the table. The XYL found it, and all @#&⋆! broke loose.

Needless to say, the marriage ended soon after. But to be fair, she was a royal pain anyway. My XYL even said that!

No, I don't use the "forty-dollar" option; my XYL has her ticket and scours the magazines and tells me what HF beam to check out!!! (I love her!!!)

RE: When The XYL Objects To Hamfest Buys

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8106)

by AE7G (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AE7G) on August 4, 2001

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Honey. This is a collector's item which will increase in value; plus I get to use it and have fun AT HOME while its price goes up.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8107)

by KB9VSQ (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KB9VSQ) on August 4, 2001

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My wife saw the fun my son and I were having hamming it up and studied hard to become a Tech (a totally new field of study for her). She maxed the test and even though she said she just wanted to get the tech license had me stop on the way home to buy the books and code tape for the general exam.
Me thinks me is in trouble, she may very well beat me to an upgrade.
Since she is licensed now she understands and moderates and tolerates my purchases.
Love you KB9YOD
BTW a RN who can build an antenna from scratch (I showed her some soldering and brazing tricks), who could ask for more? And she has an interest in kits...

Brother, have you got issues!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8109)

Anonymous post on August 4, 2001

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Hoo boy, what an article. I really, seriously, hope this was supposed to be humour, and that you realize it's sick humour. This world has seen a dramatic rise in divorce rates and I think it's actually higher amongst hams than others. At least, I am seeing far more hams in my counseling practice that I did, say, ten years ago, despite claims that the ham population is declining.

Each of this person's responses is scary. First, because I have known hams who would have used any one of these ten items, and thought it was reasonable to do so. Secondly, because each one points out a very real problem in people in this hobby. I'm not a politically-correct type by any means; the writer had every right to write this. I just hope that most of us can tell how off-balance and socially dangerous a person is who believe any one of these excuses. Based on the hams I counsel and the ones I meet at clubs who really need counseling, I fear that most of the readers on this website won't "get it".

Ten problems that the original article writer has, based on his own ten list:

1) He's not financially successful enough to own a home, yet he's spending so much at hamfests that he's willing to create tension in his marriage.

2) He puts his hobby above the well-being of his children. Alternatively, he had children before he was mature enough to deserve to have him. some people should not breed.

3) He believes in the "your" versus "mine" approach to confronting issues. This, of course, creates a win-lose scenario, increasing tension and driving a rift between two people who, in theory, agreed to be team mates until death "do us part".

4) He treats his wife as if she's stupid. If he shows up at home with a new rig, is she really going to believe that a homeless ham mugger "gave" it to him in return for his wallet? Also, he shows sympathy for a group that has incredible political strength: the homeless. You ought to come down here to Sausolito to hear them wage fights for the right to sleep on the benches on the beach, instead of being asked to sleep on the benches in the park across the street. "This is the lifestyle we have chosen, and we're not about to give it up" is the quote in the newspapers. He expects his wife to be stupid enough to fall for this.

5) He expects his wife to adhere to the stereotype that she focuses on her looks. But then again, maybe he's shallow enough that he married a woman based on her looks. Further, he makes the assumption that she has desires based on material goods (dresses) just as he does (hamfest acquisitions).

6) He thinks it's OK to make decisions on behalf of other human beings. The family needs to diet? Wouldn't that be their decision, not his? Lots of hams are arrogant, but this is extreme.

7) More evidence of financial irresponsiblity. Whatever happened to "the amateur is balanced"?

8) He thinks that parroting the latest headline catch-phrase can cover his irresponsible spending habits.

9) He believes in using a person's words against them. Sort of a mercenary soldier attitude.

10) Sort of a repeat of number 6, he thinks it's OK to choose what a person will do for entertainment.

My wife is not a ham. She took a ham class, because she was interested in emergency preparedness, but she becamse dreadfully bored with radio theory and rules & regs (note to the anti-cw crowd: she thought CW was very cool and was up to 20wpm in four weeks using SuperMorse). So she never took the test. She does not understand my desire to chat with people in far away lands, but she accepts it willingly. That is because we have a good marriage. I do not need excuses to spend money at hamfests. I let her know what things I'm looking to buy and why, and what I'm willing to sell in order to get them. She even looks for things on eBay that I'm seeking and helps. This is the only way to fly, boys. Get rid of the old stereotypes, and you'll get rid of the old boundaries, and you'll have a lot more fun. Don't go to hamfests just meandering; go with a goal and do nothing else.

The guy who wrote this either has real issues with women, or has a sense of humour that's 20 years out of date. It isn't funny, in any case.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8110)

Anonymous post on August 4, 2001

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Based on the hams I meet and the pix I see on the 'net, number six applies mostly to the hamfest attendee.

How come so many hams are obese? No wonder the younger generation doesn't seek the hobby. They wouldn't want to be seen around the bellies that hang over the belts! Geez, I don't, for fear I'll become one!

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8111)

Anonymous post on August 4, 2001

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You are just a kid, skinny boy. Wait till you get into your forties, fifties and sixties. You will be just like one of us, whether you are a ham or not. Obeseness has nothing to do with the hobby of amateur radio.

RE: Brother, have you got issues!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8112)

Anonymous post on August 4, 2001

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You with the counseling practice, why don't you get a life and a sense of humor? Do you really think those 10 "excuses" are really used? I take this article as being tongue-in-cheek. I think most of the rest of those who replied do too.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8116)

Anonymous post on August 4, 2001

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First of all, never forget the old adage: "If mama ain't happy, ain't nobody happy."

I got my wife an expensive diamond anniversary ring early this year, so all hamfest purchases this year are "covered." Furthermore, after she let me buy the new Sea Ray last fall, anything I bring home from a hamfest would cost chump change by comparison.

Finally, judging from hamfest and ham club attendees I see, I think hams ARE more obese than the average population, for the same socio-economic distribution.

C'mon guys, get away from that rig and that computer. Join a health club/gym. Walk the golf course instead of riding, and take a 2 mile walk each day that you don't walk the course. If you weigh more than 10 pounds above what you weighed when you were 20, then shame on you.

RE: Brother, have you got issues!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8117)

Anonymous post on August 4, 2001

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>Based on the hams I counsel and the ones I meet at
>clubs who really need counseling, I fear that most of
>the readers on this website won't "get it".

It seems to me that you are the only one who didn't "get it". I think the only person on this site that needs counseling is the "counselor". For you to believe that this was a serious post and to go to the effort of writing a long and detailed analysis of a humorous post, clearly shows that you need some professional help. Good luck in getting a grasp on reality. Maybe its time for a vacation bud. You might try calling Dr. Laura. Ask her to help you find your sense of humor.

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Dr Laura, counciling and sense of humor

I'm pretty sure these three concepts don't belong together. Especially since Laura's doctoral degree is in physiology.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8121)

by W4MGY (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W4MGY) on August 4, 2001

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Hey Guys, I am the luckiest ham in the world! My XYL, Alice KG4FUP, has never objected to what I buy at Hamfests. She's got an Extra, we go to Dayton every year and we both have a great time. She has a sharp eye for classic gear like Collins and Drake, and appreciates the value of quality radio!

Just our 2 cents worth.

73 Steve W4MGY

RE: When The XYL Objects To Hamfest Buys

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8126)

by KE3YO (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KE3YO) on August 4, 2001

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One thing for sure. She doesn't have to worry about you meeting other women at a ham fest

RE: When The XYL Objects To Hamfest Buys

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8127)

by KE3YO (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KE3YO) on August 4, 2001

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I just saw a guy who had a motorcycle accident that was not his fault. His face has been reconstructed. I'll stick to the ham gear.

RE: Brother, have you got issues!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8128)

Anonymous post on August 4, 2001

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Geez. You are way too intense my friend. Why can't you see that this is all a joke? Besides, why is it any different from all the guys who play golf and keep spending a lot of money for greens fees and a new driver?

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8129)

Anonymous post on August 4, 2001

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Omigosh, thankyou thankyou thankyou!!! It has been a LOOONG time since anybody called me a kid! I'm 73 years old. I have always weighed within about 10-20 pounds of what I weighed when I was 20. The formula seemed real easy. If I was getting too big, I just ate less. It always puzzled me howcome hams are smart enough to pass tests, get licenced, build antennas and radios, but not smart enough to understand that little bit of simple math!

In my nearly 50 years of hamming, I've always noticed that the places I go where I see the fattest people are ham clubs and hamfests. Lots of people 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 live near me, and the vast majority are within 20 pounds of what some might call an "ideal" weight. There are no bellies hanging over belts. This "fat ham" trend seems worldwide, but it seems more prominent in the U.S. than elsewhere. But then, obesity seems more prominent in the U.S. than elsewhere.

"You will be just like one of us, whether you are a ham or not." Really? Sounds like today's pop psychology, where people are mean spirited, angry, or ADD because of their parents. Nobody seems to be willing to admit "I am what I am because of the choices I made." You're not fat because you're a ham, that's true. But you're also not fat because you're 40, or 50, or whatever. You're fat because you eat too much for the amount of exercise you do. Unless you have a thyroid problem, and those are completely treatable, so they're also not an excuse.

Seems simple to me....

RE: Brother, have you got issues!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8130)

Anonymous post on August 4, 2001

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<<....Do you really think those 10 "excuses" are really used?>>
Yes. I have heard them being used at hamfests. I have had wives of hams in my practice tell me that these excuses have been used at home. I have had hams in my practice tell me that they use these excuses (and more that are even worse).

Most humour comes from a bit of real life. You've probably heard the phrase "There's truth in jest." This is a very clear case of it. There's a lot of truth in this particular jest.

RE: Brother, have you got issues!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8131)

Anonymous post on August 4, 2001

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No difference. As I said in a different post, I would find it funny if it weren't for the fact that hams and their spouses come to me for marriage counseling, and one of the major issues is very often ham gear spending and the excuses used for it. It's OK to spend money on having fun. That's absolutely wonderful. But priorities need to be kept in mind - family first. Thankfully, this list of 10 at least did not indicate the sort of lies that guys often use (again, based on guys telling me what lies they use in a counseling environment, where they claim they're not telling a joke). Spending is fine, just be sure you and your spouse are on the same page - that you agree it's OK to spend the money. No matter if it's a new lawn mower, diamond necklace, boat, ham gear, golf equiment, or daughter's prom dress.

Am I being too serious? Would the author's spouse think the list is funny? If not, then I'm not being too serious. If she (I'm assuming traditional male/female roles here; pardon me if that's offensive) DOES think the list is funny, then the author and his wife are to be commended on having a good marriage with open communications.

RE: Brother, have you got issues!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8132)

by ZL2TCR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/ZL2TCR) on August 4, 2001

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PLEASE TAKE THE TIEM TO READ THIS!! THANKS

i think that this article is great..and there is a lot to learn from it..as i am only 16 years old i have just got my ticket fro 6m, 2m and 70cm..its just great..i have never fallen in love and dont intend to untill i find the one that doesnt mind me been on radio[hopefully she is a ham also].i feel sory for other hams that have had there wife walk out on them because they could let there husbands have there hobby while they had therr's..from every comment that somone has put up on this subject..there is somthing to learn.

and you must be a sick ham to put these articles down..ham radio is not dicouraging young people at all..[and never think/say it is] then internet is doing it..

i believe older hams should get off there seats in there ham shack and get out there and help get new blood into it..

i believe there is a lot to learn from the old hams..but most carnt be stuffed putting the effort into teaching new people what tehy were taught when they first got there licence..

i started out on CB radio 2 years ago..and then i heard about this thing called "Ham Radio"..i knew nothing about it..nothing about electronics,nothing about propogation,nothing about how to use ham radioes...i spent 1 year studying to get my licence and with the help of a very nolagble ham who was willing to teach me..i became "ZL2TCR"...

i am very proud to have my licence framed and hanging on my wall in my shack..
my pearants or family have never been interested in radio of any kind..but they have been so supportive and were so proud when i got my licence..i was only 15 years old when i

passed the exam..

my point is that the internet is taking away the communication in ham radio by young people..it is sad to see..there is only one way we can get more hams..we have to get out of our shacks [when someone new become interested in the hobby] and help them,encourage them and give them all the help they want/need..

i do not mean to offend any one by the content of this article

RE: When The XYL Objects To Hamfest Buys

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8134)

by KG4EQC (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KG4EQC) on August 4, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=8134)

does she have a sister?
just kidding-mine is supportive as well-well maybe not that supportive...

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8136)

by VE3SRD (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/VE3SRD) on August 4, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=8136)

Several things I have learned over the years...

When going to Dayton, bring back something with diamonds.
Zales has a good sale during the Hamfest. It gives the message that you were thinking of her.

An old Elmer taught me that when coming home with the latest Hamfest prize, if you could not get it in through the basement window, then you had better bring it in through the front door, wrapped in a fur coat!

Hi Hi,
Bob

RE: When The XYL Objects To Hamfest Buys

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8137)

by AB0RE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AB0RE) on August 5, 2001

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A few things that have worked well for me and my wife...
- I always make sure the finances are in order before purchasing new gear. Sometimes this means selling some other gear online, but that's okay with me.
- I usually talk to my wife before taking out the pocketbook. This way she knows how much it is going to cost and there aren't any "surprises".
- Ham gear holds its value if you take care of it... so it's not like you're throwing your money away. In most cases, a person can get close to 100% (or better in some cases) of his

purchase cost back by selling online. Explain this to your spouse. If you ever need the money (or just don't need the gear anymore), you can sell it and be in good shape.
73!

When the XYL Objects to Hamfest Buys

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8147)

by WA8QNN (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA8QNN) on August 5, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=8147)

I like to tell my wife that "you ain't gonna beieve this, but my buddy was gonna throw this relic away, but asked if I wanted it." I've gotten good mileage out of this little scam over the years. I just hope that she never calls my friend. Now that would suck.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8151)

by KA8OCN (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KA8OCN) on August 5, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=8151)

I get tired of the political correct people hammering others when they have a story or comment having to do with the normal differences of the sexes.

More hams are male than Female, Its a fact. I think most men hams have DREAMED about getting their Wives intrested in ham radio. I give the sales pitch every year when the classes are forming. I tell her that I will go to class with her, and that she could talk with me every night on her way home from work. Its not that she is not smart enough for it, I have helped her study for some of her state certification tests (Hospital worker) she is simply not interested in ham radio.

As far as my purchases, I have never had her even ask me to return something I have purchased. I was a ham when we were renting before we purchased our first house, I must admit most of my hamming was with used "Good Deal" equipment and wire antennas back then. I used to go to Dayton every year with my Son and friends, twice my Wife went with me.

Something I have always done is buy ham and computer stuff with my Extra Earnings. Wire some phones here, fix a computer there, making a little money on the side, I used to save that and a couple of times I would have 1000.00 to spend at Dayton. That is how I purchased my Icom-735 and its almost 10 years old and still works great. I guess the only sales pitch I have given my Wife is "Pam it will last for years"

So guys, try and not spend the Familys money (your regular job income) on toys, instead get something going on the side and then you dont have to feel guilty when you buy something.

I have not been to Dayton in over 6 years, but every year Pam reminds me of it comming up (When she is planning our vacation days for work) But with Ebay its like a Hamfest in my computer whenever I have time to look and have the extra money to spend.

If you have a Good Marriage it can handle a few bumps, like bringing home a new radio, even if its a little more than you should have spent. Don't lie to her (or him) about it, thats insulting and why insult the most important person in your life? If you dont have a Good

Marriage, nothing in your life will work, and alot more important things than ham radio will suffer (The bigest thing that will suffer is your Children) so Fix the Marriage before you do anything!

These words are something to live by, If Mom is happy then the entire Family is happy, if she is never happy than life if a living hell!

73's

Lying to the wife

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8152)

Anonymous post on August 6, 2001

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This is exactly what I'm talking about. Assuming this guy is serious, his marriage is in trouble. What do you suppose his wife BSes him about? Do you think she really spends all that time at the mall?

On a lighter note, even if I did believe it was acceptable to tell my wife a lie, this one wouldn't work for me. I'm too much of a collector as it is. Her reply would be "How nice of you to save your friend the trouble of finding a charity for it. I know just the college ham club that can use it!"

KA8OCN knows what he's doing

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8153)

Anonymous post on August 6, 2001

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Great job, Delbert! You use a sales pitch with your wife that is based on truth and honesty. When you start out like that, you'll be forgiven if you go over a pre-set spending limit.

Regarding "normal difference between the sexes", you are right that hams are more often males. However, this does not excuse us from family priorities.

I tried to get my wife into ham radio. She took a class, and hated the theory, but found the code easy and fun. To this day, she still cranks up Morse Academy on the PC and practices, because she enjoys it; much as I enjoy playing my violin (even though I'm horrible at it).

She made an offer that got me to quit asking. She said, "I'll be glad to become a ham, attend club meetings and even get on the air, if you'll join me in one of my activities. If you'll take a Shiatsu massage class and join me and my friends when we give massages to the poor, then I'll become a ham." So for me, when the rubber finally hit the road, I became thankful that we communicate well, and felt no more compunction to encourage her to get into the hobby!!!

If your wife becomes a ham, what of her activities are you willing to learn and participate in? One guy I know has an agreement with his wife. He can do whatever he needs to for ham radio - radios, antennas, towers - as long as she can spend the same amount on landscaping and her flowers. And he has to help her with the parts of landscaping that she can't do well, like digging holes.

Make a deal with her, and things go very well, without having to make excuses.

I did have to chuckle last night, though. I was reminded just how much I've absorbed over the years that she has let go past. I shut down the rig sooner than normal, and mentioned that the band had gone dead. She asked, "How much will that cost to fix?"

RE: When The XYL Objects To Hamfest Buys

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8154)

Anonymous post on August 6, 2001

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you should try and get a yl like mine,
she buy,s me a60ft crank up tiltover tower as a wedding present,and
it only cost,s me a car,
2 holidays a year,
christmas,birthday,anivesary presents,clothes
ect.
ect.
ect.
ect.

who got the better end of the deal ????

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8158)

by AE7G (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AE7G) on August 6, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=8158)

I still can't decide what the best excuse out of the top 10 is.

3. "Your Mom ate that much during her last stay."
5. "I saw a nice dress for you at Goodwill."
9. "You said not to pass up a good sale."

These are all pretty good. But I think number 9 is the BEST, blame it all on her! "But you TOLD me NOT to pass up a good sale!"

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8161)

by G3RZP (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/G3RZP) on August 6, 2001

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I should perhaps add that my XYL had her own callsign when we met at the radio club some 25 years ago.....this means major purchases are discussed and agreed anyway. Like the discussion on whether to have a big tribander for the HF bands, or monobanders. We started with agreement on the 80 foot tower, and then discussed what went on it. The only time this might have failed was when I was told to buy a decent oscilloscope because the old one was too unreliable.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8163)

Anonymous post on August 6, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=8163)

This is an interesting topic. If the XYL doesn't understand and complains about what you spend, then a $400 piece of equiptment becomes $40. What I do, is leave it in the trunk, and bring it in when she isn't around. As far as new equiptment purchases, I have them sent to my office, and do the same trunk routine. She never knows whats what in the shack anyway.
gl to all..

RE: When the XYL Objects to Hamfest Buys

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8167)

by KB3DKU (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KB3DKU) on August 6, 2001

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Since we're migrating from humor to real approaches to this problem, I'll throw in my 2 cents. My wife fits the stereotype anti-ham pretty well, but we are still in love. I tell her I want something then start shopping and studying features, costs, benefits, etc. With the wealth of info on the web, this can take a long time. I also feel that studying for the General (done) and Extra (in progress) licences and attending a few ham club meetings is helping me get ready to buy something, and this eats up more time. Even after all the studying, there's still choices to make, since available funds in my case will only support one rig at a time. Well anyhow, after a long enough time, say about two years since my Tech licence and first rig , she seems to be softening up a bit. By the way, my first rig was a 2-meter that was a Xmas present, not causing too much heartburn. Once I really know what I plan on getting, I think that sufficient warning and/or making the item a gift request, combined with suffienct solvency (she manages the checkbook), oughtta do the trick. This may seem like an extreme case of delayed gratification, but I really think it takes a long time to know what you're getting and exactly why (specially if you're not already an RF engineer). I am making it a point to really try to understand the stuff in the licence manuals, so that I buy smart, when I finally do it. And I will admit, after so many years as a student, I am used to studying for gratification.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8168)

by N8LXR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N8LXR) on August 6, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=8168)

Tell the XYL its far cheaper, far healthier, and far more conduscive to family life than drinking and staying out all night.

I have told all my single friends to do do what I have done. When you first start talking marriage, tell her, in no uncertain terms, that while everything else is open to discussion, complaining about ham radio is off the table and below the belt (Unless its really ridiculous)

Tim
N8LXR

RE: When The XYL Objects To Hamfest Buys

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8169)

by N8LXR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N8LXR) on August 6, 2001

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She is probably thinking "Gee, how can a radio be worth $2000?" hi hi

Tim
N8LXR

RE: When The XYL Objects To Hamfest Buys

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8170)

by ZS1DX (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/ZS1DX) on August 6, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=8170)

Friendly, handsome OM (YM) seeking friendly, handsome YL with ticket. Must have own rig.
PSE QSL Direct.
73 / 88 de Chris ZS1DX
QRZ?

RE: When The XYL Objects To Hamfest Buys

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8171)

Anonymous post on August 6, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=8171)

I believe you forgot one important part from the post:

pse qsl direct, send photo of rig(s)+ antenna farm !

Friendly, handsome OM (YM) seeking friendly, handsome YL with ticket. Must have own rig.
PSE QSL Direct.
73 / 88 de Chris ZS1DX
QRZ?

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8176)

by KC7BDP (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC7BDP) on August 7, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=8176)

I must be approaching this hobby all wrong.

I've been buying new (to me) gear fairly regularly - some of it is even really NEW gear. Like the guy who does side jobs, my radio fund comes from "out of the loop" income. I'm on a bonus program at work; about every 5th or 6th monthly bonus goes at least in part towrds Amateur Radio. Usually most of that money goes for trips for the kids, trips to Mervyns and Dilliards (one wife, two daughters - you figure it out), family vacations, guns and reloading gear (my other vice); maybe even automotive repair. One went for a massage table - I DON'T do massages. A couple of February & October checks have gone to jewelers and the like (guess who's birthday and Anniversary). Sometimes something has come up and I've put off purchases for a month; but they never get completely dropped.

It helps that I'm a cheapskate - always holding out for the lowest price on what I want, even if THAT makes me wait. I've gotten my goodies, and no complaints from the boss.

I must be doing something wrong.

Jimmy
KC7BDP

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8177)

by N2MR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N2MR) on August 7, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=8177)

Why didn't the "Therapist" comment on this approach??

This is an interesting topic. If the XYL doesn't understand and complains about what you spend, then a $400 piece of equipment becomes $40. What I do, is leave it in the trunk, and bring it in when she isn't around. As far as new equipment purchases, I have them sent to my office, and do the same trunk routine. She never knows what?s what in the shack anyway. GL to all..

Everything in moderation....
Mark

RE: When the XYL Objects to Hamfest Buys

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/8189)

Anonymous post on August 8, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=8189)

N2MR wrote:

<This is an interesting topic. If the XYL doesn't understand and complains about what you spend, then a $400 piece of equipment becomes $40. What I do, is leave it in the trunk, and bring it in when she isn't around. As far as new equipment purchases, I have them sent to my office, and do the same trunk routine. She never knows what?s what in the shack anyway.>>

I think my view of this technique is predictable. If the author of this suggestion will accept 10% honesty from his wife in return, then they've achieved parity.

I appreciated one comment made on here about rigs. If you purchase them a bit used (but new to you), then you can sell them later for nearly what you paid. Thus, the process of getting a newer one isn't really that expensive.

Explaining to your wife-to-be in advance about the hobby seems like a direct approach, likely to succeed, or to identify the prospective bride as someone you really don't want to marry.

Presenting ham radio as a "lesser evil" compared to drinking and carousing has some interesting consequences. Most people expect you to continue to evolve. Therefore, having made it seem that you've evolved from drinking and carousing to ham radio, the XYL may wonder when you'll evolve from ham radio to whatever is the next 'less evil' thing. I rather expect most XYLs figured that you were giving up drinking and carousing in exchange for getting married anyway!

Makes me think of my early ham and marriage days. Without even meaning to, we often got our wives confused between ham radio and 'drinking and carousing' (today it's called "Beer v4.0", right?). We used to get together over a few 807s. Whether that was transmitting tubes or beers sometimes wasn't clear, although it was never intended as a ruse.

Hmm, nowadays, I suppose we all get together over a couple of 2SC2789s, eh?

BTW, 'counselor' would be more appropos to what I do than 'therapist'.

Gosh, why are we all typing away on here instead of getting on the radio?

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304. Re: [m_a_r_s] XYL.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-10 05:16:43 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 303 Message: 304

Dear friends

Found lot of interesting answers for XYL Objects to hamfest buys?

That's only once a year.

How to tackle XYL objection during daily ragchews?

Ganpathy Bappa Morya. Muje meri bhiwi se bachau.

vu2jpn

Chequemail.com - a free web based e-mail service that also pays!!!
http://www.chequemail.com

305. RE: Ganesh Visarjan .

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-10 05:32:07 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 301 Message: 305

Friends

Shree Ganeshaya Namaha.

All participants for ganesh visarjan should have the following:

1. VHF handies
2. Whip antenna
3. Tiger tail for whip
4. Head phones
5. Extra Battery /cells
6. Licence copy
7. Caps
8. ID cards
9. Rain wears
10. Polythene sheets
11. Power supply
12. Base stations
13. External antenna
14. Coax
15. SWR/Power meter

Those who cannot volunteer the event can lend their base stations etc for our towers and other locations. Pls.volunteer to lend the equipments.

Lets have more Ganesh Visarjans with all your help.

73's

de vu2jpn

Chequemail.com - a free web based e-mail service that also pays!!!
http://www.chequemail.com

306. Monthly meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-11 16:31:01 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 116 Message: 306

Dear Members,

The monthly meeting for August 2001 shall be held on 12th August 2001 at 10:00 am at Shishu Vihar School, Dadar(w).

The Agenda for the meeting :-

1. Preparations for 15th August Night Owls Net.
2. Preparations for Ganesh Visarjan.
3. VHF Repeaters.
4. other topics with the permission of the chair.

All members are requested to attend the meeting (specially the participants of Ganesh Virarjan) on time. Breakfast will be served as usual.

73s
NLF

307. Night Owls Net !!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-12 04:03:18 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia (VU3MBF)
Topic: 307 Message: 307

Dear All,

Kindly check in the Night Owls Net 2001, on 14th August at 11.45 pm onwards.

Please convey the same to the other fellow HAMs and help them to check in. Please assist HAMs who do not have proper equipment, to check in.

See u all on air on the Night Owls Net.

Thanks and Regards,

Mehul. VU3MBF

308. Re: [m_a_r_s] XYL.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-13 15:26:45 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 303 Message: 308

I coaxed my XYL to become a ham. She did, but it still did not work!!!!!!!

Vijay VU2VVP

Get your FREE download of MSN Explorer at http://explorer.msn.com
(http://go.msn.com/bql/hmtag_itl_EN.asp)

309. Night Owl's Net on Independence Day 2001

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-13 12:54:17 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 309 Message: 309

Dear OMs & YLs,

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society will be conducting a special Night Owl's Net on 14th August, 2001 at 23.45 hours in Mumbai, to celebrate 54th Independence Day of India.

The Net controllers are VU2NFS - Ms.Nafisa Shikari, VU2WLL - Mr.Vispy Mirza. The Net will be conducted on VHF 145.100 MHz. and 145.100 MHz. - 600 KHz. via repeater.

Please make it a point to check in to the Net and also help other fellow HAMS to attend the same. Please provide equipment assistance to HAMs who do not have any two metre capability.

Kindly convey the above information to other fellow HAMs.

73s,

De VU3MBF.
Mehul A. Chovatia.

310. I-card for mars members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-14 12:56:17 UTC
From: PRAVIN
Topic: 310 Message: 310
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

DEAR FRIENDS.

FIND ATTACHED HEREWITH THE I-CARD LAYOUT FOR THE MARS MEMBERS.
PLEASE CHECK UP AND LET ME KNOW YOUR VIEWS REGARDING THE SAME.

REGARDS
PRAVIN PANCHAL
Protolab Electrotechnologies Private Limited.

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Navi Mumbai - 400 709. Maharashtra, I N D I A.
Tel :(91) (022) 768 0727 / 761 5890 / 761 5891
Fax :(91) (022) 768 0507 / 495 2770.

311. Check-ins' into special independence eve net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-14 20:13:36 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 311 Message: 311

1. 2kdb Dr.Kirti Doshi
2. 2cbu Prashant
3. 2iia Mahesh Vhatkar
4. 2pjm Perviz
5. 2vvp Vijay Motwane
6. 3mhc Minoo Contractor
7. 3sob Dhaval Patel
8. 2vvj Vijayalaxmi
9. 2cbv Sudhir Kalkar
10. 2pdn Srini
11. 2ple Percy
12. 3mwh Anant More
13. 2ugj Mukesh Jaitley
14. 2ugo Sandip Adi
15. 3mbf Mehul
16. 2hit Huzefa Merchant
17. 2rek Dr.Sudhir Shenoy
18. 2aj Dutt
19. 2sxf Sandesh Kamat
20. 2jpn Jaiprakash
21. 2kib Jagdish Mukhtiar
22. 2vpq Zarir Vasunia
23. 2nlf Nilesh Rathod
24. 3pao Ajay Solanki
25. 2rig Rajen Kavadia
26. 2lnz Girish Shukla
27. 3pan Pravin Panchal
28. mbg Vimal
29. 2rio Pankaj Pasad
30. 2nfs NC
31. 2wll NC

312. re: [m_a_r_s] I-card for mars members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-14 20:28:54 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 310 Message: 312

Dear All,

Is it a cellphone or an HT?Please see that it look like an amateur set......

Also check all spellings.

Otherwise neat work,Pravin!!

73's
De VU2CBU

> ** Original Subject: [m_a_r_s] I-card for mars members
> ** Original Sender: "PRAVIN" <vu3pan@...>
> ** Original Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 18:26:17 +0530

> ** Original Message follows...

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> DEAR FRIENDS.
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> FIND ATTACHED HEREWITH THE I-CARD LAYOUT FOR THE MARS
MEMBERS.
> PLEASE CHECK UP AND LET ME KNOW YOUR VIEWS REGARDING THE
SAME.
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> REGARDS
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>** --------- End Original Message ----------- **

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313. Re: [m_a_r_s] I-card for mars members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-16 04:01:00 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 310 Message: 313

Dear Pravin Good one 73's vu2jpn On Tue, 14 August 2001, "PRAVIN" wrote: > > > > > > > > > >
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314. vu3pan@yahoo.com

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-16 04:56:28 UTC
From: ajay solanki
Topic: 310 Message: 314

Hi Pravin
Nice work
Since there is a lot of space
can we have some better model of the rig
Nilesh has a lot of ham magazines
from which u could select a rig
Regards,
Ajay...

--- PRAVIN <vu3pan@...> wrote:
> DEAR FRIENDS.
>
> FIND ATTACHED HEREWITH THE I-CARD LAYOUT FOR THE
> MARS MEMBERS.
> PLEASE CHECK UP AND LET ME KNOW YOUR VIEWS REGARDING
> THE SAME.
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> REGARDS
> PRAVIN PANCHAL
> Protolab Electrotechnologies Private Limited.
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> Navi Mumbai - 400 709. Maharashtra, I N D I A.
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315. Re: [m_a_r_s] I-card for mars members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-16 07:47:24 UTC
From: narayan Sharma
Topic: 310 Message: 315

Hi Pravin,
Everything seems ok,except the handy looks more like a telephone instument.Perhaps you could substitute it with a picture of a set with a proper rubber duckie.
Cheers,
Sarla
VU2SWS

PRAVIN wrote:

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316. Re: [m_a_r_s] I-card for mars members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-16 16:09:50 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 310 Message: 316

pravin overall a nice work, just change the outlay of handy it look,s like a
mobile phone,use some better looking and sleek model.
73,s vu3sob

>From: "PRAVIN" <vu3pan@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>CC: "Huzefa" <vu2hit@...>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] I-card for mars members
>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 18:26:17 +0530
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>DEAR FRIENDS.
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317. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-21 04:28:10 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 317 Message: 317

hi

pls send ur PP fro the identity card as soon as possible to me on thee following address,if possible courier the same so as to reach faster.

Huzefa Merchant
Esoofally Ahmedally & Sons
173, Mutton street,
Null Bazar,Mumbai-400003

Tel:3460575

318. passport photos

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-24 07:57:48 UTC
From: udayan desai
Topic: 318 Message: 318

Hullo Huzefa,
I have handed over threeof my passport photos to Nulesh. I trust that he must have handed over them to you by now.
VU2AUU
Udayan

On Tue, 21 Aug 2001 Huzefa wrote :
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>Tel:3460575

319. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 170

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-24 10:44:51 UTC
From: Ratnesh Javeri
Topic: 319 Message: 319

Dear YLs and OMs,

We look forward to a lot of ham stuff related mails in the mail box but a small request.

Send only a relevant mail on this egroup account. The mail enclosed is one of the examples which is not relevant and of interest to all the members except the concerned once.

So keep this e group lively.

Pl do not take this mail on personal basis and is also not directed to any one member.

73s Ratnesh, VU2OUT
----- Original Message -----
From: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, August 24, 2001 4:07 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 170

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> --
>
> There is 1 message in this issue.
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> Topics in this digest:
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> 1. passport photos
> From: "udayan desai" <theysigh@...>
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> Message: 1
> Date: 24 Aug 2001 07:57:48 -0000
> From: "udayan desai" <theysigh@...>
> Subject: passport photos
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320. Re: Ganesh Visarjan Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-26 03:44:14 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 320 Message: 320

Dear Members

Ganesh visarjan meeting has been posponed to Thursday 30th Aug 01 at Shishu Vihar, Dadar at 1830 hrs.

All participants are requested to be present for the meeting for final setup.

Thanks

73's

vu2jpn

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321. Ganpati Visarjan Event

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-30 09:41:06 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 321 Message: 321

Dear OMs & YLs,

I am happy to inform you that we have been granted the permission to have our own tower at Chowpatty for communication ease.

This enables us to function more efficiently in the event and also promises better scope in terms of recognition & assistance from legal authorities.

This also leaves us with a higher expenditure which can be counter-acted only by bringing donations and increasing the corpus. Therefore I request all HAMs to put their best and try to arrange for whatever funds in form of donations, etc. for the event.

Please co-operate with your fullest to enable us bring more life to our events and society.

73s,

De VU3MBF.

322. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganpati Visarjan Event

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-08-31 03:39:23 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 321 Message: 322

Dear Friends,

Mehul has already put up the request for Donations for this Mega Festival Event.

We are likely to incur expense of about Rs.12,000/- , So far we have managed to Rs.5,500/-

Rs. 5000/- from a Construction Company .. Thanks to VU2UGJ - Mukesh Jaitley.
Rs. 500/- From Mr Narayan Sharma ....Thanks to VU2SWS - Sarla Sharma.

We are still talking to many sponsorers, we may get some good sponsership (Since we have our own exculsive tower at
the prime location at Chowpatty).

Nevertheless I request all our members to get donations/Sponsorers and donate generously for this Mega Event.

73s
NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: <mehul2k@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 30, 2001 3:11 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Ganpati Visarjan Event

> Dear OMs & YLs,
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> I am happy to inform you that we have been granted the permission to have our own tower at Chowpatty for communication ease.
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323. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 35

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-03 07:48:31 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 323 Message: 323

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+Available on ARRL Audio News

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==>NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ARES ACTIVATES FOR "OREGON FIRE" EMERGENCY

Northern California members of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service this week
assisted with communication at the "Oregon Fire" emergency near the historic
town of Weaverville in Trinity County. The fire, named for nearby Oregon
Mountain, caused the temporary evacuation of around 1000 residents.

Sacramento Valley (North) Section Emergency Coordinator Dave Thorne, K6SOJ,
reports that more than a dozen trained volunteers were providing emergency
radio communication and other support for the American Red Cross and the
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

Emergency Communication--or EMCOMM--stations were set up at Red Cross
evacuation centers near Weaverville and at the Red Cross Shasta Area Chapter
Headquarters. Team members--who are also registered with the CDF's
Volunteers in Prevention, or VIP, program--helped CDF officials at the fire
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scene and at CDF facilities in Redding.

The fast-moving fire near Weaverville was reported around 2:30 PM on August 28. Evacuations ordered in the town of approximately 3,000 included the local hospital's patient population. Thorne said patients were transported via air or ground to hospitals in Redding. About a dozen homes were destroyed in the fire, believed caused by sparks from a motor vehicle. Evacuated residents were allowed to return August 29.

ARES operators successfully handled several out-of-state disaster welfare inquiries.

The ARRL Sacramento Valley Section's mutual aid plan was activated, and additional team members from Shasta and Tehama counties provided back-up support.

==>ARRL HELPS TO CLEAR THE AIR IN LINE NOISE CASES

The ARRL has successfully "run interference" in several recent cases where electric utilities were accused of causing problems for amateurs. One longstanding case in Tennessee involved suspected power-line interference affecting both the amateur bands and satellite dish reception. Other successful outcomes occurred in New Mexico and North Carolina, where amateurs had been plagued by line noise.

Paul Fulk Jr, N8ITF, of Springfield, Tennessee, had first complained to Cumberland Electric Membership Cooperative more than two years ago to get his noise situation resolved. After the company claimed it had done everything possible, the FCC's Riley Hollingsworth advised the utility in June to get in touch with the ARRL. The ARRL convinced Cumberland to secure the services of Mike Martin, K3RFI, who operates RFI Services in Traceys Landing, Maryland. Martin was able to pin down the problems in fairly short order.

"As of today all interference has been cured," Fulk recently reported to Hollingsworth. He credited Martin with "an exceptional job" in finding the interference sources.

Since coming to Headquarters in May, ARRL RFI Engineer John Phillips, K2QAI, has been working closely with the Cumberland and other suspected power-line-interference situations. He says even some experts are easily befuddled while trying to pin down interference sources, but that Martin's technique is nothing short of amazing.

"He's almost supernatural in his ability to find line noise," said Phillips, who attended Martin's RFI seminar earlier this year. Phillips says line noise usually turns out to be the result of something that's typically fairly easy and inexpensive to fix. "You just need to know the techniques," he said.

Another recent case referred to the ARRL was resolved without heavy FCC pressure. Mark Mandelkern, K5AM, of Las Cruces, New Mexico, had reported noise apparently coming from lines operated by the El Paso Electric Company.

"We merely wrote a letter to the CEO of El Paso Electric--with a copy to Riley Hollingsworth--and it quickly trickled down to a local manager who called me with a real sound of apprehension in his voice," Phillips recalled. Mandelkern wrote Hollingsworth August 14 that the company has been very cooperative and has begun work to completely rebuild a troublesome section of line.

In North Carolina, Jim Scholten, AD1V, had been frustrated by noise from Duke Power Company lines for several years. After a letter went out from ARRL to Duke Power--with a copy to the FCC--Scholten reported that linemen suddenly appeared at the suspect poles, and his noise problems abated. "It was impossible to make the power company do their job without you!" he wrote Phillips.

Amateurs suffering from interference believed to be emanating from power-generation or transmission facilities may contact John Phillips, K2QAI, rfi@... .

==>AO-40 GIVES EARTHLINGS ANOTHER SCARE

Sighs of relief were heard around the world as the 2.4-GHz S2 beacon aboard the AO-40 satellite reappeared August 28 after an ominous absence. The beacon failed to return as scheduled on Orbit 381 after the RUDAK connections shut off.

Gunter Wertich, DF4PV, who is equipped for moonbounce work, reported hearing normal telemetry blocks very weakly, however, so ground controllers were assured that the onboard computer had not crashed. Ground controller Stacey Mills, W4SM, suspected--correctly, as it turned out--that a solid-state matrix connection had not properly latched up and that DF4PV was hearing "bleed through" of the middle beacon through the IF matrix.

When the satellite came into view at Mills' Virginia location, he manually cycled the middle beacon-to-S2 transmitter connection off and on, "and the middle beacon popped back up."

According to Mills, the beacon glitch has occurred before and may be related to critical software timing issues. "This event will be studied further, and we will watch closely for several days to see if this occurs again," he said. If it does, ground controllers will try to make changes to the spacecraft's software to prevent a recurrence.

AO-40's S1 transmitter recently failed after only a short time of operation. Attempts to restore it have failed.

The RUDAK has been turned off temporarily, but the schedule will remain in place. For now, there will be no middle beacon and no RUDAK from MA=30 to 44. AMSAT-NA says AO-40 is entering a long period during which the Earth eclipses the sun near perigee. During September, eclipses will peak at 85 minutes. In order to conserve the batteries the S2 transmitter, including the middle beacon, will be off from MA 220 to 250. The on/off times will be adjusted as the eclipse periods change. Eclipse periods will continue well into June of next year.

==>FCC WANTS EXPLANATION FOR ALLEGED INTERFERENCE DURING DECLARED EMERGENCY

The FCC apparently wants to let the amateur community know that it intends to put teeth into its infrequent emergency declarations. The Commission has written William C. Dennison, K0VCD, seeking an explanation for interference it alleges the Springfield, Missouri, amateur caused to an emergency net after the FCC declared a general communications emergency on June 10.

In a letter to Dennison on August 16, FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth called Dennison's apparent failure to abide by the emergency declaration "a serious breach of the amateur rules."

Because of severe flooding in Texas and Louisiana, the FCC had declared 3.873 and 7.285 MHz--plus or minus 3 kHz--off limits to all but flood emergency traffic. Agents say they monitored Dennison on 75 meters later that evening, operating in the vicinity of--and causing interference to--an emergency net. At one point, the FCC said, Dennison moved onto the net's frequency to challenge the net control station.

FCC agents at the Commission's High Frequency Direction Finding Facility in Columbia, Maryland, were maintaining a watch on 3.873 and 7.285 MHz when Dennison was heard. After determining that Dennison's signal--on 3.875 and subsequently 3.876 MHz--was interfering with the net, an FCC agent telephoned Dennison to make sure that he was aware of the communications emergency and requesting that he change frequency.

The FCC continued to monitor Dennison's signal "splattering onto the net" on 3.873 MHz, Hollingsworth said in his letter. Dennison is said to have commented on the air regarding the telephone call from the FCC, then moved to 3.873 MHz, where he contacted the emergency net control station to challenge the net's use of HF rather than 2 meters for the emergency traffic. Hollingsworth told ARRL that Dennison subsequently either moved away from the net's frequency or went off the air, and the net experienced no further problems.

Hollingsworth requested that Dennison, a General class licensee, respond to the letter within 20 days with a detailed explanation of his operation during the periods detailed in the letter.

==>ITU ADOPTS RECOMMENDATION ON AMATEUR QUALIFICATIONS

The International Telecommunication Union has adopted a recommendation that outlines basic qualifications for Amateur Radio operators worldwide. Recommendation ITU-R M.1544, Minimum qualifications of radio amateurs, states that minimal operational and technical qualifications are necessary for proper operation of an amateur or amateur-satellite station. It recommends that any person seeking an amateur license at least be able to demonstrate specific theoretical knowledge of radio regulations, radiocommunication methods, radio systems, radio emission safety, electromagnetic compatibility, and RF interference avoidance and resolution.

"The international Radio Regulations have long required that administrations take such measures as they judge necessary to verify the operational and

technical qualifications of any person wishing to operate an amateur station," observed International Amateur Radio Union Secretary David Sumner, K1ZZ. "In anticipation of changes that are likely to be made in the amateur and amateur-satellite service regulations at the next World Radiocommunication Conference, the new recommendation provides additional definition to these qualifications without reducing the prerogative of an administration to set its own standards."

Recommendation M.1544 came about as part of the IARU's multi-year effort to prepare for the 2003 World Radiocommunication Conference, where delegates will consider possible revision of Article S25 of the international Radio Regulations.

IARU President Larry E. Price, W4RA, said that establishing uniform minimum qualifications for Amateur Radio operators should help in the area of mutual recognition of amateur licenses for international roaming "and particularly for cross-border movement of amateur operators for disaster communications." Having the recommendation in place, he explained, makes it possible to maintain an ITU document on Amateur Radio operator qualifications within oversight of the ITU-R Study Group and avoids the cumbersome process of modifying Article S25 of the Radio Regulations.

ITU Recommendations are available from the ITU electronic bookshop: <http://ecs.itu.ch/cgi-bin/ebookshop>.--IARU news release

==>DO-SI-DO! WRTC 2002 US, UK TEAMS CHOOSE THEIR PARTNERS

World Radiosport Team Championship 2002 team captains from the US and the UK have chosen their partners. The WRTC 2002 Organizing Committee has announced US and UK pairings for the event, to be held next summer in Finland.

The 10 teams representing the US are (in alphabetical order by team captain) Ralph Bowen, N5RZ, and Rus Healy, K2UA; Doug Brandon, N6RT, and Andy Blank, N2NT; Daniel Craig, N6MJ, and Dave Mueller, N2NL; John Dorr, K1AR, and Doug Grant, K1DG; Bill Fisher, W4AN, and John Laney, K4BAI; Trey Garlough, N5KO, and James Brooks, N1YC; Steve London, N2IC, and Dave Hachadorian, K6LL; Dave Patton, NT1N, and Mark Obermann, AG9A; Bob Shohet, KQ2M, and Dan Handa, W7WA; and Randy Thompson, K5ZD, and Tom Frenaye, K1KI.

Team UK will consist of Andy Cook, G4PIQ, and Fred Handscombe, G4BWP.

Jointly organized by Contest Club Finland <http://www.qsl.net/ccf/> and the Finnish Amateur Radio League--SRAL <http://www.sral.fi>, WRTC 2002 will run from July 9 through July 16. The on-the-air portion of the event will be July 13 and 14, in conjunction with next year's International Amateur Radio Union HF World Championship <http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/rules-iaru.html>. In all, 50 teams of world-class contesters will compete for gold, silver and bronze medals in WRTC 2002 on and off-the-air events.

The 10 US team captains were elected by major contesting clubs. Captains then selected operating partners of their choice. Slots for two US "wild

card" teams at WRTC 2002 remain open for participants not proposed through the mainstream US club nomination process.

WRTC 2000 winners Dan Street, K1TO, and Jeff Steinman, N5TJ, are expected to defend their title at WRTC 2002. The K1TO-N5TJ duo also topped the field at WRTC 96.

The WRTC 2002 Organizing Committee recently announced that ARRL Executive Vice President David Sumner, K1ZZ, and Pekka Länsman of Finland will co-chair the judging committee for the event. Sumner was the chief judge for WRTC 2000 in Slovenia. For more information, visit the WRTC 2002 Web site <http://www.wrtc2002.org/.>

==>FORMER ARRL STAFF MEMBER BILL JENNINGS, K1WJ, SK

Former ARRL Headquarters staff member Ernest W. "Bill" Jennings, K1WJ, of Franklin, Connecticut, died August 26. He was 54. An amateur beekeeper, Jennings succumbed after being attacked and repeatedly stung by a swarm of his own bees.

Jennings came to ARRL Headquarters in 1976 as a communications assistant--shortly after getting his Extra ticket--and went to work in the Contest Branch. He was assistant communications manager when he left in 1984. "He was one of the kindest and funniest people I have ever met," said QST Publisher Mark Wilson, K1RO, who worked with Jennings in the early 1980s.

Others who knew Jennings from his days at ARRL Headquarters remarked on his irrepressible sense of humor. ARRL Field and Educational Services Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, recalled Jennings as "a super guy" who always tried to keep his fellow staff members in high spirits and smiling.

During his ARRL days, friends and colleagues recalled, a rubber chicken became Jennings' trademark gag. Those who knew him said Jennings frequently would wave the toy out his car window to acknowledge acquaintances he'd pass on the highway.

A lifelong Connecticut resident, Jennings was first licensed as WN1AHI in 1963 and was an ARRL Life Member. He graduated from Northeastern University in 1972 with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. Jennings was a DXCC Honor Roll and A1 Operator Club member.

Jennings authored the chapter "Basic Operating" that appeared in several editions of The ARRL Operating Manual. He also penned many of the contest writeups that appeared in QST during his ARRL Headquarters tenure. Most recently, Jennings was an engineer for Computer Science Corp.

According to The Hartford Courant, Jennings was working with one of the three bee hives he kept on his property when he was attacked. Jennings reportedly was wearing protective gear and was armed with a "smoker" to calm the insects, which apparently got underneath his clothing and headgear. Investigators have been trying to determine why the bees were so ferociously aggressive--a trait uncommon in typical European honeybees kept in New

England.

Survivors include Jennings' wife, Carol Smith, AJ2I, whom he'd met while both were on the ARRL staff. A memorial service was held August 31.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Sun watcher Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: The solar flux has been rising this week. Several new sunspots are visible, and flux values are up around 200 again. Average solar flux rose nearly 35 points this week. The latest projection shows solar flux rising above 200 over the next few days. Friday's flux is expected at 205, with 210 on Saturday and Sunday, and 205 on Monday and Tuesday.

Sunspot 9591 caused a big stir last weekend when a coronal mass ejection caused a sudden HF radio blackout. WWV reported a major solar flare occurring at 1635 UTC on August 25--said to be the largest solar flare since last April. A pair of new spots on the sun's northeastern limb pose a threat for more flares. Unsettled conditions and a geomagnetic storm are possible this weekend, making things a bit dicey for the All-Asia DX Contest (SSB).

Sunspot numbers for August 23 through 29 were 194, 187, 132, 139, 182, 189 and 136 with a mean of 165.6. The 10.7 cm flux was 169.7, 174.9, 199, 189.9, 192, 199.2 and 197, with a mean of 188.8. Estimated planetary A indices were 12, 4, 10, 12, 12, 15 and 9 with a mean of 10.6.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The All Asian DX Contest (SSB), the CCCC Contest, IARU Region 1 Field Day (SSB), and the Michigan QRP Labor Day CW Sprint are the weekend of September 1-2. JUST AHEAD: the WAE DX Contest (SSB), the SLP Competition (SWL), the ARRL September VHF QSO, the North American Sprint, (CW) and the ARCI End of Summer PSK31 Sprint are the weekend of September 8-9. NOTE: The dates indicated in September QST ("Contest Corral") for the CQ WW RTTY Contest are incorrect. The contest is September 29-30 weekend. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Correction: A story in The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 31 (Aug 3, 2001), "FCC Scrutinizing Georgia ARRL VEC Exam Session" incorrectly reported the number of applicants at that session in Statesboro, Georgia. All nine applicants at the May 19 session qualified for a new license or upgrade.

* Sign up for ARRL Level II Emergency Communications on-Line course: There's still time to register for the ARRL Intermediate (Level II) Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-002). But, don't delay! The course begins the week of September 3. The Level I class is not a prerequisite. The Level II class offers new tools for those desiring to learn more about emergency communications and net procedures. Visit the ARRL Course Registration Page <https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce> to take advantage of this continuing

education training. Each class is limited to 50. New classes open every four weeks. Additional information is available at the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web site <http://www.arrl.org/cce>. Be sure to check out the links in the box at the right. Level II course manuals (order item 8519) now are available through the ARRL catalog <http://www.arrl.org/catalog/>. To learn more, contact Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

* Tristani to depart FCC September 7: FCC Commissioner Gloria Tristani has announced that she will leave the Commission on September 7, 2001. "It has been a great honor to serve as a member of the FCC during this period," she said, adding that after nearly four years on the FCC, she believed it was time for her to move on. A Democrat and Clinton appointee, Tristani plans to return to New Mexico, where she previously served as a member and chairman of the State Corporation Commission. It's been speculated that Tristani might seek elective office from her home state--possibly the governorship or a seat in the US House. FCC Chairman Michael Powell thanked Tristani for "her outstanding contribution" to the FCC over the last four years and cited her leadership on issues such as the V-Chip and bringing communication services to underserved areas. Tristani's departure leaves three Republicans and one Democrat on the five-member FCC until President Bush appoints someone to complete her term, which expires in June 2003.--FCC and press reports

* ISS crew to resume ARISS school contacts after Labor Day: The International Space Station's Expedition 3 crew is scheduled to resume Amateur Radio school contacts after Labor Day. The first ARISS crew contacts had been penciled in for late August, but members of the crew, headed by Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ, requested that ham radio activities be rescheduled while they got acclimated to their new home. The first scheduled contact is set for Tuesday, September 4, with Science Magnet Program students at Seabrook Intermediate School in Texas. A contact with Altamonte Elementary School in Florida has been tentatively set for the following week. The ARISS packet station reportedly is on the air, but still using the old TNC that does not reflect a call sign. A new packet TNC, correctly programmed with RS0ISS, now is aboard the ISS and scheduled to be installed by the Expedition 3 crew.

* Ham-sailor KB6TAM postpones return: David Clark, KB6TAM--who hopes to become the oldest person to sail solo around the world--will delay his departure from Trinidad at least until mid-November. Clark has been sitting out the Atlantic hurricane season there and had hoped to embark on the final leg of his round-the-world journey in time to reach Ft Lauderdale, Florida, on his wife's birthday, November 18. Lynda Clark said this week that her husband's been told by several sources that it's neither advisable nor safe to leave Trinidad until mid-November, so he's now setting his sights on a mid-December arrival in Florida. She said her husband has been spending some of his time in Trinidad working on a book about his round-the-world sail. Clark left Ft Lauderdale in December 1999. He nearly lost his life when his original sailboat sank last February off Cape Town, South Africa. Clark resumed his journey from South Africa in a new vessel last April.

* ARRL E-Mail Forwarding Service address changes with call sign: ARRL Information Systems Manager Don Durand reminds ARRL members who are planning to obtain new calls sign that their ARRL E-Mail Forwarding Service address will follow suit. So, plan ahead. The @... system is designed to provide only one e-mail forwarding address per member, based on your current call sign. Durand says the system will automatically update your ARRL E-Mail Forwarding System address to reflect your new call sign. ARRL membership records also are automatically updated using data provided by the FCC Amateur Service database. Visit the ARRL E-Mail Forwarding Service page <http://www.arrl.org/members-only/emailfwd.html> for more information.

* WRTC 2000 video available from ARRL: A half-hour video--"The Ham Radio Olympics"--produced by The Yasme Foundation and The Northern California DX Foundation--is available from ARRL. The video, produced and narrated by Dave Bell, W6AQ, recounts the events of World Radiosport Team Championship 2000 held in Bled, Slovenia, where teams of the world's top operators competed in on and off-the-air events. The 48-hour Olympic-style competition is a celebration of contesting and ham radio. "The Ham Radio Olympics" is available from ARRL in VHS videocassette format or as a Video CD for $19.95. Visit the ARRL on-line catalog <http://www.arrl.org/catalog/> for details.

* Japan's Ham Fair to feature special event station: Special event station 8J1HAM will be on the air during the Amateur Radio Festival 2001--better known as Ham Fair--August 31-September 2 in Yokohama, Japan. A special QSL card is available. For more information, contact the JARL Operation Section, oper@....

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324. 2m Basestation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-03 14:11:44 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 324 Message: 324

Hi OMs/YLs,

i've 2m basestation FT-212RH for sale,
anyone interested pls contact :

(O) 491 8661 / 460 7375 between 11am to 6pm
or e-mail at sandipadiwarekar@...

73s,
de VU2UGO

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MSN & Yahoo : sandipadiwarekar

325. Hi

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-04 19:47:16 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 325 Message: 325

Fellow Hams ,

This to thank all the hams, who partcipated in the ganesh visarjan, activity, well this year with ganeshas grace, the activity passed of quite well, without any major casualties reported, and we also had hand in reporting abt 6 lost and found cases .

This year was also significant in a way , that we had tower of our own , especialy enmarked for HAMS , and MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY was representing them .oh what a feeling was that operating from place of your own , one had to be there to feel that , for those who lost out on that oppurtunity , well there always another time , but yes u got to have that inclination for that.

I would also like to take oppurtunity , our sponsors , a) M/S JMP CONSTRUCTIONS , who donated us Rs.5000/-
b) Mr. sharma , for his personal donation of Rs . 500/-
c) vu3PAN , PRAVIN , whose company sponsored our identity cards to the tune of Rs.2500/-

Also , special thanks to vu2 HIT, huzefa , who did the wonderful job of catering , job well done .
and allso to vu2 zrs , zyros , for his fortune cookies , well it was his way of doing his bit .

As this event has been completed quite satisfactorily and successfully , i here by take oppurtunity to call for vounteers for upcoming, JOTA , event , on 20 th and 21st october , for which an invitation from , MAHARASTRA SCOUTS AND GUIDES , organisation , to be ther part of their activity , and help , scouts boys and guide girls go on air , using our transreceiver , wel past such activity , have shown how these , boys and girls , it up with their smiles , when they talk to their fellows scouts and guides from far of laces in india , and abroad , lets once again acheive this and make the boys and girls happy , and mind u they depend upon on us for this .

So , i here by request you to , come forward and volunteer , and please , let me know , of your availability, so that necessary , licensing can be applied for .

Hope to make , the JOTA , too a sucessful event .

73s vu2ugj
mukesh jaitley.

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326. Re: [m_a_r_s] Hi

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-04 15:42:06 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 325 Message: 326

hi

Thanks for the appreciation ,i will not have done this without the support of other members,alos pls count e in for the jota

Huzefa
----- Original Message -----
From: mukesh jaitley
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, September 04, 2001 12:47 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Hi

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327. Re: [m_a_r_s] Hi

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-05 04:44:35 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 325 Message: 327

count me for JOTA

73s,
UGO

328. Jota

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-07 05:22:09 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 328 Message: 328

Hi all

Count me for JOTA

73'S

vu2jpn

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329. Ganesh Visarjan Debriefing.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-07 06:54:21 UTC
From: vu2jpn@chequemail.com
Topic: 329 Message: 329

Hello Friends,

You have received a clubgreeting from vu2jpn at clubgreetings.com.

To view your clubgreeting click here (http://www.clubgreetings.com/cgi-bin/grt/yourcard.asp?sendcardid=vu2970110601AM42491&id=1).
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To copy and paste, first, highlight the complete URL above with your mouse. Next, from the 'Edit' menu choose 'Copy'.
Click inside your browser's address (location) box. Then choose 'Paste' from the 'Edit' menu.

Now press Enter (Return) to go to your clubgreeting.

330. Ganesh Visarjan Debriefing

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-07 06:14:50 UTC
From: P.V.Jaiprakash
Topic: 330 Message: 330

Hi

All participants of Ganesh Visarjan programme please do attend the monthly meeting. On this day we will also have a debriefing of ganesh visarjan.

Date : Sunday 9th Sep 2001
Time : 10am
Venue: Shishu Vihar School
Opp. King George High School
Dadar (E), Mumbai

73's

vu2jpn

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331. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 36

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-08 02:57:11 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 331 Message: 331

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West Kiribati T30ES operation on the air
K3RXK to be digital conference banquet speaker

+Available on ARRL Audio News

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==>FCC REGISTRATION NUMBER BECOMES MANDATORY IN DECEMBER

Get ready (again) for the FRN! Although the FCC has slipped the deadline
before, the Commission said this week that, starting December 3, 2001,
everyone doing business with the FCC--licensed or not--must obtain and use a
10-digit FCC Registration Number--or FRN. The FCC called the move "a first
step" toward streamlining fee collection and tracking. Many amateurs
registered with the Universal Licensing System (ULS) were assigned a
10-digit FRN by the Commission Registration System--or CORES--in a one-time
cross-registration last year and notified by mail.

Details to implement CORES for the Amateur Service are still being worked
out. Steve Linn of the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau said just
how CORES and ULS will work together remains up in the air. "CORES is not
replacing the ULS database," he explained, "but there are a lot of questions
as to how it is to be integrated." A final implementation with respect to
Amateur Radio is "yet to be determined," he said. Under the most likely
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scenario, however, CORES registration will supplant ULS registration for those who do not already have an FRN.

Those without an FRN will be required to register and provide one before transacting business with the FCC, whether or not a fee is required. An individual does not have to hold an FCC license to obtain an FRN. The requirement to obtain one extends to applicants for an Amateur Radio license as well as to anyone required to pay a fee to the FCC, such as those applying for a vanity call sign. CORES registrants will be required to supply a Taxpayer Identification Number--or TIN--typically a Social Security Number (SSN) for an individual. The FCC says CORES information is not made public.

An FRN will not be needed to file comments in rulemaking proceedings. Filings that do require an FRN but don't include one will be rejected. The FCC has not yet proposed replacing the ULS Licensee Identification Number with an FRN; many amateurs already have both, and both numbers appear in FCC licensee records. The ULS continues to be available to new registrants.

The FCC began implementing CORES last year. The agency announced the adoption of its new CORES/FRN rules on August 31 and detailed the requirements in a Report and Order.

In its Order, the FCC sounded almost apologetic for imposing yet another set of numbers on licensees and applicants. "We realize that the manner in which our electronic systems have developed has results in a multiplicity of numbers, passwords and identifiers," the FCC conceded. The FCC said that once various electronic filing systems--such as ULS--incorporate CORES and FRN into their application process, "the need to maintain registration information in multiple systems will be eliminated."

The FCC said CORES makes provision for the registration of foreign nationals unable to obtain an SSN by providing the ability to register without one. The FCC has required that club stations obtain an assigned TIN when registering in the ULS. In an apparent about-face, the FCC's CORES Order states that unincorporated radio clubs registering in CORES should use the TIN/SSN of the license trustee. The ARRL has asked the FCC to clarify.

The on-line filing system and further information on CORES is available by visiting the FCC CORES Web page, <https://svartifoss2.fcc.gov/cores/CoresHome.html>. A copy of the FCC R&O is available on the ARRL Web site, <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2001/09/04/3/cores-ro.pdf>.

==>ISS EXPEDITION 3 CREW CONDUCTS ITS FIRST SCHOOL CONTACT

Youngsters at Seabrook Intermediate School in Texas got their new school year off to a banner start by speaking with the International Space Station via ham radio. The September 4 contact was carried out as part of the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station program. Crew Commander Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ, took the NA1SS microphone for the first of what's hoped will be several school contacts during his crew's four-month stay.

Ten youngsters in grades six through eight from the school's Science Magnet Program took part in the contact. Among other things, the students wanted to know how life aboard the ISS compared with the space shuttle.

"The space shuttle is fairly small," Culberton said, comparing it to "a camper on the back of a pickup truck." The space station is huge in comparison. "It's like night and day between the two," he said. "For living in space, the space station is the way to go." Culbertson said he's enjoying weightlessness aboard the ISS.

One youngster wanted to know if the crew was able to shower aboard Space Station Alpha. "We don't actually take showers," Culbertson explained. "That would be pretty messy." He said the crew cleans up using a wash cloth and hot water, plus special soap and shampoo that does not need to be rinsed off but can just be wiped dry with a towel.

"It's been a real pleasure talking with you guys," Culbertson said as he signed off from NA1SS. The students reacted with loud applause.

Participating youngsters were enthusiastic about their ARISS experience. "That was just so cool talking to people over 210 nautical miles straight up," said Banks, a sixth grader. Seventh grader Adam, who hopes to become an astronaut, called it "a very eye-opening experience." Savannah, another sixth grader, said she hoped to get her ham ticket.

Coordinating the ARISS contact at the school was Bill Wood, W5OOD, with help from the Clear Lake Amateur Radio Club (K5HOU) and the Johnson Space Center Amateur Radio Club (W5RRR). Sandy Peck, the school's science coordinator, said some of her students are hoping to attend a licensing class in the spring.

The ISS crew is tentatively scheduled to speak next week with students at Altamonte Elementary School in Florida.

The ARISS program is a cooperative venture of ARRL, AMSAT and NASA. For more information, visit the ARISS Web site <http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov>.--Bruce Paige, KK5DO, provided some information for this report

==>CALIFORNIA ARES GROUP RESPONDS FOR BACK-TO-BACK BLAZES

In the wake of the "Oregon Fire" activation the last week of August, the Shasta County, California, ARES team barely had time to take a smoke-free breath before being activated again.

Shasta County Emergency Coordinator Drew Witham, W1SAR, reports that just as evacuation orders in Weaverville were being cancelled and the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection was announcing near containment of the Oregon fire, another huge blaze broke out in the nearby town of Hayfork. By late in the day of August 31, the "Hyampom Fire" had scorched an estimated 450 acres and prompted another round of evacuations.

Shasta County and Trinity County ARES members responded quickly to shadow CDF and Red Cross team members. Witham said this enabled communication from the mountain communities back to CDF and Red Cross incident support centers

in Redding.

"Heavy smoke and difficult terrain made direct communication difficult," Witham said. "At times messages were being relayed via two monitoring stations using three different repeaters." Witham said that all of the public information coming from the CDF's multi-agency information center in Redding was relayed via ham radio.

Witham said he'd first learned of the "Oregon Fire" while on duty battling another blaze with his local volunteer fire department. Still in his wildland firefighter's yellow Nomex gear, he headed for CDF Headquarters in Redding, where DEC Dick Cloyd, WO6P, had responded to the CDF activation of ARES. They quickly formulated a plan, and Witham headed for the fireline 60 miles away in the mountains.

"Despite the distance, CDF and Red Cross personnel had communications within the hour, and support was continued as needed right through the holiday weekend," Witham said. ARES operators stood down September 3.--Drew Witham, W1SAR/SCARES

==>JUDGE BANS RADIO GEAR OWNERSHIP BY FLORIDA CBER

A Florida man who's facing thousands of dollars in federal fines for unlicensed radio operation and for interfering with local hams was sentenced to probation August 30 in state court. William Flippo was found guilty of criminal mischief, a Class 1 misdemeanor, during a jury trial last spring. Palm Beach County Judge Charles Burton further ordered Flippo--a Jupiter CBer known as "Rabbit Ears"--to dispose of any radio equipment now in his possession.

The sentence resulted from a charge that Flippo rammed his vehicle into the car of a local amateur, Ed Petzolt, K1LNC, of Hobe Sound. At the time of the incident two years ago, Petzolt was assisting an FCC agent in tracking down malicious interference attributed to Flippo.

Burton had sentenced Flippo to 120 days in jail but suspended incarceration in lieu of one year's probation with multiple conditions, including the ban on owning radio equipment. Flippo has 30 days to appeal his sentence. Burton further ordered that Flippo is to have no contact with Petzolt or with any member of Petzolt's family. He also may not own or possess any weapons, and he is required to reimburse Petzolt for lost wages. Flippo also has written a letter of apology.

Flippo, 58, already owes the US government $20,000 in fines for unlicensed operation, willful and malicious interference to Amateur Radio communications, and failure to let the FCC inspect his radio equipment. He's now scheduled to appear in federal court November 5 after his arrest last summer on additional charges. Flippo faces four counts of operating without a license and four counts of deliberate and malicious interference to a licensed service--Amateur Radio.

Flippo was taken into custody in July 2000 and has been free on $100,000 bond. As a condition of his release, US Magistrate Judge Ann E. Vitunac restricted Flippo's travel and prohibited him from making any radio transmissions.

The criminal charges going to trial in November cover alleged violations between June 1999 and April of last year. Each count carries a maximum penalty of one year in prison and a $10,000 fine. In January 2000, the FCC gave Flippo 30 days to pay the $20,000 already levied. The case was referred to the US Attorney after he failed to do so, and the interference complaints continued.

==>LOWER AMATEUR RADIO VANITY FEE IS EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 10

The FCC says the fee for a new or renewed Amateur Radio vanity call sign will drop to $12 on September 10. Applications received on or after that date will be subject to the new fee. The current vanity call sign fee is $14.

The FCC proposed the lower fee last March in a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for the Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for FY 2001 (MD Docket No. 01-76). The FCC has estimated that 8000 applicants will apply for vanity call signs in the current fiscal year.

Earlier this year, the FCC also put paper and electronic vanity call sign applications on an equal footing in terms of processing priority. The FCC used to give priority to electronic applications for vanity call signs.

FCC rules stipulate refunds for applicants who inadvertently overpay a regulatory fee. Applicants who determine that they overpaid a vanity fee may request a refund in writing. Requests seeking a "Vanity Fee Overpayment Refund" go to FCC, 1270 Fairfield Rd, Gettysburg PA 17325-7245. Refund requests should indicate the date of application, the total fee paid, and the total refund owed.

The FCC has posted its FY2001 fee schedule on the Web <http://www.fcc.gov/fees/2001wtbguide.txt>. For more information on applying for a vanity call sign, visit the FCC Amateur Radio Web page, <http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/amateur/VanityCS.html>.

==>ARRL WELCOMES KH6HU AS "BIG PROJECT" COORDINATOR

Gerald W. "Jerry" Hill, KH6HU, of New Haven, Connecticut, has been chosen as coordinator of the ARRL Amateur Radio Education Project--better known as "The Big Project." The educational initiative of ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, is aimed at providing a turnkey Amateur Radio curriculum, equipment and resources to middle schools.

"We're happy to have Jerry on board, and now we're anxious to get going," Haynie said. Hill started work September 4.

The aim of "The Big Project" is to improve the quality of education by employing educationally valid techniques involving Amateur Radio to teach a variety of subjects--including science, geography, language and speech. In

his new position, Hill will work with national educational organizations and ARRL educational advisors to achieve this goal.

Born and raised in the upper Midwest, Hill lived for 25 years in Hawaii and considers it home. Prior to his retirement in April, Hill served as career and technical education regional coordinator for the Department of Education in Kauai. His experience in the education field includes curriculum development, assisting teachers in implementing standards in the classroom, grant writing, and a school-to-work program.

A US Navy veteran, Hill is a member and past president of Kauai Amateur Radio Club and a long-time member of ARRL.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Sunnyside Up Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Compared to the previous seven days, average solar flux rose nearly 10 points this week, but average sunspot numbers dropped about the same amount. There seems to be quite a bit of new activity emerging. Earth is exiting a solar wind, which brought planetary A indices to 17 and 20 on Monday and Tuesday. The current forecast shows a planetary A index around 10 for the next 10 days, but, of course, this could change.

A new sunspot group could bring more flare activity and coronal mass ejections. The current outlook calls for solar flux to rise over the next few days, to 225 on Friday, and around 230 on Saturday through Tuesday. This could be an exciting fall DX season, and since solar activity will be declining, perhaps the best for years to come.

Sunspot numbers for August 30 through September 5 were 138, 142, 153, 141, 168, 168 and 175, with a mean of 155. The 10.7 cm flux was 199.2, 188.7, 184.1, 182.5, 198.7, 218.4 and 218.3, with a mean of 198.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 13, 16, 8, 7, 17, 20 and 10 with a mean of 13.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL September VHF QSO, the North American Sprint, (CW) the WAE DX Contest (SSB), the SLP Competition (SWL), and the ARCI End of Summer PSK31 Sprint are the weekend of September 8-9. JUST AHEAD: YLRL Howdy Days, the QRP Afield event, the AGB NEMIGA Contest, the Air Force Anniversary QSO Party, the ARRL 10 GHz Cumulative Contest, the Scandinavian Activity Contest (CW), the Washington State Salmon Run, the North American Sprint (SSB) and the Tennessee QSO Party are the weekend of September 15-16. NOTE: The dates indicated in September QST ("Contest Corral") for the CQ WW RTTY Contest are incorrect. The contest is September 29-30 weekend. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Sign up for September Emergency Communications Level I on-line course! September registration for the Level I--Introduction to Amateur Radio

Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-001) will open Monday, September 10, at 4 PM Eastern Time. Two classes of 50 students will be processed during the week, and the on-line classes will begin the week of September 17. After 4 PM Monday--and until all seats are filled--the registration form can be found on the ARRL Course Registration page <https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce/>. Answers to most questions are on the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Home page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE FAQ page <http://www.arrl.org/cce/faq.html>. To learn more, contact ARRL Certification and Conntinuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@.... Registration for Level II--Intermediate Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-002) will re-open Monday, September 24.

* CQ Contest publishes its final issue: CQ Contest magazine has put out its last issue. Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA, says the magazine, in publication for almost six years, has been losing money for the past several years, and the decision to cease publication with the October issue was strictly a business decision. The content for the ham radio niche publication will be absorbed into CQ. "CQ's dedication to the contest community is in no way diminished," Ross said in "A Message from the Publisher" in CQ Contest's final edition. All CQ Contest subscribers will be converted to CQ subscribers or have their CQ subscriptions extended on a dollar-for-dollar basis, starting with the November issue of CQ. In his "The Band Edge" editorial in the October issue, CQ Contest Editor Bob Cox, K3EST, says the magazine's legacy might be carried forward in the form of a Web publication to serve the contesting community. The demise of CQ Contest leaves National Contest Journal--published by ARRL--as the sole hard-copy magazine aimed at the Amateur Radio contesting community.

* Allen B. Harbach, WA4DRU, SK: The man who had made life a bit easier for fans of vintage Heath gear, Al Harbach, WA4DRU, of Melbourne, Florida, died August 15. He was 73. He was a Life Member of ARRL and had authored several items that appeared in QST. A native of Orchard Park, New York, and an engineer, Harbach was first licensed in 1948 as W2YNI. In more recent years, he became known to many as "Mr Heathkit" and a source of parts and information about Heath amateur gear. A longstanding member of the North Florida DX Association, Harbach was a prominent DXer, DXpeditioner and DXCC Honor Roll member with 351 entities. His contesting experience using SB-200s and SB-220s led him to design several modifications to those amplifiers that he offered as products. He also sold antenna hardware. Survivors include his wife, Pat. DX Engineering <http://www.dxengineering.com> has taken over Harbach's antenna hardware business. Jeff Weinberg, W8CQ, has assumed operation of Harbach Electronics <http://www.harbachelectronics.com/>.

* Former ARRL HQ employee died of heart failure, not bee stings: Authorities now say that Bill Jennings, K1WJ, a former ARRL Headquarters staff member, died of heart failure, not as a direct result of bee stings as earlier believed. According to The Hartford Courant, Jennings--a backyard beekeeper--was attacked August 26 by bees from an especially aggressive colony, but many of the stings occurred after he'd already died. "There is no evidence that his death is in any way related to being stung by bees," Associate Medical Examiner Arkady Katsnelson said in a statement. "The

stingers seen on his face are most likely from being stung after he died from his dysrhythmia, probably aggravated by the stress of the situation." The medical examiner's office said venom from the bee stings had not entered Jennings circulatory system, and it attributed his death to an enlarged heart and generalized cardiovascular disease. Jennings, who was 54, worked at ARRL Headquarters in the late 1970s and early 1980s. QST Publisher Mark Wilson, K1RO, and ARRL New England Director Tom Frenaye, K1KI, attended a memorial service for Jennings on August 31. Wilson and Frenaye worked with Jennings when he was at ARRL Headquarters.

* DXCC squared--the hard way! The late DXpedition team of Lloyd and Iris Colvin, W6KG and W6QL, worked, confirmed, and received DXCC from more than 100 DXCC entities. This fact was among those established as research continues on a biography of the Colvins by author, Jim Cain, K1TN, a former ARRL Headquarters staff member. "We've counted DXCCs from 109 DXCC countries so far," Cain said, "not including any of the dozens of DXCCs Lloyd and Iris achieved as individuals from California. Can anyone top this?" Iris Colvin died in 1998, and Lloyd Colvin died in 1993. The couple was most active between the 1960s and the early 1990s. Commissioned by the Yasme Foundation, the soon-to-be-published book will include a history of the Foundation and a biography of the couple. Cain invites additional information, photos, and anecdotes on the Colvins and on the early Yasme days in the 1950s. Send information to yasmebook@....

* High-altitude balloon flight carried ham radio payload: Edge of Space Sciences is declaring its latest balloon launch a success. The Denver, Colorado-based non-profit organization promotes science and education by exploring frontiers in Amateur Radio and high-altitude balloons. EOSS reports that its Flight 51 was launched and recovered successfully on August 25. Seven payloads were on board. "ATV from the balloon was spectacular," said Jack Roland, KE0VH. "It showed the balloon going through a snowstorm as it ascended through 25,000 feet, on its way to its maximum altitude of slightly more than 90,000 feet." Roland said the EOSS team had clear pictures throughout the entire flight. Future flights will incorporate a crossband repeater. For more information, visit the EOSS Web site <http://www.eoss.org/index.html >.

* West Kiribati T30ES operation on the air: Eric Griffin, N1JSY, will be on the air for the next 18 months from the island of Butaritari in West Kiribati as T30ES. The T30ES operation is not a DXpedition. Griffin is a Penn State grad who's in the Peace Corps. His T30ES adventure is being supported by the Candlewood Amateur Radio Association and the Bethel Educational Amateur Radio Society, both of Connecticut, whose members donated the various elements for the T30ES station. At last report, one antenna was up and N1JSY had made a few regional QSOs as the station undergoes its shakedown cruise. T30ES will be active as his schedule permits. He's running 100 W with battery power and will operate only during his non-work hours. QSL to PO Box 3441, Danbury CT 06813. For more information on T30ES, visit The Kiribati Connection Web site, <http://people.mags.net/boem/kiribati1.htm>.--Peter Kemp, KZ1Z

* K3RXK to be digital conference banquet speaker: Tony Curtis, K3RXK, will be the banquet speaker at the 20th annual ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference, Saturday, September 22 in Cincinnati. His topic will be "40 Years of Amateur Radio in Space: Where We've Been, Where We Are, Where We're Going." Curtis notes that OSCAR-1 was launched December 12, 1961. An ARRL Life Member, Curtis has written dozens of books about space, astronomy, computers and electronics. He is editor of Space Today Online <http://www.spacetoday.org>. Full DCC information, a registration form, and hotel information may be obtained by contacting Tucson Amateur Packet Radio, 972-671-TAPR (8277); fax 972-671-8716; e-mail: tapr@...; http://www.tapr.org.

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* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio Club: Send e-mail to majordomo@qth.net (no subject needed). The body of the message should say "subscribe letter-list" to subscribe or "unsubscribe letter-list" to unsubscribe. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)

332. DX ATLAS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-09 17:18:33 UTC
From: sudhir keshvrao kalkar
Topic: 332 Message: 332
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

[Body unavailable in the source archive]

333. VHF Repeater of M.A.R.S

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-11 07:02:28 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 333 Message: 333

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

I am pleased to inform you that our MARS VHF repeater is fully functional and performing very well.

Initially we had many teething problems such as Pagers, Chinese Phone QRM etc.. But now all those problems are sorted out and we are practically having no QRM on the repeater.

The Frequency for the repeater is 144.620 Mhz with a + shift of 600 Khz. [152.220]. Another added feature to the repeater is the CTCSS Encoder. The Repeater sends out a Sub Audio Tone of 88.5
along with its transmission.

All Hams who have the CTCSS [Continuous Tone Coded Squelch System] Decoder facility on their Rig can avail this option.

For people who are not aware of CTCSS , let me clarify, Once you have CTCSS Decoder ON on your rig
on repeater frequency, [144.62 Mhz] , you will not hear any station on this frequency which is not transmitting a Sub Audio Tone of 88.5. Since the Repeater is already sending this tone Your squelch will open when the repeater transmits and you will be able to hear , but will remain close all the other time.

Since the Pagers, Chinese Telephones don't transmit this Sub Audio Tone of 88.5, they cannot penetrate your defence system. You may see the signal on your Bar Graph but you will not receive any audio.

This is an excellent option for all the hams using the repeater, Specially the ones who have their sets ON all the time, they will be totally spared from the Pager and other QRM. Although this system works very well, it does have a flaw, Suppose a weak Ham signal triggers the repeater and at the same time the Pager message is also fired with a strong signal, it may over ride the Ham signal and you may hear the pagers, but this can happen on a very rare occasion, most of time you should get a clean reception.

Please note that this does not mean that the people who don't have CTCSS on their Rig cannot use the repeater. They can continue just like before without any problem [that's the beauty of this system]. In fact you would have never come to know about the facility if I would have not told you so, because the Sub Audio Tone of 88.5 cannot be hear at all.

This is surely not the 100% solution to the QRM problem, but I estimate is will do good for about 90% of
the time.

Also note that most of the latest Rigs have this CTCSS facility built in like Yaesu 50R, 51R, Kenwood TH-78A, TH-79A, ICOM Base IC-2100 etc... some may require an add on chip.

Anyone requiring further clarifications in this matter may contact me directly at
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or on L.L. 3866312.

73s
NLF

334. new number

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-13 09:54:55 UTC
From: udayan desai
Topic: 334 Message: 334

Hullo,
MY telephone number at my residence has changed. THe new number is 3892368.
Udayan
VU2AUU

335. Hi everyone

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-13 16:46:35 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 335 Message: 335

A guy walks into a pizza joint in America and orders for a pizza.

The cashier asks him, "Sir, how many pieces should I cut your pizza into--6 or 8?"

The guy replies, "Cut it into 6 pieces, I can`t eat 8!"

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(http://go.msn.com/bql/hmtag_itl_EN.asp)

336. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 37

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-16 03:29:53 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 336 Message: 336

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==>AMATEUR RADIO RESPONDS IN FORCE IN WAKE OF TERRORIST ATTACKS

Some already are calling it "Amateur Radio's Finest Hour," as volunteers
answer the call to assist in ongoing relief and recovery operations in New
York City, Washington, DC, and western Pennsylvania in the wake of terrorist
attacks on the US September 11. The need continues for operators to assist
over the long haul, however. Current estimates suggest hams may be needed
for a month or longer in the New York City area, and for at least the next
two weeks in Washington, DC.

Along with most other federal agencies, the FCC closed its offices and sent
its employees home following the attacks. The FCC issued no emergency
declarations nor other special instructions to the Amateur Radio community.
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The ARRL advised amateurs to stay alert to instructions from local authorities.

New York City-Long Island Section Emergency Coordinator Tom Carrubba, KA2D, reports that hams have been supporting emergency officials and the American Red Cross relief and recovery effort. Amateurs have been staffing several Red Cross shelters in addition to a staging/National Disaster Medical System center, various Red Cross units, and the Greater New York City American Red Cross Headquarters as well as the New York City Office of Emergency Management.

Carrubba says the telephone system in lower Manhattan continues to be problematic because of the high call volume. "American Red Cross communications are overloaded, and traffic from the shelters is coming into the New York City net at a rapid pace," he said. "The Amateur Radio ops are doing a great job under very difficult and strange conditions, but this is what they have trained for; they are getting it done well."

Red Cross Communications Officer Jay Ferron, N4GAA, agreed. "The Amateur Radio community has come out very big and very strong," he said, adding that local clubs and repeater groups have volunteered gear, frequencies and operators.

New York City District Emergency Coordinator Charles Hargrove, N2NOV, has expressed his appreciation to the amateur community. "Thank you for all the support and well wishes," he said. "This is a difficult time for all of us. We appreciate all the amateurs who have volunteered their time and equipment."

Carrubba also cited the ongoing efforts of Guy Richman, KC2AYG, who has been coordinating net controls for the ARES nets, and Manhattan ARRL EC John Kiernan, KE2UN.

Carrubba is seeking additional volunteers from the Greater New York City region. He has asked out-of-state volunteers to "stand by until we can provide for your safety and comfort." Volunteers need a VHF (2-meter) or, preferably, a VHF/UHF (2-meter/70-cm) mobile radio, power supply and cables, and mobile/portable mag-mounted gain antenna. Carrubba says hand-helds are not sufficient to deal with the difficult operating conditions.

"Operators are still needed," he said, but stressed, "This is a difficult assignment."

Amateurs are working two 12-hour shifts per day, 8 AM to 8 PM and 8 PM to 8 AM, "plus or minus three or four hours, mostly plus," Carrubba said. Additional information is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org>.

At the scene of the Pentagon attack near Washington, DC, Virginia Section Emergency Coordinator Tom Gregory, N4NW, reports an "upbeat" crew of about two dozen amateurs is staffing six Amateur Radio stations in the immediate vicinity of the Pentagon. "What shocked me the most was the devastation you

can see right there, 100 feet from the building," Gregory said. "The destruction is total."

The ARES operation is providing logistical support between the Salvation Army's relief and recovery effort on site and the agency's Arlington headquarters. The Salvation Army has deployed several mobile canteens and a feeding unit to serve military and civilian emergency personnel assigned to the recovery operation.

"What we're finding is that communication is very difficult because of the tremendous amount of noise from the construction-type equipment and the generators providing power for the lights and support staff," Gregory said. Because of the noise level, operators are being rotated frequently in and out of the immediate vicinity of the attack. "There's the emotion of it, and there's the tremendous amount of noise, and it's very grating on you because you can hardly hear the radio to communicate," Gregory explained.

Gregory described the entire area as "very crowded with people" inside and outside the Pentagon. "People and equipment cleaning up, finding bodies, finding plane parts, firefighters still checking for hot spots, hoses, equipment," he said. "The damage to the building looks worse when you are right next to it than it does on TV."

"I found that it took me a few minutes to realize the gravity of what was going on and the importance of what we hams are doing in our own small way to help out," Gregory said. "The devastation of that building is awesome, and it puts things in perspective and it certainly made me proud to be an Amateur Radio operator and serve the people of the United States by offering the support we could."

The Pentagon ARES operation continues to seek volunteers. "Because of the immensity of the thing, we're trying to have six amateurs on duty at all times," he said. "We need 20 volunteers every day for at least two weeks." Volunteers should e-mail Tom Gregory, N4NW, at n4nw@....

Gregory emphasized that Pentagon site security is extremely tight. All ham volunteers must have a photo ID issued by a government entity to the secured area. "The FBI is handling issuance of IDs for access to the secured area and is doing a complete NCIC check before a photo ID is issued," Gregory said.

At the so-called "fourth" plane crash site in rural Somerset County western Pennsylvania, Kevin Custer, W3KKC, reports a busy scene as the investigation continues. Custer arranged preliminary repeater communication into and out of the crash site on Tuesday to help the Red Cross, Salvation Army, Pennsylvania State Police, the FBI and other state and federal agencies on the scene.

Custer said the investigation could continue for several weeks. "At this time we are preparing for the possibility of family members coming to the crash site--or close by," he said.

Montgomery County, Maryland, Deputy RACES Officer John Creel, WB3GXW, observed that while the enormity of the attacks is bound to touch the amateur community directly or indirectly, he has seen nothing but professionalism among the responding operators in his area. Creel advised amateurs to "just be prepared," and he echoed the sentiment of many that the events of September 11 "will be with us for the rest of our lives.

More detailed and updated information on Amateur Radio's involvement in the disaster relief and recovery efforts is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org>.

==>ARRL PRESIDENT PRAISES AMATEURS' RESPONSE

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, has expressed his deep appreciation to amateurs throughout the world who have sent messages of condolence and support. Haynie also praised the actions of Amateur Radio volunteers.

"The shock and horror of yesterday morning's events are still fresh in our minds," Haynie said the day after the September 11 terrorist attacks. "Radio amateurs in New York City and elsewhere around the country are doing everything they can to support the authorities in locating and assisting victims. We know that there are many among us who have been touched personally by these tragedies, but there is comfort in knowing that we are not alone in our grief."

"Never have I felt more strongly about what a great privilege it is to be a part of the extraordinary global community of Amateur Radio," Haynie concluded.

Messages of support arrived throughout the week at ARRL Headquarters from International Amateur Radio Union member societies and from individual amateurs around the world. Japan Amateur Radio League President Shozo Hara, JA1AN, expressed "great shock and dismay" at the attacks in New York and Washington and offered "heartfelt condolences to the victims and families of the victims" as well as any assistance JARL could offer. Deutscher Amateur-Radio Club Managing Director Bernd Haefner, DB4DL, relayed similar sentiments. "At this horrible time, we all are Americans," he wrote.

ARRL Vice President Kay Craigie, WT3P, noted that, on a day when many Americans were rushing home to be with their families, many radio amateurs were assisting in the emergency response. "Compared to the sacrifices by emergency responders in New York City and at the Pentagon, it was a small thing, yet a thing that should not go without notice."

==>AMATEURS AMONG THE MISSING IN WORLD TRADE CENTER ATTACK

At least four Amateur Radio operators are among the many still missing in the aftermath of the September 11 attack on the World Trade Center in New York City. The attack also destroyed the major TV and radio transmitting site atop one of the twin towers.

The hams reported missing so far include:

* Steven A. "Steve" Jacobson, N2SJ, 53, of New York City, a transmitter engineer for WPIX TV, and an ARRL member.

* William V. "Bill" Steckman, WA2ACW, of W Hempstead, New York, a transmitter engineer for WNBC TV. He was well know in the NYC area and ran a number of repeaters from the World Trade Center, most notably the 434 MHz ATV repeater.

* Robert D. "Bob" Cirri Sr, KA2OTD, 39, an ARRL member from Nutley, New Jersey and the ARRL District Emergency Coordinator for Hudson County. A Port Authority police officer, Cirri was on the job helping to evacuate workers from the building when it collapsed.

* Michael G. Jacobs, AA1GO, 54, an ARRL member from Danbury, Connecticut. Jacobs worked at Fiduciary Trust Company International, which had offices in the World Trade Center.

The collapse of the World Trade Center brought down the master TV transmitting antenna that served all but one television station in New York City, as well as several radio stations and amateur repeaters. "The broadcast community is in absolute shock," said Hudson Division Vice Director Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML, who works for ABC News. "We all knew transmitter engineers, we all knew people who worked up in those towers near those big television transmitters, and they're gone."

Mendelsohn said many viewers in the Greater New York City Area who are not on cable can only see WCBS, channel 2, which maintains its transmitter site on the Empire State Building. WCBS has offered assistance and space to help the other stations get back on the air from its site, he said.

"None of the other transmitters exist anymore. They're in the rubble along with the master antenna system, hundreds and hundreds of two-way radio system antennas, and boxes and, of course, untold thousands of people who perished."

There was cause for rejoicing in the case of another amateur who worked in the World Trade Center. Rob Nall, WV0S, reports that his friend, Herman Belderok, Jr, KB0EEB, managed to get out of the building just minutes before the structure collapsed.

==>WILDFIRES STRETCH NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ARES TEAMS TO THE LIMIT

The wildfire rampage in Northern California took a toll on Amateur Radio Emergency Service resources there. Sacramento Valley-North Section Emergency Coordinator Dave Thorne, K6SOJ, says maintaining 24-hour-per-day operations at evacuation centers and at the Red Cross chapter in Chico, plus providing field operators and HQ stations for the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection exhausted the pool of trained ARES operators.

"As of today, things are beginning to de-escalate, and our ARES members are being released as appropriate," Thorne said September 10.

The latest major wildfire erupted September 6 north of Lake Oroville in Butte County. Dubbed the "Poe Fire," it consumed more than 7500 acres,

destroyed 27 homes, and prompted the evacuation of more than 400 residences, according to news reports. Emergency Coordinator Steve Kaps, N6NPN, says that the Butte/Glenn County ARES team was activated right away by the county emergency manager to provide emergency and auxiliary communication for the American Red Cross. Kaps said ARES also assisted CDF when its normal communication channel became overloaded.

The Sacramento Valley Section mutual aid plan was activated last Friday, September 7, but ARES teams from nearby Shasta County already were involved in their own fire-related activity and unavailable. Thorne says ARES operators from Tehama County and from as far away as Siskiyou County were dispatched, and some remained on duty earlier this week.

"These dedicated volunteers are to be commended," he said. "For some it was over a 300 mile round trip, and they pay their own expenses."

The Poe Fire was the fifth major wildfire this year to hit the Sacramento Valley-North's eight-county service area.

==>ARISS ANTENNAS MOVE CLOSER TO LAUNCH

New Amateur Radio on the International Space Station antennas could be in place by early 2002. In addition, plans now call for splitting the current initial ARISS equipment into separate ham stations aboard the ISS--initially 2 meters in one location and 70 cm in the second.

ARISS Chairman Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, said the new flight antenna systems were shipped earlier this month to Johnson Space Center for a bench review. "We will be having our final safety review with NASA on September 18," he said. He said prototype units already have been tested to see if they withstand the temperature extremes and "thermal shock" of space. Technical testing for SWR and pattern also has been completed.

The new antennas--designed to cover HF, VHF, UHF, and the 1.2 and 2.4 GHz bands--are expected to be transported to the ISS in late November aboard the shuttle Endeavour on the STS-108 mission. The new antennas could be installed during a space walk early next year after the Expedition 4 crew is aboard. Bauer said training to install the new antennas is under way.

Once the appropriate gear is in place, ARISS operation could extend from HF through 2.4 GHz. The HF antenna is a 2.5-meter long flexible tape. Bauer thinks it will definitely work on 10 meters and speculated that it might work on 15 or 20 too. The new antennas will be arrayed around the perimeter of the ISS Russian Service Module--or Zvezda.

Bauer says a 2-meter station will remain in the Russian "Functional Cargo Block"--also called the FGB or Zarya--and will use the existing Russian antennas now used for ARISS. Once the new antennas have been deployed, a second station will be set up in the Service Module. In the short term, that will be a 70-cm station, but in the long term, the Service Module station will support expanded capabilities.

The new antenna systems were developed by the US, Italian and Russian ARISS partners. Bauer concedes the hardest part of the process has been getting the new antennas space-ready. "I want to thank all the individuals from around the world who have enabled the ARISS team to get this far," he said. "It has been a challenging effort. Your persistence and can-do spirit enabled the antenna systems to go from just a dream to reality."

Visit the ARISS Web site, <http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov>.

==>HURRICANE WATCH NET ACTIVATES FOR ERIN

The Hurricane Watch Net and operators at W4EHW at the National Hurricane Center in Miami activated for 11 hours over the September 8-9 weekend to keep an eye on Hurricane Erin. The storm, which had threatened Bermuda, was still a Category 1 hurricane at week's end.

The Hurricane Watch Net and W4EHW activated September 9 at 1100 UTC and terminated operations at 2200 UTC after the storm had passed east of Bermuda with no significant impact.

W4EHW Assistant Amateur Radio Coordinator Julio Ripoll, WD4JR reports that W4EHW received many live surface reports from Bermuda. W4EHW operated on the Hurricane Watch Net on 14.325 MHz as well as on the Bermuda Emergency Net on 14.275 MHz. Ripoll and the Hurricane Watch Net's Mike Pilgrim, K5MP, reported that up to a half dozen Bermuda hams provided storm data, including measured weather surface reports and visual observations of the surf.

The storm, with winds at 80 MPH, moved into the Atlantic. By week's end, forecasters were calling for large swells affecting the US East Coast and the Canadian Maritimes.

The Hurricane Watch Net <http://www.hwn.org> activates 14.325 MHz whenever a hurricane is within 300 miles of projected landfall or becomes a serious threat to a populated area.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar sage Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Average daily sunspot numbers were up more than 86 points this week, and average solar flux rose 39 points. The daily sunspot number peaked on Sunday at 291, the highest value since April 1. Solar flux peaked on Tuesday at 249.7, also the highest since April 1. Solar flux is expected to level off over the next few days, to 235 on Friday, 225 on Saturday and Sunday, and around 215 on Monday.

There have been several coronal mass ejections since September 11, but they were not Earth-directed. Geomagnetic conditions have been quiet this week, but on Thursday we experienced a rise in activity. On Friday the predicted planetary A index is 20, and conditions are expected to be unsettled after that.

Sunspot numbers for September 6 through 12 were 204, 288, 281, 291, 217, 180 and 228, with a mean of 241.3. The 10.7 cm flux was 222.2, 226.1, 249.5, 236.2, 244.5, 249.7 and 235.1, with a mean of 237.6. Estimated planetary A

indices were 8, 6, 7, 7, 5, 9 and 13, with a mean of 7.9.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: YLRL Howdy Days, the QRP Afield event <http://www.qsl.net/wq1rp/qrpa2001.htm>, the AGB NEMIGA Contest, the Air Force Anniversary QSO Party, the ARRL 10 GHz Cumulative Contest, the Scandinavian Activity Contest (CW), the Washington State Salmon Run, and the Tennessee QSO Party are the weekend of September 15-16. JUST AHEAD: The CQ WW RTTY Contest, the Scandinavian Activity Contest (SSB) and the Radio Club Panama XXX Anniversary Contest are the weekend of September 22-23. NOTE: The dates indicated in September QST ("Contest Corral") for the CQ WW RTTY Contest are incorrect. The contest is September 29-30 weekend. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* North American Sprint (SSB) cancelled: The North American Sprint (SSB) sponsored by NCJ and scheduled for September 16, 0000-0400 UTC, has been canceled. "This is being done out of respect to all affected by this week's events and also to eliminate any possibility of interference from the contest with emergency communication that may be going on," said SSB Sprint Manager Jim Stevens, K4MA.

* Johnston Island K3J DXpedition on the air: The K3J DXpedition to Johnston Island got on the air September 13 and will remain on the island until September 18. The team had been held up in Hawaii after airline travel was suspended.

* Kodiak Star launch delayed as a result of terrorist attacks: The Kodiak Star launch that will carry three Amateur Radio payloads--including the US Naval Academy's PCSat APRS satellite--into space from Kodiak, Alaska, has been delayed due to travel disruptions caused by the recent terrorist attacks. NASA says the launch has been rescheduled for September 20, at 0100 UTC (9 PM Eastern, September 19). The Kodiak Star mission comprises four small satellites that will be launched aboard a Lockheed Martin Athena 1 rocket. The launch will mark the first orbital launch from the new Kodiak Launch Complex in Alaska. PCsat is a 1200-baud APRS digipeater to be accessible using H-Ts and mobiles. It will operate on 145.825 MHz. Starshine 3 is a mirror ball with AX.25 9600-baud telemetry on 145.825 MHz, and Sapphire has 1200-baud AX.25 telemetry and a voice replay on 437.1 MHz.

* W9GFZ special event postponed: Due to this week's terrorist attacks, the National Radio Astronomy Observatory Amateur Radio Club has postponed the W9GFZ special event operation scheduled for this weekend, September 15-16, from the NRAO in Green Bank, West Virginia. The special event will be reschuled for a later time.--Dave Finley, N1IRZ

* It's business as usual for AMSAT-NA Symposium and Annual Meeting: AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, says he and the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors have agreed that the AMSAT-NA Symposium and Annual Meeting in

Atlanta the weekend of October 5-7 will proceed on schedule. "At present we do not see any reason why any changes should be made," Haighton said, "and we totally agree with those who believe that 'business should proceed normally as soon as possible, to show that we will not be beaten by a bunch of terrorists'." Haighton said the more who attend in Atlanta, "the bigger and stronger will be that message." Haighton invited AMSAT members and nonmembers to attend. "I look forward to seeing a record crowd!" More information and a registration form is available on the AMSAT-NA Web site, <http://www.amsat.org>.

* 2001 ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference to proceed on schedule: The 20th ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference will be held as scheduled September 21-23 in Cincinnati. The annual gathering provides an international forum for radio amateurs involved in digital communication, networking, and related technologies to meet, publish their work, and present new ideas and techniques for discussion. Sessions at the beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels will be offered in selected areas of digital communication. Tony Curtis, K3RXK, will be the banquet speaker Saturday evening. Full DCC information, a registration form, and hotel information may be obtained by contacting Tucson Amateur Packet Radio, 972-671-TAPR (8277); fax 972-671-8716; e-mail: tapr@...; http://www.tapr.org.

* DXCC Annual List deadline modified: Effective immediately, all applications for DXCC credit that are postmarked by September 30 will be eligible for inclusion in the DXCC Annual List that will appear in the 2001 DXCC Yearbook. It's not necessary that applications actually be received at ARRL Headquarters in Newington by that date. All submittals must show clear evidence of a postmark or posting date. This change should alleviate most problems arising from recently reported mail delays. Applications will be listed on the ARRL Web site DXCC page <http://www.arrl.org/awards/dxcc/appstatus.html> as they are received.

* Former HQ staff member recovering from surgery: Former ARRL Headquarters staff member Bob White, W1CW, is recovering from heart surgery at a Tampa, Florida, hospital. An ARRL Life Member, White, 81, worked at Headquarters for 25 years, primarily managing the DXCC program. He's also a CQ DX Hall of Fame member. His wife Ellen, W1YL, and their son Jim, K4OJ--also former HQ staffers--have expressed their thanks for the outpouring of e-mail and get well wishes. thank everyone for the outpouring of e-mail and get-well wishes. "My father is pleased by the number of e-mails he has received from hams around the world," said Jim White. "This has been very helpful to him." He said his father remains in good spirits. His prognosis is for several weeks' post-operative recovery at the hospital before being allowed to return home. E-messages can be sent to his home care of Ellen White, w1yl@....

* Hiram Percy Maxim Award presented at Missouri convention: At the recent Missouri State Convention, ARRL Midwest Division Director Wade Walstrom, W0EJ, presented 2000 Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award winner Thaddeus W. Huff, KC0AQG, with a plaque and a check for $1000. Huff, 19, lives in

Clarence, Missouri, and attends Moberly Area Community College, where he majors in criminal justice. Huff is active in community development and has spearheaded several programs to benefit his community, including an exhibit at the Clarence Community Resources Exposition to demonstrate Amateur Radio and emergency communications. A member of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, he has organized severe weather spotting courses for Macon and Shelby counties. The Hiram Percy Maxim Award goes each year to a radio amateur under the age of 21 whose accomplishments and contributions are of the most exemplary nature within the framework of Amateur Radio activities. The award was established in 1936, and formal nominations come from section managers.

* Wisconsin PRB-1 drive appears to be overcoming sponsor's resignation: Wisconsin's PRB-1 bill, Assembly Bill 368, appears to be retaining its momentum despite the recent resignation of the measure's Assembly sponsor, Rep Joan Wade of Montello. Wade, who resigned August 31, had introduced AB-368 earlier this year. The bill now will be in the hands of Rep Luther Olsen of Berlin. AB-368 was voted out of committee this week on a 5-1 vote; a vote by the Assembly could happen when the legislature reconvenes in October. A public hearing on the bill was held in May by the Committee on Urban and Local Affairs. The bill's Senate sponsor will be Sen Fred Risser. If AB-368 gets to the Senate, it will be referred to a committee, and another public hearing will be held. Information on how to contact Wisconsin lawmakers is available via the Badger State Smoke Signals Web site, <http://www.bsss.org.>.--Badger State Smoke Signals

* Lansing, Michigan, HamFair canceled: The 31st annual HamFair <http://www.qsl.net/lcdra/hamfair.org.html> in Lansing, Michigan, scheduled for October 14, has been cancelled. The event, sponsored by the Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club and Lansing Civil Defense Repeater Association, was called off because of lagging ticket sales and vendor booth reservations. For more information, contact J. Ervin Bates, W8ERV, w8erv@...; 517-202-6229.

* Ward Silver, N0AX, to edit QST "Contest Corral": Ward Silver, N0AX, will take over the reins of the QST "Contest Corral" department from George Fremin, K5TR. The change is effective with the November 2001 issue of QST. Licensed since 1972, Silver--who's 46--is a Life Member of ARRL and the Western Washington DX Club. A resident of Vashon Island near Seattle in Puget Sound, Silver is married and the father of twin boys, KD7DQO and KD7FYX. "My favorite contests are CW Sweepstakes, CW Sprint, and CQ WW CW--you might detect a slight inclination towards CW on my part," he says. He's especially interested in QRP (low-power) operating but also likes participating in multiop groups, such as W7RM and K3LR. Members may contact Ward Silver, N0AX, via e-mail, n0ax@....

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337. Happy Birthday - VU2NHR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-18 11:37:59 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 337 Message: 337

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its Founder Member Nirav Sanghvi [VU2NHR] a very happy birthday

338. Library Books & QST Magazine.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-18 11:53:34 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 338 Message: 338

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

You may be aware that we have received a generous donation by our Member Kiran Padiyar [VU3KPL] by way of subscription to the ARRL Membership. QST magazine subscription is a part of the membership. Till date we have already received 4 issues of the QST Magazine. (June,July,August,September 2001).

Unfortunately not many members are taking advantage of this subscription. (Hardly 5 to 6 members are making use of it)
this could be for possible 2 reasons, One that members are not really aware of it, second they don't know how to access the magazine.

During the Managing Commitee meeting held on 17th Sept 2001, it has been resolved that the magazine can be couriered to our members (Provided they courier back the magazine back to us or to the next reader). The duration for keeping the magazine with be one week (7 Days). [Vichare courier will charge Rs.7/- only]

Jaiprakash - VU2JPN has taken the charge of the Library, All members wishing to avail this facility can contact JPN directly
on Tel: 5244784 or E Mail vu2jpn@...

Please note that the library system will remain same all other books in future..

73s
NLF

339. hello to everyone

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-20 00:57:15 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 339 Message: 339

Huzefa Merchant has missed his Pune Indrani Express.He is trying to reach Pune by any other train.In case any of the other members who have left for Pune call up ,pls inform them abt Huzefa.I have already left a message at Nilesh's residence.

Bye
Huzefa's wife
Aiman

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-22 05:32:42 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 340 Message: 340

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Ten-Tec opens retail store, full-line dealership
WWV survey deadline near

+Available on ARRL Audio News

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==>WORLD TRADE CENTER AMATEUR RADIO VOLUNTEERS BEARING UP WELL

New York Amateur Radio Emergency Service and Radio Amateur Civil Emergency
Service volunteers generally are in good spirits, but tired, says New York
City-Long Island Section Emergency Coordinator Tom Carrubba, KA2D. "The mood
is positive," he said, more than a week into the grim reality of the World
Trade Center attack response. "Overall, it's going very, very well.
Everybody's settling into the routine of the operation."

Two dozen or more hams per shift are covering communications and logistical
support for the American Red Cross as well as supplementing communication
for the New York City Office of Emergency Management. "It's a great effort
every day, 24/7, and it's expanding as we get more requests." A single,
multi-purpose ARES/RACES net is being maintained on the 147.000 MHz repeater
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in Manhattan. New York City District Emergency Coordinator and RACES Radio Officer Charles Hargrove, N2NOV, is serving as the incident commander.

At this point, Carrubba said, the need for volunteers is being largely covered by amateurs from the Greater New York City Area--which includes New York City and Long Island, Eastern New York, Connecticut and Northern New Jersey. Hams have volunteered from all over, however, including at least eight Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club members from from Pennsylvania's Lehigh Valley.

Hams are deployed to 13 American Red Cross shelters, two OEM sites, several staging areas, and Red Cross headquarters, and as net controls. At any given time, up to a half dozen amateurs are posted just outside the secure perimeter of the so-called "Ground Zero" World Trade Center site, where Carrubba described conditions as "terrible." Volunteers there have been asked to provide respirators and other protective clothing. Shifts at all locations are 12 hours long.

Carrubba explained that Amateur Radio volunteers are being rotated in and out of areas and duties in an effort to equalize the stress. "The first 30 or 40 hours everybody does 'the iron man act,' I call it, because they're running on adrenaline," he said. After that, everyone gets some rest and unwinds a little bit. "The people that are going back are fresh," he said.

Since September 11, more than 350 hams have volunteered in excess of 5000 work hours.

Carrubba anticipates the Amateur Radio support operations to continue for some time to come, since the normal telecommunications systems remain disrupted or problematic. "The communications in the shelter are being used like telephones," he said. Telephone service is available, but it can take 15 or 20 tries to get a call through. Carrubba said net traffic has been substantial, although there are occasional lulls.

Many more volunteers will be needed before the ARES and RACES operation stands down "Right now our task is a long-term effort, Carrubba said. "The schedule is being filled in on a day-by-day basis." To date, more than 200 individuals have signed up via the World Trade Center Disaster Relief Communications Web site, <http://wtc.ab2m.net>.

Carrubba expects that Amateur Radio assistance might be needed at least another week and possibly longer. "As long as there's a need for communications, we will be there," he said.

In the meantime, REACT International is seeking additional Amateur Radio and licensed GMRS users, primarily to support the Salvation Army's relief efforts in New York. "We still need volunteers," said REACT International Secretary Lee Besing, N5NTG, who added that some shifts on Wednesday went unfilled. "They're burning out and having to return to their jobs," he said. REACT is now running 20 volunteers per shift. Volunteers should visit the REACT International Web site, <http://www.reactintl.org/tragedy_09112001.htm> or contact Charles Bessels,

<NYCHelp@...>.

==>PENTAGON ARES TEAM STANDS DOWN

The team managed by Virginia Amateur Radio Emergency Service to support the Salvation Army's disaster relief operation at the Pentagon stood down this week. Virginia Section Emergency Coordinator Tom Gregory, N4NW, thanked all who volunteered and turned out to assist following the September 11 terrorist attack.

"With the changes in security, increased shift times and, most of all, the ability of the Salvation Army to [now] manage their support operations via telephone, the need for Amateur Radio has ended," Gregory said. "The support provided here in Virginia, by the hams in New York--where operations continue--and in Pennsylvania clearly demonstrates the resolve and commitment by so many hams to meet the needs of our fellow Americans at this time of great tragedy."

The ARES operation--with Tom Harmon, AK1E, as incident commander--provided logistical support between the Salvation Army's relief and recovery effort on site and the agency's Arlington headquarters. The Salvation Army has been providing food and refreshments to the crews engaged in the Pentagon investigation and recovery operations. Gregory said many of the more than 100 volunteers who reported for duty between September 11 and September 18 gave up time with their families and their jobs. In a few cases, he said, he even wrote letters to employers requesting that volunteers be allowed time off to work the incident.

"Amateur Radio performed exactly as it was supposed to," Gregory said. "We responded to the need to provide communications where none were available." He said the Virginia ARES organization stands ready to jump in again "at a moment's notice" if the need arises.

Another amateur team consisting of Mt Vernon Amateur Radio Club and Arlington County Amateur Radio Club members was providing communication and technical support to the American Red Cross relief effort at the Pentagon site. Arlington County ARES Emergency Coordinator Alan Bosch, KO4ALA, said his team was running shifts from 8 AM through 1 AM each day, and he expected the operation to continue at least through week's end.

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, visited members of the Pentagon ARES team on Monday, September 17. Gregory said he appreciated Haynie's encouragement at a difficult time. Haynie was accompanied by ARRL First Vice President Joel Harrison, W5ZN, FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth, and ARRL Virginia Section Manager Carl Clements, W4CAC.

==>ARRL "AMATEUR RADIO DEMO AND EDUCATION DAY" WOWS FCC

The ARRL this week took Amateur Radio's message directly to FCC Headquarters in Washington, DC. ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, said the idea behind the ARRL's "Amateur Radio Demo and Education Day" September 18 was to foster a positive view of the Amateur Service--especially with three new

commissioners on board who may not be familiar with ham radio and the issues it faces.

"The FCC is bombarded with paper every day in the form of filings, briefings, backgrounders and other print materials," said Haynie, who masterminded the demonstration. "So our purpose was to let the commissioners and their staff get out of the 'paper chase' for awhile and see Amateur Radio up close."

The "demo" part of the event included a fully operational HF Amateur Radio station, which was used to make several contacts, a selection of low-profile antennas, a PSK31 setup, and a software-defined radio designed and built by Bob Larkin, W7PUA--and featured in QST <http://www.proaxis.com/~boblark/dsp10.htm>. The "education" facet comprised informational graphics throughout the room that depicted such topics as Amateur Radio disaster communication, the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program, and deed covenants, conditions and restrictions--or CC&Rs--as they affect hams subjected to private land-use regulations. One surprisingly popular poster featured a description of radio wave propagation. A videotape loop on Kid's Day ran all day long.

The event gave Haynie the chance to chat at length about Amateur Radio issues with FCC Chairman Michael Powell, commissioners Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, and Kevin Martin, and key FCC staffers.

Equally enthusiastic was ARRL First Vice President Joel Harrison, W5ZN, who also represented ARRL at the event. "We wanted to show the continuing--and maybe even growing--importance of Amateur Radio to the nation's telecommunications infrastructure, and to demonstrate our role in technological development and emergency communication," Harrison said.

And that latter aspect did raise a somber note, as the Amateur Radio demonstration took place only days after the World Trade Center and Pentagon attacks. Powell asked the FCC to "go on with the show," because of his commitment to keeping the FCC running on a business-as-usual basis during the national crisis. News of the tragic situation still pouring in underscored Amateur Radio's value in providing emergency assistance.

Haynie said the highlight of the event was the interest and involvement of Chairman Powell and his staff as well as the opportunity personally to meet the other three new commissioners. Haynie said that some commissioners seemed particularly interested in information on Amateur Radio antenna installations that had been erected under the "reasonable accommodation" provision of PRB-1.

Haynie said he was especially pleased that every commissioner and nearly all FCC department heads turned out with their staff members--nearly 100 visitors in all. Chairman Powell spent considerable time examining every display and asked for a personal demonstration of the PSK31 equipment. He was also interested in Amateur Radio involvement in rescue efforts at the World Trade Center and Pentagon disaster sites and how the Amateur Radio Emergency Service operates.

ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay said he was pleased to see that people did not just "cruise through" but stayed to discuss various issues and topics. Imlay said the event set the stage for future productive discussions with the FCC on a number of important Amateur Radio issues.

On behalf of the ARRL contingent, Haynie deemed the day a huge success. "This was the first time we have ever had such an opportunity, and in our collective opinions it was very successful!" he said.--Steve Mansfield, N1MZA

==>GEORGIA HAMS SUPPORT SOUTHERN BAPTIST RELIEF EFFORT IN NYC

A group of Georgia amateurs has accompanied Southern Baptist Convention Disaster Relief crews to the New York City area in the wake of last week's terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center. The hams are providing communications support to the Convention's mobile kitchens and shower units, deployed last week at the request of the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

The communications van of the Chattahoochee Baptist Association Amateur Radio team is stationed at a staging area at the Raritan Valley Baptist Church in Edison, New Jersey. Operating as W4CBA, the volunteers in Edison are utilizing the nearby New Jersey Institute of Technology Amateur Radio Club's K2MFF 147.225 MHz repeater in Newark to communicate with deployed kitchens and showers in the Brooklyn Naval Yard and near Ground Zero in Manhattan. Amateurs are accompanying volunteers from eight states into the field as they serve meals to relief workers and displaced residents.

According to Jackie Whitlock, N4JJW, the call from FEMA came on Wednesday. By last Friday, two kitchens had been deployed, with a third unit in reserve at Edison. In their first 36 hours on the scene, 89 volunteers had served more than 7500 meals at the Manhattan and Brooklyn sites.

The Chattahoochee Baptist Association has been supporting Southern Baptist Convention relief efforts since 1996.

==>THE YOUNGEST VOLUNTEER

Ten-year-old Beverly Holtz of Huntington, Long Island, New York, was distraught after hearing of the tragedy at the World Trade Center.

"I slowly explained what the news footage meant," said her father Fred Holtz, K2PSY. "The first thing she said was that she wanted to help."

Neither of them realized just how soon she would get the chance.

About six years ago Fred Holtz revived his interested in Amateur Radio. Soon his young daughter showed an interest in the hobby. Together they studied the electronics and Beverly was especially interested in the questions on emergency procedures.

"I told her that they were very important and you never knew when you would need them," Holtz said.

Father and daughter joined the local radio club and started going to meetings. Eventually she took the FCC exam for the Technician license and passed! She couldn't wait for her license to arrive and was ready to get on the air.

Beverly's new ticket finally arrived Friday, September 14, and she was officially KC2IKT. The next day she and her dad were running errands in the car, listening to an emergency net being run on a local repeater, when they heard a call go out for volunteers to staff a shelter as part of the response to the World Trade Center attack.

"We can do that!" Beverly told her dad. Fred Holtz called net control and explained that his daughter was only 10 and wanted to help.

"No problem," they were told. That afternoon they reported to the Red Cross shelter in Valley Stream, New York. Some 40 European students were staying at the shelter after being stranded when flights were cancelled at the nearby airports in New York City.

Using her dad's hand-held transceiver, Beverly answered questions from net control, relayed health-and-welfare traffic and was the only radio operator for the entire eight-hour shift.

"I was very impressed that [net control] treated her as an equal and that she was able to do it," her dad said. "She really had a trial by fire!"

Beverly said that the eight hours seemed like one hour. "I can't wait to do more," she said. "It made me feel good to help."--Diane Ortiz, K2DO

==>FCC PROHIBITS AUTOMATIC CONTROL ON LA AREA REPEATER

The FCC has terminated the automatic control privileges of the W6NUT repeater in the Los Angeles, California, area until further notice. An FCC review into the repeater's operation initiated last winter followed allegations that the licensee or control operator failed to address "long periods of jamming by users, broadcasting, music playing as well as a plethora of other violations."

The latest chapter in the W6NUT saga followed a September 7 letter to repeater owner Kathryn Tucker, AA6TK, from FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth. Hollingsworth specifically cited incidents of alleged rules violations in early February on W6NUT and reiterated that extensive monitoring of W6NUT showed "no evidence that a control operator even exists for this repeater." The FCC also has reported receiving numerous complaints about W6NUT.

In her reply to the FCC, Tucker identified her husband, Roy Tucker, N6TK, as the primary control operator "24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 52 weeks out of the year." But elsewhere in her response, Tucker noted that he was not on duty during the alleged misbehavior in early February that prompted the FCC review. Tucker also told the FCC that it was not the repeater's policy "to attempt to remove unruly operators" from using W6NUT. As for complaints, Tucker told the FCC that the W6NUT policy was to let them "go in one ear and out the other."

The rules do "not exempt the repeater station licensee from responsibility for the proper operation of his or her station or allow a repeater station licensee to ignore complaints, Hollingsworth wrote. "Given your response, it is evident that you do not understand the duties of a control operator."

Hollingsworth asked Kathryn Tucker to document her designation of Roy Tucker as the W6NUT control operator, and he noted that the rules hold licensee and control operator "equally responsible for the proper operation of the station." Automatic control does not absolve the licensee or control operator of the responsibility for illegal or improper conduct that airs, Hollingsworth explained. While there's an exception for inadvertent communications that violate the rules, he said, FCC rules do not consider improper or illegal conduct that's repetitive or continues for hours or days to be inadvertent.

Hollingsworth requested that the licensee or the control operator conduct a time and usage study of W6NUT's operation for 14 consecutive 24-hour periods to demonstrate that the repeater can comply with FCC rules without a control operator on duty. The repeater may continue to operate using remote or local control in the meantime.

As a result of the early February incident, Gregory S. Cook, ex-KC6USO, of Chico, turned in his license, and the FCC ordered Ted R. Sorensen III, KC6PQW, of Agoura Hills off all repeaters on the 144, 222, or 440-MHz bands for the next three years.

==>HAMS ACTIVATE AS GABRIELLE SWEEPS ACROSS FLORIDA

Florida amateurs provided the National Weather Service with real-time reports as Tropical Storm Gabrielle swept across Florida September 14. Amateurs staffed the Ruskin National Weather Service Amateur Radio station WX4TBW starting at 9 PM on September 13 and remained on duty throughout the storm's passage.

Damage reports began streaming in as Gabrielle approached Florida's west coast September 14. SKYWARN spotters from Sarasota and Manatee counties reported wind gusts as high as 74 MPH. Flooding generated by Gabrielle also forced an undetermined number of people from their homes in DeSoto, Hardee and Hillsborough counties.

Nets were established to pass critical information to the National Weather Service and to handle local and regional ARES activities. Several shelters were staffed by ARES operators throughout the ARRL West Central Florida Section. According to West Central Florida Section Manager Dave Armbrust, AE4MR, area hams took the event in stride.

"No big deal, our amateurs have been doing exactly this for years," Armbrust said. "Tropical storms and hurricanes are yearly events for ARES groups here. There is little need for us to do an annual SET as we generally get the real thing."

Armbrust was asked if anything made this particular storm different. "The massive loss of power kind of hit us by surprise," he said, "but it does

prove how important emergency power is to ARES." More than 250,000 Floridians lost power at least temporarily, but operations on the wide-coverage K4WCF repeater continued for nearly eight hours on emergency power.

"The flooding and wind actually took three repeaters off the air, but the ARES groups had trained for the loss of repeaters, and they did not miss a beat," Armbrust said.

While Gabrielle weakened as it moved eastward across the Florida peninsula, it still packed a punch. After passing over Florida, Gabrielle reached Hurricane strength over the Atlantic. The storm continued northeastward off the US and Canadian Coasts before becoming extratropical south of Newfoundland on September 19. The Hurricane Watch Net was not activated at any time.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar maven Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Solar flux and sunspot numbers are in a general upward trend since the beginning of August. Average daily solar flux was down almost 23 points, and sunspot averages were off nearly 43 points, when compared to the previous week.

The autumn equinox is Saturday, September 22, and right now is the best time for HF propagation in many months. Ten meters is getting really good at this time of year and will get better--at least in the northern hemisphere--during October and November.

Looking at average sunspot numbers for the past two weeks, this could be the best fall equinox of the current cycle for HF propagation. Average daily sunspot numbers from September 6-19 were 220, but for the same period last year, it was only 113, and 132 in 1999. We haven't had sunspot counts this high prior to the fall equinox since the peak of the last solar cycle, when the average daily sunspot number was 219 from September 6-19, 1989. Predicted solar flux for Friday through the middle of next week is around 230.

Sunspot numbers for September 13 through 19 were 223, 216, 183, 169, 159, 215 and 224, with a mean of 198.4. The 10.7-cm flux was 239.7, 236.6, 219.3, 207.1, 199.1, 203.8 and 198.8, with a mean of 214.9. Estimated planetary A indices were 18, 10, 15, 8, 10, 8 and 8, with a mean of 11.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The Scandinavian Activity Contest (SSB) and the Radio Club Panama XXX Anniversary Contest are the weekend of September 22-23. JUST AHEAD: The CQ WW RTTY Contest, and the Louisiana, Texas and Alabama QSO parties are September 29-30 weekend. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Sign up for Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level II course: Registration begins Monday, September 24, at 4 PM Eastern Time for the on-line ARRL Level II-Intermediate Emergency Communications Course (EC-002). Visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Registration Page <https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce> to take advantage of this continuing education opportunity. Each class is limited to 50 seats, so don't wait to register. Answers to most questions are on the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education home page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE links at the right, including the C-CE FAQ page. Stay informed by reviewing these periodically. To learn more, contact ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

* Vietnam War veteran Bill Ruth, W3HRD, killed in Pentagon attack: The terrorists' attack on the US has claimed another ham and ARRL member. Vietnam and Gulf War veteran and retired Chief Warrant Officer William Ruth, W3HRD, of Mount Airy, Maryland, is the fifth ham known to have died as a result of the terrorist attacks. The Army announced September 19 that Ruth, who worked at the Pentagon, was among the 30 confirmed dead. He was 58. "I remember Bill from my time with the Rock Creek Amateur Radio Association," said Leo Boberschmidt, W3LEO, a close friend. "I still remember the great slide program he gave on his experiences during the Gulf War; it's hard to say anything else right now." Four other amateurs are still missing in the wake of the World Trade Center attack.

* AMSAT-NA announces election results: AMSAT-NA Corporate Secretary Martha Saragovitz has announced the results of the 2001 elections for the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors. Barry Baines, WD4ASW; Dick Daniels, W4PUJ, Robin Haighton, VE3FRH and Bill Tynan, W3XO, will retain their seats on the board for two years. Bruce Paige, KK5DO, is the first alternate, and Richard Hambly, W2GPS, is the Second Alternate. They will serve until the next election.--AMSAT-NA

* Disney special event postponed until December: The W4D special event to commemorate the 100th birthday of Walt Disney, scheduled for September 30-October 1, will be postponed until December. The new date will be announced. The event is sponsored by the Disney Emergency Amateur Radio Service.

* George Jacobs, W3ASK, to step down as CQ propagation editor: After more than a half-century of writing CQ's monthly "Propagation" column, George Jacobs, W3ASK, will step down at year's end as the magazine's propagation editor. Tomas Hood, NW7US, will takes over the column in January 2002. Jacobs will remain on the CQ staff as contributing editor emeritus. "George Jacobs is an institution at CQ and in Amateur Radio community," said CQ Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU. "Over the past 50-plus years, he has helped demystify propagation for amateurs around the world, and has a prediction accuracy record that can't be beaten." Dayton Hamvention this year named Jacobs Amateur of the Year. An ARRL Full Charter Life Member, Jacobs was among the founding fathers of the OSCAR amateur satellite program and served as CQ's space communications editor prior to the launch of OSCAR I in 1961. Professionally, Jacobs was instrumental in building the Voice of America's worldwide short-wave network as well as other short-wave broadcasting

facilities.

* Guatemala gets 70 cm back: The Amateur Radio Club of Guatemala (Club de Radioaficionados de Guatemala--CRAG), the Guatemalan International Amateur Radio Union member society, reports that 430-440 MHz has been returned to Amateur Radio there. In 1996, the government eliminated amateur access in the formerly shared bands and auctioned 70 cm frequencies to commercial land mobile stations. These services reportedly now will be relocated to other spectrum. CRAG reports that Guatemala will seek a footnote at World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 to give Amateur Radio primary status at 430-440 MHz in that country. CRAG had petitioned the Guatemalan government to reverse its decision removing Amateur Radio from the band, and CRAG and IARU Region 2 officials had met several times with government officials on the subject. CRAG thanked the IARU Executive Committee for its support. The IARU Region 2 Conference will be held in Guatemala City September 30 to October 5.--AMSAT; IARU

* Kuwait authorizes 9K2USA call sign: Bob Furzer, K4CY/9K2ZZ, reports that the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society--in conjunction with the Kuwait Ministry of Communications--has authorized the use of the call sign 9K2USA by all radio amateurs in Kuwait. The authorization is being characterized as "a small token of the sympathy and support for the people of the United States from the citizens of Kuwait, and as an expression of deep condolence" following the deadly terrorist attacks on New York City and Washington, DC. The authorization will continue through the end of September. The Kuwait Amateur Radio Society will handle QSL chores using a common database, and all QSLs will be via 9K2RA, e-mail 9K2RA@kars.org. Visit the KARS Web site <http://www.kars.org>.--Bob Furzer, K4CY/9K2ZZ

* Special event station K5MFJ to commemorate MFJ's 30th anniversary: MFJ Enterprises in Starkville, Mississippi, will sponsor a Mississippi ARRL day in the park, Saturday, September 29. Special event station K5MFJ will be on the air to commemorate the company's 30th anniversary. Events include tailgating and factory tours of MFJ, Ameritron, Hy-Gain, and the MFJ metal shop and engineering building. ARRL and MFJ have provided door prizes. Lunch is on the house. Work K5MFJ on 10, 15, 20 or 40 meters and receive a commemorative certificate. QSL to MFJ Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 494, Mississippi State, MS 39762. For more information, visit the MFJ Web site <http://www.mfjenterprises.com>.

* Ten-Tec opens retail store, full-line dealership: Ten-Tec has opened an Amateur Radio retail store and full-line equipment dealership. The 1000-square-foot retail store and ham shack are in the lobby of the Ten-Tec manufacturing facility in Sevierville, Tennessee. "We have a large, loyal customer base that we'll be able to supply with accessories that complement our own manufactured equipment," says Ten-Tec Amateur Radio Product Manager Scott Robbins, W4PA. "Equipment from more than 20 manufacturers is already in stock and available direct from Ten-Tec." Ten-Tec is planning a grand opening celebration for its new retail outlet during the annual Ten-Tec Hamfest, Friday and Saturday, September 28-29. Visit the Ten-Tec Web site <http://www.tentec.com>.

* WWV survey deadline near: The deadline is September 30 for the National Institute of Standards and Technology survey seeking information on how WWV and WWVH listeners use the standard time and frequency broadcast services. The survey remains available on the Web <http://www.timesurvey.nist.gov/>. It's also available as a printable PDF or HTML file and in a hard-copy, mail-in version. According to WWV Station Manager John Lowe, the last WWV-WWVH user survey was done in 1985. He confirmed that the data collected ultimately could be used to determine whether WWV and WWVH remain on the air--especially given the popularity of NIST's other outlets, including its Web-based time server that gets in excess of 3 million hits a day. While Lowe strongly encouraged all WWV and WWVH users to send in a survey, he has suggested that more weight will be given to responses from corporate and institutional users. WWV in Ft Collins, Colorado, and WWVH on Kauai, Hawaii, broadcast continuous time and frequency information to millions of listeners worldwide. For more information, contact John Lowe, lowe@....

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341. Jamboree On The Air Porgramme on 20th & 21st October 2001.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-25 09:20:43 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 341 Message: 341

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

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Huzefa has called most of our members to prepare the list of participants and the list of Harware Available. The Response is
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There are members who are scared that their rigs might overheat and get damaged, We have members who have HF Rigs in cold storage, but are not taking this occasion to warm up their equipment. We also have members who do not wish to WASTE their leave on saturday and can only participate on Sunday.

If this is the spirit of Members of M.A.R.S then maybe we were better off with JNA, atleast we had access to the equipment and we did not have to beg to our members.

CONCULSION : All interested members may contact VU2HIT directly on R-3731646, O-3460575 or mail vu2hit@indiainfo.com We shall wait for 3 more days for some possible good response from our LOYAL members, If we have good number we shall continue or else we will have no option but to Scrap this Event.

Also my suggestion to all the members who feel that this event is not worth to WASTE a leave, PLEASE DON'T PARTICIPATE..

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342. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-25 18:59:59 UTC
From: tomchi21
Topic: 342 Message: 342

TO , 26/09/2001
MEMEBERS OF MANAGING COMMITEE/MEMEBERS
MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MUMBAI.

FELLOW HAMS ,

Freinds u can take this letter of mine as my resignation from the post of chairman , i really am not liking to do so
but am really hard pressed for time , due to my personal reasons , thats was the also reason to , pass on the responsibility
of JOTA event to VU2 HIT , HUZEFA MERCHANT , am thankful to him to take upon the same .

Well I thought if iam unable to do my duties as chairman then it would be fair enough for me to step down , and allow somebody else to take over , who can discharge the duties with resposibility which is required for the post.

For the upcoming JOTA event , i request all members to come forward and participate , to make ita sucess, sucess it would be but its magnitude can be increased.

My sincere wishes are for the society for its moving forward with full jest and vigour .

Will always be there godforbid if any disaster happens .

73s

VU2UGJ

MUKESH JAITLEY.

343. Re: [m_a_r_s] Jamboree On The Air Porgramme on 20th & 21st October 2001.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-09-28 19:05:07 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 341 Message: 343

Dear Nilesh, Huzefa and 49 Other Members,

1. I am Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ. QTH ? Baroda. I had joined MARS Team from Vadodara Rly. Station on 26th January, 2001 to restore emergency communications after the earthquake and setup the antenna at Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar and operated radio station.

2. I received in 1961 Bharat Scout Certificate and Badge from Lady Oval Baden Powell, Chief World Guide and wife of the Founder of the Scouting movement. In 1962, I received President?s Scout Certificate from Dr. Sarwapali Radhakrishnan, the then President of India and was selected for the World Scout Jamboree in Greece. My Log Book shows I have made number of contacts on 21st and 22nd October, 2000 during JOTA, including with the stations set up by MARS at Mumbai.

3. I wanted to become member of the MARS in the train itself on 26th January, 2001. I became member soon afterwards. Due to some reason (which neither I know, nor I want to know, since it is history and nothing can be done about it), I had not received any communication from MARS. On 14th Sept., 2001 early morning I was in transit through Mumbai and had a contact with Nilesh through LL. Subsequent to that I became member of this e-group and the first mail I have received is about JOTA. When the mail came, I was on tour. However, within 3 days deadline, I am replying.

4. Four Members have already offered HF equipment for the JOTA and I am the fifth. There is still one month more and more members may offer their equipment. Even if others don?t offer their HF rigs, five stations are sufficient. We already have Huzefa willing to take up the lead for participating in the JOTA. My humble request is let us go ahead with participation in the global once a year event, JOTA and I am willing to provide what ever help is required from me. In addition to being HAM, I have knowledge and experience about Scouting, which I am willing to share and spread. Scouting is the best activity for character building and preparing young persons for any eventuality as the Scouting motto BE PREPARED itself

suggests.

5. CONCLUSION: Let?s go ahead and participate in the JOTA.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ

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==>ARES/RACES NYC EFFORT STANDS DOWN; REACT SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

After more than two weeks of intense effort, the Amateur Radio volunteer
activation in New York City is winding down. ARRL New York City-Long Island
ARES Section Emergency Coordinator Tom Carrubba, KA2D, says all ARES/RACES
World Trade Center operations in support of the American Red Cross and the
NYC Office of Emergency Management ceased early this week.

REACT International continues to seek additional Amateur Radio and licensed
GMRS users, primarily to support the Salvation Army's relief efforts in New
York City. REACT International Secretary Lee Besing, N5NTG, said his
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organization has been lining up volunteers, and Jeff Schneller, N2HPO--who's affiliated with the Salvation Army Team Emergency Response Network (SATERN)--has been doing the scheduling for the support effort.

REACT needs up to two dozen volunteers a day. Those who are willing and able should first visit the REACT International Web site <http://www.reactintl.org/tragedy_09112001.htm> or send e-mail to NYCHelp@....

Carrubba says the American Red Cross closed all shelters that remained open in New York City on Sunday, September 23, while the New York City Office of Emergency Management shut down Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service support Monday, September 24. Any remaining Amateur Radio Emergency Service activity will be handled by volunteers from the Greater New York City area, he said.

New York City District Emergency Coordinator Charles Hargrove, N2NOV--who served as incident commander--has expressed his appreciation to all amateurs who volunteered their time and equipment. Hargrove outlined Amateur Radio's role in the disaster response in a September 27 interview on Bloomberg Radio's WBBR in New York City.

ARRL New York City-Long Island Section Manager George Tranos, N2GA, also expressed his gratitude to all Amateur Radio operators who came forward to assist the ARES/RACES effort. "The system works and our 'hobby' has performed well as a 'service' to the public," he said.

Tranos said some 500 Amateur Radio volunteers helped out with communications support for the disaster. "The ARES organization has done a good job in mobilizing--some being on scene and ready on the morning of September 11," he said. Tranos also praised Carrubba, who, he said, "showed the way and was instrumental in the administration, organization and logistics of the operation."

"Thanks and congratulations go to each of those who helped," Tranos concluded. "Now, hopefully, we can try to return to some degree of normalcy."

==>ARRL PRESIDENT PRAISES AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY EFFORT

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, took advantage of a visit to New York City hams to express his gratitude for the overall Amateur Radio volunteer effort in the wake of the terrorist attacks September 11.

"On behalf of the 680,000 ham operators in the US, thank you for doing such a fine job," he said during a September 21 visit with Amateur Radio Emergency Service volunteers at the heart of the communication effort.

ARRL Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, accompanied Haynie on his visit. "From the very first day I have been proud of the way ARRL members in the Hudson Division responded in overwhelming numbers," Fallon said. "So many responded that many, unfortunately, were turned away."

"It really has been our finest hour!" Fallon continued. "It has made us all very proud to be Amateur Radio operators."

John MacInnes, a Red Cross communications officer based in Tucson, Arizona, expressed high praise for the Amateur Radio community and for ARRL.

"We wouldn't be where we are today without the ham radio operators," he told Haynie. He said Haynie should be very proud of ARRL and asked him to relay his message of thanks throughout the amateur community.

==>THREE SCHOOLS ENJOY ISS INTERVIEWS

Students at schools in Florida and Virginia got to talk with International Space Station Expedition 3 Crew Commander Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ, this month. The contacts were arranged as part of the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station program.

On September 14, 15 youngsters and their teacher at Altamonte Elementary School in Altamonte Springs, Florida, questioned Culbertson about life in space and how he and his crew are coping. Given that the contact was just a few days after the World Trade Center and Pentagon terrorist attacks, Culbertson told pupils that, for a change, he and the crew wished they had TV aboard.

"This is the only week that I have been up here that I wish I could have watched TV, because of all the things that are happening down there which obviously touch all of us very deeply," he said.

Culbertson also referred to attacks during a September 19 ARISS QSO with students at Western Albemarle High School in Crozet, Virginia. Culbertson said the crew members heard about the World Trade Center and Pentagon attacks from a doctor on Earth while they were involved in a medical conference. "Obviously it was quite a shock, and it took a while to get me the details," he said. "Of course, it was hard to believe, at first."

On the lighter side, when asked by another high schooler about how the ISS smells, Culbertson replied, "We think it smells pretty good, but I bet you'll have to ask the next crew what they think when they get here."

Early on the morning of September 25, Culbertson was quizzed by 13 first and second graders at Ladysmith Primary School in Ruther Glenn, Virginia. Among other things, the pupils there wanted to know what crew members did with their dirty clothes, how they got rid of garbage (both are burned up in Progress rockets sent zooming into Earth's atmosphere) and how they washed dishes (they don't use dishes).

"It was a tremendously positive experience," said Jim Whitaker, KQ4RH, who helped organize the Ladysmith contact and whose wife, Carolyn, KF4RXJ, is a kindergarten teacher at the school. "Frank Culbertson was wonderful! You can tell he understands children and wanted to make this special for the kids."

Altamonte teacher Cricket Scheer, KG4EGW, called her school's QSO "an experience of a lifetime, and a happy, positive one during a very frightening time."

For more information on the ARISS program, visit the ARISS Web site <http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov>

==>SOLAR FLARE ACTIVITY POSTPONES KODIAK STAR LAUNCH

Solar flare activity continued this week to postpone the Kodiak Star launch from Alaska. An Athena I launch vehicle will carry three Amateur Radio payloads, including the APRS-equipped PCSat, built by midshipmen from the US Naval Academy.

The midshipmen worked under the guidance of Academy Senior Project Engineer Bob Bruninga, WB4APR--the recognized "father of APRS"--who's in Alaska for the big event. Word this week was that the launch would not happen before Saturday, September 29.

A severe X-class flare and a high-velocity earthbound coronal mass ejection--or CME--were observed at 1038 UTC on September 24. The solar event, said to be the second largest in the 30 years, hurled slower-moving particles toward Earth, driving proton flux levels well above those allowable for a safe launch and keeping the rocket on the ground. The CME also triggered geomagnetic storms and spectacular auroral displays in northern latitudes.

High levels of charged particles can affect the reliability of the launch vehicle's guidance system.

The launch will be the first orbital shot from the Kodiak launch complex in Alaska. In addition to PCSsat, the Athena I launcher will carry the Starshine 3 and Sapphire payloads. PCsat is a 1200-baud APRS digipeater designed for use by amateurs using hand-held transceivers or mobiles. It will operate on 145.825 MHz. Starshine3 is a "disco" mirror ball with AX.25 9600 baud telemetry on 145.825. Sapphire has 1200-baud AX.25 telemetry and a voice replay on 437.1 MHz. Starshine 3's "disco" ball will be visible to the eye and give earthbound students the opportunity to participate in its primary mission of satellite tracking.

The Kodiak Star initially was scheduled to launch in late August. The launch was postponed previously as a result of air travel problems caused by the September 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

For more information, visit the PCSat Web site, <http://web.usna.navy.mil/~bruninga/pcsat.html>. For more information on Sapphire, visit the Stanford University Space Systems Development Laboratories Web site, <http://ssdl.stanford.edu/aa/projects/squirt1/sapphire_overview.html>. The Starshine Web site is <http://www.azinet.com/starshine/>

==>FCC STAFF MEMBER STEVE LINN, N4CAK, SK

The FCC and Amateur Radio communities are mourning the loss of FCC staff member Steve Linn, N4CAK, of Lower Allen Township, Pennsylvania. Linn, 50, and his wife, Lesley Ellen Nearman, 44, died September 21 as a result of an automobile accident in Maryland. The couple's two children, ages 9 and 12, survived the wreck.

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, said he was deeply saddened by the news. "Steve had not only been a valued employee at the FCC but also a good friend to the Amateur Radio community," he said. "Having just visited with Steve a few days ago in Washington, I will remember his jovial spirit and dedication to the success of ham radio. Our prayers will be with their children, Steve and Lesley's families and all the employees of the FCC who will long feel this great loss."

Linn was among the FCC staff members who turned out September 18 for the ARRL "Amateur Radio Demo and Education Day" at FCC Headquarters. At the time of the fatal mishap, Linn and his family were on their way to the Virginia Beach Hamfest where he and Haynie were scheduled to do a forum presentation together.

FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth said Linn was well-liked by the FCC staff members and contractors he worked with at the FCC's Gettysburg office. "He was a very, very nice guy, a good engineer and he had common sense," Hollingsworth said. "He knew the value of Amateur Radio and saw the big picture." Hollingsworth said that the Enforcement Bureau was increasingly relying on Linn for Land Mobile and Amateur licensing and technical matters. "We will miss him very much," he added.

An ham since the 1980s and an ARRL member, Linn was deputy chief of the Licensing and Technical Analysis Branch for private wireless within the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. He had worked for the FCC for about 25 years. His supervisor, Mary Shultz, said called Linn's death "a major shock" to the branch. "He'll be difficult to replace as an employee," she told ARRL, "but impossible to replace as a friend."

Linn frequently served as a source of information on the Universal Licensing System and the Commission Registration System, CORES. He spoke about ULS during the 2000 Dayton Hamvention FCC Forum. He also was a presenter at local hamfests.

Services for the couple were held September 24.

==>MICHIGAN HAM GRANTED SHORT-TERM RENEWAL, UPGRADE

The FCC has acted on longstanding renewal and upgrade applications from a Michigan ham whose operation had come under Commission scrutiny. The FCC this month renewed the license of Allen J. Stap Sr, N8OKU, of Gobles for a two-year term, provided he follows FCC rules. It also granted his application to upgrade to General.

Stap's upgrade was held in abeyance for more than a year while the FCC evaluated his written responses and on-the-air behavior following earlier sanctions. A letter from FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth noted that Stap had entered a plea of no contest in May 1997 to an alleged violation of a Michigan statute that makes it a misdemeanor to "prevent, interfere, obstruct or impede a public safety radio communication." Stap was accused of intentionally interfering with a RACES station engaged in test operations in support of civil defense

communications, Hollingsworth said.

Stap served a "delayed" sentence of nine months after agreeing not to operate on 2 meters and to surrender his radio equipment to the police. After nine months, the restrictions against Stap were lifted and the charge dismissed.

Subsequently, Stap was notified by the FCC to answer to complaints alleging that he had interfered with with Kalamazoo repeaters. Stap received a warning letter in February 2000.

Stap's license came up for renewal in May. Hollingsworth said that since the FCC had received no complaints about Stap since last year, it would grant the two-year renewal. At the same time, the FCC acted favorably on Stap's application to General class. Hollingsworth told Stap that he may routinely renew his Amateur Radio license if he follows the rules during his current two-year term. But he warned that valid complaints of rules violations could lead to a license revocation hearing.

==>FORMER MIDWEST DIVISION VICE DIRECTOR CHUCK MILLER, WA0KUH, SK

Former ARRL Midwest Division Vice Director Lyndell "Chuck" Miller, WA0KUH, of Kansas City, Missouri, died September 24 after a lengthy illness. He was 75 and had been a ham for nearly 40 years.

An ARRL Life Member, Miller served as Midwest Division Vice Director from January 1988 to December 1991 and was a founder and life member of the PHD Amateur Radio Club.

"Chuck was the main driving force behind the Club," said former Kansas Section Manager, Bob Summers, K0BXF. "Its success and the PHD hamfest were due to his undying effort." Larry Staples, W0AIB, called Miller "truly a remarkable man and a credit to the Amateur Radio Service."

Miller also helped establish the PHD Scholarship Award <http://www.arrl.org/arrlf/scholgen.html>. The program awards $1000 annually to a licensee living in the ARRL Midwest Division (Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska), who is either enrolled in a course of study of journalism, computer science or electronic engineering, or is the child of deceased radio amateur.

Survivors include Miller's wife, Mary Carolyn, and two daughters. Services were September 27.

Memorial contributions are invited to the PHD Scholarship Fund <http://www.arrl.org/arrlf/contribs.html#memorial> c/o ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar sage Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: This has been an incredible week for solar activity. The solar flux hit a new high for this sunspot cycle when it rose to 282.6 on Wednesday. The previous high solar

flux was 273.5 on March 28, 2001, and before that was 262 on May 17, 2000.

The high activity at the end of March and during this week would seem to shift the peak of the solar cycle forward, but that reading is always based on a smoothed running average and is determined long after the peak. But the high activity this week was not isolated. Trends have been solidly higher for two months.

Average daily solar flux rose dramatically this week from last by nearly 45 points. Average daily sunspot numbers were up almost 90 points!

With all the new sunspots and associated energy radiating from the sun, there were some geomagnetic upsets also. The worst days were Sunday and Wednesday, when the planetary A index was 27 and 24. Sunday had a rapid rise in geomagnetic indices, starting out the UTC day with the planetary K index at zero, then going to five only six hours later.

The most recent projection shows geomagnetic indices stabilizing briefly with a planetary A index of 10 on Friday, then rising to 15 on Saturday and 18 on Sunday. Projected solar flux is 265 for Friday and 260 for both Saturday and Sunday.

Since we have just passed the autumnal equinox, the fall DX season is in full effect. Now is a great time to enjoy the best propagation in years on 10 and 12 meters.

Sunspot numbers for September 20 through 26 were 276, 258, 293, 275, 315, 320 and 278, with a mean of 287.9. The 10.7-cm flux was 226.8, 238.6, 255.2, 258.5, 279.3, 275.1 and 282.6, with a mean of 259.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 5, 10, 27, 6, 18 and 24, with a mean of 13.6.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The CQ WW RTTY Contest, and the Louisiana, Texas and Alabama QSO parties are September 29-30 weekend. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Correction: An amateur team consisting of members of the Vienna Wireless Society, the Arlington County Amateur Radio Club and other amateurs provided communication and technical support to the American Red Cross relief effort at the Pentagon site. An report in The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 38 (9/21/01) incorrectly identified one of the primary clubs involved with this effort.

* Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Class Level II openings remain: A few seats remain for the September on-line class Level II (Intermediate) Emergency Communications Course (EC-002). This class begins the week of October 1. Taking the Level I course first is not mandatory. If you want to learn more about emergency communications and net procedures, Level II offers new tools for your local use. Visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Registration Page <https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce> to

take advantage of this continuing education opportunity. Answers to most questions are on the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education home page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE links at the right, including the CCE Syllabus, FAQs, Classroom Courses, and much more. To learn more--or if you have problems registering--contact ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

* Continuing Legal Education Seminar set for Pacificon 2001: ARRL Volunteer Counsel Harry Styron, K6HS, and Phil Kane, K2ASP, will conduct Pacificon's annual Continuing Legal Education Seminar on October 19 in Concord, California. The session will be held at the Sheraton Concord (Airport) Hotel from 9 AM until noon. The $75 cost of the seminar for includes a copy of Antenna Zoning for the Radio Amateur by Fred Hopengarten, K1VR, a $49.95 value. The seminar covers in-depth state and local antenna regulation with the focus on amateur issues and other legal topics affecting Amateur Radio. Registration is exclusively at the seminar site, and three hours of MCLE credit is available to California attorneys. More information on Pacificon 2001 is available on the Pacificon Web site, <http://www.pacificon.org>.

* Two more amateurs reported lost at World Trade Center: ARRL has learned that two more amateurs were lost and presumed dead in the World Trade Center attack September 11. Gerard J. "Rod" Coppola, KA2KET, was a transmitter engineer for WNET, channel 13. He was 46 and lived in New York City. Winston A. Grant, KA2DRF, was a computer technician with Empire Blue Cross/Blue Shield. He was 59 and lived in West Hempstead, New York. A fund has been established to assist the families of broadcast engineers. Send checks made out to "Ennes Educational Foundation Trust" to The Society of Broadcast Engineers Inc, 9247 N Meridian St, Suite 305, Indianapolis, IN 46260, ATTN: Broadcast Engineer Relief Fund.--some information courtesy of Paul Sanchez/Emmis Broadcasting

* Maryland tornado prompts RACES activation: Prince George's County Maryland Emergency Coordinator and RACES Radio Officer Jim Cross, WI3N, reports that the Prince George's County Emergency Operations Center was activated September 24 in response to an F3 to F4 tornado in the northern part of the county. The tornado, which arrived at the height of rush hour, damaged buildings and vehicles on the campus of the University of Maryland and caused two deaths. In addition utility poles and trees were knocked down on Route 1 in Beltsville, and the storm damaged Laurel High School and approximately 50 homes in the Laurel area. Traffic was halted in several areas. The EOC activated RACES, and a net was established at 6:35 PM Eastern Time on the Green Mountain Repeater Association 146.61 MHz repeater. The GMRA's 146.88 repeater also was used. Members checked in to the 146.61 repeater and stood by. Other RACES members were able to drive through neighborhoods and report damage to net control at the EOC. "Fortunately the GMRA installed battery backup for its repeaters about a year ago. The power was out to about 11,000 homes including the 146.61 repeater," Cross said. The 147.225 repeater was activated subsequently, and trustee (and Montgomery County Deputy RACES Radio Officer) John Creel, WB3GXW, stood by as it was used to relay traffic between the EOC and a Red Cross shelter in Laurel. Operations were secured at 11:35 PM Eastern Time. Deputy RACES Radio Officer

HD Scott, K3HDM, handled net control duties during the crisis.

* Ham-sailor pins down arrival in US: David Clark, KB6TAM, who's trying to be the oldest person to sail solo around the world, has set Pearl Harbor Day, December 7, as his new "confirmed" date of arrival in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Clark currently is in Trinidad, sitting out the Atlantic hurricane season. Clark told his wife, Lynda, that he was saddened by the September 11 terrorist attacks. "He has been following the news in Trinidad via TV," she said. "It makes him homesick to be back in the USA where he can be close to his family, and he is very anxious to get under way again." Clark will leave Trinidad the first week in November. He plans to complete his trip at the Marriott Marina on 17th Street Causeway, Fort Lauderdale. A gala celebration will ensue.

* Southeastern Vice Director wins 2001 CHAMP Award: ARRL Southeastern Division Vice Director Evelyn Gauzens, W4WYR, is the recipient of the 2001 Citizens' Ham Mobile-Marine Patrol (CHAMP) Award. Gauzens is cofounder of the Tropical Hamboree and a prominent community activist. The annual award is presented to an Amateur Radio operator for an exemplary act of service to the community during the preceding year, or to an amateur who has demonstrated years of distinguished service to both Amateur Radio and the community. The CHAMP Award will be presented October 5.

* Transpacific LF "insurance test" is a success: A second claim has been made of Amateur Radio LF reception across the Pacific. Organizer of the transpacific tests Bob Vernall, ZL2CA, reports that on September 22, ZL6QH, ZL3PN, ZL3JE, ZL4OL, ZL4MD and AX2TAR (VK7ZAL) transmitted test signals in the 165-190 kHz band. "Various DX listeners had prior knowledge of the schedule of individual test frequency and coding used by each station," Vernall reports. As happened in the initial successful listening test on June 30, Steve McDonald, VE7SL, of British Columbia, Canada, managed to receive signals from ZL6QH sometime before dawn. "This time VE7SL obtained an ARGO capture of both frequencies of the DFCW [dual-frequency CW] transmission," Vernall said. "The path length is estimated to be 11,709 km." The uniquely coded transmission consisted of repetitive sending of the letter "Q" sent using dual-frequency CW, with all elements being of 120 seconds duration.

* Wisconsin PRB-1 bill clears committee: Wisconsin's Amateur Radio antenna (PRB-1) bill AB-368 this week was voted out of committee for Assembly floor action. AB-368 will be taken up in full session on October 2, according to Cari Lee, aide to Rep Luther Olsen, who has taken charge of AB-368 in the Assembly following the resignation of Rep Joan Wade, the bill's original sponsor.--Jim Romelfanger, K9ZZ

* University of Texas Amateur Radio Club to mark 80 years with special event: The University of Texas Amateur Radio Club, N5XU, will operate special event station K5T from September 29 to October 7, to celebrate its 80th year as an Amateur Radio club. Experimental/Amateur station 5XU was first licensed in 1921 and made its first transmissions from the university on October 1 of that year. K5T will also be active as a multi-operator

station in the Texas QSO Party, September 29-30. Visit the N5XU web site, <http://n5xu.ae.utexas.edu/80years/>. For information on the Texas QSO Party, see <http://www.k5vuu.com/tqp/>

* VHF radio designer Ed Clegg, W8LOY, SK: Edward T "Ed" Clegg, W8LOY, of Cincinnati, Ohio, died September 7. He was 80. An ARRL member and a New Jersey native, Clegg was founder of Clegg Communications Corporation, one of the early and popular amateur VHF radio manufacturers. Among his designs were the Clegg Zeuss transmitter and companion Interceptor receiver, the FM 27-28 transceivers, the Clegg 99er 6-meter rig and the AV-44 All Bander receiving converter. In 1964, Clegg authored an article on speech clipping for QST. Clegg retired to Ohio in the early 1990s. His wife, Mavis, is among his survivors.

* Vote on QST Cover Plaque Award: The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for September was Frank Gentges, K0BRA, for his article "The AMRAD Active LF Antenna." Congratulations, Frank! The winner of the QST Cover Plaque award--given to the author of the best article in each issue--is determined by a vote of ARRL members. Voting takes place each month on the Cover Plaque Poll Web page, <http://www.arrl.org/members-only/qstvote.html>. As soon as your copy arrives, cast a ballot for your favorite article in the October issue of QST. Voting ends October 15.

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==>SALVATION ARMY STILL NEEDS HAM VOLUNTEERS IN NEW YORK CITY

Although the Salvation Army has cut one shift of radio operators to support
the organization's World Trade Center relief operation in New York City, it
still needs fresh Amateur Radio volunteers. "We are still short of people,"
said Jeff Schneller, N2HPO--who's coordinating the Salvation Army Team
Emergency Response Network, or SATERN, operation.

The midnight to 8 AM shift has been suspended, but SATERN still needs six
Amateur Radio operators per shift--a total of 12 per day--for the indefinite
future. Schneller said the SATERN volunteers who have been there the longest
now "are getting weary."
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SATERN needs operators at the Kennedy Airport warehouse with their own base station set up from about 8 AM until about 9 PM--possibly broken into shifts. In addition, SATERN needs operators to ride with trucks to provide communication. Operators start and end shifts at Salvation Army Division HQ on 14th Street in Manhattan, which also needs operators.

Schneller said the word he has from Salvation Army is that the organization is happy with the Amateur Radio support it's been getting. "They want us to keep going," he said. So far, he said, some 40 Amateur Radio operators have turned out to help support the Salvation Army relief effort--some from the New York City area but others from as far away as Missouri, North Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

"Response from around the nation and the world has been heartwarming," Schneller said, "especially those amateur operators who were willing to put their life on hold, so that they could come help out for a few days or weeks in NYC."

Schneller requested that potential volunteers contact him directly: Home, 718-461-0370; Cell, 917-226-1339; Page, 718-939-3939 (give message to operator); Ham radio, Call N2HPO on the 147.270 repeater (141.3 or 127.3 CTCSS).

The Salvation Army said this week it's sending additional personnel from the Midwest to New York City to assist those who have been on duty since September 11. Members will offer grief counseling, coordinate food service, be on-site in Salvation Army emergency disaster vehicles and organize supplies and volunteers.

==>KODIAK STAR LAUNCH IS A SUCCESS

Following several delays, the Kodiak Star launch vehicle took off into space from Alaska early Sunday, September 30 UTC. The Athena I rocket boosted three Amateur Radio payloads and PICOSat--a technology demonstration satellite--into orbit. Initial indications were that all satellites deployed properly and were being monitored on the ground. The payloads included the APRS-equipped PCsat, built by midshipmen from the US Naval Academy under the guidance of Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, the acknowledged "father of APRS."

PCsat is a 1200-baud APRS digipeater designed for use by amateurs using hand-held transceivers or mobiles. PCsat is transmitting 1200 baud AFSK telemetry on 145.825 MHz, but the satellite has not yet been commissioned for general amateur use. "We ask that users please wait while we get the system loaded," Bruninga said.

PCsat's downlink has been heard around the world, with reports logged from Alaska and Hawaii as well as from South Africa, Europe, Africa and even Antarctica.

Carried into space in addition to PCsat were the Starshine 3 and Sapphire payloads. Starshine3 is a "disco" mirror ball with 9600 baud telemetry on 145.825. Sapphire has 1200-baud telemetry and a voice replay on 437.1 MHz. Starshine 3's mirror ball is visible to the naked eye for earthbound

students to track. Chip Margelli, K7JA, spotted the satellite October 2 on the West Coast. "Starshine was at least as bright as Mars," he reported. "Very impressive!"

Sapphire is a joint effort between the Naval Academy's Small Satellite Program, Stanford University and Washington University at St. Louis. Starshine is a NASA payload.

The Kodiak Star launch--the first orbital mission from the Kodiak launch complex--had to be delayed several times--most recently due to high solar flare activity this past week. Earlier delays resulted from unsuitable weather conditions, a problem with a tracking radar, and travel delays because of the recent air traffic shutdown following the September 11 terrorist attacks.

For more information, visit the PCsat Web site, <http://web.usna.navy.mil/~bruninga/pcsat.html>. For more information on Sapphire, visit the Stanford University Space Systems Development Laboratories Web site, <http://ssdl.stanford.edu/aa/projects/squirt1/sapphire_overview.html>. The Starshine Web site is <http://www.azinet.com/starshine/>

==>CORES/FRN "MASS CONVERSION" PLANNED FOR ULS REGISTRANTS

Before the switchover to mandatory Commission Registration System (CORES) registration on December 3, 2001, the FCC plans to do a "mass conversion" from its Universal Licensing System (ULS) database.

Once CORES becomes mandatory in December, everyone doing business with the FCC--licensed or not--must obtain and use a 10-digit FCC Registration Number--or FRN. The FCC called the move is "a first step" toward streamlining fee collection and tracking. Many amateurs registered with the ULS were assigned an FRN by CORES in a mass conversion last year. Affected amateurs were notified by mail.

An FCC Wireless Telecommunications Bureau spokesperson told ARRL this week that another mass conversion will be done prior to December. As a result, anyone who has registered a Taxpayer Identification Number--typically an individual's Social Security Number--with the FCC will be assigned an FRN, which will appear in the FCC amateur database.

The requirement to obtain an FRN extends to applicants for an Amateur Radio license as well as to anyone required to pay a fee to the FCC, such as those applying for a vanity call sign. An FRN will not be needed to file comments in rulemaking proceedings, however.

Amateur Service licensees not already registered in the ULS are encouraged to register their TINs soon, to save the step of a second CORES registration after December 3. To register, visit the FCC's ULS Web site <http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/uls> and click on "Register TIN/Call Sign." (NOTE: The Universal Licensing System will be down for scheduled maintenance from 10 PM Eastern Time Friday, October 5, until 8 AM Eastern Time Monday,

October 8.)

The FCC established CORES last year and has been in the process of implementing it. The FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau concedes that a lot of issues remain undecided regarding how CORES/FRN will work for the Amateur Service. For more information on CORES/FRN, visit the FCC CORES Web site <https://svartifoss2.fcc.gov/cores/CoresHome.html>.

==>AO-40 SUCCESSFULLY TESTS GPS EXPERIMENT

AMSAT News Service reports that the GPS experiment on the AO-40 satellite has undergone successful testing. The experiment--supplied and sponsored by NASA--is designed to determine if it is possible to get positional data while outside of the GPS ring of satellites.

"We received a signal on the apogee receiver from about 52,000 km out with good signal levels," said Jim White, WD0E, who's been the AMSAT coordinator and chief operator for this activity. "Further data is being gathered and those downloaded so far are being analyzed."

There are two GPS receivers on AO-40, A and B. The A receiver is for receiving signals while in the vicinity of apogee--when the satellite is farthest from Earth. The B receiver provides signal reception in the vicinity of perigee--when the satellite is closest to Earth. Both receivers are operational, and data are passed from the receivers through the RUDAK digital transponder to the S-band transmitter.

AMSAT-VP for Human Spaceflight Programs Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, was instrumental in setting up the GPS experiment. "If this experiment goes the way I expect, it will revolutionize the way we use GPS in space," Bauer said. "Many future HEO (high Earth orbit) spacecraft will be able to take advantage of GPS for autonomous navigation and station keeping."

Earlier this month, AO-40 ground controllers successfully tested the spacecraft's 24-GHz transmitter. The K-band transmitter on 24.048 GHz was activated September 9 on orbit 396 and connected to the passband and beacon inputs that feed the S2 (2.4 GHz) transmitter.

For more information on AO-40, visit the AMSAT-NA Web site, <http://www.amsat.org>.

==>ENFORCEMENT CASE HIGHLIGHTS FCC CERTIFICATION RULES

The FCC's Riley Hollingsworth used the occasion of a recent Warning Notice to hammer home the FCC's position on the sale of RF amplifiers that have not received FCC certification--formerly called "type acceptance." In a September 19 letter to Extra licensee Sidney Lee Martin, KD4YBC, Hollingsworth reiterated an earlier FCC warning to Martin that he cease commercial marketing of non-certificated external RF amplifiers and amplifier kits capable of operating below 144 MHz.

In 1978, the FCC banned the manufacture and sale of any external RF amplifier or amplifier kit capable of operating below 144 MHz without a

grant of certification from the FCC. The rules specifically prohibit manufacture and sale of amps that operate between 24 and 35 MHz as a means to stem the flow of illegal Citizens Band amplifiers.

The case arose from a February 11, 2000, warning to Martin from the FCC's Detroit office as a result of a classified ad Martin had run in QST. The ad featured the sale of external Amateur Radio RF amplifier kits for HF and 6 meters. The FCC letter admonished Martin that selling or offering such units for sale violated Section 2.815 of the FCC's rules.

Martin--who operated a one-man business called RF Electronics in South Carolina--countered with his interpretation that he was allowed, under FCC Part 97 Amateur Service rules, to sell such kits as one amateur to another under an exception to the certification rules. Martin argued that Section 97.315 of the Amateur Service rules permitted his licensed customers to purchase from him--as another licensee--and construct or modify one model of a non-certificated RF power amp or kit per calendar year for that licensee's personal use.

The FCC rejected that analysis, however. Hollingsworth emphasized that Section 2.815(c) of the FCC's rules requires all external RF power amplifier kits that can operate below 144 MHz after assembly be FCC-certificated before they can be made, sold, leased, marketed, imported, shipped or distributed. He noted that other provisions of Section 2.815 apply only to certain already fabricated amplifiers and do not exempt amplifier kits, particularly those capable of operating between 24 and 35 MHz after assembly.

Hollingsworth said Section 97.315 also "specifically prohibits the use in the Amateur Service of an amplifier that the operator had constructed from a non-certified kit." He also noted that, in addition to kits, Martin's RF Electronics Web site had been selling non-certificated, assembled RF power amplifiers for use below 144 MHz. Hollingsworth said at least three of the assembled models were advertised as operational between 24 and 35 MHz.

Hollingsworth said FCC rules permit an individual amateur to construct or modify a non-certificated RF power amplifier once per calendar year for use at that amateur's own station--although the unit may not be built from a kit--and the amateur may then sell the amplifier to another licensee or dealer. The rules do not provide for mass marketing or manufacturing and marketing kits or assembled amplifiers as part of a business, Hollingsworth said. He added that the FCC would prosecute any violations and take enforcement action against Martin's amateur license.

Martin's Web site no longer offers any RF amplifiers for sale.

==>CINCINNATI HOSTS 2001 DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE

Despite reduced attendance in the aftermath of the September 11 terrorist attacks, the 2001 Digital Communications Conference forged ahead in Cincinnati, Ohio, September 21-23. The conference was co-sponsored by the ARRL and TAPR--Tucson Amateur Packet Radio.

At the Friday afternoon Automatic Position Reporting System (APRS) symposium, Byon Garrabrant, N6BG, introduced the Tiny Trak II, a miniature TNC designed for portable applications. Its innovative features include "Smart Beaconing" in which the Tiny Trak increases the beacon rate automatically according to the speed the tracked object--such as an automobile--is moving.

Smart Beaconing also attempts to detect when the moving object makes a sudden course change and immediately sends a beacon to update the position. During public service events where many APRS stations are active in the same area, the Tiny Trak II provides a means to assign precise beacon intervals to each station to minimize interference.

Steve Bible, N7HPR, updated the audience on the evolution of the Easy Trak antenna rotator controller. He raised eyebrows when he introduced the Easy Trak Jr, a truly tiny rotator controller approximately the size of a human thumb. It's designed to plug into any PC serial port. Bible says the Easy Trak Jr should be available by year's end and sell for under $100.

Saturday forums ranged from a satellite seminar courtesy of Steve Coy, K8UD to a humorous CirCad presentation by Jay Craswell, W0VNE. QST Editor Steve Ford, WB8IMY, discussed PSK31 and other innovative digital communications modes in two separate seminars Saturday afternoon. Bible and Gary Barbour, AC4DL, offered back-to-back forums on software-defined radios, DSP and digital voice.

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* Texas ARES/RACES teams activate following bridge collapse: Disaster struck in South Texas early on the morning of September 15 when a 240-foot section of the Queen Isabella Causeway between South Padre Island and Port Isabel, Texas, collapsed after barges slammed into the bridge supports. The mishap sent several vehicles plummeting into the water 80 feet below and claimed 11 lives. The Texas Department of Public Safety contacted John Teer, AK5Z, to request Amateur Radio assistance with communications, because all phone lines between South Padre Island and the mainland had been severed. "I called around to get volunteers to place on the Island EOC and the Port Isabell EOC," Teer reports. The DPS provided boat transportation to the Island for an operator. "We provided 2-meter communication for government and Red Cross officials on Saturday and Sunday until landline telephone and cell phone communications could be re-established," Teer said. Participating in addition to Teer were Pat Patterson, N5SLI, Virginia Scarth, KC5SAM, Ed Scarth, W8AHU, and Gregg Sargent, KA0ARS.

* FCC to dismiss filings submitted on outdated Form 605: The FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau has announced that, starting Monday, October 15, it will dismiss all submittals it receives on Form 605 Quick-Form Application for Authorization in the Ship, Aircraft, Amateur, Restricted and Commercial Operator, and General Mobile Radio Service that bear edition dates prior to March 2001. This change does not affect applicants filing on-line via the Universal Licensing System (ULS). WTB encourages applicants to use ULS to speed application processing and to have access to the other information available via the ULS. The FCC advises that amateurs can avoid problems by submitting on-line application via the FCC's Universal Licensing System Web site, <http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/uls>. To obtain a current copy of Form 605, visit the FCC "Forms" page, <http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/csinfo/orderfrm.html>. Paper copies of Form 605 also are available from the FCC Forms Distribution Center, 800-418-3676.--FCC

* W1AW completes installation of AO-40 antennas: Maxim Memorial Station W1AW is now 100% AO-40 ready. XX Towers Inc--the ARRL tower service contractor--recently completed the installation of satellite antennas and an az-el rotator atop the center tower on W1AW's antenna farm. The array consists of a 2-meter 20-element crossed Yagi, a 70-cm 15-element crossed Yagi, a 23-cm 23-element Yagi and a 13-cm 17-turn helix. W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, says he's been able to copy downlink telemetry but has yet to make a QSO via AO-40, primarily due to conflicts between the station's bulletin transmission schedule and the availability of AO-40.

* Antenna articles sought: ARRL Antenna Compendium Editor Dean Straw, N6BV, is seeking additional, fresh antenna articles for volume 7 of the Compendium. The popular Compendium book series features previously unpublished articles dealing with antennas, transmission lines and propagation. The deadline to submit manuscripts is January 31, 2002. For more information or to submit article manuscripts, contact Dean Straw, 5328 Fulton St, San Francisco, CA 94121; n6bv@....

* Vertex Standard donates loaned gear to Virginia ARES: Vertex Standard (Yaesu) has donated several pieces of Amateur Radio gear to Virginia ARES. The manufacturer had arranged to loan an FT-7100 transceiver with power supply and the three VX-5 hand-held transceivers during the Virginia ARES response to assist the Salvation Army at the Pentagon attack site. When Virginia SEC Tom Gregory, N4NW, e-mailed to thank Vertex Standard and to inquire about returning the equipment, Vertex Standard Executive Vice President Mikio Maruya, WA6F told him that Virginia ARES was welcome to keep it on hand for future emergencies. "We hope it will provide you with long and lasting use for all your emergency needs," Maruya said. "We were happy to assist in this emergency effort." Gregory said the Vertex Standard gear "allowed us to meet the needs of providing continuous Amateur Radio support to the Salvation Army." The Woodbridge, Virginia, Ham Radio Outlet store cooperated in providing the Virginia ARES team with the needed equipment on September 13.

* Wisconsin antenna bill clears Assembly: The pending Wisconsin Amateur Radio antenna (PRB-1) bill, AB-368, was approved by the Wisconsin Assembly October 2 on a voice vote. There was no debate. The measure now heads to the Wisconsin Senate. Many Wisconsin hams reportedly had called or e-mailed their Assembly representatives prior to the vote. The bill's Senate sponsor is Sen Fred Risser. The measure will be referred to a Senate committee and another public hearing will be held. Information on how to contact Wisconsin lawmakers is available via the Badger State Smoke Signals Web site, <http://www.bsss.org.>. A copy of the pending legislation is on the Wisconsin Legislature Web site, <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/2001/data/AB-368.pdf>.

* Hosts sought for 2002 USA Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championships: The final call has been issued for clubs, club councils and non-club groups interested in hosting the second USA ARDF Championships in 2002. "This call comes now, because the event must take place in the spring or early summer, in order to serve as a qualifying event as Team USA forms for the 2002 ARDF World Championships in Slovakia," explained ARRL ARDF Coordinator Joe Moell, K0OV. One proposal already been received for a "weekend championship" next April. Other proposals are welcome, and preliminary indications of intent should be submitted by October 15 via e-mail or US mail to Joe Moell, K0OV, PO Box 2508, Fullerton, CA 92837; homingin@.... The first USA Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championships were held August 1-3 in Albuquerque, New Mexico <http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2001/08/24/1/>. For more information on Amateur Radio Direction Finding, visit Moell's Homing In Web site, <http://www.homingin.com>.

* Clarence E. Sharp, K5DX, SK: Internationally known DXer and contester Clarence E. Sharp, K5DX, of Highlands, Texas, died September 3 following a long illness. He was 80. First licensed in 1946 as W5NMA, Sharp--who became known by his last name--soon was chasing DX with homebrew transmitters and antennas and a military surplus receiver. His welding skills--developed from his years as a machinist--came in handy when he built his own 80-foot freestanding tower from scrap steel pipe. Later antenna designs involved multi-element, multi-band cubical quads and towers up to 140 feet. His antenna farms of the 1950s and 1960s are the stuff of legend in DX and contesting circles. An ARRL member, Sharp was on the DXCC Honor Roll with 379 entities (mixed). Sharp also was an accomplished contester on SSB and CW, plying his skills in various operating events. Survivors include his wife, Irma, and three sons.

* AMSAT-NA Symposium to feature special event station: Special event station W4O will be on the air from the 2001 AMSAT-NA Symposium and Annual Meeting, October 5-7, in Atlanta. Conference Chair Steve Diggs, W4EPI, says W4O will be active on HF, satellite, local FM voice and APRS. Kenwood National Sales Manager Paul Middleton, K4NUH, will speak at the Saturday night banquet on October 6. The subject of his presentation will be "Amateur Radio--Hobby and Industry." Additional details about W4O and the 2001 AMSAT-NA Symposium in Atlanta, Georgia, are on the AMSAT-NA Web site, <http://www.amsat.org/amsat/symposium>. Proceedings of the AMSAT-NA 19th Space Symposium and AMSAT-NA Annual Meeting are available from ARRL for $20. Visit the ARRL Products Catalog, <http://www.arrl.org/catalog/?item=8535>.

* New URL for ARRL Northwestern Division Web site: The ARRL Northwestern Division Web site has a new address, effective this week. The new Web address is http://www.nwarrl.org. Glenn Moore, N7VBW, is the Webmaster.

* ZK1NDK North Cook Island operation now good for DXCC credit: ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, has announced approval of ZK1NDK, North Cook Island, for DXCC credit. Documentation now has been reviewed and okayed for DXCC credit. Those who submitted ZK1NDK previously and were denied credit may contact DXCC <dxcc@...>, and have their records updated without having to resubmit cards.

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==>SALVATION ARMY STILL NEEDS HAM VOLUNTEERS IN NEW YORK CITY

Although the Salvation Army has cut one shift of radio operators to support
the organization's World Trade Center relief operation in New York City, it
still needs fresh Amateur Radio volunteers. "We are still short of people,"
said Jeff Schneller, N2HPO--who's coordinating the Salvation Army Team
Emergency Response Network, or SATERN, operation.

The midnight to 8 AM shift has been suspended, but SATERN still needs six
Amateur Radio operators per shift--a total of 12 per day--for the indefinite
future. Schneller said the SATERN volunteers who have been there the longest
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SATERN needs operators at the Kennedy Airport warehouse with their own base station set up from about 8 AM until about 9 PM--possibly broken into shifts. In addition, SATERN needs operators to ride with trucks to provide communication. Operators start and end shifts at Salvation Army Division HQ on 14th Street in Manhattan, which also needs operators.

Schneller said the word he has from Salvation Army is that the organization is happy with the Amateur Radio support it's been getting. "They want us to keep going," he said. So far, he said, some 40 Amateur Radio operators have turned out to help support the Salvation Army relief effort--some from the New York City area but others from as far away as Missouri, North Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

"Response from around the nation and the world has been heartwarming," Schneller said, "especially those amateur operators who were willing to put their life on hold, so that they could come help out for a few days or weeks in NYC."

Schneller requested that potential volunteers contact him directly: Home, 718-461-0370; Cell, 917-226-1339; Page, 718-939-3939 (give message to operator); Ham radio, Call N2HPO on the 147.270 repeater (141.3 or 127.3 CTCSS).

The Salvation Army said this week it's sending additional personnel from the Midwest to New York City to assist those who have been on duty since September 11. Members will offer grief counseling, coordinate food service, be on-site in Salvation Army emergency disaster vehicles and organize supplies and volunteers.

==>KODIAK STAR LAUNCH IS A SUCCESS

Following several delays, the Kodiak Star launch vehicle took off into space from Alaska early Sunday, September 30 UTC. The Athena I rocket boosted three Amateur Radio payloads and PICOSat--a technology demonstration satellite--into orbit. Initial indications were that all satellites deployed properly and were being monitored on the ground. The payloads included the APRS-equipped PCsat, built by midshipmen from the US Naval Academy under the guidance of Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, the acknowledged "father of APRS."

PCsat is a 1200-baud APRS digipeater designed for use by amateurs using hand-held transceivers or mobiles. PCsat is transmitting 1200 baud AFSK telemetry on 145.825 MHz, but the satellite has not yet been commissioned for general amateur use. "We ask that users please wait while we get the system loaded," Bruninga said.

PCsat's downlink has been heard around the world, with reports logged from Alaska and Hawaii as well as from South Africa, Europe, Africa and even Antarctica.

Carried into space in addition to PCsat were the Starshine 3 and Sapphire payloads. Starshine3 is a "disco" mirror ball with 9600 baud telemetry on 145.825. Sapphire has 1200-baud telemetry and a voice replay on 437.1 MHz. Starshine 3's mirror ball is visible to the naked eye for earthbound

students to track. Chip Margelli, K7JA, spotted the satellite October 2 on the West Coast. "Starshine was at least as bright as Mars," he reported. "Very impressive!"

Sapphire is a joint effort between the Naval Academy's Small Satellite Program, Stanford University and Washington University at St. Louis. Starshine is a NASA payload.

The Kodiak Star launch--the first orbital mission from the Kodiak launch complex--had to be delayed several times--most recently due to high solar flare activity this past week. Earlier delays resulted from unsuitable weather conditions, a problem with a tracking radar, and travel delays because of the recent air traffic shutdown following the September 11 terrorist attacks.

For more information, visit the PCsat Web site, <http://web.usna.navy.mil/~bruninga/pcsat.html>. For more information on Sapphire, visit the Stanford University Space Systems Development Laboratories Web site, <http://ssdl.stanford.edu/aa/projects/squirt1/sapphire_overview.html>. The Starshine Web site is <http://www.azinet.com/starshine/>

==>CORES/FRN "MASS CONVERSION" PLANNED FOR ULS REGISTRANTS

Before the switchover to mandatory Commission Registration System (CORES) registration on December 3, 2001, the FCC plans to do a "mass conversion" from its Universal Licensing System (ULS) database.

Once CORES becomes mandatory in December, everyone doing business with the FCC--licensed or not--must obtain and use a 10-digit FCC Registration Number--or FRN. The FCC called the move is "a first step" toward streamlining fee collection and tracking. Many amateurs registered with the ULS were assigned an FRN by CORES in a mass conversion last year. Affected amateurs were notified by mail.

An FCC Wireless Telecommunications Bureau spokesperson told ARRL this week that another mass conversion will be done prior to December. As a result, anyone who has registered a Taxpayer Identification Number--typically an individual's Social Security Number--with the FCC will be assigned an FRN, which will appear in the FCC amateur database.

The requirement to obtain an FRN extends to applicants for an Amateur Radio license as well as to anyone required to pay a fee to the FCC, such as those applying for a vanity call sign. An FRN will not be needed to file comments in rulemaking proceedings, however.

Amateur Service licensees not already registered in the ULS are encouraged to register their TINs soon, to save the step of a second CORES registration after December 3. To register, visit the FCC's ULS Web site <http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/uls> and click on "Register TIN/Call Sign." (NOTE: The Universal Licensing System will be down for scheduled maintenance from 10 PM Eastern Time Friday, October 5, until 8 AM Eastern Time Monday,

October 8.)

The FCC established CORES last year and has been in the process of implementing it. The FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau concedes that a lot of issues remain undecided regarding how CORES/FRN will work for the Amateur Service. For more information on CORES/FRN, visit the FCC CORES Web site <https://svartifoss2.fcc.gov/cores/CoresHome.html>.

==>AO-40 SUCCESSFULLY TESTS GPS EXPERIMENT

AMSAT News Service reports that the GPS experiment on the AO-40 satellite has undergone successful testing. The experiment--supplied and sponsored by NASA--is designed to determine if it is possible to get positional data while outside of the GPS ring of satellites.

"We received a signal on the apogee receiver from about 52,000 km out with good signal levels," said Jim White, WD0E, who's been the AMSAT coordinator and chief operator for this activity. "Further data is being gathered and those downloaded so far are being analyzed."

There are two GPS receivers on AO-40, A and B. The A receiver is for receiving signals while in the vicinity of apogee--when the satellite is farthest from Earth. The B receiver provides signal reception in the vicinity of perigee--when the satellite is closest to Earth. Both receivers are operational, and data are passed from the receivers through the RUDAK digital transponder to the S-band transmitter.

AMSAT-VP for Human Spaceflight Programs Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, was instrumental in setting up the GPS experiment. "If this experiment goes the way I expect, it will revolutionize the way we use GPS in space," Bauer said. "Many future HEO (high Earth orbit) spacecraft will be able to take advantage of GPS for autonomous navigation and station keeping."

Earlier this month, AO-40 ground controllers successfully tested the spacecraft's 24-GHz transmitter. The K-band transmitter on 24.048 GHz was activated September 9 on orbit 396 and connected to the passband and beacon inputs that feed the S2 (2.4 GHz) transmitter.

For more information on AO-40, visit the AMSAT-NA Web site, <http://www.amsat.org>.

==>ENFORCEMENT CASE HIGHLIGHTS FCC CERTIFICATION RULES

The FCC's Riley Hollingsworth used the occasion of a recent Warning Notice to hammer home the FCC's position on the sale of RF amplifiers that have not received FCC certification--formerly called "type acceptance." In a September 19 letter to Extra licensee Sidney Lee Martin, KD4YBC, Hollingsworth reiterated an earlier FCC warning to Martin that he cease commercial marketing of non-certificated external RF amplifiers and amplifier kits capable of operating below 144 MHz.

In 1978, the FCC banned the manufacture and sale of any external RF amplifier or amplifier kit capable of operating below 144 MHz without a

grant of certification from the FCC. The rules specifically prohibit manufacture and sale of amps that operate between 24 and 35 MHz as a means to stem the flow of illegal Citizens Band amplifiers.

The case arose from a February 11, 2000, warning to Martin from the FCC's Detroit office as a result of a classified ad Martin had run in QST. The ad featured the sale of external Amateur Radio RF amplifier kits for HF and 6 meters. The FCC letter admonished Martin that selling or offering such units for sale violated Section 2.815 of the FCC's rules.

Martin--who operated a one-man business called RF Electronics in South Carolina--countered with his interpretation that he was allowed, under FCC Part 97 Amateur Service rules, to sell such kits as one amateur to another under an exception to the certification rules. Martin argued that Section 97.315 of the Amateur Service rules permitted his licensed customers to purchase from him--as another licensee--and construct or modify one model of a non-certificated RF power amp or kit per calendar year for that licensee's personal use.

The FCC rejected that analysis, however. Hollingsworth emphasized that Section 2.815(c) of the FCC's rules requires all external RF power amplifier kits that can operate below 144 MHz after assembly be FCC-certificated before they can be made, sold, leased, marketed, imported, shipped or distributed. He noted that other provisions of Section 2.815 apply only to certain already fabricated amplifiers and do not exempt amplifier kits, particularly those capable of operating between 24 and 35 MHz after assembly.

Hollingsworth said Section 97.315 also "specifically prohibits the use in the Amateur Service of an amplifier that the operator had constructed from a non-certified kit." He also noted that, in addition to kits, Martin's RF Electronics Web site had been selling non-certificated, assembled RF power amplifiers for use below 144 MHz. Hollingsworth said at least three of the assembled models were advertised as operational between 24 and 35 MHz.

Hollingsworth said FCC rules permit an individual amateur to construct or modify a non-certificated RF power amplifier once per calendar year for use at that amateur's own station--although the unit may not be built from a kit--and the amateur may then sell the amplifier to another licensee or dealer. The rules do not provide for mass marketing or manufacturing and marketing kits or assembled amplifiers as part of a business, Hollingsworth said. He added that the FCC would prosecute any violations and take enforcement action against Martin's amateur license.

Martin's Web site no longer offers any RF amplifiers for sale.

==>CINCINNATI HOSTS 2001 DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE

Despite reduced attendance in the aftermath of the September 11 terrorist attacks, the 2001 Digital Communications Conference forged ahead in Cincinnati, Ohio, September 21-23. The conference was co-sponsored by the ARRL and TAPR--Tucson Amateur Packet Radio.

At the Friday afternoon Automatic Position Reporting System (APRS) symposium, Byon Garrabrant, N6BG, introduced the Tiny Trak II, a miniature TNC designed for portable applications. Its innovative features include "Smart Beaconing" in which the Tiny Trak increases the beacon rate automatically according to the speed the tracked object--such as an automobile--is moving.

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Current predictions project solar flux decreasing to 185 on Friday, then increasing to 190 on Saturday and 195 on Sunday and Monday. Geomagnetic indices should be quiet to unsettled. The Next peak in solar flux is projected around October 22 or 23. Flux values are expected to rise above 200 after October 14 and above 250 after October 19.

Sunspot numbers for September 27 through October 3 were 279, 234, 233, 230, 289, 236 and 196, with a mean of 242.4. The 10.7-cm flux was 269.5, 284.5, 239.5, 235.8, 216.5, 200.9 and 191.7, with a mean of 234.1. Estimated planetary A indices were 10, 13, 21, 17, 50, 43 and 53 with a mean of 29.6.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The TARA PSK31 Rumble, the Oceania DX Contest (SSB), the Arkansas and California QSO parties, the EU Autumn Sprint (SSB),

the QCWA QSO Party, the RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest (SSB) are the weekend of October 6-7. The 10-10 Day Sprint is October 10, and the YLRL Anniversary Party (CW) is October 10-12. JUST AHEAD: The ARRL International EME Competition, the 902 MHz and Above Fall Sprint, the Oceania DX Contest (CW), the EU Autumn Sprint (CW), the Pennsylvania QSO Party, the FISTS Fall Sprint, the Iberoamericano Contest, and the North American Sprint (RTTY) are the weekend of October 13-14. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Texas ARES/RACES teams activate following bridge collapse: Disaster struck in South Texas early on the morning of September 15 when a 240-foot section of the Queen Isabella Causeway between South Padre Island and Port Isabel, Texas, collapsed after barges slammed into the bridge supports. The mishap sent several vehicles plummeting into the water 80 feet below and claimed 11 lives. The Texas Department of Public Safety contacted John Teer, AK5Z, to request Amateur Radio assistance with communications, because all phone lines between South Padre Island and the mainland had been severed. "I called around to get volunteers to place on the Island EOC and the Port Isabell EOC," Teer reports. The DPS provided boat transportation to the Island for an operator. "We provided 2-meter communication for government and Red Cross officials on Saturday and Sunday until landline telephone and cell phone communications could be re-established," Teer said. Participating in addition to Teer were Pat Patterson, N5SLI, Virginia Scarth, KC5SAM, Ed Scarth, W8AHU, and Gregg Sargent, KA0ARS.

* FCC to dismiss filings submitted on outdated Form 605: The FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau has announced that, starting Monday, October 15, it will dismiss all submittals it receives on Form 605 Quick-Form Application for Authorization in the Ship, Aircraft, Amateur, Restricted and Commercial Operator, and General Mobile Radio Service that bear edition dates prior to March 2001. This change does not affect applicants filing on-line via the Universal Licensing System (ULS). WTB encourages applicants to use ULS to speed application processing and to have access to the other information available via the ULS. The FCC advises that amateurs can avoid problems by submitting on-line application via the FCC's Universal Licensing System Web site, <http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/uls>. To obtain a current copy of Form 605, visit the FCC "Forms" page, <http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/csinfo/orderfrm.html>. Paper copies of Form 605 also are available from the FCC Forms Distribution Center, 800-418-3676.--FCC

* W1AW completes installation of AO-40 antennas: Maxim Memorial Station W1AW is now 100% AO-40 ready. XX Towers Inc--the ARRL tower service contractor--recently completed the installation of satellite antennas and an az-el rotator atop the center tower on W1AW's antenna farm. The array consists of a 2-meter 20-element crossed Yagi, a 70-cm 15-element crossed Yagi, a 23-cm 23-element Yagi and a 13-cm 17-turn helix. W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, says he's been able to copy downlink telemetry but has yet to make a QSO via AO-40, primarily due to conflicts between the station's bulletin transmission schedule and the availability of AO-40.

* Antenna articles sought: ARRL Antenna Compendium Editor Dean Straw, N6BV, is seeking additional, fresh antenna articles for volume 7 of the Compendium. The popular Compendium book series features previously unpublished articles dealing with antennas, transmission lines and propagation. The deadline to submit manuscripts is January 31, 2002. For more information or to submit article manuscripts, contact Dean Straw, 5328 Fulton St, San Francisco, CA 94121; n6bv@....

* Vertex Standard donates loaned gear to Virginia ARES: Vertex Standard (Yaesu) has donated several pieces of Amateur Radio gear to Virginia ARES. The manufacturer had arranged to loan an FT-7100 transceiver with power supply and the three VX-5 hand-held transceivers during the Virginia ARES response to assist the Salvation Army at the Pentagon attack site. When Virginia SEC Tom Gregory, N4NW, e-mailed to thank Vertex Standard and to inquire about returning the equipment, Vertex Standard Executive Vice President Mikio Maruya, WA6F told him that Virginia ARES was welcome to keep it on hand for future emergencies. "We hope it will provide you with long and lasting use for all your emergency needs," Maruya said. "We were happy to assist in this emergency effort." Gregory said the Vertex Standard gear "allowed us to meet the needs of providing continuous Amateur Radio support to the Salvation Army." The Woodbridge, Virginia, Ham Radio Outlet store cooperated in providing the Virginia ARES team with the needed equipment on September 13.

* Wisconsin antenna bill clears Assembly: The pending Wisconsin Amateur Radio antenna (PRB-1) bill, AB-368, was approved by the Wisconsin Assembly October 2 on a voice vote. There was no debate. The measure now heads to the Wisconsin Senate. Many Wisconsin hams reportedly had called or e-mailed their Assembly representatives prior to the vote. The bill's Senate sponsor is Sen Fred Risser. The measure will be referred to a Senate committee and another public hearing will be held. Information on how to contact Wisconsin lawmakers is available via the Badger State Smoke Signals Web site, <http://www.bsss.org.>. A copy of the pending legislation is on the Wisconsin Legislature Web site, <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/2001/data/AB-368.pdf>.

* Hosts sought for 2002 USA Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championships: The final call has been issued for clubs, club councils and non-club groups interested in hosting the second USA ARDF Championships in 2002. "This call comes now, because the event must take place in the spring or early summer, in order to serve as a qualifying event as Team USA forms for the 2002 ARDF World Championships in Slovakia," explained ARRL ARDF Coordinator Joe Moell, K0OV. One proposal already been received for a "weekend championship" next April. Other proposals are welcome, and preliminary indications of intent should be submitted by October 15 via e-mail or US mail to Joe Moell, K0OV, PO Box 2508, Fullerton, CA 92837; homingin@.... The first USA Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championships were held August 1-3 in Albuquerque, New Mexico <http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2001/08/24/1/>. For more information on Amateur Radio Direction Finding, visit Moell's Homing In Web site, <http://www.homingin.com>.

* Clarence E. Sharp, K5DX, SK: Internationally known DXer and contester Clarence E. Sharp, K5DX, of Highlands, Texas, died September 3 following a long illness. He was 80. First licensed in 1946 as W5NMA, Sharp--who became known by his last name--soon was chasing DX with homebrew transmitters and antennas and a military surplus receiver. His welding skills--developed from his years as a machinist--came in handy when he built his own 80-foot freestanding tower from scrap steel pipe. Later antenna designs involved multi-element, multi-band cubical quads and towers up to 140 feet. His antenna farms of the 1950s and 1960s are the stuff of legend in DX and contesting circles. An ARRL member, Sharp was on the DXCC Honor Roll with 379 entities (mixed). Sharp also was an accomplished contester on SSB and CW, plying his skills in various operating events. Survivors include his wife, Irma, and three sons.

* AMSAT-NA Symposium to feature special event station: Special event station W4O will be on the air from the 2001 AMSAT-NA Symposium and Annual Meeting, October 5-7, in Atlanta. Conference Chair Steve Diggs, W4EPI, says W4O will be active on HF, satellite, local FM voice and APRS. Kenwood National Sales Manager Paul Middleton, K4NUH, will speak at the Saturday night banquet on October 6. The subject of his presentation will be "Amateur Radio--Hobby and Industry." Additional details about W4O and the 2001 AMSAT-NA Symposium in Atlanta, Georgia, are on the AMSAT-NA Web site, <http://www.amsat.org/amsat/symposium>. Proceedings of the AMSAT-NA 19th Space Symposium and AMSAT-NA Annual Meeting are available from ARRL for $20. Visit the ARRL Products Catalog, <http://www.arrl.org/catalog/?item=8535>.

* New URL for ARRL Northwestern Division Web site: The ARRL Northwestern Division Web site has a new address, effective this week. The new Web address is http://www.nwarrl.org. Glenn Moore, N7VBW, is the Webmaster.

* ZK1NDK North Cook Island operation now good for DXCC credit: ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, has announced approval of ZK1NDK, North Cook Island, for DXCC credit. Documentation now has been reviewed and okayed for DXCC credit. Those who submitted ZK1NDK previously and were denied credit may contact DXCC <dxcc@...>, and have their records updated without having to resubmit cards.

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* ARRLWeb, http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/. (NOTE: The ARRL Letter will be posted each Friday when it is distributed via e-mail.)

* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio Club: Send e-mail to majordomo@... (no subject needed). The body of the message should say "subscribe letter-list" to subscribe or "unsubscribe letter-list" to unsubscribe. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)

347. Monthly Meeting,

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-13 08:06:47 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 347 Message: 347

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

The Monthly meeting for October 2001 shall be held on 14th October 2001 at Shishu Vihar School, Dader (E) at 10:00 hours sharp. The Agenda for the meeting is as under:-

1. Second Batch for Ham Radio Classes.
2. MARS Library.
3. New Letter.
4. Future events.
5. Disaster Communication Teams.

Please note that few days ago I had sent a mail for confimation of all the hams wanting to be on the Disaster communication teams (Field or Base). Many members have not given me their confirmation.

On this Sunday I will finalize the list , Members who have not give their choice or preference (Base Team / Field Team) will not be allowed to participate in future activities related to Disaster Communication (Simulation or Real).

73
NLF

348. resignation of the Chairman

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-13 08:11:25 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 348 Message: 348

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

This is in reference to the resignation submitted by our chairman Mr.Mukesh Jaitley [VU2UGJ] dated 26/09/2001.

The Managing Committee understands the personal difficulties and problems faced by the chairman and also respects his sincerity to his post. In an ideal situation all the members of the Managing Committee are expected to work, But at times we find many of the managing committee are unable to keep up with the expectations. Under such circumstances most of the Managing Committee Members would have to resign for lack of performance.

But we have to run the society, we hope to increase the efficiency of the Managing Committee and the Members in whole in the near future [provided the members show some inclination].

You are hereby informed that the above resignation was not accepted by the Managing Committee during the Committee meeting held on 29th Sept 2001 and Mr.Mukesh Jaitley continues to be the Chairman of the Society.

Regards
For Mumbai Amateur Radio Society.

Nilesh Rathod,
Secretary.

349. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 191

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-13 11:27:49 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 349 Message: 349

Dear YL/OM,

I have a suggestion to offer for the name of the planned (?!) newsletter.

It is " Whip Service".

Regards,

Nirav Sanghavi
VU2NHR

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350. JOTA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-13 07:40:47 UTC
From: huzefa merchant
Topic: 350 Message: 350

Hi,

Meeting for JOTA will be held at Shishu Vihar High school on 14-10-2001
at 9.00 am sharp, members who have confirmed their participation and
members willing to participate are requested attend the meeting.

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351. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-13 16:02:31 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 350 Message: 351

Hi,
I am at Delhi and can't attend the meeting for JOTA
on 14th. Pls email me the proceddings. I have not
received any reply to my earlier mail regarding JOTA
from anybody. Thanks.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ

--- huzefa merchant <vu2hit@...> wrote:

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352. Re: [m_a_r_s] Monthly Meeting,

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-13 17:21:06 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 347 Message: 352

Dear Niles,

I have not received your earlier email. However, yuou
have received my snail mail about my interest in
disaster communication.

Kindly keep my name in the disaster communication
field team and inform me all the programmes about
this.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ

--- vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
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353. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-15 04:10:34 UTC
From: huzefa merchant
Topic: 353 Message: 353

Hi

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society in association with Maharashtra State
Scouts & Guides will participate in 43rd Jota in the coming weekend on
20th & 21st October 2001.we will be operative on International Jota
frequencies and also the following frequencies
7.035 mhz,14.260 mhz, & 21.260 mhz.
There will be in all 5 stations operating from Mumbai & Thane
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VU2HIT---- Scouts Guide Pavilion, Shivaji Park
VU2SXF--- Shriram Welfare High School ,Andheri
VU2JPN--- Suman Nagar High School , Chembur
VU2UGO--- Shanti Nagar High School , Mira Road

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354. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 41

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-15 09:41:27 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 354 Message: 354

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Noted DXer Pete Billon, K6JG, SK

+Available on ARRL Audio News

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==>SATERN OPERATION MARKS ONE MONTH IN NEW YORK CITY

One month into its disaster relief support operation in New York City,
Salvation Army Team Emergency Response Network (SATERN) volunteers are
holding up well. SATERN Amateur Radio Liaison Officer Jeff Schneller, N2HPO,
says the operation could run for several more weeks.

"Our current team of Amateur Radio operators is doing a fantastic job,"
Schneller said. "The operation is going great!"

SATERN is now "making do" with at least six Amateur Radio volunteers per
day, from about 9 AM until 11 PM, primarily to support the Salvation Army
World Trade Center canteen operations, although Schneller said an even dozen
for the two daily shifts would be ideal. SATERN last week eliminated its
overnight shift of radio operator volunteers. Operators have come from all
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over, including New Hampshire, Ohio, North Carolina, Florida and Missouri. Schneller said he even had offers of help from England and Canada.

One operator, Janet Stonecipher, KC0IET, arrived on her own from Missouri three weeks ago. "Janet seems to want to stay for the duration but is overdue for rotation out," Schneller said. Another Missourian, Anna Balmer, arrived with a REACT team and stayed on. "She is here working with us under extreme circumstances," Schneller explained. "Her brother was killed in the Pentagon attack." He said two local groups--the Broadcast Employees Amateur Radio Society (BEARS) and the Electchester VHF Club have been providing exclusive use of their repeaters since Day One.

Schneller, who's in the fire alarm and sprinkler business, also has been involved from the start, and--with the understanding and support of his customers--has been logging some long hours. Carlos Varon, K2LCV, has been Schneller's backup and has taken over as scheduling coordinator for volunteers. Recently, however, Schneller has had to start paying more attention to his business again. Even so, he said, "most work days get cut short to resolve problems." Most employers seem to be supporting the volunteers, he added.

SATERN radio volunteers have been handling base station duties at Salvation Army Headquarters on 14th Street in Manhattan, working on roving patrols to check up on various Salvation Army canteen sites to see what might be needed, and providing communication at key field sites, aboard supply trucks and at the distribution warehouse. Along with physical nourishment, The Salvation Army is supplying emotional and spiritual sustenance at the World Trade Center disaster site through its two prayer centers.

"Thanks to all the Amateur Radio operators who have come to assist and made this a successful operation," Schneller said, adding that he also appreciated the many other offers to help. SATERN now is limiting its fresh volunteers to those available from the Greater New York City area.

Schneller strongly advised all Amateur Radio operators to prepare for the future by first getting acquainted with and joining their local ARES or SATERN teams, then by taking the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course <http://www.arrl.org/cce>. More information about SATERN is available on the SATERN Web site <http://www.satern.org>.

==>AMATEUR RADIO REPORTS TELL OF HURRICANE IRIS' DAMAGE

Amateur Radio reports this week told of severe damage from Hurricane Iris, as the storm struck the Central American nation of Belize. Reports gathered via the Hurricane Watch Net by W4EHW operators at the National Hurricane Center say Iris--subsequently downgraded to a tropical depression--destroyed houses and claimed more than a dozen lives.

After passing through the Caribbean as a Category 1 storm, Iris built into an extremely dangerous Category 4 hurricane with sustained winds of 140 MPH. Iris made landfall October 8 on the southern coast of Belize.

According to W4EHW Deputy Amateur Radio Coordinator Julio Ripoll, WD4JR, the net received reports via Bruce Miller, V31JU, of severe damage to the Placentia and Big Creek villages. Ripoll said the reports cited severe structural damage to all of the houses in Placentia and Big Creek--well-known as diving and fishing destinations for tourists and having a local population of about 1500 people. "Many houses are completely blown away," Miller was quoted as saying. "Most houses that had concrete block walls, had no roofs." No lives were lost, however.

Charter boats moored off Placentia fared much worse. Ripoll said the 120-foot Wave Dancer, a vessel that takes scuba enthusiasts on diving excursions, had capsized. Belize authorities later recovered the bodies of 19 victims, including 17 members of a Richmond, Virginia, diving club.

Ripoll said ham radio reports came from many V31 stations and from vessels trying to ride out the storm. One regular reporting station was Allison Barton, KF6HYJ/mm, aboard the 42-foot sailboat Dreamer near New Haven, Belize, with her husband, Mike. As Iris approached landfall, KF6HYJ/mm came on the air to report that the vessel had broken free of all four anchors and run aground. Although the sailboat sustained damage, the couple was reported to be safe and unharmed, Ripoll said.

Over the weekend, the Hurricane Watch Net and W4EHW's Amateur Radio Group received many live surface-weather reports from Jamaica, the Cayman Islands, Honduras, Roatan Island and Belize, as Iris tracked through the Caribbean, Ripoll said.

W4EHW and the Hurricane Watch Net first activated Saturday, October 6, and--with some breaks--stayed on the air through the early hours of Tuesday, October 9, on the HWN's 14.325 MHz frequency. W4EHW also received reports via the Internet. Forecasters use the real-time surface reports to help them predict a storm's path, intensity and damage potential.

==>ARRL MEMBERS' HELP NEEDED WITH CC&R EFFORT

ARRL is encouraging members to write their members of Congress in an effort to build awareness in Congress that private land-use regulations have become a real problem for many Amateur Radio operators. ARRL Legislative and Public Affairs Manager Steve Mansfield, N1MZA, says support from the amateur community will help to backstop the League's efforts to meet with elected representatives and staffers on Capitol Hill to discuss possible legislation.

"In the meantime, we continue to prowl the halls of Congress in search of supporters!" Mansfield said.

As condominium complexes and planned communities proliferate, covenants, conditions and restrictions, or CC&Rs, have become a growing obstacle to amateurs who want to erect antennas. At its July meeting, the ARRL Board of Directors adopted a goal of legislative action to help overcome the restrictions that CC&Rs impose on Amateur Radio antennas.

Amateurs who are affected by CC&Rs--or who know someone in their Congressional district who is--are invited to adapt the ARRL's sample letter to their own situations and consider sending it to their Congressional representative. A sample of the letter is on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/govrelations/ccr-sample-letter.html>.

To find a Senator's mailing address, visit the US Senate Web site <http://www.senate.gov/contacting/index.cfm>. To find a Representative's mailing address, visit the US House of Representatives Web site, <http://www.house.gov/writerep/>.

Those writing are requested to share their correspondence with Steve Mansfield, N1MZA, Legislative and Public Affairs Manager, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111; n1mza@....

==>FCC SAYS BAND PLANS DO MATTER

The FCC recently asked three amateurs to respond to complaints alleging that they deliberately transmitted SSB on top of CW stations operating in the vicinity of 1820 to 1825 kHz. The FCC has never designated mode-specific subbands in the 160-meter amateur band. Instead, operators are asked to voluntarily adhere to the ARRL band plan, revised this past summer, which recommends a lower limit of 1843 kHz for SSB operation.

In the wake of the complaints, FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth wrote George Wehrung, W5TZ, and Dennis Clauder, KT5S--both of Texas--and Derrick Vogt, WA4TWM, of Kansas in mid-September. Hollingsworth asked each to respond to allegations from several other operators that their SSB transmissions deliberately interfered with attempts by others to operate on CW between 1820 and 1830 kHz. Copies of the complaints were sent to all three operators.

"Band plans are voluntary in nature," Hollingsworth acknowledged in each of the similarly worded letters. He said the FCC depends upon voluntary compliance because it minimizes the necessity for the Commission to be called in to resolve amateur problems. "Where interference results from band plans not being followed," Hollingsworth continued, "the Commission expects substantial justification to be shown by the operators ignoring the band plans."

Hollingsworth requested that Wehrung, Clauder and Vogt each reply to the complaints within 20 days.

==>IARU REGION 2 CONFERENCE CONCLUDES

The International Amateur Radio Union, Region 2, held its 14th General Assembly in Guatemala City, October 1-5. Twenty-one IARU member-societies from throughout the Americas were represented.

Heading the ARRL delegation was President Jim Haynie, W5JBP. He was assisted by First Vice President Joel Harrison, W5ZN, and staff members David Sumner, K1ZZ, Paul Rinaldo, W4RI, and Jon Siverling, WB3ERA.

Among other actions, the conference:

* Endorsed the objective of a worldwide allocation of at least 300 kHz for the amateur service at 7 MHz, while maintaining a 300-kHz allocation for Region 2 amateurs as "an essential and non-negotiable requirement." The conference emphasized that other objectives being sought by international broadcasters "should not be permitted to detract from reaching" these goals.

* Asked the IARU Administrative Council to study other ways to reduce interference from the users of CB radio equipment, particularly in the 10 and 12 meter bands.

* Urged Region 2 member-societies to support a coordinated approach to secondary allocations to the amateur service in the low-frequency bands 135.7-137.8 kHz and 160-190 kHz.

* Requested the Region 2 Executive Committee to study the possibility of an amateur allocation near 5 MHz, similar to the domestic allocation recently requested by the ARRL in the United States.

* Expressed appreciation for actions by the administration of Guatemala to preserve and improve the amateur allocation at 430-440 MHz.

* Expressed concern about unauthorized operation in the amateur VHF and UHF bands and encouraged member-societies to take appropriate action, particularly against continuing commercial interference to amateur satellite uplinks in the 2-meter band.

* Supported the revision of Article S25 of the international Radio Regulations, as proposed by the IARU Administrative Council, including the incorporation by reference of Recommendation ITU-R M.1544. This would permit the Recommendation concerning operator qualifications in the Amateur Service to be updated in the appropriate ITU-R Study Group rather than being drafted in a World Radiocommunication Conference.

Elected as president of Region 2 for a three-year term was past president Pedro Seidemann, YV5BPG. Outgoing president Tom Atkins, VE3CDM, declined to seek re-election after two terms. Elected as vice president was Dario Jurado, HP1DJ. He replaces Reinaldo Leandro, YV5AMH, who declined to seek re-election. ARRL International Affairs Vice President Rod Stafford, W6ROD, was elected secretary. Noel Donawa, 9Y4NED, was re-elected treasurer and Ron Szama, LU2AH, was re-elected to the Executive Committee. Newly elected to the Executive Committee were Tim Ellam, VE6SH, Pedro Rodriguez, CO2RP, Marco Tulio Gudiel, TG9AGD, and Gustavo de Faria Franco, PT2ADM.

==>IARU ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL CALLS FOR END TO MORSE REQUIREMENT

Saying that it was "setting aside any previous relevant decisions," the International Amateur Radio Union Administrative Council this week resolved that IARU policy supports "the removal of Morse code testing as an ITU requirement for an amateur license to operate on frequencies below 30 MHz." The Council further resolved to urge member societies--as an interim measure--to seek Morse code testing speeds "not exceeding five words per minute."

The resolution was adopted during the IARU Administrative Council meeting October 6-8 in Guatemala City, Guatemala, which followed the 14th General Assembly of IARU Region 2.

The Council's Morse resolution took into consideration the approval--without opposition--of ITU-R Recommendation M.1544. That document sets out the minimum qualifications of radio amateurs. The Council also said it recognizes that Morse code "continues to be an effective and efficient mode of communication used by many thousands of radio amateurs" but that Morse code proficiency as requirement for an HF amateur license "is no longer relevant to the healthy future of Amateur Radio."

The principal business at the Administrative Council session was to review the status of IARU preparations for WRC-2003. Agenda items of concern to amateurs include, among others, the harmonization of amateur and broadcasting allocations near 7 MHz, the adequacy of HF broadcasting allocations below 10 MHz, and possible revisions to Article S25 of the international Radio Regulations.

Among other things, Article S25 spells out Amateur Radio operator qualifications. It now provides that Amateur Radio license applicants demonstrate the ability "to send correctly by hand and to receive correctly by ear, texts in Morse code signals" for operation below 30 MHz. The IARU Administrative Council supports the revision of Article S25 and the incorporation by reference of Recommendation M.1544.

The IARU Council selected the theme of the next World Amateur Radio Day, April 18, 2002, as "Amateur Radio: Continuing Innovation in Communication Technology."

==>AMSAT-NA SYMPOSIUM DRAWS A CROWD IN ATLANTA

Amateur Radio satellite enthusiasts from around the US--and a few from abroad--converged in Atlanta October 5-8 for the 19th AMSAT-NA Symposium and Annual Meeting. The event attracted approximately 150 amateurs, who heard presentations on a wide range of amateur satellite-related topics.

The problem of interference from non-amateur intruders on VHF and UHF satellite bands was a topic raised in more than one forum during the weekend. The majority of the interference--particularly on 2 meters--has been blamed on taxicab operations in Mexico. "This particular source is Mexico," Soifer said. "It's been pretty well documented." Some conference participants said individuals using amateur gear as a personal communication service also are to blame.

Soifer, who chaired a VHF-UHF committee during the just-completed International Amateur Radio Union Region 2 Conference in Guatemala, said the issue got "quite a bit of attention" during conference. He advised a "use it or lose it" approach to combating interference. All agreed that reporting any intruders promptly to the IARU Monitoring System <bprice@...> would be beneficial.

During the Symposium's IARU forum, Soifer reported that Region 2 IARU member-societies were urged to report such interference to their national administrations. In Mexico, complaints already have been registered with COFETEL--the Mexican Federal Telecommunications Commission--and AMSAT has been prompting the amateur community to report such interference when they monitor it. "The idea is to keep the pressure up on Mexico," Soifer said.

AMSAT Treasurer Art Feller, W4ART, agreed. "The more noise that gets made . . . the more likely it is to get attention," he said. "So, report, report, report!"

IARU Satellite Adviser Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV, said keeping the bands active and reporting and documenting intruders help to keep interference away and lessen demands on amateur spectrum. "It adds to the ammunition that the IARU can use at the various conferences," he said.

Symposium attendees also packed presentations on the progress of the AO-40 satellite, the planned "Project JJ" satellite AMSAT-NA announced earlier this year, the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station effort, and various technical topics relating to amateur satellite work. Steve Diggs, W4EPI, chaired the conference.

At the AMSAT-NA Board meeting, AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, was re-elected without opposition to another term. Haighton told the annual business meeting that AMSAT-NA now has more than 5000 members "and continues to grow."

Proceedings of the AMSAT-NA 19th Space Symposium and AMSAT-NA Annual Meeting are available from ARRL for $20. Visit the ARRL Products Catalog, <http://www.arrl.org/catalog/?item=8535>. Audio of the 2001 AMSAT Symposium and Annual Meeting sessions will available in RealAudio format via the Houston AMSAT Net Web site operated by Bruce Paige, KK5DO <http://www.amsatnet.com/>.

The 2002 AMSAT Symposium and Annual Meeting will take place November 8-11 in Fort Worth, Texas.

==>ARRL WELCOMES CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

The ARRL has a new chief development officer. Mary Hobart of Wethersfield, Connecticut, officially assumed her new duties at ARRL Headquarters on October 1.

"We are all deeply impressed by her depth and breadth of knowledge and particularly by her energy," said ARRL Executive Vice President David Sumner, K1ZZ.

Hobart's primary job will be to create fund-raising strategies, garner philanthropic support for ARRL programs and provide leadership in support of program development, advocacy and ongoing operations.

Prior to coming to the League, Hobart served as vice president for development at Connecticut Public Television and Radio in Hartford, where she managed a comprehensive $6.8 million development program. She has been a

development professional for 17 years with a career focus on public broadcasting membership organizations. A native of Washington, DC, Hobart holds a BA in history and has completed work toward an MBA.

Hobart's two main passions are gardening and international travel. Among other accomplishments, she has led several safaris in Kenya.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Propagation prognosticator Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: All indices were down this week. Average daily sunspot numbers were off 87 points from last week and nearly 133 points below the week before. Average daily solar flux has dropped nearly 57 points from last week and 82 points from the week before.

Geomagnetic conditions were relatively stable this week, with the average daily planetary A index down 18.8 points. October 4 was fairly active, with a planetary A index of 19 and K indices as high as five. October 8 and 9 were unsettled with planetary A indices of 15 on both days, and planetary K index as high as four.

The latest forecast shows solar flux at 170 on Friday through Sunday, then rising to 185 by Wednesday. Holographic images of the far side of the sun show a large sunspot region that should appear around Monday or Tuesday. Look for a big jump in solar flux by next Friday, October 19, when the sunspot group moves toward optimal position for influencing Earth.

Sunspot numbers for October 4 through 10 were 231, 160, 181, 154, 130, 99 and 133, with a mean of 155.4. The 10.7-cm flux was 186.5, 176.9, 180.4, 172.7, 171.2, 176.4 and 178.7, with a mean of 177.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 19, 9, 8, 4, 15, 15 and 8 with a mean of 11.1.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL International EME Competition, the 902 MHz and Above Fall Sprint, the Oceania DX Contest (CW), the EU Autumn Sprint (CW), the Pennsylvania QSO Party, the FISTS Fall Sprint, the Iberoamericano Contest, and the North American Sprint (RTTY) are the weekend of October 13-14. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Clarification: A report in The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 40, mentioned the SmartBeaconing feature in conjunction with the Tiny Trak II, a miniature TNC designed for portable applications. Steve Bragg, KA9MVA, points out that the SmartBeaconing algorithm comes from HamHUD, another APRS device he and Tony Arnerich, KD7TA, invented. For more information, see "How SmartBeaconing Works" on the HamHUD Web site, <http://hh2.hamhud.net/smartbeacon.html>.

* Sign up for Emergency Communications Level I on-line course! October registration for the Level I--Introduction to Amateur Radio Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-001) will open Monday, October 15, at 4 PM

Eastern Time. Two classes of 50 students will be processed during the week, and on-line classes will begin the week of October 22. After 4 PM Monday--and until all seats are filled--the registration form can be found on the ARRL Course Registration page <https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce/>. Answers to most questions are on the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Home page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and via the links found in the small box on the right-hand side of that screen. To learn more, contact ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@...g. Registration for Level II--Intermediate Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-002) will re-open Monday, October 29.

* Novice Spectrum Survey deadline is October 15: The deadline is Monday, October 15, to express your opinion on possible ways to optimize use of the present Novice and Technician Plus allocations on 80, 40, 15 and 10 meters. Survey results ultimately might form the basis of an ARRL petition for rule making before the FCC. The Novice Spectrum Study Committee--chaired by ARRL International Affairs Vice President Rod Stafford, W6ROD--has been examining the status and usage of the present Novice HF bands with an eye toward determining what changes might be needed now that the FCC no longer issues new Novice licenses. More than 4000 responses have been filed to date. The Novice Spectrum Study survey is available to ARRL members on the Web <http://www.arrl.org/members-only/NoviceSurvey.html>. Members may complete and submit the survey only once. Comments from members and non-members alike also are invited via e-mail to novicesurvey@.... Those completing the survey are asked to first read through the entire text of the survey to understand some of the committee's assumptions regarding what questions to ask and what band segments and modes to offer as predefined options.

* Wisconsin amateur antenna bill, AB-368, advances to Senate: Following passage on a voice vote earlier this month, the Wisconsin Amateur Radio antenna bill, Assembly Bill 368, is now in the Wisconsin Senate. AB-368 would codify the FCC's doctrine of limited pre-emption, PRB-1, into state law and require localities to "reasonably accommodate" Amateur Radio communication. Opposition to the measure has come from the League of Municipalities and the City of Milwaukee. The bill is now in the Senate Committee on Universities, Housing and Government Operations, chaired by Sen Mark Meyer. Meyer recently indicated in correspondence with a bill supporter that he understands the bill's importance to Amateur Radio operators. "In fact, I myself grew up with ham radio and fully support the bill," he said. Meyer said AB-368 would definitely be among the measures he plans to schedule for further committee action. Meyer could hold another public hearing before his committee votes on whether to send the measure before the full Wisconsin Senate. Information on how to contact Wisconsin lawmakers is available via the Badger State Smoke Signals Web site, <http://www.bsss.org.>. A copy of the pending legislation is on the Wisconsin Legislature Web site, <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/2001/data/AB-368.pdf>--Badger State Smoke Signals

*Elmer stories wanted: Attention, clubs! Is there someone in your club who is especially good at Elmering (mentoring) new hams? Write and tell us what

that person does that goes above and beyond the ordinary. A Web feature--"Elmers: A Guiding Ham" (similar to "Club Spotlight")--has debuted on ARRLWeb and awaits your story. Now's the chance to put your Elmer in the spotlight! Send your information to Margie Bourgoin, KB1DCO, ARRL Field and Educational Services, mbourgoin@... This is your time to publicly praise that special mentor!

* ARRL not soliciting for affinity credit cards: The ARRL is not telemarketing amateurs to sign up for an affinity credit card. Some ARRL members have reported being solicited for such products that were said to be offered in connection with an Amateur Radio organization. The ARRL is not sponsoring these solicitations and has no plans to do so in the future.

* DXCC credit now approved for TT8DX operation: Through the help of recent inquiries on the Internet, the ARRL DXCC Desk has received and accepted documentation for TT8DX (Chad). Those who submitted TT8DX previously and were denied credit may contact DXCC <dxcc@...> and have their records updated without having to resubmit cards.--DXCC Desk

* Noted DXer Pete Billon, K6JG, SK: John P. "Pete" Billon, K6JG, of Arroyo Grande, California, died October 7 following a long illness. He was 80. A member of ARRL a ham for more than 40 years, Billion was an A-1 Operator Club and DXCC Honor Roll member. He achieved #1 DXCC Honor Roll on Mixed (366) and Phone (363). He also was a charter member of the California Central Coast DX Club. A pilot during World War II, he later flew for United Air Lines. A memorial service was scheduled for Saturday, October 13, at the Lady Family Mortuary, 555 Fairoaks Ave, Arroyo Grande, California. Survivors include his wife, Jessie, K6GJ.--W6KFV via The Daily DX

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Topic: 355 Message: 355

Hi

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society in association with Maharashtra State Scouts & Guides will participate in 43rd Jota in the coming weekend on 20th & 21st October 2001.we will be operative on International Jota frequencies and also the following frequencies
7.035 mhz,14.260 mhz, & 21.260 mhz.
There will be in all 5 stations operating from Mumbai & Thane
VU2NLF--- Shishu Vihar High School ,Dadar
VU2HIT---- Scouts Guide Pavilion, Shivaji Park
VU2SXF--- Shriram Welfare High School ,Andheri
VU2JPN--- Suman Nagar High School , Chembur
VU2UGO--- Shanti Nagar High School , Mira Road

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356. RIG , HIT , PLEASE PAY UP NLF THE PUNE EXPENSE YOU OWE

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==>BATTLE LOOMS OVER PART 15 ACCESS TO 425-435 MHZ

The FCC has proposed changes to its Part 15 rules governing unlicensed
devices that would allow operation of advanced RF identification devices
between 425 and 435 MHz. By going along with a request made earlier this
year by SAVI Technology Inc and fiercely opposed by ARRL, the FCC has set
the stage for another battle between amateur and commercial interests.

"The FCC hasn't thought this through," said ARRL Executive Vice President
David Sumner, K1ZZ. He contends that the Part 15 RFID proposal--included
this week as part of a larger Notice of Proposed Rule Making and Order--is
"contrary to the whole philosophy of the Part 15 rules." Sumner said the
RFID devices SAVI proposes more properly belong on frequencies that are also
authorized for use by devices regulated by FCC's Part 18 Industrial,
Scientific and Medical (ISM) rules.
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The FCC said this week's NPRM&O would modify the rules for RFID systems "to harmonize our rules with those in other parts of the world and to allow for improved operation." Sumner said that 433.9 MHz is allocated for ISM devices in 10 European countries but not in the rest of the world, including ITU Region 2 (North and South America).

Last March, the ARRL urged the FCC to deny or dismiss SAVI Technology's petition. The League argued that the field strengths and duty cycles SAVI proposed for its RFID tags were unreasonable "and would undoubtedly seriously disrupt amateur communications in one of the most popular of the Amateur Service allocations."

SAVI, which markets radiolocation and wireless inventory control products, told the FCC it needed the rules changes to satisfy customer demand for increased RFID system capabilities. The FCC this week said it agreed with SAVI that changes to its Part 15 rules to allow more advanced RFID systems in the 433 MHz band "would serve the public interest." It proposed to create a new section to Part 15 that would allow operation of RFIDs in the 425-435 MHz band and transmissions of up to two minutes at maximum field strengths now only permitted for extremely short-duration, intermittent control signals.

In an apparent about face, the FCC said it believes the proposed levels would offer only minimal interference potential for licensed users. The FCC in the past has acknowledged serious interference potential and has prohibited data transmission, among other things, at the proposed field strengths for that very reason.

As proposed, transmissions of 120 seconds would be permitted with just a 10-second silent period between transmissions. Under Section 15.231(e) periodic radiators are permitted field strengths of less than 5000 uV/m at 433 MHz measured at three meters, with duty cycles of less than one second and a silent period between transmissions that's at least 30 times the duration of the transmission.

The League pointed out in its earlier comments that the Communications Act of 1934 lacks authority to allow unlicensed devices with substantial interference potential. "Such devices must be licensed," the ARRL concluded. Unlicensed Part 15 devices must not interfere with licensed services and must tolerate interference received from licensed radio services in the same band.

Another portion of the proceeding involves the 13.56 MHz ISM frequency. Sumner said that proposal "at first glance" might permit increased emissions in the bottom 10 kHz of the 20-meter amateur band. Sumner said the ARRL would take a closer look at this section of the overall proposal before assessing its interference potential.

Sumner said the League plans to file a strong opposition to the FCC's NPRM&O. The entire Notice of Proposed Rule Making and Order in ET Docket 01-278 (which incorporates RM-9375 and RM-10051) is available on the ARRL Web site.

==>FCC STOPS ACCEPTING FILINGS ENCLOSED IN ENVELOPES

The FCC announced this week that, effective immediately, hand or messenger-delivered filings enclosed in envelopes will not be accepted at FCC Headquarters until further notice. The Commission is encouraging everyone to file electronically or via fax whenever possible.

Filings and other documents in envelopes or packages destined for the FCC should continue to be addressed to FCC Headquarters, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554. At least for now, these deliveries will be diverted to the FCC's Capitol Heights facility--at 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, Maryland--for special handling. The FCC said it's looking for an alternative Washington, DC, site to accept delivery of filings on a more permanent basis.

A Public Notice said that starting Monday, October 22, the FCC will accept originals and copies of official filings addressed to the Commission's Secretary "held together with rubber bands or fasteners" only at its Capitol Heights facility . The FCC was accepting no hand-delivered or messenger-delivered filings--in envelopes or otherwise--before October 22. Filing deadlines for both paper and electronic filings were extended in light of the new procedures.

The changes were necessary "as a precautionary measure," the FCC said. "As the Commission continues to balance its efforts to be accessible to its customers with the need for heightened security measures, the Commission encourages its customers to make full use of the Commission's electronic filing systems to facilitate the filing of documents," an FCC announcement said.

The FCC Public Notice made no direct reference to the current anthrax scare. It also made no mention of any change in procedures regarding filings mailed in envelopes to its Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, office--where Amateur Service applications typically are sent.

The FCC said the Commission's Office of the Secretary will work with bureaus and offices, as appropriate, to handle bulk filings in accordance with the just-announced precautionary measures. The new no-envelopes procedures extend to filings requesting confidential treatment under the Commission's rules.

The FCC directed all questions about the new procedures to the Commission's Secretary, msalas@..., or 202-418-0300.

Visit the FCC Web Site for more information.

==>ISS CREW CHIEF MAY BE ON THE AIR FOR JOTA

International Space Station Expedition 3 Crew Commander Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ, says he hopes to be on the air October 20-21 from NA1SS during Scouting's annual Jamboree On The Air. Stations not participating in JOTA are requested to give preference to Scouting/JOTA stations attempting to contact NA1SS.

"The ISS crew is very busy but excited about supporting JOTA QSOs," said Will Marchant, KC6ROL, of the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station program. "Frank had packed his Scouting T-shirt and will be wearing that during the QSOs."

Culbertson will use the general QSO voice frequencies: In Regions 2 and 3 (this includes the US), the frequencies are 144.490 MHz up and 145.800 MHz down; in Region 1 (Europe, Africa and the Middle East), the frequencies are 145.200 MHz up and 145.800 MHz down. See the ARRL Web site, <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2001/10/16/1/>, for approximate pass times.

Marchant advised stations to always listen before transmitting and to wait until NA1SS calls for the next station before transmitting. If NA1SS comes back to someone else, stop calling and wait until that contact is completed before trying again. He also says Culbertson hopes to be able to find more time for casual ham radio contacts in the days and weeks ahead.

During JOTA, Amateur Radio operators around the world invite Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts/Guides to their stations to chat with each other and to learn about Amateur Radio at the same time. Details are spelled out in the September 2001 issue of QST (see page 48) and on the ARRL Web JOTA page <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/jota.html>.

==>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BRIEFED ON STATUS OF FCC, LEGAL ISSUES

The status of FCC and legal matters dominated the October 13 meeting of the ARRL Executive Committee. President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, chaired the gathering, which was held near Dallas, Texas.

ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, reviewed the status of various FCC proceedings in which the League has an interest. The Committee was told that the FCC's Ultra Wideband (UWB) Transmission Systems proceeding, ET Docket 98-153, is expected to be resolved by year's end. The ARRL has continued to participate in a telecommunications industry coalition that is fighting to limit the interference potential of UWB devices.

Meanwhile, a resolution of the issue is not expected for several months in the ARRL's Petition for Rule Making requesting the FCC to elevate the Amateur Service to primary at 2300-2305 MHz. The FCC is under considerable pressure to increase the commercial use of spectrum in this general frequency range, Imlay told the panel. The League has been attempting to elevate Amateur Radio's status in the segment for five years, and renewed its request last May in a petition, RM-10165. A petition by AeroAstro, RM-10166, proposes a co-primary allocation but would place new restrictions on amateur operations in the 2300-2305 MHz band.

Imlay said the FCC is not likely to accommodate the Microtrax Petition for New Personal Location System at 2300-2305 MHz. Imlay also shared draft comments due for filing October 19 that address the inclusion of the 2390-2400 MHz amateur allocation among bands the FCC is considering for so-called next-generation wireless devices, ET Docket 00-258. The draft comments concluded that additional commercial use of 2390-2400 MHz is

incompatible with the amateur primary allocation, but it may be possible to accommodate some government sharing.

Imlay said it's anticipated that the FCC will combine three other ARRL petitions into a single proceeding early next year. RM-9949 calls for an Amateur Service primary allocation at 2400-2402 MHz; RM-9404 seeks new amateur allocations at 135.7-137.8 kHz and 160-190 kHz; and RM-10209 requests a new amateur allocation at 5.250-5.400 MHz.

Regarding ET Docket 99-231, Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making Regarding Part 15 Spread Spectrum Devices, Imlay noted that the ARRL has filed comments opposing the elimination of the processing gain requirement for direct sequence spread spectrum systems in the 2400-2483.5 MHz band because the requirement gives manufacturers an incentive to design spectrum-efficient systems.

Imlay noted that the FCC has requested parties to "refresh the record" in IB Docket 95-59 regarding reconsideration of rules adopted in 1996 on preemption of local zoning regulation of satellite earth stations. He observed that this may provide an opportunity to argue against inconsistent interpretation of the FCC's authority to preempt private land-use restrictions. The committee instructed Imlay to prepare and file appropriate comments in this proceeding.

Imlay reported that Barry Gorodetzer, N4IFE, was awarded his attorney's fees by a Florida trial court in his successful amateur antenna-related suit against the Emerald Estates Community Association. The Association has appealed. The ARRL Antenna Case Assistance Committee has provided funding to help cover the opposition to the appeal. The committee also reviewed the status of other cases involving amateur antennas.

In addition to Haynie and Imlay, others attending included First Vice President Joel Harrison, W5ZN; Executive Vice President David Sumner, K1ZZ; and Directors Frank Butler, W4RH, Frank Fallon, N2FF, Tom Frenaye, K1KI, and Fried Heyn, WA6WZO, and International Affairs Vice President Rodney J. Stafford, W6ROD.

==>MICHIGAN SCHOOL YOUNGSTERS MAKE "GREAT CONNECTION" WITH ISS

Youngsters at The Holy Spirit School in Grand Rapids, Michigan, recently quizzed International Space Station crew chief Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ, on a variety of topics. The ham radio contact October 5 was arranged through the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station program.

It took a couple of tries for a successful QSO. A direct contact with the ISS was not possible, so the Holy Spirit contact ultimately was handled via a WorldCom telephone linkup with Gerald Klatzko, ZS6BTD, in South Africa. An initial attempt a day earlier via Tony Hutchison, VK5ZAI, in Australia, came up dry. As it turned out, Culbertson was in the middle of a scheduled activity and could not break away.

Ten excited students ranging from third grade to eighth grade turned out at the school at around 6 AM to be on hand. Culbertson thanked them for showing up so early. When all was said and done, 18 questions were asked and answered before the ISS passed out of range.

In response to a third grader's question about what it feels like to take off into space, Culbertson described the experience as "this big kick in the butt" that accelerates the space shuttle off the pad. "It's quite a ride. I love it," Culbertson said.

In response to another question, he explained that investigating the long-term effects on the human body of living in space was a major focus of research aboard the ISS. "We want to learn how people can live more healthily in space for long periods of time," Culbertson said, "because if we're gonna ever go further than low-Earth orbit, like to Mars, we're going to have to be able to stay up there for a very long time."

Culbertson noted that humans have been living aboard the ISS for nearly a year now. The ISS consists of two air locks and five modules, including a lab and living quarters. "It's a pretty good-sized house now," he said.

Culbertson said that when he has a few extra minutes, he often enjoys just watching Earth go by. One student gave Culbertson an opportunity to wax philosophical by asking what it's like to look down at what appears to be a peaceful planet "when it can be filled with so much violence."

"What I see from here is no real boundaries--artificial boundaries--but I see a good solid Earth that we need to take care of, and we need to live together in peace on," Culbertson responded.

After the applause died down, Holy Spirit Principal Sharon Grant called the QSO "a great connection, a great contact." The school first applied for a contact with the shuttle astronauts more than four years ago.

ARRL member Jim Cordes, KI8JD, assisted the school to prepare for the contact, which was televised throughout the school.

==>CQ ASKS CONTESTERS TO E-MAIL ALL LOGS

CQ magazine is asking all participants in CQ-sponsored Amateur Radio contests to submit their logs electronically. "In light of recent events regarding hazardous items sent through the mail, logs received through the mail at the CQ offices will be held unopened until all potential health risks have been evaluated," a CQ Communications news release said. CQ said it cannot guarantee that logs submitted via the US Postal Service will be opened.

All logs for the CQ World Wide DX Contest, the CQ WPX Contest, the CQ World Wide 160-Meter Contest, the CQ World Wide VHF Contest and the CQ/RTTY Journal RTTY contests should be submitted via e-mail according to the instructions in the rules for each contest.

CQ Communications President Dick Ross, K2MGA, said CQ regrets the inconvenience to contesters lacking Internet or e-mail access or those who

log by hand, but he said CQ did not want to risk the chance that staff members or contest committee volunteers might be exposed to dangerous packages sent through the mail. CQ suggested that contesters not now using computer logging programs start doing so.

CQ also suggested that hand loggers transcribe their logs into an ASCII (.txt) file using a word processor, separating each contact element with a tab, separating each contact with a carriage return, and e-mailing the resulting file to the address listed in the contest rules. "Be sure to include the required information about your station in a covering e-mail message," the CQ notice advised.--CQ Communications news release

==>PROJECT STARSHINE ISSUES CALL FOR TELEMETRY REPORTS

Project Starshine is seeking volunteer Amateur Radio operators and students worldwide to monitor and report telemetry from the recently launch Starshine 3 satellite. Data supporting a solar cell experiment on the satellite is being downlinked so students and radio amateurs can participate in collecting the data.

The satellite transmits 9600 bps AX.25 packet telemetry at 145.825 MHz every two minutes. An attractive QSL card is available to all who forward telemetry reports to Project Starshine.

Launched September 30 as one of three ham radio payloads from Alaska' new Kodiak Launch Complex, Starshine 3 is in a 500-km, 67-degree circular orbit. Nearly one meter in diameter, Starshine 3 weighs some 200 pounds and carries 1500 aluminum mirrors polished by some 40,000 student volunteers in the US and 25 other countries.

Starshine 3's primary mission is to involve and educate students in space and radio sciences. The "mirror-ball" surface permits youngsters to visually track the satellite during morning and evening passes. Students record the mirror flashes and report their observations to Project Starshine, and visual data gathered will be used to determine the effects of the atmospheric drag on the spacecraft.

To report Starshine 3 telemetry, visit the Starshine 3 Telemetry Web site, <http://epulation.com/starshine/starshine3/>. For additional information about Project Starshine, visit the Project Starshine Web site, <http://www.azinet.com/starshine/>.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar sage Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Sunspot numbers and solar flux values rose this week. Average daily sunspots were up nearly 18 points, and average solar flux rose almost 40 points. Solar flux was mostly in the 170s for a couple of weeks until this week, when it went above 190 and then 200.

Solar flux for the next few days should continue this rise, with values of 235, 240, 245 and 250 predicted for Friday through Monday. Unless new sunspots emerge, the solar flux is expected to decline below 200 by the end

of this month. Thursday and Friday, October 11 and 12, had unsettled to active geomagnetic conditions, but geo-indices have been quiet since. This was expected to continue, with A indices below 10, until October 18 at 0105 UTC when a large solar flare erupted from sunspot region 9661. The energy from this flare caused a radio blackout across Asia and Australia, and is expected to fully affect Earth on October 21.

Sunspot numbers for October 11 through 17 were 174, 179, 166, 178, 176, 168 and 171, with a mean of 173.1. The 10.7-cm flux was 174.8, 179.2, 179.5, 191.9, 192.9, 207.2 and 217.4, with a mean of 191.8. Estimated planetary A indices were 17, 27, 10, 9, 11, 8 and 4 with a mean of 12.3.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: Jamboree on the Air (JOTA), the JARTS WW RTTY Contest, the 50 MHz Fall Sprint, the Worked All Germany Contest, the Asia-Pacific Sprint (CW), the RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest (CW), and the Illinois QSO Party are the weekend of October 20-21. The YLRL Anniversary Party (SSB) is October 24-26. JUST AHEAD: The CQ Worldwide DX Contest (SSB), the SLP Competition (SWL), and the 10-10 International Fall Contest (CW) are the weekend of October 27-28. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Special event station K7UGA on the air October 20-21: The famous K7UGA call sign, once held by former US and presidential candidate Sen Barry Goldwater of Arizona, will be on the air during the October 20-21 weekend. Goldwater was a Life Member of the Central Arizona DX Association, and K7UGA was re-issued to the CADXA last October. K7UGA will be on the air on CW (32 kHz up from the band edge) and SSB (5-10 kHz up from the General band edge). Also look for K7UGA on 10.110, 18.090, and 24.905 on CW and on 18.160 and 24.965 on SSB. For more information, visit the CADXA Web site, <http://www.cadxa.org>.--Dave Hollander, N7RK/CADXA

* Additional Emergency Communications Course on-line classes opened: Due to increased demand, additional sections have been opened for the October on-line Level I Emergency Communications Course (EC-001) class. Seats remain available. "In light of the atrocities of September 11, hams around the country are realizing the importance and need to be prepared for the unexpected," said ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG. Those who were unable to successfully register earlier this week are urged to try again. Visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Registration Page <https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce> to take advantage of this expanded continuing education opportunity. Answers to most questions are on the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education home page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE links at the right, including the CCE Syllabus, FAQs, Classroom and Exam Info, and much more. For other concerns--or if you have problems registering--contact ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

* Davenport hamfest to shift location: The Davenport (Iowa) Radio Amateur Club Hamfest/Computer Show, Sunday, November 4, 8 AM until 2 PM, has been forced at the last minute to shift to another location. Now in its 30th year, the event will take place at the former Walgreens store in Southpark Mall, Moline, Illinois. The show was scheduled to take place at the Iowa National Guard hangar, but that site was declared off-limits because of security concerns. Talk-in will be on the 146.88 repeater. More information is available on the Hamfest/Computer Show is on the DRAC Web site, <http://gwltd.com/hamfest/>.

* AMSAT-NA seeks name for new satellite project: AMSAT-NA is looking for a proper name for its new satellite project--now known simply as "Project JJ" after the two proponents of the technology AMSAT is developing--Lyle Johnson, KK7P, and Dick Jansson, WD4FAB. In his President's Letter this week, AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, said Johnson and Jansson have asked for a name change. Haighton requests suggestions for a new name via e-mail <ve3frh@...> by November 30. A committee will review the suggestions and announce a decision. "The person who proposes the chosen name will receive free admission to the Dayton AMSAT 2002 dinner," Haighton said. If there's a tie, the earliest entry will be declared the winner.

* PCsat commissioned and operational: PCsat, the recently launched Naval Academy Amateur Radio Satellite, was activated for users on October 3. Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, requests that users first read and agree to the PCsat User Service Agreement, posted on the US Naval Academy Web site <http://www.ew.usna.edu/~bruninga/pcsat/contract.txt>. Bruninga said that, due to frequent resets on orbit a temporary change to normal operating procedures was made as of October 12 to permit users to digipeat via the call signs of W3ADO-1 and W3ADO-2. "Thus, whether it is in safe mode or not, the settings will not change for users," Bruninga said. PCsat provides a worldwide position, status and messaging service for mobile and hand-held Amateur Radio satellite users. Bruninga said he hopes users will, for now, adhere to the maximum one-packet-per-two-minutes protocol. Base-station transmissions through PCsat "are not encouraged except for special tests, demos or other circumstances." PCsat is designed with no CPU other than two TNCs.

* SATERN seeks team to staff LA Territorial Headquarters station: Salvation Army Team Emergency Response Network National Coordinator Pat McPherson, WW9E, says SATERN is seeking a team or club to staff the Amateur Radio station at its Territorial Headquarters in Los Angeles. "This is the Salvation Army's headquarters for the Western States, and our people there are eager to develop the SATERN program," McPherson said. "We especially need personnel at the Territorial Headquarters to connect up with the rest of the amateur arena and our SATERN network during disasters, events and exercises." McPherson suggested that a club might want to adopt this duty as an ongoing activity. Interested parties may contact McPherson for additional details at ww9e@....

* WRTC 2002 announces additional national teams: These experienced contesters have been nominated to represent their countries in WRTC 2002. Asiatic Russia: Vadim Travin, RA9JX, and Oleg Usov, UA9CDV; European Russia:

Team 1, Vlad Aksenov, RW1AC, and Jack Danielyan, RW3QC; European Russia: Team 2, Igor Avdeev, UA2FZ, and Alex Orlov, RW4WR; Hungary: Zoli Pitman, HA1AG, and Antal "Anti" Hudanik, HA3OV; Lithuania: Dainius Savicius, LY1DS, and Andrius Ignotas, LY2TA; Slovenia: Robert Kasca, S53R, and Robert Bajuk, S57AW. Jointly organized by Contest Club Finland <http://www.qsl.net/ccf/> and the Finnish Amateur Radio League--SRAL <http://www.sral.fi>, WRTC 2002 will take place in Finland from July 9-16, 2002. The on-air competition will be held in conjunction with the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) HF World Championship. During WRTC 2002, 50 two-person teams representing top operators from more than 30 countries will vie for gold, silver and bronze medals in both on and off-the-air events. For more information, visit the WRTC 2002 Web site, <http://www.wrtc2002.org/>.

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359. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-23 15:33:41 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 359 Message: 359

test msg

360. Fw: JOTA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-25 15:01:19 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 360 Message: 360

----- Original Message -----
From: Bharat Scouts & Guides
To: Huzefa
Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2001 7:49 AM
Subject: Re: JOTA

Congratulations for holding the JOTA in a big way
Can you send us the report of the Programme for publishing in the National Magzine
JOTA/JOTI team of NHQ
----- Original Message -----
From: Huzefa
To: tbsgnet@... ; director@...
Sent: Wednesday, October 17, 2001 9:55 PM
Subject: JOTA

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Regd Office:15/60, Matru Mandir,278 Tardeo Road, Mumbai-400007
Tel :3866312 Email:m_a_r_s@...
Sir

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society in association with Maharashtra State Scouts & Guides will participate in 43rd Jota in the coming weekend on 20th & 21st October 2001.we will be operative on International Jota frequencies and also the following frequencies
7.035 mhz,14.260 mhz, & 21.260 mhz.
There will be in all 5 stations operating from Mumbai & Thane
VU2NLF--- Shishu Vihar High School ,Dadar
VU2HIT---- Scouts Guide Pavilion, Shivaji Park
VU2SXF--- Shriram Welfare High School ,Andheri
VU2JPN--- Suman Nagar High School , Chembur
VU2UGO--- Shanti Nagar High School , Mira Road

You are therefore requested to Kindly Register us in your records.
De
Huzefa Merchant(VU2HIT)

129,E.R.Road,4th flr,R.no.16/17,
Kamoo Yakoob Bldg.,Mumbai- 400003

361. Fwd: HAM Workshop at IIT Bombay.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-26 17:35:26 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 361 Message: 361

From: Ankur Shrivastava
To: vijaymotwane@...
Subject: HAM Workshop at IIT Bombay.
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 05:56:32 +0530 (IST)

Dear Mr Motwane,

I am a student of the Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay. We the students here at IITB wanted to organise a workshop on HAM radio in our institute on 3rd and 4th of November' 2001. This will be held under the banner of Techfest - the annual technological festival of IITB, the biggest of its kind in Asia.

Basically we have a HAM club in our institute but due to people gradually losing interest it has almost become dormant. We are trying to hold this workshop on HAM to revive the HAM club here and also generate more enthusiasm in this field.

I came to know about you and your contact while searching for HAMs in Bombay on the internet. I am approaching you to seek your help in organizing this workshop as being a HAM yourself you would be interested in spreading this amazing hobby to the younger generation also.

Please do reply to this mail as soon as possible as we greatly rely on you and some other very few people to make our workshop a success in arousing interest of the students here in the exciting field of HAM radio.

Could you also give us your contact phone no. and address so that we can get in touch with you without any further delay as very few days are left for the workshop ? Please help us in this regard.

I would be very grateful.

Yours sincerely,

Ankur Shrivastava
3rd Year Dual Degree
Mechanical Engg. Dept.
IIT Bombay.

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-27 06:07:19 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 362 Message: 362

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John Abbott, K6YB, SK

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Editor's note: Due to a scheduled vacation, editions of The ARRL Letter and
ARRL Audio News for Friday, November 2, will be distributed early, on
Wednesday, October 31. There will be no editions of The ARRL Letter and ARRL
Audio News for Friday, November 9. Breaking news will be posted on the ARRL
Web site <http://www.arrl.org/>, as an ARRL Bulletin or as a Special
Bulletin to Letter subscribers. The ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News will
return Friday, November 19.--Rick Lindquist, N1RL

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==>ARRL TO FCC: NO COMMERCIAL USERS AT 2390-2400 MHz!

The ARRL this week urged the FCC "in the strongest possible terms" to make
no commercial allocations in the Amateur Service 2390 to 2400 MHz primary
allocation. The League tentatively suggested, however, that hams might be
willing to share the band with compatible government services that are
displaced to make room for advanced wireless systems.
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The ARRL told the FCC that advanced wireless services "are fundamentally incompatible with continued amateur access to the band."

The federal government, on the other hand, "has historically been a compatible sharing partner," the League said, adding that government uses would offer "the least disruptive opportunities for sharing" in the band. The ARRL made clear that such sharing should happen only "if it is absolutely necessary to re-accommodate some displaced users" and would be "subject to compatibility studies."

The ARRL commented this week in four separate proceedings dealing with allocations for advanced and third-generation wireless systems, the mobile satellite service and the Unlicensed Personal Communications Service (U-PCS). The ARRL focused its remarks on ET Docket 00-258, which included 2390-2400 MHz as a candidate band for advanced wireless services.

Commenting on the WINForum Petition for Rule Making (RM-9498) that seeks to modify technical rules for Part 15 U-PCS operation at 2390 to 2400 MHz, the ARRL reiterated its position of two years ago. The ARRL said it still opposed a power increase for asynchronous U-PCS devices in the band and said there can be no change in maximum power spectral density. The ARRL called those two provisions "critical to the compatible sharing plan that resulted in ARRL support of the U-PCS authorization" in the band.

The ARRL also asked the FCC to retain the non-government primary Amateur Service allocation at 2390-2400 MHz. The ARRL also noted that amateur allocations in the vicinity of 2 GHz "have been steadily eroded" through encroachment by other services.

==>FCC CLARIFIES DETAILS OF CORES AMATEUR IMPLEMENTATION

The FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau has clarified several issues regarding Amateur Service implementation of the Commission Registration System--or CORES. Starting December 3, everyone doing business with the FCC--including amateur licensees--must obtain and use a 10-digit FCC Registration Number (FRN) when filing. Many amateurs will not need to take any action to comply with the new requirement, which further expands the number of FCC abbreviations, numbers and systems hams need to be aware of.

Amateur licensees now registered in the Universal Licensing System (ULS) already have been cross-registered in CORES and issued an FRN by mail. The FCC said it planned another cross-registration by November 28. Amateurs can check to see if they have an FRN via a ULS license search. Many Internet call sign servers, including ARRL's, also provide this information.

Once CORES becomes mandatory, the FCC will "auto-register" all amateurs who seek to register in ULS and will issue them an FRN. Amateurs then should use the FRN in place of a Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN--typically an individual's Social Security Number) when filing applications with the FCC. New or upgrade license applicants not previously registered in ULS will be registered automatically in both CORES and ULS when they provide a TIN on a license application filed through a Volunteer Examiner Coordinator.

Both ULS and CORES will contain a licensee's FRN, but updating information in one system will not update the other. For amateurs, CORES registration will replace ULS "TIN/Call Sign" registration. Once CORES becomes mandatory, those registering in ULS will be redirected to CORES registration. The ULS will remain the Amateur Service licensing database within WTB, however, and only ULS will associate an individual with a particular call sign and FRN.

Going away December 3 will be the so-called Assigned Taxpayer Identification Number, or ATIN, which the FCC has been issuing to applicants ineligible to obtain a Social Security Number, such as foreign applicants and club station licensees. CORES will offer exemptions to amateur clubs and to foreign entities not holding a TIN/SSN. The FCC is encouraging club station applicants to first register in CORES and then use their FRN when filing via a Club Station Call Sign Administrator. Club station applicants also may use a trustee's TIN/SSN or a tax-exempt club's IRS-assigned EIN.

The WTB says that starting December 3, "all passwords will be maintained in the CORES database." Amateurs using paper FCC Form 160 to register in CORES will be mailed a CORES password for on-line access.

The FCC continues to work out the details of how amateurs, CORES and ULS will coexist. Amateur Service testing with CORES is planned for November. For more information about CORES, visit the FCC Web site <http://www.fcc.gov/> and click on the "Commission Registration System" link.

==>ISS CREW CHIEF ADDS SOME SPICE TO JOTA

Although he's been licensed a relatively short time, International Space Station crew commander Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ, sounded like a contesting pro last weekend during Scouting's Jamboree On The Air. A former Boy Scout himself, Culbertson--operating NA1SS--worked a string of JOTA participants in the US and abroad October 20-21. Culbertson even brought along his Scout T-shirt.

Among the happy customers was Al Lark, KD4SFF ("Scouting for Fun"), who reports that at least three Scouts spoke with NA1SS over the weekend from Lark's N4ISS backyard JOTA setup in Greenville, South Carolina. "Frank was also excited to speak to a Scout from his home state of South Carolina." Lark said the Scouts now are very interested in obtaining their ham tickets.

On a Sunday pass over the US, Culbertson also logged contacts with K2BSA--the official Boy Scouts of America station near Dallas, as well as with other stations in the Southwest, Midwest and Northeast.

In Louisiana, Cedric Walker, K5CFW, said he had 16 boys from Troop 48 in New Orleans on hand to participate in JOTA. Walker said the QSO with Culbertson was crystal clear and was "an unforgettable thrill for every one of them."

In Oklahoma, Boy Scouts from Troop 850 in Guthrie and Troop 116 in Oklahoma City managed a quick contact with Culbertson on a Saturday pass. "At 17,000 miles per hour, he didn't have much time to chat," explained Assistant Scoutmaster John Dronberger, N5YZA.

>From Australia, Tony Hutchison, VK5ZAI, in Paringa said a young woman in his Scouting group of about 60 also snagged a contact with Culbertson. "Frank did a fine job over Australia on the scheduled pass," Hutchison said.

While over Europe, Culbertson whipped through a series of contacts--some with JOTA operations and others with non-participating stations. Recently, Culbertson has been more active in making casual FM voice contacts, and he's also been averaging two ARISS school contacts a week.

==>SATERN ENDS WORLD TRADE CENTER SUPPORT OPERATION

The Salvation Army Team Emergency Response Network (SATERN) Amateur Radio volunteer support effort in the wake of the World Trade Center attack in New York City has ended. SATERN Amateur Radio Liaison Officer Jeff Schneller, N2HPO, says the operation wrapped up October 18. The Salvation Army now is relying on Nextel and cellular telephone service.

During its five weeks of service, several dozen Amateur Radio operators from all over the US assisted the Salvation Army's relief efforts. REACT International provided volunteers in the early weeks of the activation. Ham radio primarily was used to provide logistical support for the organization's canteens and feeding centers.

Among the more recent volunteers were Steve and Kim Merrill, KB1DIG and KB1GTR, from New Hampshire. They did a tour of duty October 7-18. Working anywhere from 10 to 14 hours a day, the couple called their time in New York City "a very humbling experience."

"There was so much devastation," the Merrills recounted. "Nothing read in the newspapers or seen on TV could have prepared us for the actual sight of all of this."

The Merrills said they came away from their SATERN volunteer experience feeling as though they had "lived a lifetime in a few short days," but with "friendships that will last a lifetime" and "stories that have no end."

"Salvation Army SATERN is to be commended," they said. "They were more than nice to us. We felt like a part of a family!"

Schneller has urged all Amateur Radio operators to prepare for the future by first getting acquainted with and joining their local ARES or SATERN teams, then by taking the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course <http://www.arrl.org/cce>.

==>CULBERTSON ENJOYING ISS STAY, SCHOOL HAM CONTACTS

International Space Station crew chief Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ, has been enjoying his stay in space and the opportunity to talk via ham radio with earthbound students. Culbertson recently chatted with youngsters--including two of his own--at schools in Indiana and Texas. The contacts were arranged by the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program.

On October 16, Culbertson enjoyed a direct contact with sixth through twelfth-grade students who attend schools in Greenfield, Indiana. During the

10-minute contact, Culbertson covered topics that are, by now, familiar territory to him. A typical question involved the effects of zero gravity.

"Zero G affects almost everything we do up here," he explained. "If you put a tool down, it doesn't stay there unless it's got Velcro on it." He said the ISS residents must be careful to keep themselves anchored lest they become marooned in the middle of a module.

Culbertson related that he misses his family most of all, but ISS crew members no longer rely exclusively on Amateur Radio to contact with family and friends. A special Internet telephone permits both voice and e-mail communication, and the crew members have been making a lot of use of the new system.

He also told the youngsters that the number-one tool aboard the ISS is the laptop computer, which serves critical control, communication and planning functions. After that, Culbertson quipped, it's a tossup between a 7/16-inch wrench and a screwdriver. "We try to stay away from the hammers," he added. "The ground gets nervous when we drag them out."

Culbertson exhorted the youngsters to study hard. "Education will open the doors for everything you want to do in the future," He said. "Going to school is the most important thing you'll ever do in your life.

On October 18, Culbertson spoke with youngsters at Armand Bayou Elementary School in Houston, Texas, where his son and daughter attend. The Texas contact was successfully completed via Tony Hutchison, VK5ZAI, in Australia. A WorldCom teleconferencing linkup provided two-way audio between Texas and Australia.

Youngsters at the Texas school wanted to know how soon it would be until "regular people" and not just trained astronauts and cosmonauts could live aboard the ISS.

"I'll be a long time before 'regular people'--people who are not astronauts--can live on this space station," Culbertson replied, "but I think we'll have a station someday where people can live." He predicted that day could be two or three decades in the future, however.

In the course of answering another question, Culbertson also acknowledged his son, Frank, and his daughter, Annie, who were on hand at the school.

Culbertson said the ISS was "about the size of an average three-bedroom house" and that it took him about a half-minute to drift from one end to the other.

AMSAT News Service reports that European Space Agency French astronaut Claudie Haignere has become the first European woman to visit the International Space Station. She and two Russian cosmonauts arrived Sunday aboard the ISS from Baikonur aboard a Russian Soyuz vehicle. According to ANS, ESA has informed the ARISS team that Haignere may use Amateur Radio during her free time in orbit. The Soyuz crew departs for Earth October 30.

==>FCC PUTS KENWOOD "SKY COMMAND" PETITION ON PUBLIC NOTICE

The FCC has put on public notice a rulemaking petition from Kenwood Communications Corporation requesting that the FCC relax restrictions on Amateur Radio auxiliary station operation. The FCC assigned the rulemaking number RM-10313 to the petition and invited public comment. The petition marks Kenwood's latest attempt to legalize its "Sky Command" remote station control system.

Kenwood seeks a change in Part 97 rules that would expand permission to operate an auxiliary station on all 2-meter frequencies above 144.5 MHz, except on 145.8 to 146.0 MHz. While not mentioning Sky Command by name, Kenwood said the proposed rule change "would allow the development and use by amateurs of new technology devices and increase the utility of the limited amateur allocations." Current FCC rules limit auxiliary operation to certain frequencies above 222.15 MHz.

In July 2000, the FCC declared that use of the Sky Command did not comply with Amateur Service rules--specifically Section 97.201(b)--and declined to grant a waiver make it legal. The ARRL commented in opposition to Kenwood's earlier efforts to have the system declared to be in compliance, and it refused to permit Sky Command advertisements in QST <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2000/07/28/3/>.

Sky Command lets a user control a fixed HF station via a pair of dual-band transceivers. It operates in full duplex, using frequencies on 70-cm and 2 meters.

In its latest Petition for Rule Making filed May 1, Kenwood asserted that auxiliary operation is "poorly defined" in the FCC rules and "significantly overregulated." Kenwood argued that present limitations on auxiliary operation no longer are appropriate in today's amateur environment and should be withdrawn.

Amateurs may view and comment on the Kenwood proposal via the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>.

==>SENATE BILL'S PROVISION NOT VIEWED AS THREAT TO SURPLUS RADIO FANS

Amateurs who also collect military surplus radio "boat anchors" apparently have nothing to fear about a provision contained in the Senate version of the huge Department of Defense appropriations bill, S.1438. The provision, Sec 1062, would create governmental authority to "ensure demilitarization of significant military equipment."

That provision, now a topic for discussion on news groups and Web sites, would require anybody possessing "significant military equipment formerly owned by the Department of Defense" either to have it "demilitarized" or to return it to the government for demilitarization. The provision also has the National Rifle Association and a large number of firearms enthusiasts up in arms and wondering whether it would affect their hobby if it's included in the final legislation.

ARRL Legislative and Public Affairs Manager Steve Mansfield, N1MZA, looked into the issue and determined that those with surplus radio gear have nothing to worry about. "While we cannot speak reliably for the issue of firearms, we did contact one of the top lawyers for the Senate Committee on Armed Forces, where the provision was added to the bill," Mansfield said, "and he assured us that it would not be an issue unless a ham somehow had custody of some kind of top-secret and highly sophisticated military radio gear."

Mansfield said his Capitol Hill contact explained that the definition of "significant" derives specifically from the Arms Export Control Act (22 USC 2778), and that, in turn, was intended to provide "control of arms exports and imports" and not the typical ARC-5 transmitter or BC-348 receiver.

"In other words, it does not refer to radios, but rather to large shipments of large military ordinance like missile guidance systems and rocket launchers," Mansfield said.

The text of federal legislation may be found on the Thomas Legislative Information Web site, <http://thomas.loc.gov/home/thomas.html>. Mansfield said the ARRL will continue to monitor the issue.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Heliophile Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Solar flux and sunspot numbers rose this week. Unfortunately for HF operators, so did geomagnetic activity. Average sunspot numbers rose nearly 47 points, and average daily solar flux was up nearly 43 points.

Geomagnetic conditions were quite active on Sunday and Monday and reached a peak on Monday with a planetary A index of 66.The severe geomagnetic storm produced dramatic aurora displays. Conditions were worse toward the poles.

What is bad for HF can make VHF very interesting. JA7SSB reported that 6 meters was quite active in Japan, with SSB monitored from Italy, Norfolk Island, Australia, Hawaii, French Polynesia and elsewhere. All this excitement was from solar activity on Friday when flares erupted above sunspot 9661.

Even though conditions quieted down by Thursday, this does not look like a quiet weekend for the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest. A flare around 1500 UTC on Thursday caused a strong radio blackout across the Americas and Europe. This expanding cloud of energy will probably strike Earth this weekend, ruining northern propagation paths. When this occurs, some operators notice an enhanced north-south propagation path, but what really happens is that the north-south path is often the only remaining path for HF propagation.

The latest projections late Thursday predict a declining solar flux of 230, 225, 220 and 215 for Friday through Monday, and an A index of 10, 20, 30 and 15 for those same days.

Sunspot numbers for October 18 through 24 were 182, 219, 230, 239, 207, 231 and 230, with a mean of 219.7. The 10.7-cm flux was 228.7, 247.6, 244.7, 224.1, 232.7, 226.4 and 238.7, with a mean of 234.7. Estimated planetary A

indices were 4, 8, 10, 40, 66, 15 and 3 with a mean of 20.9.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The CQ Worldwide DX Contest (SSB), the SLP Competition (SWL), and the 10-10 International Fall Contest (CW) are the weekend of October 27-28. JUST AHEAD: The ARRL November Sweepstakes (CW), the ARCI Running of the QRP Bulls and the North American Collegiate ARC Championship (both in conjunction with SS), the IPA Contest (CW/SSB), the Ukrainian DX Contest, and the High-Speed Club CW Contest are the weekend of November 3-4. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Registration opens for Level II Emergency Communications on-line course: Registration for the ARRL Level II--Intermediate Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-002) opens Monday, October 29, at 4 PM Eastern Time. On-line classes will begin the following week. For those with previous experience and for anyone who took the Level I course (EC-001), this course will enhance your skill and knowledge by providing a more in-depth look at emergency communications. To enroll, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Course Registration Page <https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce> after 4 PM Monday. Welcome letters go out later in the week after each student has been assigned a mentor. Access codes will be sent the following week. To learn more, visit the Certification and Continuing Education Program Home Page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> or contact Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

* Dayton Hamvention picks emergency communications theme: The theme of the 2002 Dayton Hamvention will be emergency communications and preparedness, the Hamvention Committee announced this week in a letter to vendors and exhibitors. Hamvention said it's expecting "record attendance for 2002" at its 51st show, May 17-19, 2002. The annual event draws upwards of 30,000. "Hamvention expresses deep concern for the tragic events that occurred September 11, 2001, and the world events since," the letter said. "In order to show our support for Amateur Radio, we are going to emphasize emergency communications and preparedness as our theme for Hamvention 2002." The committee said it anticipates new Amateur Radio-related exhibitors as a result and would "limit the number of computer exhibitors at the show to only those who are related to Amateur Radio."

* Amateurs assist with American's United Flag Run: "American's United Flag Run"--a grass roots effort sponsored by American Airlines and United Air Lines employees--is seeking help from the Amateur Radio community to provide short-range communications as the run progresses across the US along a southerly route. "This event is to honor the crew and passengers killed on September 11, to show the American Spirit and to raise money for relief funds already established," said American Airlines Captain Bill Lokes. Runners started in Boston on October 11 and are scheduled to arrive in Los

Angeles November 11. Recently, hams in Georgia contributed their services to the cause as the flag run passed through that state. Georgia ARES--under the leadership of Section Emergency Coordinator Lowry Rouse, KM4Z--provided communications for the organizers from the South Carolina to the Alabama borders. The flag run Web site <http://www.flagrun.org> has a map, anticipated itinerary and more details about the event. Amateur Radio clubs or groups are invited to contact Bill Lokes, 610-767-9246; blokes@..., or Gene Atwell at 215-348-1594; atwell@....

* ARRL honors its own for long service: Each year, ARRL takes time to recognize employees who have attained at least 10 years' service as Headquarters staff members. Eight people were honored this year. Executive Vice President David Sumner, K1ZZ, took top honors, marking his 30th year of service to the League. Not far behind were three 25-year honorees: QST Managing Editor Joel Kleinman, N1BKE, ARRL Building Manager Greg Kwasowski, KB1GJF, and Assistant Mailroom Supervisor Berta Hould. Recognized for 10 years' service were QST Editor Steve Ford, WB8IMY, Legislative and Public Affairs Manager Steve Mansfield, N1MZA, Lab Test Engineer Mike Tracy, KC1SX, and Marketing Coordinator Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R.

* Bicycle Mobile Hams of America founder Hartley Alley, NA0A, SK: ARRL recently learned that Bicycle Mobile Hams of America (BMHA) founder Hartley Alley, NA0A, of Boulder, Colorado, died on May 29, 2001. He was 82. An avid cyclist since 1965, Alley was introduced to ham radio in the early 1980s by a friend who enjoyed getting on the air while riding. BMHA got its start in 1989 after Alley placed a "Stray" in QST seeking other ham radio/bicycle enthusiasts. According to information on the group's Web site, <http://www.LaFetra.com/BMHA/>, BMHA now has more than 500 members in the US. One of Alley's most unique accomplishments was his 1987 cross-country bike ride to attend his 50th high school reunion in Massachusetts. Alley worked variously as a professional musician, magazine photographer, and university professor and also ran a mail-order business for cycling gear. He co-authored three travel picture books. Survivors include his wife Jean, N0EOX, and a son, Hartley D. Alley.

* James B. "Jim" Ricks, W9TO, SK: Jim Ricks, W9TO, of Lake Forest, Washington, died October 20. He was 86. Well-known in high-speed CW as well as in engineering circles, Ricks, designed the popular Morse electronic keyer that Hallicrafters marketed as the HA-1 T.O. Keyer. He was also founder of the high-speed CW group "CFO"--Chicken Fat Operators <http://home.aurora.edu/~bdillon/cfo/cfo.html>--(recognized on the air by the dit-dit-dit . . . di-dahhhhh signature, which is meant to sound like a chicken clucking). Ricks was considered CFO Number 1 and dubbed "Big Bird." He is survived by his daughter, Carter Ricks Hawley, and a son James Benjamin Ricks III.

* John Abbott, K6YB, SK: John Abbott, K6YB, of Newhall, California, died October 5. He was 68. An ARRL Charter Life Member, Abbott is perhaps best-known for his book Ride the Airwaves with ALFA and ZULU--a Technician license study guide aimed at youngsters. He also produced many Amateur Radio training aids that featured games and cartoons, written to simplify the

experience of studying for a license. Honoring her husband's wishes, Abbott's wife, Teri, has donated the remaining stock and manuscript of his book to ARRL.

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* ARRLWeb, http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/. (NOTE: The ARRL Letter will be posted each Friday when it is distributed via e-mail.)

* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio Club: Send e-mail to majordomo@... (no subject needed). The body of the message should say "subscribe letter-list" to subscribe or "unsubscribe

letter-list" to unsubscribe. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-27 13:41:53 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 363 Message: 363

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-27 07:00:09 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 363 Message: 364

Yes I had seen one of the fox on bullet near rhythm house on Monday evening !!

Where shud i collect my reward from ??

Mehul

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365. Congrats!!! You Have Won A Free Trip!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-10-29 15:11:47 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 365 Message: 365

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366. VU2ST goes Silent Key.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-01 06:58:45 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 366 Message: 366

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

I regret to inform you that Mr. Saad Ali [VU2ST] died today [01/11/2001], the funeral will be held today at 15:00 hours at Khoja Cemetery, Charni Road Mumbai.

May His Soul Rest in Peace.

73s
NLF

367. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 44

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-01 05:33:15 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 367 Message: 367

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Editor's note: Due to a scheduled vacation, the November 2 editions of The
ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News are being distributed on October 31. There
will be no editions of The ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News for Friday,
November 9. ARRL solar/propagation bulletins will be posted on the ARRL Web
site. Breaking news will be posted on the ARRL Web site
<http://www.arrl.org/>, as an ARRL Bulletin or as a Special Bulletin to
Letter subscribers. The ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News will return Friday,
November 16.--Rick Lindquist, N1RL
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==>SHARING SPECTRUM WITH OTHER SERVICES A HAM RADIO REALITY

Amateur Radio operators can get mighty territorial when they perceive that
some other radio service is intruding upon "their" turf. What many hams
often don't understand, however, is that Amateur Radio is a secondary
service in the US on several popular bands or subbands. As such, it's
subject to interference from primary radio service occupants and, by law,
must avoid interfering with them. And, of course, ham bands are not all the
same everywhere in the world.
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Hams share most of their spectrum--especially the UHF and microwave allocations--with other users, typically the US Government and Fixed and Mobile services. The popular 70-cm band, 420-450 MHz, is a good case in point, says ARRL Field and Regulatory Correspondent Brennan Price, N4QX.

"Amateur use of the 70-cm band is secondary to government radiolocation services in the US, so hams must tolerate interference from the primary service and may not QRM it," Price explained. No operation in the 420-430 MHz band is permitted in some parts of the US (in the vicinity of the Great Lakes), while 50-W output power limits apply to operations centered near certain US military installations.

Price notes, however, that military use of the band is not confined to these areas, and the band is utilized aboard aircraft. "We occasionally receive inquiries from amateurs who complain of 70-cm disruptions when military planes fly overhead," said Price, who also serves as the ARRL Monitoring System coordinator. "We have every reason to believe that the current spate of widely heard disruptions is due to high-altitude airborne operations by the band's legal, primary occupant--the US Government." The 420-430 MHz segment is allocated on a primary basis worldwide to the Fixed and Mobile (except Aeronautical Mobile) services.

Two meters--144 to 148 MHz--is an exclusive allocation in ITU Region 2, which includes North and South America. US hams who have taken along an H-T while vacationing in Europe or elsewhere in Region 1, however, know that the 2-meter band in that part of the world is 144-146 MHz. In Region 3, hams have exclusive access to 144-146 MHz and share 146-148 MHz on a co-primary basis with Fixed and Mobile Service stations.

Six meters--50 to 54 MHz--is an exclusive ham allocation in Regions 2 and 3, but the band is allocated exclusively for broadcasting in Region 1--although certain countries do allow limited 6-meter operation.

The sharing news is much better on the higher HF bands. The 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10-meter bands are allocated to the Amateur Service on an exclusive basis worldwide--with a few minor exceptions for the high end of 20. On other HF bands, some sharing occurs.

On 30 meters--10.1 to 10.15 MHz--hams are secondary to non-US Fixed Service stations throughout. Amateurs must avoid harmful interference to these stations.

The 40-meter band is currently the focus of an effort supported by the International Amateur Radio Union and ARRL to obtain a 300-kHz worldwide exclusive allocation. Most of the world does not have access to the 300 kHz-wide swath from 7.0 to 7.3 MHz that US hams enjoy. In the rest of the world, the upper two-thirds of 40 is dominated by broadcasters. This issue is on the agenda for the 2003 World Radiocommunication Conference <http://www.arrl.org/announce/regulatory/WRC-03/>. One suggested remedy would shift the allocation downward to create a 300-kHz worldwide band at 6.9 to 7.2 MHz.

The 80/75-meter band--3.5 to 4.0 MHz--is exclusive to the Amateur Service in the US. Elsewhere in Region 2 hams have exclusive status from 3.500 to 3.750 MHz and share the rest of the band with foreign Fixed and Mobile services on a co-primary basis. Amateurs in Regions 1 and 3 share parts of the band with Fixed and Mobile. There is no amateur operation allowed above 3.8 MHz in Region 1, which includes Europe.

The 1.8 to 1.9 MHz segment of 160 meters is exclusive to US amateurs. Hams in the US are secondary on 1.9 to 2.0 MHz to the primary Radiolocation Service (government and non-government).

A table of US Amateur Radio allocations is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/USbands.pdf>. The "Considerate Operator's Frequency Guide" details band plans for Amateur Radio <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/conop.html>.

==>"BAND THREAT" PROCEEDING NOW AVAILABLE FOR E-COMMENTS

The FCC conceded this week that it had failed to properly post the Notice of Proposed Rule Making and Order in ET Docket 01-278 on its Web site. As a result, those hoping to voice their opinions in the proceeding--which poses a potential threat to Amateur Radio--were unable to find the document to add their electronic comments. An FCC spokesperson blamed human error.

The ARRL contacted the FCC earlier this week in an effort to rectify the problem. The NPRM&O now is available on the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System Web site <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>. When searching, enter "01-278" in the "Proceeding" box in the "Search for Filed Comments" window.

The ET 01-278 proceeding deals in part with a potential band threat to the popular 70-cm band from a Part 15 RF identification device proposed for deployment by SAVI Technology (see the Threats to our Amateur Bands page <http://www.arrl.org/news/bandthreat/> for details). The ARRL has argued that the FCC lacks authority under the Communications Act of 1934 to permit unlicensed devices with substantial interference potential and that such devices must be licensed.

The ARRL also is looking into the interference potential posed to 20 meters by a proposal to increase the maximum emission levels permitted in the 13.56 MHz Industrial, Scientific and Medical band as well as the maximum level of out-of-band emissions.

Commenters are advised to read paragraphs 20-27 of the NPRM&O (also available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2001/10/19/1/290a11.html> before commenting.

The proceeding incorporates two earlier rule making petitions, RM-9375, and RM-10051, which had existing document lists for the addition of comments. The FCC told ARRL that those wishing to file comments need only reference ET Docket 01-278, however. Comments need not be copied to the existing RM-9375 and RM-10051 lists.

Members of the Amateur Radio community may file comments using the ECFS <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>. Commenters should include their full name, US Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rule making number--in this case ET 01-278.

It's also possible to e-mail comments via the ECFS. To obtain e-mail filing instructions, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@... and include the words "get form <your e-mail address>" in the body of the message. A sample form and directions will be sent by reply e-mail.

==>TEXAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOLERS ENJOY ARISS ADVENTURE

Fifteen youngsters in grades three, four and five used ham radio to interview International Space Station Expedition 3 Crew Commander Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ, from the McWhirter Elementary School in Webster, Texas--not far from Johnson Space Center. The Amateur Radio on the International Space Station, or ARISS, contact October 23 was handled via a teleconferencing linkup with ZS6BTD in South Africa.

Operating as NA1SS, Culbertson recognized some of the youngsters and asked them to convey his regards to their families. The contact occurred shortly after the Soyuz "taxi" crew had arrived at the ISS, bringing aboard three additional crew members.

In answering the dozen or so questions posed, Culbertson pointed out that the ISS includes protection to break up small meteors. The ISS can be maneuvered from the ground to avoid large objects spotted in advance by radar, he explained.

To a question about how his two dogs would fare aboard the ISS, Culbertson replied that he thought dogs would have a difficult time in space because they don't have hands to hold onto the handrails. "They'd have a hard time staying in one place and would probably get disoriented and would probably try to run in the middle of the module," he said. "So I don't think they would enjoy it very much unless they had some way of staying on the floor, like a lot of Velcro on their feet."

Another student asked about the September 11 attacks. Culbertson said he and his two Russian crewmates were able to see the result of the attacks from the ISS and were very troubled. "It seems strange to me that people would want to attack our country when we do so much good for the rest of the world," he said, "and we're trying to do good things with other countries up here and I hope that sets a good example for the future."

"I think all the kids had a great time. This was a great learning experience for each of us," said McWhirter Elementary Principal Cindy Stamps. Gene Chapline, K5YFL, was the ARISS mentor for the contact.

On Tuesday, October 30, Kolling Elementary in Schererville, Indiana, had a successful ARISS contact with Culbertson, operating NA1SS on the ISS. The control op was John Gianotti, W9WY. Seventeen students had their questions answered.

More information on the ARISS program is available on the ARISS Web site, <http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov>.

==>GEORGIA TO HOST 2002 USA ARDF/RADIO-ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS

ARRL Amateur Radio Direction Finding (ARDF) Coordinator Joe Moell, K0OV, has announced that the Georgia Orienteering Club will host the second USA ARDF/Radio-Orienteering Championships. The event will take place April 19-21, 2002, at F. D. Roosevelt State Park near Pine Mountain.

The USA ARDF/Radio-Orienteering Championships are open to all, from beginners to experts from the US and elsewhere, and no Amateur Radio license is needed to compete. The 2002 competition will feature 2-meter and 80-meter ARDF events. Participants will compete in age/gender categories with awards given for first, second and third-place finishes in each. Awards will be presented in two divisions, Overall and USA-Only.

Details, including rules and registration forms, are on the Georgia Orienteering Web site, <http://www.mindspring.com/~sam.smith/gaoc>. Click on the "Radio-O Champs" link (under Special Events). The GAOC site includes information on lodging options.

The next ARDF World Championships in fall 2002 will be held in Slovakia, and positions on Team USA for that event will be determined by individual performances at Pine Mountain and at the USA Championships in Albuquerque that were held this past August (see "The 2001 USA ARDF Championships are a Winner!" <http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2001/08/24/1/?>).

For additional information on Amateur Radio direction finding, visit Joe Moell's Homing In Web site, <http://www.homingin.com/>.--Joe Moell, K0OV

==>HAM-SAILOR SETS SAIL FOR HOME

Ham radio's senior sailor David Clark, KB6TAM, set sail this week from Trinidad to complete the final leg of the adventure of his lifetime. Clark, who is 77, is attempting to become the oldest person to sail solo around the globe. He plans to arrive back in Ft Lauderdale, Florida, on December 7. Clark has been using Amateur Radio aboard his vessel to keep in touch with his family and friends.

His immediate goal is St Croix in the US Virgin Islands, said his wife, Lynda, but if the weather cooperates and everything goes well he may proceed directly to Great Inagua in the Bahamas. "This is technically the completion of the goal, since his outgoing and incoming paths will cross again--where he checked out and will check in again," Lynda Clark said. "However, we will feel he has finished the goal when he reaches Ft Lauderdale where we all said good-bye to him two years ago."

Accompanied by his dog, Mickey, Clark departed South Florida in December 1999 in the 44-foot steel-hulled sloop, the Mollie Milar--named for his mother. Mickey was lost and Clark himself nearly died after the vessel sank last February off the coast of South Africa. Not one to give up that easily, Clark was able to purchase another sailboat--a smaller one that he named Mickey--and resumed his quest in April. He's been sitting out the Atlantic

hurricane season in Trinidad, where he arrived in July.

Clark was expected to be checking in on the 20-meter Seafarer's Net on 14.313 MHz. The final leg from Trinidad to Fort Lauderdale is approximately 1500 miles.

For more information on Clark's journey, visit these Web sites <http://www.dclark.com> and <http://www.captainclark.com>.

==>HAMS UNDERTAKE A RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS IN FLORIDA

It had very little if anything to do with ham radio Saturday, September 21, when the Dade County Amateur Radio Public Service Corps organized a group of active hams in Southern Florida to spruce up the Flight 592 Memorial. Many of the hams involved had helped provide communication in the aftermath of the 1996 ValuJet crash in the Everglades.

The amateur volunteers put in some 40 work hours pulling weeds and grubbing out their roots, killing ant colonies, applying herbicides, cutting grass, sweeping, refilling missing sand, re-leveling brick walkways and piling up the debris--mostly natural overgrowth. About a dozen hams participated in the effort.

"These folks do this kind of thing without request, but because there is a need to care," said ARRL Southeastern Division Vice Director Evelyn Gauzens, W4WYR. "This group of amateurs are very special people with hearts as big as the whole world."

Family members of Flight 592 victims also expressed their appreciation for the effort. This comment was typical of several posted on the Flight 592 Memorial Web site <http://www.flight592.com/>: "I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for what you did. It was a wonderfully selfless act and greatly appreciated. Those of us who live too far away and are unable to see to the care of the memorial are greatly touched by the generosity of strangers. Thank you again and God bless you."

Additional information and photographs are available on the South Florida FM Association Web Page <http://sffma.net/cleanup.htm>. Said Ray Vaughan, KD4BBM "To everyone who helped, we did make a difference. Let's do it again."

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL November Sweepstakes (CW), the ARCI Running of the QRP Bulls and the North American Collegiate ARC Championship (both in conjunction with SS), the IPA Contest (CW/SSB), the Ukrainian DX Contest, and the High-Speed Club CW Contest are the weekend of November 3-4. JUST AHEAD: the Japan International DX Contest (SSB), the Anatolian ATA PSK31 Contest, the WAE DX Contest (RTTY), the ARRL International EME Competition, the OK/OM DX Contest (CW) and the CQ Western Electric Contest are the weekend of November 10-11. See the ARRL Contest Branch page,

http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and
http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* VY1JA to be QRV during November CW Sweepstakes: With thanks and appreciation to J Allen, VY1JA, Rick Lindquist, N1RL, will be at the helm of VY1JA, Yukon Territory, for the 2001 ARRL November CW Sweepstakes <http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/rules-novss.html>, November 3-4. J reports the antennas and the amplifier are working (the latter thanks to the prompt and courteous attention of Ameritron and Martin Jue, K5FLU), and--aurora permitting--VY1JA will be QRV to help complete those clean sweeps. Some post-contest operation as N1RL/VY1 also is possible and may include UO-14 and FO-27 activity from CP20. The five-day forecast for Whitehorse calls for snow and temperatures no warmer than freezing.

* ARISS establishes European QSL service: The ARISS Europe QSL service now is prepared to handle European requests for NA1SS QSL cards. Requests for ARISS QSL cards go to ARISS-Europe QSL Bureau, AMSAT-France, 16 rue de la Vallée, 91360 Epinay Sur Orge, FRANCE. Requestors should include a self-addressed envelope and two International Reply Coupons (IRCs) to cover the handling cost.

* Dayton Hamvention awards deadline looms: The Dayton Hamvention now is accepting nominations for its Amateur of the Year, Special Achievement, and Technical Excellence awards. The deadline for nominations is January 31, 2002. All amateurs are eligible. The Amateur of the Year Award goes to an individual who has made a long-term, outstanding commitment to the advancement of Amateur Radio. The Technical Excellence Award is for the person who has made an outstanding technical advancement in the field of Amateur Radio. The Special Achievement Award honors someone who has made an outstanding contribution to the advancement of Amateur Radio, usually someone who has spearheaded a significant project. The Hamvention Awards Committee makes the decision on all awards based in part upon the information it receives--and not on the number of nominations submitted. Documentation that informs the Awards Committee of a candidate's accomplishments may include magazine articles, newsletters, newspaper clippings, and even videos (these materials become the property of Hamvention and will not be returned). Nominations may be submitted by mail to Hamvention Awards, PO Box 964, Dayton, OH 45401-0964, or by completing the e-form on the Dayton Hamvention Web site <http://www.hamvention.org>. Click on the "Award Nominations" link.

* Les Belyea, N7AIK, SK: Former ARRL Montana Section Manager Leslie C. "Les" Belyea, N7AIK, of Belgrade, Montana, died October 22. He was 65. Belyea served as Montana's SM from 1981 until 1987. Montana Section Manager Darrell Thomas, N7KOR, said Belyea was active in emergency communications and as manager of the Montana Net. "He will be greatly missed," Thomas said. An ARRL member and an Extra class licensee, Belyea taught theory and Morse code classes for prospective hams. A native of Michigan, he had served in the US Marine Corps and later worked for Frontier and Continental Airlines and for Sunbird Aviation--never missing a day of work. Upon retiring, he restored vintage farm machinery and was an avid golfer. Survivors include a daughter,

a son and a brother. Many of Belyea's Amateur Radio friends attended a service held October 28. Memorial contributions in Belyea's memory are invited to ARRL, 225 Main St , Newington, CT 06111.--some information supplied by Bozeman Daily Chronicle

* Texas hams assist flag run: Members of the Irving (Texas) Amateur Radio Club supported the Americans United Flag Across America event October 27-28, as the US flag passed through their community on its way to the West Coast. The grass roots effort, sponsored by American Airlines and United Air Lines employees, is seeking help from the Amateur Radio community to provide short-range communications as the run progresses across the US along a southerly route. "The event is to honor the crew and passengers who died September 11, to show the American Spirit and to raise money for established relief funds, said American Airlines Captain Bill Lokes. Runners started in Boston on October 11 and are scheduled to arrive in Los Angeles November 11. IARC helped with communication and transportation during the Irving segment of the run. "Our help was really needed and was greatly appreciated by the local run organizers and participants," said IARC Secretary Bill Byrom, N5BB. Dave Finley, N1IRZ, reports that the National Radio Astronomy Observatory (NRAO) in Socorro, New Mexico, will host the runners and support personnel of the Americans United Flag Across America when it reaches New Mexico Novembe 4. More information is available on the Americans United Run Across America Web site. Amateur Radio clubs or groups interested in assisting are invited to contact Bill Lokes, 610-767-9246; blokes@..., or Gene Atwell at 215-348-1594; atwell@....

* Morse Code to be featured on upcoming X-Files episode: Rob Ginkowski, WA6CW, of Hollywood, California, served as a technical adviser to The X-Files star Robert Patrick for an upcoming episode. Patrick's character, John Doggett, was in a hospital bed, paralyzed, and was required to send a Morse code message by tapping his index finger. WA6CW (who also works as an actor) taught Patrick how to tap out the message at about 5 WPM. "He was a fast learner," Ginkowski commented. No word on what the message was, but it might be, "The truth is out there." The episode, entitled "4-D," is scheduled to air Sunday, December 9, on the Fox TV Network.

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368. Re: [m_a_r_s] VU2ST goes Silent Key.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-01 10:11:31 UTC
From: tomchi21
Topic: 366 Message: 368

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: 01 November, 2001 12:28
Subject: [m_a_r_s] VU2ST goes Silent Key.

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

I regret to inform you that Mr. Saad Ali [VU2ST] died today [01/11/2001], the funeral will be held today at 15:00 hours at Khoja Cemetery, Charni Road Mumbai.

May His Soul Rest in Peace.

73s
NLF

FELLOW HAMS ,
Indeed a great loss for us , in losing a legend like him , lets strive all together , to fulfill all his dreams and wishes
for a such a great hobby " HAM RADIO".

MAY HIS SOUL REST IN PEACE.

73S
DE VU2 UGJ

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369. Fw: VU2UGO's JOTA Report - 20th-21st October, 2001

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-01 10:12:52 UTC
From: tomchi21
Topic: 369 Message: 369

----- Original Message -----
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
To: tomchi21@hotmail.com
Sent: 31 October, 2001 18:41
Subject: VU2UGO's JOTA Report - 20th-21st October, 2001

JOTA Station Callsign : VU2UGO

Team Members : Sandip (vu2ugo), Mukesh (vu2ugj) and Pankaj (vu2rio)

Station Location : Shanti Nagar High School, Mira-Road.

On the 20th October morning, the JOTA started with the inaugural speech of the Hon'ble principle Mr.Diego Tuscano.
There were around 250 students present for the event. The scout masters were Mr.Santosh Kambli & Mr.Subroto.

The station started making QSOs from 9am onwards. The first contact was with A47JOTA, the special event callsign station from OMAN. It was a short QSO. After that we worked longer and better QSOs with many stations from Bangalore, Mangalore, Chennai, Bhopal, Baroda etc. throughout a day till 7.30pm evening. Next morning on Sunday also the station was active from 8.30 am to 5.00pm in the evening.

Atleast 250 scounts and guides took part in this JOTA event. Basically they introduced themselves with their counterparts in different locations in India. They shared their hobbies, favourite colours and thier personal information etc. They also enjoyed singing songs.

Suggestions :-
1. The station location & their team leader should be announced at least 2/3 months before the event.
2. The team leader should be provided with the list of schools nearby to his station, their school masters, their contact nos. in advance so that the leader will follow up with them prior to event.
3. The event leader should provide questionnaire for scouts.
4. The team leader should be make aware of the things to be aired.
(according to one of the HAM who was also asst. director of chennai, the prayers should not be aired)

Congratulations to all the other stations for participating and successfully conducting the JOTA organised by MARS.
Special congrats to VU2HIT for leading the event successfully and Special thanks to Mukesh for his big help.

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please forward this message after correction to vu2hit@...

370. Happy Birthday - VU2JYO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-02 08:05:54 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 74 Message: 370

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its Founder Member Jyotika Dalal [VU2JYO] a very happy birthday

371. Have a look at this link

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-09 08:21:11 UTC
From: Ratnesh Javeri
Topic: 371 Message: 371

Hi everybody,

Have a look at this link of Sandeep

http://www.qsl.net/vu2msy/

He also maintains a India Ham database on the page. If your listing is not there or wrong then one can update or add there itself.

Rest all fine keep Haming, (May be too much on my part to say that) But some things you love in life.

73s
Ratnesh

372. monthly meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-09 18:31:49 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 6 Message: 372

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

The Monthly meeting for November2001 shall be held on 11th November 2001 at Shishu Vihar School, Dader (E) at 10:00 hours sharp. The Agenda for the meeting is as under:-

1. Second Batch for Ham Radio Classes.
2. MARS Library.
3. Disaster Communication Exercise
4. Fox Hunt
5. Antenna Homebrewing workshops.

73
NLF

373. Re: [m_a_r_s] monthly meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-10 01:54:18 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 6 Message: 373

Dear Nilesh,

I have not yet received my ID card and other details.
Kindly send.

I shall like to take part in Disaster Communication
Exercise and Antenna Homebrewing workshops. Kindly
send the details. If you prepare minutes of report of
the meeting, that may please be emailed to me.

73
Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ

--- vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
> MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
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>
> 73
> NLF
>
>

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Find a job, post your resume.
http://careers.yahoo.com

374. HAPPY DEPAWALI

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-13 10:11:13 UTC
From: PRAVIN KUMAR PANCHAL
Topic: 374 Message: 374
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

[Attachment content not displayed]

375. Re: [m_a_r_s] HAPPY DEPAWALI

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-14 04:09:31 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 374 Message: 375

Thanks and I receiprocate the feelings

Kailash, VU2KIZ

--- PRAVIN KUMAR PANCHAL <vu3pan@...> wrote:
> WISHING
> ALL HAMS
> HAPPY DEPAWALI.
>
> 73, DE VU3PAN
>
>
> _____
> Do You Yahoo!?
> Find the one for you at Yahoo! Personals
> http://personals.yahoo.com

> ATTACHMENT part 2 image/tiff name=DEPAWALI.gif

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Do You Yahoo!?
Find the one for you at Yahoo! Personals
http://personals.yahoo.com

376. DIWALI Greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-14 06:40:33 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 376 Message: 376

WISH YOU & YOUR FAMILY A VERY HAPPY DIWALI & A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

Best Regards,
Sandip - VU2UGO

377. Happy Diwali

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-14 06:22:06 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 68 Message: 377

Dear Friends,

Wish you and your family a happy Diwali & a Prosperous New Year.

Regards,
Nilesh.

378. Re: [m_a_r_s] DIWALI Greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-14 12:19:54 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 376 Message: 378

Thanks and I reciprocate the feelings.

Kailash, VU2KIZ

--- Sandip Adiwarekar <sandipadiwarekar@...>
wrote:
> WISH YOU & YOUR FAMILY A VERY HAPPY DIWALI & A
> PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR
>
> Best Regards,
> Sandip - VU2UGO
>

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http://personals.yahoo.com

379. A VERY HAPPY DIWALI

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-14 15:46:54 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 379 Message: 379

hELLO eVERYONE,
a VERY HAPPY DIWALI AND NEW YEAR. hOPE THIS NEW YEAR WILL BRING PEACE AND PROSPERITY TO ALL OF US AND THE WORLD.
wITH BEST WISHES AND LOTS OF GOOD LUCK
nAFISA

380. Re: [m_a_r_s] A VERY HAPPY DIWALI

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-14 20:01:15 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 379 Message: 380

Dear Nafisa and all the Members of MARS

I wish Happy Diwali to you and your family and friends

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ

--- nafisa shikari <nafisahs@...> wrote:
> hELLO eVERYONE,
> a VERY HAPPY DIWALI AND NEW YEAR. hOPE THIS NEW YEAR
> WILL BRING PEACE AND PROSPERITY TO ALL OF US AND THE
> WORLD.
> wITH BEST WISHES AND LOTS OF GOOD LUCK
> nAFISA
>

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Do You Yahoo!?
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http://personals.yahoo.com

381. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-15 19:52:00 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 381 Message: 381

Email with NO telephone line?
james prentice (WA2MZF) (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA2MZF)on November 14, 2001
View comments about this article! (http://www.eham.net/articles/2518#comments)
Short note to advise some of you that may have the interest in having email with no telephone. This is not new but it is not known to a lot of hams. We are full time rvers which means no telephone much of the time. Also some campgrounds do not have modem hookups. When boats are at sea they also do not have telephones !
Probably 75 percent of the users are boaters.
I take no credit for any of this except to say that we have been using it for over three years now and it is the greatest thing out there "for some of us".
Oh I should point out also this is to send email to anyone ! non hams as well as hams. It is not and cannot be used to "surf" the web, email only!

The mode is hf pactor and is available worldwide, on most all ham bands. The software "airmail" is free, actually everything about this is free after you have the equipment needed.
Many links at the top of our home page will guide those that are interested in this mode: http://www.qsl.net/wa2mzf/
current phone connection here is to be disconnected tuesday sept 18th and will hit the road. I hope the links help those that may have a need for this.
Many "NEW" improvements are coming shortly also.
Check the links often as they will be updated.
This note only to whet your appetite

Member Comments: Add A Comment (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/L2518)

RE: Email with NO telephone line?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10438)

by N8EMR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N8EMR) on November 14, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10438)

my email uses a cable line not a telephone lines, so yes its possible. -:)

Email with NO telephone line?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10434)

by KE4MOB (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KE4MOB) on November 14, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10434)

Pactor (in my opinion) is one of the best kept secrets of ham radio. I used to be a dedicated RTTY op, but now I spend about all my time roaming around 14.075 working Pactor. Yes, it does require a TNC, and has a little learning curve, but it's totally error-free! Average traffic speeds (using my equipment) run about 4 to 5 cps, with bursts under ideal

condx (steady signal and quiet band) upwards of 15 cps--much faster than I can type!

Steve, KE4MOB

RE: Email with NO telephone line?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10443)

by NB6Z (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/NB6Z) on November 14, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10443)

Winlink 2000 at http://winlink.org/k4cjx/ is one of these networks of unattended Mailbox (MBX) "radio to internet" systems. I have never used the system but do understand that it provides a great service to hams in the field, particularly to maritime hams far from a phone line. These systems use Pactor (1 and 2) which provides the baud rate and error corection needed for proper effeciancy.
THERE IS A DOWN SIDE...!
As a 100% HF digital operator, these unattended stations, and the folks that use them, are the single greatest "pain in the neck" outside of lousy band conditions! I am sure that many users of this system do listen for a clear frequency first, but the way it appears to work is, you go to a known MBX frequency and you call and call and call... If you do not connect, you increase power and call some more. If no luck, you start slowly moving the VFO up and down a few hz while continuing to call. If you still can not connect, that means the propagation is not good or the QRM from the station that was trying to carry on a "real" QSO near that frequency is too great for you to get connected to the system. In that case you wait until they have finished using the frequency or you call some more until the other stations give up. If you connect to the system station (the unattended station) that means propropagation is working and the frequency is clear, or the frequency was in use but you were lucky enough to get a few connect packets sent back and forth successfully to the system station. In which case, the extremely robust nature of the Pactor ARQ will allow you to send/receive your email traffic regardless of who might have been nearby the frequency trying to carry on a QSO.
This is no exaggeration! A MBX station on 7.071 and another on 7.072 have just about eliminated the PSK31 activity on 40 meters! There are entire networks of these stations on all HF bands now. These stations go off like "land mines" when you least expect it. My message to hams that are thinking about trying one of these networks because they think it is "cool", please think twice!

Get your FREE download of MSN Explorer at http://explorer.msn.com
(http://go.msn.com/bql/hmtag_itl_EN.asp)

382. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 45

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-17 10:52:52 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 382 Message: 382

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Earl H. "Howie" Mann, W2FR, SK

+Available on ARRL Audio News

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Editor's note: While ARRL Headquarters will be closed Friday, November 23,
The ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News will be distributed as usual that day.
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==>"THE BIG PROJECT" SEEKS ADDITIONAL PILOT SCHOOLS

The ARRL Amateur Radio Education Project--"The Big Project"--is seeking
additional pilot schools. The Project, the educational initiative of ARRL
President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, is aimed at providing a turnkey Amateur Radio
curriculum, equipment and resources to schools. It already has pilot schools
in Texas and Georgia.

Big Project Coordinator Jerry Hill, KH6HU, says additional pilot schools are
needed to help in developing the curriculum and setting up the program on a
national scale. "These can be schools that already are using Amateur Radio
in their curricula," said Hill, who came aboard as Project Coordinator in
September.
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Schools selected to participate will help to shape the project's ultimate design, which will include classroom materials and resources as well as Amateur Radio equipment to establish a school station. In addition, teachers currently using Amateur Radio in their classrooms are eligible to apply for progress grants to help them continue their efforts.

Hill said he's hoping to recruit several schools that offer a good demographical and geographical representation of US schools. DeGolyer Elementary School <http://www.degolyer.com/> in Dallas, Texas, and Richards Middle School <http://www.mindspring.com/~jerichms/> in Lawrenceville, Georgia, already have been designated as pilot schools. The ARRL Education Project already has supplied DeGolyer with a HF/VHF/UHF transceiver plus antennas and accessories for its K5DES club station. Richards Middle School is working closely with the Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society.

Hill concedes the program's success depends both on funding and the participation of sufficient schools. But the primary focus right now is on the educational aspects.

"The goal of the Amateur Radio Education Project is to improve the quality of education by providing an educationally sound curriculum focused on wireless communications," Hill said. "The project emphasizes integration of technology, math, science, geography, writing, speaking and social responsibility within a global society." Hill said the program will be as much hands-on as possible. Teachers will be able to use the ARRL Amateur Radio Education Project as a complete classroom curriculum, an enrichment program or as a before or after-school activity.

In addition to gleaning practical knowledge from the pilot schools, Hill's own "big project" in the months ahead will be to develop the actual curriculum. He'll be working with a core of at least six teachers--all of whom have been using Amateur Radio in their classrooms for a long time--to develop the materials students will use. He's also invited the assistance of educational professionals on the college and university level.

Schools interested in applying to become a pilot school should visit the ARRL Amateur Radio Education Project Pilot School Application page, <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/tbp/pilot-school-ap.html>. Teachers now using Amateur Radio in the classroom are invited to apply for progress grants to assist them in maintaining their stations or enhancing their programs. See the ARRL Amateur Radio Education Project Progress Grant Application page, <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/tbp/progress-grant.html>

Donations large or small from individuals and organizations targeted for The ARRL Amateur Radio Education Project are encouraged. Donations in the form of cash or securities may be sent to the ARRL Amateur Radio Education Project, c/o ARRL Development Officer Mary Hobart, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. For more information, contact Hobart, mhobart@...g; 860-594-0397, to discuss details.

==>WINNERS ANNOUNCED IN VICE DIRECTOR BALLOTING IN THREE DIVISIONS

Ballots were counted November 16 at ARRL Headquarters in contested races for vice director in three ARRL divisions for the 2002-2005 term. The Committee of Tellers has certified the results of these contested elections.

In the Pacific Division incumbent Vice Director Bob Vallio, W6RGG, of Castro Valley, California--a retiree--garnered 1924 votes to beat back a challenge from physician Gerald D. Griffin, K6MD, of Pacific Grove, California. Griffin polled 1225 votes.

A ham since 1952, Vallio, 65, was SM and, previously Section Communications Manager of the East Bay Section and is completing his second year as Pacific Division Vice Director.

In the Southeastern Division, Georgia SM and retired TV traffic coordinator Nelson E. "Sandy" Donahue, W4RU, of Atlanta, Georgia, outpolled West Central Florida Assistant Section Manager and computer programmer-analyst Paul J. Toth, NA4AR, of Seminole, Florida, 2783 to 2305. They were contending for the seat being vacated by Vice Director Evelyn Gauzens, W4WYR, who decided not to seek a new term after 22 years of service.

A frequent hamfest and convention attendee, Donahue, 56, is in his third term as Georgia SM and has been an Assistant Director since the mid-1980s. He's been a ham for more than 40 years.

In the Southwestern Division, San Diego Section Manager and train operator Tuck Miller, NZ6T, of National City, California, defeated electrical engineer Edward J. "Ned" Stearns, AA7A, of Scottsdale, Arizona. The vote was 2485 to 2208. Miller thus gains the vice director's position being vacated by Art Goddard, W6XD, who ran unopposed for director upon the retirement of Fried Heyn, WA6WZO. Heyn has served as director since 1984.

A ham since 1991, Miller, 48, has served as San Diego SM since 1998 and is active in the Amateur Radio Emergency Service.

Vallio, Donahue and Miller all are ARRL Life Members.

In addition to Goddard, those unopposed for directors' seats were incumbents Jim Maxwell, W6CF, in the Pacific Division; Walt Stinson, W0CP, in the Rocky Mountain Division, Frank Butler, W4RH, in the Southeastern Division and Coy Day, N5OK, in the West Gulf Division.

Vice directors' positions who went unchallenged in this election cycle were incumbents Warren G. "Rev" Morton, WS7W, in the Rocky Mountain Division; and David Woolweaver, K5RAV, in the West Gulf Division.

All unopposed candidates were declared elected. New terms for all successful candidates begin at noon January 1, 2002, and run for three years.

==>DUCIE IS NEWEST DXCC ENTITY! DXPEDITION OPERATION IMMINENT

You might never have heard of it before, but Ducie Island in the South Pacific is the latest DXCC entity--the 335th, according to ARRL Membership Services Manager Wayne Mills, N7NG. A DXpedition was en route. Starting at 0000 UTC on November 16, 2001, Ducie Island became eligible for DXCC credit

as a result of a favorable vote to accept the Pitcairn Island Amateur Radio Association (PIARA) as an International Amateur Radio Union member-society <http://www.iaru.org/rel011116.html>.

PIARA filed its application for IARU membership last March, and the matter went to a world-wide vote of IARU member-societies in June. Votes were counted this week, and PIARA's application was approved. Under DXCC rules, an entity that hosts an IARU society is considered a "political entity."

Mills emphasized that only contacts dated November 16, 2001, and later will count for DXCC. For the moment, that point is a bit academic, however, since the DXpedition team has been delayed in reaching Ducie. The island has been activated previously for the Islands On The Air program (it's IOTA OC-182), but Mills says those earlier contacts will not count for DXCC.

The group will use a VP6 call sign--to be announced. Some operation is planned on all bands, 160 through 6 meters (there will be a 6 meter beacon on 50.110 MHz) on CW, SSB and RTTY. Log checks will be available on the DX Cluster from Japan Web site, <http://www.big.or.jp/~ham/dx.html>.

Pilot station Bill "Dr Bill" Avery, K6GNX, said the team was expected to arrive on Ducie early on November 17. The DXpedition operation should last about five days. Ducie is located east of Pitcairn Island, perhaps best known among hams as the home of Tom Christian, VP6TC, who's PIARA president and head of the Ducie DXpedition team.

Other DXpedition members are Kan Mizoguchi, JA1BK; Dave Brown, VP6DB; Mike McGirr, K9AJ; and Vince Thompson, K5VT, plus JA1SLS/VP6BB, JF1IST, and FO3HO.

The QSL manager is Garth Hamilton, VE3HO, PO Box 1156, Fonthill, ON L0S 1E0, Canada. All 50-MHz QSL requests go to JA1BK.

Ducie Island, about 2.5 square miles, is surrounded by water 3000 meters (9800+ feet) deep and visited only rarely. Due to ecological concerns, only one group may be on the island at a given time. The CQ zone for Ducie is 32; the ITU zone is 63.

More information is available on the JA1BK Web site <http://www.iijnet.or.jp/JA1BK/>.

==>AMATEURS ACTIVATE FOLLOWING NEW YORK AIR CRASH

The Amateur Radio Emergency Service promptly activated in the wake of this week's disastrous plane crash in New York City. Hams responded to support Salvation Army and American Red Cross relief operations after an American Airlines flight went down November 12 in a residential area of the Borough of Queens, near JFK International Airport.

Officials say 265 people died in the air disaster, which came two months and one day after the World Trade Center terrorist attacks in New York City. Investigators say the crash appears to have been related to mechanical failure.

Queens District Emergency Coordinator Mark Phillips, KC2ENI, said that ARES had been planning on up to three days of Amateur Radio support at the request of the Salvation Army Team Emergency Response Network--SATERN. Conventional communication systems returned to service the evening of the crash, however, and ham radio support operations were able to stand down.

The American Red Cross Emergency Communications Service in Queens also activated immediately after the crash. ARC ECS President George Sau, WB2ZTH, reports that members were dispatched with Red Cross disaster action teams to the crash site.

SATERN Amateur Radio Liaison Officer Jeff Schneller, N2HPO, said telephone cables had been destroyed by the crash, cell phone communication "was spotty at best, the Nextels were not working most of the time, and power was cut off to the entire area." SATERN supplied several radio operators plus a net control station. The Rockaway Emergency Coastal Weather Alert also supported the activation.

Schneller contacted the ARES DEC and SATERN members and notified the Electchester VHF and Broadcast Employees Amateur Radio Society of the intended operation. Both groups volunteered had their repeaters during the World Trade Center disaster and did so again November 12. SATERN responders were able to put their "field packs"--used recently for the World Trade Center disaster--into use for the plane crash support operation.

Sau said his ARC Emergency Communications Service was able to immediately provide emergency communication via a UHF repeater as well as on simplex. As a result Red Cross support personnel at the crash site, the temporary disaster Family Information Center at the JFK Ramada Inn, the established Red Cross shelter at Public School 114 in the Rockaways, and the Queens Red Cross chapter operations base were able to remain in contact.

Most of the victims on the plane were bound for the Dominican Republic. Sau said some group members were able to use their fluency in Spanish to support the disaster action team translators at the Family Information Center. Sau said the ARC ECS stood down at around 8 PM.

As he did following SATERN's World Trade Center activation, Schneller advised all amateurs to get involved in ARES or SATERN and to take the emergency communications courses offered by the ARRL <http://www.arrl.org/cce>.

==>AMATEUR RADIO RESPONDS TO MICHELLE'S FURY

Amateur Radio had an extensive emergency communication role during Hurricane Michelle. The late-season storm, boasting winds of up to 135 MPH, swept across Cuba and the Bahamas November 3-5. The Hurricane Watch Net <http://www.hwn.org> and W4EHW at the National Hurricane Center <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/> in Miami teamed up to provide forecasters with real-time surface reports. At one point, ham radio was a primary means of communication between Cuba and the outside world. Amateur Radio also was used for the first time to communicate directly with a hurricane hunter aircraft as it was in the eye of a hurricane over land.

The storm had lingered as a tropical depression for almost a week, drenching Nicaragua and Honduras before drifting into the Caribbean and regaining strength as a powerful Category 4 hurricane dubbed Michelle. It then tracked northward toward Cuba and intensified. The Hurricane Watch Net and W4EHW activated Saturday, November 3, to collect and relay essential weather data via ham radio. The HWN operates on 14.325 MHz whenever a hurricane is within 300 miles of projected landfall in the Atlantic, Caribbean or Gulf of Mexico.

Anticipating a communication disruption, Hurricane Center Director Max Mayfield requested that W4EHW establish a backup ham radio link with Havana. In addition, permission was secured from the FCC for W4EHW to operate SSB on the Cuban Emergency Net frequency, which is in the US 40-meter CW subband. W4EHW Assistant Amateur Radio Coordinator Julio Ripoll, WD4JR, said a primary W4EHW operation remained on 20 meters, and additional operators were added to each shift.

As Michelle moved over the mainland of central Cuba, "Ham radio was the only form of communication left operating to and from Cuba and within the center part of island nation," Ripoll said. W4EHW on 40 meters then became the only source of current hurricane advisories, and the information was relayed by Cuban amateurs on HF and VHF.

Ripoll says that during Michelle, W4EHW conducted some pre-planned on-the-air testing with the Hurricane Hunter Airplane NOAA-42, piloted by Captain Dave Tennesen NL7MT. The aircraft made several eye penetrations and perimeter passes as the hurricane was over Cuba. Ripoll said W4EHW could barely hear the Hurricane Hunter until both stations moved to 40 meters. Ripoll said the on-the-air tests also checked out a new HF antenna on the aircraft.

As Michelle moved into the Bahamas, hams and boaters there sent reports throughout the day on Monday, November 5. Ripoll said that one of the most important communication from the Bahamas came from Wayne Wilkinson, KC4CYK/C6A, on his 42 foot sailboat docked at Highbourn Cay. By then, Ripoll said, hurricane forecasters were considering lowering the warnings, but after Wilkinson called in with winds gusting to 115 MPH, the warnings remained up a while longer.

The Hurricane Watch Net and W4EHW secured operation later on November 5. Ripoll and Assistant HWN Manager Mike Pilgrim, K5MP expressed their appreciation for the dozens of volunteers who participated as well as for the clear frequency.

The Northern Florida Emergency Net also activated during Hurricane Michelle.

==>ISS COMMANDER BUOYS SPIRITS AT NYC "GROUND ZERO" SCHOOL

International Space Station crew commander Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ, has fielded questions from students at seven schools since the end of November. These included a morale-boosting contact with New York City's Public School 234, whose students are in temporary quarters after the September 11 World Trade Center attacks.

Ten students in Francine Cornelius's computer class posed 20 questions during the 10-minute contact November 7. Student Renee Otto asked Culbertson how New York City looked from space on September 11. Culbertson described the smoke from the site as it looked from space. "It's sad that you've had to move from school to school, but we're proud that you're continuing to work and take your education seriously," Culbertson told the students. PS 234's normal campus is only two blocks from "Ground Zero."

The nearly 700 students and faculty had to be evacuated on September 11. Principal Anna Switzer said the students were grateful for the opportunity to chat with Culbertson, who operated at NA1SS.

The previous week, on October 29, 17 fifth graders at Protsman and Kolling elementary schools in St John, Indiana, spoke with Culbertson, who told one student that sunrise "is gorgeous from outer space." John Gianotti, W9WY, acted as control operator for the direct QSO.

On November 1, Culbertson spoke with 10 mostly teenaged students at Sanilac Career Center in Peck, Michigan. Electronics teacher Ted Davis, KF8ZO, pulled double duty as radio operator for the direct contact.

Students at Carmel, Indiana's, Woodbrook Elementary School, including Culbertson's nephew, Tom, were up November 2. Culbertson told Woodbrook students that while he will miss the International Space Station when he leaves in December, he is looking forward to being reunited with his family.

On November 6, students at Kenosha, Wisconsin's Tremper High School enjoyed their 10 minutes with Culbertson, who later praised the students' intelligent questions and thanked ARISS relay Tony Hutchinson, VK5ZAI, in Australia, who facilitated the contact.

Students at Phillips Middle School in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, interviewed Culbertson November 9. Seventh grade science teacher Barbara Pedersen, KE4JZM, operated the station for her students. "It brings the kids so much closer to the space program" Pedersen said. "It makes it so much more real. The kids were so excited."

All of the ham radio contacts were arranged as part of the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station--or ARISS--program.

==>DAVID CLARK, KB6TAM, OFFICIALLY COMPLETES GLOBAL SAIL

Ham radio's senior sailor David Clark, KB6TAM, this week officially completed his solo round-the-world sail--becoming the oldest person to do so. But Clark does not plan to celebrate his accomplishment until he returns to his starting point in December.

Clark, who's 77, arrived in Great Inagua, the Bahamas, earlier this week, technically completing the circumnavigation that began in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in December 1999. He had spent much of the Atlantic hurricane season in Trinidad. Clark is due back in Fort Lauderdale on December 7 for a gala celebration. He was scheduled to depart Great Inagua November 15 on his way to Nassau. Earlier in the month, he managed to avoid a confrontation with Hurricane Michelle, which raked Cuba and parts of the Bahamas.

Clark has been using ham radio while under way. He's kept in touch with Eric Mackie, 9Z4CP, whom he got to know in Trinidad. Clark's wife, Lynda, reports that Fred Moore, W3ZU, has been able to patch calls via ham radio to her a couple of times.

Among those greeting Clark when he arrived in St Croix last week was ARRL Virgin Islands Section Manager John Ellis, NP2B. Ellis, who says Clark "gets around like someone who is 37," had dinner with the ham-sailor during his St Croix stopover and introduced him to the amateur community there.

Once in Nassau, Clark plans to again play clarinet for his friend Eloy Roldan at the Poop Deck restaurant until it's time for him to leave for Gun Key or Bimini--a scant 12 hours from Fort Lauderdale.

"It's getting really exciting!!" Lynda Clark enthused in an e-mail dispatch this week.

Clark's sailing companion--his dog Mickey--was lost and Clark himself nearly died after his first sailing vessel, the Mollie Milar, sank last February off South Africa. Clark bought another sailboat that he named Mickey and resumed his quest in April.

For more information on Clark's journey, visit the David Clark Web site, <http://www.dclark.com>.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Sun worshipper Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Average sunspot numbers and solar flux rose this week. Daily sunspot number averages were up nearly 48 points, and average solar flux was up nearly six points. Geomagnetic indices finally settled down, conditions were quiet, and the planetary A index was in the single digits on every day.

Monday was very quiet, with a planetary A index of two, mid-latitude A index of one, and both planetary and mid-latitude K indices at zero or one for most of the day. Combined with a rising solar flux, this was a good day for HF propagation.

Solar flux is expected to decline over the next few days. Predicted flux values for Friday through Monday are 205, 205, 195 and 190. Solar flux should rise above 210 again after November 23.

No geomagnetic disturbances are expected over the next few days, which should be good for the ARRL November Sweepstakes phone weekend. Besides the contest, this weekend will be good for watching the Leonids meteor shower. This will be one of the best displays in years. It occurs Sunday morning across North America around 0900-1100 UTC, and around California and the Pacific at 1100-1500 UTC.

Sunspot numbers for November 8 through 14 were 216, 175, 258, 222, 252, 234 and 222, with a mean of 225.6. The 10.7 cm flux was 247.8, 270.8, 245.9, 234, 227.3, 231.6 and 217.2, with a mean of 239.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 4, 6, 4, 2, 3 and 3, with a mean of 3.9.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL November Sweepstakes (SSB), the North American Collegiate ARC Championship (SSB, held in conjunction with November Sweepstakes), the LZ DX Contest (CW), the Carnavales de Tenerife Contest, and the RSGB 1.8 MHz Contest (CW) are the weekend of November 17-18. JUST AHEAD: The CQ Worldwide DX Contest (CW) is the weekend of November 24-25. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Jean Butler, wife of Southeastern Director Frank Butler, W4RH: Jean Butler, the wife of ARRL Southeastern Director Frank Butler, W4RH, died November 13. A retired elementary school teacher, she had suffered a stroke two years ago. Prior to her illness, she had often accompanied her husband on trips to conventions, committee meetings and International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) Region 2 conferences. "Jean was a friend to many on the ARRL Board and was well known throughout the Southeastern Division through her support of Frank," said ARRL Executive Vice President David Sumner, K1ZZ. "We will miss her." Outgoing IARU Region 2 President Tom Atkins, VE3CDM, called Jean Butler "a gracious lady who will be missed by everyone." The funeral was set for November 17, 11 AM, at the First United Methodist Church, 103 First Street, Fort Walton Beach, Florida (32548). Memorial donations were invited to the church's music ministry.

* North Korea (P5) is on the air: North Korea, the DXCC entity that tops everyone's most-wanted list, was activated this month by Ed Giorgadze, 4L4FN, of the Republic of Georgia. The operation has not yet been approved for DXCC credit, however. On the basis of oral permission from North Korean authorities, Giorgadze has been operating as P5/4L4FN since early this month. Bruce Paige, KK5DO, reports that 4L4FN now is awaiting written permission from the North Korean government--something that's required for ARRL DXCC credit. As a result, it's possible the recent contacts will not count for DXCC. Paige is posting P5/4L4FN operating news on his Web site <http://www.amsatnet.com/p5.html> and to other DX news sites.

* Florida amateurs to participate in meteor shower test: Amateur Radio operators in Florida will cooperate with their state's Division of Emergency Management to test communication systems during the Leonid meteor shower. The tests will be conducted during a 12-hour period centered around the expected peak of the meteor shower, 9 PM on Saturday, November 17. The Leonid meteor shower this weekend is expected to be even more intense than last year's, and some experts believe the potential exists for it to disrupt communication systems--including terrestrial and satellite. Additional details are on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org>.

* Amateur Radio shines during NPR broadcast: Amateur Radio was in the national spotlight during the November 13 "Tech Tuesday" segment of National Public Radio's "Public Interest" program. The show originates from WAMU-FM in Washington, DC, and is carried by some three dozen US public radio stations. Two well-known hams were the featured guests of program host Kojo Nnandi--Amateur Radio on the International Space Station Board Chairman

Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, and Automatic Position Reporting System guru Bob Bruninga, WB4APR. Both men are involved in technical professions, and both credited Amateur Radio with inspiring their career choices. During the program, Bauer and Bruninga covered a wide swath of common Amateur Radio activities, including digital modes. The lively, informative segment was complemented by a series of callers--most of them also Amateur Radio licensees--who offered additional insights into ham radio or who wanted to share a story. The program segment remains available on the WAMU Web site <http://www.wamu.org>. Click on "Public Interest" in the program directory.

* FCC announces mail changes for Gettysburg office: Effective immediately, the FCC is diverting mail, courier and hand deliveries for its Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, office to rear entrance, 35 York St, Gettysburg, PA 17325. the FCC said the US Postal Service will continue to accept mail addressed to 1270 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg--the building's physical location. The FCC said the changes were necessary to protect the health and safety of its employees.--FCC

* Operations accepted for DXCC credit: Several DX operations have now received approval for DXCC credit. They are: ZK1NJC, North Cook Island; T5X, Somalia; OJ0VR, Market Reef; and HK5QGX/0M, Malpelo Island. Those who previously submitted these entities and were denied credit may contact DXCC <dxcc@...> and have their records updated without having to resubmit cards. For more information, contact ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, dxcc@....

* Vote on QST Cover Plaque Award: The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for October was Nick Powell, NH6ON, for his article "A Ham's South Pole Adventure." Congratulations, Nick! The winner of the QST Cover Plaque award--given to the author of the best article in each issue--is determined by a vote of ARRL members. Voting takes place each month on the Cover Plaque Poll Web page, <http://www.arrl.org/members-only/qstvote.html>. As soon as your copy arrives, cast a ballot for your favorite article in the November issue of QST. Voting ends November 30.

* Earl H. "Howie" Mann, W2FR, SK: Howie Mann, W2FR, of Liverpool, New York, died October 27. He was 80. A radio operator in the Navy during World War II, Mann was an Eastern Area net control station for approximately 35 years. He became a Transcontinental Corps Director, chairman of the Eastern Area staff of the NTS in the 1970s and served as the Second Region Net manager. An ARRL member and member of the A1 Operator Club, Mann was an active DXer with 356 countries confirmed. "W2FR was truly a legend in his own time and one of the nicest people you could ever have the pleasure knowing," said Western New York ARRL Section Manager Scott Bauer, W2LC.

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383. proxy night owls net control.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-17 11:18:03 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 383 Message: 383

dear friends,

The Night Owls Net controllers , VU2NFS - Nafisa Shikari & VU2WLL - Vispy Mirza both are unavailable for the next three weeks, hence to continue with the tradition of our night owls net, the net will be controlled for the next three weeks by VU2NLF - Nilesh on 145.100 Mhz at 22:00 hours sharp.

All hams are requested to kindly check on to the net and increase the VHF activity.

73
NLF

384. Scramble Team Exercise.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-17 11:23:21 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 384 Message: 384

dear friends,

MARS will conduct a disaster communication simulation exercise (Scramble Team) on 1st & 2nd Dec 2001 (Saturday & Sunday) all hams wishing to participate from field or from base (bombay) should contact me to confirm their participation by 20 Nov 2001.

The exercise will be very real and will include CW, RT, RTTY, SSTV and packet Radio.

73
NLF

385. Antenna Homebrewing Workshops.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-17 11:25:44 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 385 Message: 385

dear friends,

MARS will conduct Antenna Homebrewing Workshops on Sundays at Sishu Vihar School starting from this sunday,
18th Nov 2001 at 10:00 AM. Interested members can join us at 10:00 am sharp.

73
NLF

386. UHF Net.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-17 11:29:52 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 386 Message: 386

Dear Friends,

MARS has started a UHF net (Thanks to VU2CBU - Prasant Koli) on sundays at 08:00 Hours on 436.00 Mhz.

The net will be controlled by VU2CBU - Prasant Koli, all hams having the UHF capability can join us on the air.

All hams having the UHF capability, but does not have UHF external antenna can join us for the antenna homebrewing workshop at 10:00 am on sunday

73
NLF

387. Fw: [RADIOHAMS] Digest Number 90

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-17 11:02:47 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 387 Message: 387

Dear Fellow Ham,

Take a look at this if interested. This group is really worth joining. It spreads from Singapore to W-land.

regards,

VU2NHR
Nirav

----- Original Message -----
From: <radiohams@yahoogroups.com>
To: <radiohams@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 11, 2001 7:56 PM
Subject: [RADIOHAMS] Digest Number 90

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> From: "Jose Jacob, India" <vu2jos@...>
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> Message: 1
> Date: Sat, 10 Nov 2001 22:55:48 -0800 (PST)
> From: "Jose Jacob, India" <vu2jos@...>
> Subject: Hamexpo-2001, Adur
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> Dear Friends,
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> The Adur Amateur Radio Club, Mukalethu Matom, Adur 691523, Kerala is happy to invite you to the 6th annual Hamexpo-2001 on Sunday 9th December 2001 at Holy Angels High School, Adoor at 10.00 am to 1.00 pm IST. There will be an Exhibition and Seminar on Amateur Radio with special reference to Disaster Communication. Necessary facilities will be provided to those who

wish to exhibit their materials.Delegate Registration fees is Rs.70/- which
includes souvenir,tea,lunch & a compliment. MO/DD may be sent to
L.V.Sharma, VU2LV, Mukalethu Matom, Adur 691523, Kerala. For Hotel
accomodation, please add Rs.150/- per person as advance.
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> A Ham Awareness Day will be also conducted on the same day at 2.00
to 4.00 pm for the general public at the same venue and admission is free
then.
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> A contest will be held as follows in to comemmorate this.
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> Start : 1700 Hrs. IST Saturday 17th November 2001
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> End: 1700 Hrs IST Sunday 18th November 2001
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> Mode : Phone
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> Bands : 7 & 14 MHz
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> Points: VU stations 1 point, DX stations 3 points
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> Prizes: Awards to top 3 scorers & certificates to top 25 scorers.
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> Deadline for entries : December 1, 2001
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> Adress for entries:Hamexpo 2001 Contest, c/o L.V.Sharma,VU2LV,
Mukalethu Matom, Adur 691523, Kerala.
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> More details from L.V.Sharma,VU2LV Tel: 0473-428358 or P.Tajudeen VU2TJN
Tel. 0473-425512
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389. Re: [m_a_r_s] Scramble Team Exercise.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-17 15:50:10 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 384 Message: 389

I wish I could participate from here
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2001 5:23 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Scramble Team Exercise.

dear friends,

MARS will conduct a disaster communication simulation exercise (Scramble Team) on 1st & 2nd Dec 2001 (Saturday & Sunday) all hams wishing to participate from field or from base (bombay) should contact me to confirm their participation by 20 Nov 2001.

The exercise will be very real and will include CW, RT, RTTY, SSTV and packet Radio.

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NLF

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390. Re: [m_a_r_s] UHF Net.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-18 15:17:23 UTC
From: prashantz@vsnl.com
Topic: 386 Message: 390

Thanks Nilesh for the posting.

The first UHF net on 436.000Mhz for the city of Mumbai was conducted on Sunday, the 11th November 2001.The following were the check-ins:
?on UHF simplex: vu2nlf,vu2vvp,vu2wll,vu2pjm,
?thru repeater: vu2iia .

The 2nd weekly net was held on Sunday, the 18th Nov'2001 and following checked into the net:2vvp,2nlf?UHF and 2opx,3mhc,2iia,3mwh?.thru repeater.

Thanks are due to Vijay,VU2VVP and Rajen,VU2RIG for providing their stn as repeater for vhf on 145.100.Those of you who do not have UHF can still check into the net from their VHF set (as one of the idea is to revive morning net...ableit on sunday only to begin with).

We (MARS) understand that there are many hams who have UHF capability but do not have proper (external) antenna. MARS has, therefore, conducted it's first Antenna workshop today i.e. on 18th Nov?2001 at ShishuVihar School, Dadar. NLF will decide the next date for Antenna workshop to (it has been decided to..) homebrew a slimjim for UHF (which probably can be installed onto your existing antenna mast and hooked together by T connector). Those who are interested in having a slimjim may give his/her willingness to NLF/HIT so that raw material can be procured at once. Please note that cost works out to be Rs.100/- per head.

Importance of antenna (system) need no elaboration and my earnest request to all members is to attend such workshops in large numbers?and if more and more members are forthcoming one of the future project could be converter for UHF.

Happy hamming???

De Prashant,vu2cbu

vu2nlf@... wrote
Dear Friends,

MARS has started a UHF net (Thanks to VU2CBU - Prasant Koli) on sundays at 08:00 Hours on 436.00 Mhz.

The net will be controlled by VU2CBU - Prasant Koli, all hams having the UHF capability can join us on the air.

All hams having the UHF capability, but does not have UHF external antenna can join us for the antenna homebrewing workshop at 10:00 am on sunday

73
NLF

391. Re: [m_a_r_s] Scramble Team Exercise.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-22 12:57:46 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 384 Message: 391

hi nlf - was out of station. wonder if i can still sign up for the scramble team exercise? from the base.
Reg

>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Scramble Team Exercise.
>Date: Sat, 17 Nov 2001 16:53:21 +0530

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392. Re: [m_a_r_s] Scramble Team Exercise.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-22 15:58:04 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 384 Message: 392

Dear Nilesh,

I want to participate in the scramble team exercise.
Kindly send details and register me.

Kailash

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-22 15:59:05 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 384 Message: 393

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394. Re: [m_a_r_s] Scramble Team Exercise.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-22 16:24:03 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 384 Message: 394

dear madhu,

YES! you can definately join the base team, Briefing meeting on sunday 25th Nov at shishu vihar at 10:00 am
see you there! (No briefing no participation is the rule now)

73
NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: "madhu rajan" <madhurajan@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 22, 2001 6:27 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Scramble Team Exercise.

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395. Re: [m_a_r_s] Scramble Team Exercise.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-22 16:25:40 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 384 Message: 395

dear kailash,

I am happy to know that you wish to participate, just let me know weather
you would like to opearate from Baroda or will you come down, so I can plan
accordingly.

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NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: "Kailash Gupta" <kailash_gupta@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 22, 2001 9:28 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Scramble Team Exercise.

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396. Re: [m_a_r_s] Scramble Team Exercise.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-25 07:09:45 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 384 Message: 396

Dear Nilesh,

Thanks for the reply. Kindly let me know what all I
can do from Baroda and what additional things can you
plan if I come to Mumbai.

73

Kailahs Gupta, VU2KIZ

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-26 06:09:07 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 397 Message: 397

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+Available on ARRL Audio News

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==>MAIL DISRUPTIONS LEAD TO VANITY PROCESSING SUSPENSION

Recently announced changes in how the FCC's Gettysburg office is receiving
and handling mail have effectively halted processing of Amateur Radio vanity
call sign applications. The ARRL has learned that the FCC has processed
vanity applications received through October 14 and that vanity applications
received after that date remain on hold for the time being.

"We understand that mail directed to the FCC Gettysburg office beginning
October 15 was being held pending the start of special handling precautions
to address any biohazard contamination concerns," said ARRL VEC Manager Bart
Jahnke, W9JJ. On a positive note, Jahnke said, the FCC is tracking the
receipt date for each piece of mail.
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Because the FCC gives equal priority to paper and electronic vanity applications, Jahnke explained, all vanity processing was being suspended until the mail situation is resolved. Citing a need for heightened security measures, the FCC announced November 14 that it had moved the Gettysburg office's mailroom offsite, to the rear entrance of 35 York St, Gettysburg, PA 17325.

The FCC did not announce, however, that mail received at Gettysburg starting October 15 had not yet been opened, pending arrangements to handle it without the possibility of endangering personnel. Jahnke said vanity processing should resume once the FCC begins to open its mail backlog. Just when that might happen is not yet known. Vanity processing typically takes 18 days.

The Gettysburg office is where the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau processes Amateur Radio applications and issues licenses. It's also where Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth has his office.

Jahnke said the mailroom situation also could affect some Amateur Radio renewals. He said amateurs who filed timely renewal applications may continue to operate beyond a license's expiration date, if the mail delays cause the license to lapse before the renewal occurs. "For persons filing for renewal near the end of their two-year grace period, their applications will be accepted for processing if they arrive at FCC before the grace period expires."

The FCC said the US Postal Service will continue to accept and will divert all mail addressed to 1270 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg--the office's physical location--to the off-site mailroom. Until November 30, the FCC itself will divert overnight courier deliveries for 1270 Fairfield Road to the off-site mailroom.

==>DUCIE ISLAND DXPEDITION IS CANCELED EN ROUTE

High seas this week forced the Ducie Island DXpedition team to abandon its already-delayed effort to reach the newest DXCC entity, located in the South Pacific. Kan Mizoguchi, JA1BK, announced November 19 that the DXpedition was cancelled and that the team--aboard the tri-hull sailing vessel Temarama and at that point some 80 nautical miles from its destination--was turning around and heading back to Pitcairn Island.

"This obviously is a big letdown for the team and DXers around the globe," said The Daily DX and QST "How's DX" Editor Bernie McClenny, W3UR, "however the Ducie Island operators were concerned for their safety." McClenny called on DXers around the world to support the Ducie team's decision to turn back in the interest of safety.

Ducie pilot station Bill "Dr Bill" Avery, K6GNX, said JA1BK and the Ducie team were scheduled to leave Pitcairn November 22 to return to the Gambier Islands for their flights home. But before they left, Mike McGirr, K9AJ, an emergency room doctor, and Vince Thompson, K5VT, a surgeon, fielded medical questions from island residents. There is no doctor on Pitcairn. Avery said

that JA1BK has donated the team's antennas and masts and two generators to the Pitcairn Island Amateur Radio Association for use by a future DXpedition.

Forecasts at the time of the decision to turn back called for at seas of at least 3 meters (approximately 10 feet) around the newest DXCC entity. Avery said that, between the rough seas and having to shut down the diesel engines to clean the fuel filter every few hours, it was just too risky to attempt a landing. Earlier, poor weather and a container ship in the Pitcairn harbor had delayed efforts to load passengers and equipment aboard the vessel. The team had hoped to arrive on Ducie in time to begin operation last weekend, using the call sign VP6DI.

Ducie Island became the 335th DXCC entity last week. Ducie contacts made on or after November 16, 2001, will be eligible for DXCC credit as a result of a favorable vote to accept the Pitcairn Island Amateur Radio Association as an International Amateur Radio Union member-society <http://www.iaru.org/rel011116.html>. Ducie Island has been activated previously for the Islands On The Air program (it's IOTA OC-182), but those earlier contacts will not count for DXCC.

==>FCC LETS DELIBERATE INTERFERENCE WARNING NOTICE STAND

FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth will let stand a Warning Notice sent to a Pennsylvania licensee following accusations of deliberate interference. The complaint--which arose in part from split-frequency contest operation--alleged that K3NM failed to shift frequency after being notified that the station's signal was interfering with an ongoing contact.

The FCC Warning Notice and its routine publication by ARRL and other media ruffled some feathers within the contesting community. Some worried that "both sides of the story" were not being told; others complained about the public airing of unproven allegations.

John King, K5PGW, of Louisiana complained to the FCC after the September 9 incident, which occurred while K3NM was operating split mode on 40-meter SSB during the Worked All Europe Contest. Following up, Hollingsworth sent a Warning Notice September 12 to K3NM licensee Joseph Brue Jr.

King--an attorney--asserted that he was operating mobile and in QSO with Roy Ezell, K9ROY, in Kentucky when K3NM came on frequency without asking if it were in use and began calling "CQ contest." King told the FCC that he and K9ROY attempted to alert the K3NM operator--Matt Vanni, LU9AY/W1--but were unable to do so, because K3NM was listening on 7.083 MHz, outside the US phone band.

King said that Ezell twice telephoned Brue, letting him know his station was interfering and asking him to move. King maintained that the interference continued, even after the second telephone call.

Vanni subsequently told the FCC that he could not hear K5PGW or K9ROY, even after the telephone calls, so he continued operating. Vanni told the FCC that K3NM's two-element beam at 112 feet was on the opposite heading from the complainant's location. He also said that he always uses the transceiver's "dualwatch" feature to monitor his transmitting frequency when working split on 40 SSB.

Brue also wrote the FCC, confirming Vanni's version of events to the FCC and adding that Vanni had asked several times if the frequency--7.210 MHz--was in use before transmitting. Brue also verified receiving the two phone calls from the complainants.

After deliberating over the various assertions, Hollingsworth said in an October 30 letter to Brue that he was standing behind his Warning Notice and said it would remain in the licensee's file.

"You could not be expected to protect communications you could not hear, and it may be normal that with such an efficient antenna system you may not have heard certain stations from the back of the beam antenna," Hollingsworth allowed. "The fact remains, however, that both you and Vanni had notice, directly from the complainant operator in two separate telephone calls, that your station was indeed interfering with specific ongoing communications."

Hollingsworth said that, given the two telephone calls, "it was not good Amateur practice to merely ignore the protests of the complainant and continue operating the station without a good faith attempt at compromise or corrective action."

==>SECTION MANAGER ELECTION RESULTS

Section manager election results have been announced for Tennessee, Alaska and Alabama. It was a squeaker in Tennessee, where Terry Cox, KB4KA, of Collierville, edged out David Bower, K4PZT, 540 to 538. Cox and Bower were vying for the honor of succeeding O.D. Keaton, WA4GLS, who decided not to run for another term. Keaton had served two stints as SM in the Volunteer State--from 1971 until 1979 and from 1992 until the present.

In Alaska, incumbent SM L. Kent Petty, KL5T, beat back a challenge from David W. Stevens, KL7EB. The final vote was 154 to 104. But despite his victory, Petty--who has been Alaska's SM since January 2000--has decided that he no longer wants the position. He plans to step down in January, leaving ARRL Field and Educational Services Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, to appoint a successor.

In Alabama, incumbent SM Bill Cleveland, KR4TZ, defeated Chris Sells, AC4CS, 391 to 153. Cleveland has served as Alabama SM since March 1999.

Ballots were counted November 20 at ARRL Headquarters. Due to the closeness of the Tennessee race, counters reviewed the ballots four times. Two-year terms for successful candidates begin January 1.

In related news, White has appointed John J. Cline, K7BDS, to succeed Michael Elliott, K7BOI, as Idaho SM, effective January 1. Elliott is resigning because of increased career responsibilities. Cline lives in Boise

and is a former San Diego SM.

White now is considering possible replacements for Georgia SM Sandy Donahue, W4RU, and San Diego SM Tuck Miller, NZ6T. Donahue and Miller recently were elected as vice directors in the Southeastern and Southwestern divisions, respectively. They assume their new offices January 1.

==>KD5OPQ DOES FIRST SPACE WALK; NEW ISS CREW IN THE WINGS

International Space Station Expedition 3 Commander Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ, and Pilot Vladimir Dezhurov conducted a five-hour space walk, or extra-vehicular activity (EVA), as NASA calls it, on November 12. The EVA--Culbertson's first, but the last for the current crew--completed the external outfitting of the PIRS docking compartment on the ISS. Flight Engineer Mikhail Tyurin monitored the activities from inside the ISS and operated the robotic arm, providing television views for flight controllers in Houston and Moscow.

The ISS Expedition 4 crew of Commander Yuri Onufrienko and Flight Engineers Dan Bursch, KC5PNU, and Carl Walz, KC5TIE, launches aboard the shuttle Endeavour November 29. In addition to a new crew, new Amateur Radio antennas are manifested aboard the shuttle for transport to the ISS. The new antennas will be installed around the perimeter of the Service Module, allowing future operation from HF to microwave frequencies. The HF antenna is made up of a flexible tape that will work on 10-meters--and possibly 15 and 20 meters.

The ISS is on orbit at an average altitude of 247 statute miles above Earth. For more information about the ISS, visit NASA's Human Space Flight Web site, <http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/>.--NASA, ARISS, via AMSAT News Service

==>FAR ANNOUNCES 2002 SCHOLARSHIPS

The Foundation for Amateur Radio, a non-profit organization headquartered in Washington, DC, plans to administer 62 scholarships for the 2002-2003 academic year. FAR--composed of more than 75 local area Amateur Radio Clubs--fully funds seven of these scholarships using the income from grants and its annual hamfest. The remaining 55 are administered by FAR without cost to the donors.

Amateurs Radio licensees may compete for these awards, if they plan to pursue a full-time course of studies beyond high school and are enrolled in or have been accepted for enrollment at an accredited university, college or technical school. The awards range from $500 to $2500. Preference in some cases goes to residents of certain geographical areas or to those pursuing certain academic programs. FAR encouraged clubs--especially those in Delaware, Florida, Maryland, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, Virginia and Wisconsin--to announce and promote these scholarship opportunities.

For more information or an application, send a letter or QSL card, postmarked prior to April 30, 2002, to FAR Scholarships, PO Box 831, Riverdale, MD 20783. The Foundation for Amateur Radio is an exempt

organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. It is devoted exclusively to promoting the interests of Amateur Radio and those scientific, literary and educational pursuits that advance the purposes of the Amateur Radio Service. For more information, visit the FAR Web site <http://www.amateurradio-far.org/>.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar sage Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Because of the short work week and ARRL Headquarters schedule (ARRL was closed Thursday and Friday, November 22-23), this update was prepared November 21 and lacks the usual solar flux, sunspot numbers and geomagnetic data.

Jeff Hartley, N8II, in West Virginia (FM19) reported the best European 6-meter opening of this solar cycle on November 16. He reports working 117 Europeans from 1340 to 1728 UTC. He said British calls dominated, but he also worked as far east as Poland and Bulgaria. Europeans were working as far west as Ohio, Michigan, Arkansas and Texas.

It has been a quiet week, with no big geomagnetic upsets. The most active day was Monday, when the planetary A index was 16 and K indices went as high as four. Solar flux and sunspot numbers have been declining.

The latest projection calls for solar flux of 180, 175, 170, 170 and 175 for Wednesday through Sunday, and planetary A indices of 10, 10, 10, 8 and 8 for those same days. Although the forecast is for moderate A indices, there is a chance that sunspot 9704 could emit some Earth-directed explosions.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The CQ Worldwide DX Contest (CW) is the weekend of November 24-25. JUST AHEAD: The TARA RTTY Sprint, the TOPS Activity 80-Meter Contest, the Tennessee QSO Party and the QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Sprint are the weekend of December 1-2. The ARRL 160-Meter Contest is the weekend of December 8-9. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Reminder: Be sure to identify properly when operating digital modes: The ARRL reminds operators who are active on the digital modes, including RTTY, PSK31, packet, PACTOR and AMTOR, to identify properly in accordance with FCC Part 97 rules (Section 97.119). The rules require a station (except space or telecommand stations) to transmit its assigned call sign on its transmitting frequency at the end of each communication and at least every 10 minutes during a communication. Part 97 also states: "No station may transmit unidentified communications or signals, or transmit as the station call sign any call sign not authorized to the station." Amateurs monitoring unidentified or otherwise suspicious digital transmissions should report details to FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth, <rholling@...>. Recordings of such transmissions also are

invited.

* International Humanitarian Award nominations due December 31: How many "unsung heroes" are in the world today? December 31, 2001, is the nomination deadline for the ARRL 2001 International Humanitarian Award. This award is dedicated to those amateurs who, through Amateur Radio, are devoted to promoting the welfare of mankind. Any radio amateur or group of amateurs worldwide who has provided extraordinary service through their Amateur Radio skills for the benefit of others in times of crisis or disaster is qualified to receive the award. To nominate, send a brief description of the events and actions as well as contact information for the nominee to Jean Wolfgang, WB3IOS <jwolfgang@...>. The 2000 winner of the International Humanitarian Award was the Hurricane Watch Net and Net Manager Jerry Herman, N3BDW <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2001/01/25/2/>.

* New microwave column to debut in January QST: QST is proud to present the debut of a new bimonthly column, "Microwavelengths," starting in the January 2002 issue. The column editor is Tom Williams, WA1MBA. Williams holds a graduate degree in computer science and directs the development of imaging, software and millimeter-wave technologies as a consultant. His ham radio interests are primarily VHF, UHF and microwaves, and he is active on all bands from 144 MHz to 10 GHz from his home in Shutesbury, Massachusetts. He has done some pioneering work in the EHF bands of 120 and 145 GHz. Originally licensed as K1URO at the age of 15, Williams says he finds great satisfaction in getting on a new band and making a tough microwave contact.

* ARRL test fee to remain at $10: The ARRL Volunteer Examiner Coordinator Amateur Radio test fee will remain at $10 for 2002. The 2002 National Exam Day dates are (spring) April 27-28 and (fall) September 28-29, 2002--the last full weekends in April and September each year.

* W1AW schedules transatlantic, OSCAR celebrations in December: Maxim Memorial Station W1AW will be on the air December 3-7 to honor the 80th anniversary of the 1921 transatlantic tests. Listen for W1AW/80 on many HF, VHF and UHF bands (including satellites). W1AW also will celebrate the 40th anniversary of the first Amateur Radio satellite--OSCAR I--launched into orbit on December 12, 1961. W1AW will be on the air as W1AW/40 December 10-14 on as many of the active satellites as possible. A special QSL will be available for contacts or SWL reports on both events. QSL requests for W1AW/80 and W1AW/40, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope (or appropriate number of IRCs) with each request.

* ARRL HQ gains another ham: ARRL Book Team Secretary Helen Dalton, KB1HLF, is the latest addition to the roster of hams on the ARRL HQ staff. Dalton received her Technician ticket November 19. The very next day she made her first four contacts in rapid succession. Senior Assistant Technical Editor Larry Wolfgang, WR1B, made the first lunch-time 2-meter contact from his office to hers. That was followed in rapid succession by QSOs with Club and Educational Correspondent Margie Bourgoin, KB1DCO, and Educational Programs Coordinator Jean Wolfgang, WB3IOS. Dalton and 14 classmates graduated from a

recent Technician licensing class at which ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, signed each student's certificate of class completion.

* Southeastern Division Convention is December 1-2: The ARRL Southeastern Division Convention will be held December 1-2 at the Manatee County Civic Center, Palmetto, Florida, in conjunction with the 26th annual Tampa Bay Hamfest. Featured speaker is ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP. ARRL Lab Supervisor Ed Hare, W1RFI, will offer five technical presentations. The full slate of convention program topics includes the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, the National Traffic System, low-power (QRP) operating, PSK31, SKYWARN ARES, NTS, QRP, PSK-31, and SKYWARN. Amateur Radio examinations also will be offered. For more information, visit the Tampa Bay Hamfest Web site, <http://www.fgcarc.org> or e-mail info@....--Paul Knupke, N4PK

* New York City-Long Island to host Ham Radio University 2002: The New York City-Long Island Section Convention January 20, 2002, will include the third annual Ham Radio University. HRU 2002, a technical education forum, will feature 20 hour-long presentations, with forums geared to the nonham as well as to the experienced amateur. The focus will be hands-on, with many demonstrations including emergency communication techniques. An "Ask the Experts" forum and an HF special event station will round out the day. The convention, sponsored by the Great South Bay Amateur Radio Club, will be held at the Babylon Town Hall Annex, Phelps Lane, North Babylon, Long Island, New York. For more information on HRU 2002, contact NYC-LI Section Manager George Tranos, N2GA, <n2ga@arrl.org>.

* WRTC 2002 announces remaining national team pairings: The WRTC 2002 committee has announced that all national teams have now been selected for next year's event in Finland. Czech Republic: Vojta Zeman, OK2ZU, and Karel Karmasin, OK2FD; Spain: Eduardo Satrk, EA3NY, and Fernando Martines, EA3KU; Belgium: Mark Demeuleneere, ON4WW, and Peter Casier, ON6TT; Poland: Bogdan Chorazyk, SP3RBR, and Andrzej Jarzabkowski, SP8NR; France: Gerard Parat, F6GFZ, and Laurent Blin, F5NLY; Japan: Koji Tahara, JM1CAX, and Satoshi Nakamura, JE1JKL; Italy: Stefano Brioschi, IK2QEI, and Maurizio Panicara, I4JMY. Team Asiatic Russia has changed. The new team is Mikhail Klokov, RZ9UA, and Gennadij Kolmakov, UA9MA. The deadline for "wildcard" team applications is November 30, 2001. Visit the WRTC 2002 Web site <http://www.wrtc2002.org> for more information.

* FCC announces Homeland Security Policy Council: The FCC has announced the creation of a Homeland Security Policy Council. The Council's missions are to assist the Commission in evaluating and strengthening measures for protecting US communications services; to assist the Commission in ensuring rapid restoration of communications services and facilities that have been disrupted as the result of threats to, or actions against, our Nation's homeland security; and to ensure that public safety, health and other emergency and defense personnel have effective communications available to them to assist the public as needed. The Homeland Security Policy Council will consist of senior staff from each of the Commission's bureaus and will be directed by FCC Chief of Staff Marsha MacBride. Deputy directors will be Linda Blair and Brad Berry, both deputy chiefs in the Enforcement Bureau.

Peter Tenhula, Senior Legal Advisor to Chairman Powell, will serve as Special Counsel.

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* ARRLWeb, http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/. (NOTE: The ARRL Letter will be posted each Friday when it is distributed via e-mail.)

* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio Club: Send e-mail to majordomo@... (no subject needed). The body of the message should say "subscribe letter-list" to subscribe or "unsubscribe letter-list" to unsubscribe. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who

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398. Fwd: Re: [m_a_r_s] Scramble Team Exercise.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-11-30 02:21:44 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 398 Message: 398
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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399. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 47

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Date: 2001-12-03 17:21:44 UTC
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==>SPACE WALK SET TO FIX ISS DOCKING PROBLEM

Speaking via Amateur Radio November 30, International Space Station crew
chief Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ, told youngsters in South Carolina that a
space walk scheduled for December 3 will attempt to fix a Progress supply
rocket docking problem. The faulty docking was holding up the launch of the
fourth ISS crew.

Culbertson said the Russian Progress rocket, which arrived November 28, was
not completely attached to the ISS. "It's firmly attached with some latches,
but it doesn't have the right hooks engaged to make it really, really
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strong," Culbertson explained to youngsters gathered at the South Carolina State Museum in Columbia. "So, on Monday, two of the crew members are going to do a space walk to try to find out what is blocking the hooks and see if we can get that cleared and complete the latching."

Culbertson made the comments during a scheduled Amateur Radio on the International Space Station--or ARISS--school contact. NASA later confirmed the spacewalk schedule. Russian Progress supply rockets are programmed to dock automatically with the ISS.

NASA says the two Russian crew members aboard the ISS--Mikhail Tyurin and Vladimir Dezhurov--will carry out Monday's space walk at 1330 UTC. NASA has re-set the shuttle Endeavour launch for December 4, 2245 UTC, from Kennedy Space Center.

The Expedition 4 crew of Commander Yuri Onufrienko and Flight Engineers Dan Bursch, KC5PNU, and Carl Walz, KC5TIE, was to head into space November 29. They are scheduled to replace the current crew of Culbertson, Tyurin and Dezhurov, who have been aboard the ISS since August.

In addition to the replacement crew, new Amateur Radio antennas are stowed aboard the shuttle for transport to the ISS. Once they arrive , the new antennas will be installed around the perimeter of the Service Module, allowing future operation from HF to microwave frequencies.

For more information about the ISS, visit NASA's Human Space Flight Web site, <http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/index.html>.

==>COMMENTS DUE FEBRUARY 12 IN "BAND THREAT" PROCEEDING

Comments are due February 12, 2002, in an FCC Notice of Proposed Rule Making and Order, ET Docket 01-278, that ARRL has targeted as a potential band threat. Reply comments are due on March 12, 2002. The proceeding deals in part with a potential threat to the popular 70-cm band from Part 15 RF identification devices proposed for deployment between 425 and 435 MHz.

SAVI Technology, which markets radiolocation and wireless inventory control products, told the FCC it needs the rules changes to satisfy customer demand for increased RFID system capabilities. The FCC has proposed to allow operation of RFIDs as unlicensed Part 15 devices in the 425-435 MHz band with transmissions of up to two minutes at field strengths now only permitted for extremely short-duration, intermittent control signals.

The ARRL has argued that under the Communications Act of 1934 the FCC lacks authority to permit unlicensed devices with substantial interference potential and that such devices must be licensed. The League also is looking into the interference potential posed to 20 meters by a proposal to increase the maximum emission levels permitted by Part 15 devices operating at 13.56 MHz, as well as the maximum level of out-of-band emissions.

Commenters are advised to read paragraphs 20-27 of the NPRM&O, available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2001/10/19/1/290a11.html>. Interested

parties may file comments using the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System, <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html> (search using "01-278"). Commenters should include full name, US Postal Service mailing address, and applicable docket or rule making number--in this case ET 01-278.

It's also possible to e-mail comments via the ECFS. To obtain e-mail filing instructions, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@... and include the words "get form <your e-mail address>" in the body of the message. A sample form and directions will be sent by reply e-mail.

==>AO-40 TRANSPONDER HIATUS LOOMS

Necessary adjustments to AO-40's attitude to compensate for unfavorable sun angles over the next several months will silence the satellite's transponders for a while. Recent reports indicate that AO-40 continues to operate well, providing coverage between many parts of the world.

Command station team member Stacey Mills, W4SM, says, however, that he's puzzled and disappointed by the relatively low numbers of users on AO-40 during the last month or so. "I'm not sure why," he told ARRL this week. "This is prime time, and we won't have such good conditions much longer until the three-month 'bad angle' cycle passes."

A scheduled attitude shift to compensate for the unfavorable sun angle will leave AO-40's antennas pointing away from Earth until next spring and lead to a transponder shutdown period that could start as soon as late December. The satellite is currently in a long period during which Earth eclipses the sun near perigee--its point closest to Earth. AO-40 relies on solar panels for its power.

Mills said that testing and development continue on AO-40's three-axis control system, but three-axis control would not be ready in time to avoid the unfavorable solar-angle season. AO-40 will remain in spin mode for at least a few more months, he said.

Mills estimated that ground controllers may need to start shifting the satellite's attitude starting sometime just before Christmas. He didn't expect a favorable sun angle that would again allow pointing AO-40 directly toward Earth (ALON/ALAT 0/0) until mid-April. "It's possible that we can leave the transponders on during the first part of the move and turn them back on slightly before April 15 as we start back toward 0/0," Mills said, "but you can figure that things will be sub-optimal from about Christmas until April 15."

Mills said earlier this month that ground controllers now assume that AO-40's S1 transmitter is beyond recovery. The S1 transmitter quit abruptly in August, but before going down, it had produced excellent results. Ground controllers also have done additional testing on the 2-meter (V band) transmitter, which, Mills conceded, also appears lost.

The next-generation AO-40 satellite marked its first year in orbit during November. The former "Phase 3D" satellite was launched November 16, 2000,

aboard an Ariane 5 launcher from the European Spaceport in Kourou, French Guiana. Transponder operation began May 5, 2001. AO-40 is the largest Amateur Radio satellite ever put into space.

The current AO-40 transponder operating schedule and more information are available via the AMSAT Web site <http://www.amsat.org>.

==>G3AQC'S SIGNAL SPANS THE ATLANTIC ON 73 KHZ!

Low-frequency experimenter Lawrence "Laurie" Mayhead, G3AQC, has added another LF accomplishment to his list--transatlantic reception of his 73 kHz signal. Word of the LF exploit comes just weeks away from the centennial of the historic transatlantic transmission of December 12, 1901, when Guglielmo Marconi, in Newfoundland, received the letter "S" transmitted from England.

Mayhead reports that on the night of November 21-22, his signal on 72.401 kHz was received in the US. "I managed to transmit a full call sign to John Andrews, W1TAG, in Holden, Massachusetts," he said. Mayhead was using dual-frequency CW--or DFCW--featuring elements that are two minutes long, and Andrews detected his signal using ARGO DSP software.

Andrews, who lives in Central Massachusetts, says he first tried to receive G3AQC's 73-kHz transmissions last spring, but got only partial copy. Mayhead resumed beaconing again in late August, and Andrews devoted "quite a number of evenings" to trying to hear him. His patience was rewarded November 20 (UTC), when he reports G3AQC's signal "magically appeared from the noise" and, although very weak, showed up on his computer display. Initially, Mayhead was just sending his call sign suffix--"AQC"--over and over, but the next night he began repeating his full call sign.

"Luck being with us, conditions were absolutely amazing," Andrews said, adding that G3AQC's signal was much clearer than the previous evening. "Figured by grid squares, the distance between G3AQC and W1TAG was 3275 miles (5270 km)," he said. G3AQC and two other UK stations have transmitted since the evening of November 21-22, but no further reception has occurred.

Andrews said he lives in a residential area that's not known for being especially "quiet," so he's puzzled that he's apparently the only US station to hear the 73-kHz transmissions from the UK.

Last February, Mayhead and Larry Kayser, VA3LK, in Ontario, completed a transatlantic Amateur Radio contact on 136 kHz. The UK's 73-kHz band is a 2.8 kHz sliver of spectrum, from 71.6 to 74.4 kHz. The ARRL has petitioned the FCC to create two low-frequency Amateur Radio allocations--at 136 kHz and at 160-190 kHz. FCC action is anticipated in 2002.

==>MARS AGAIN LETTING US TROOPS "PHONE HOME"

US Army Special Forces on duty in Islamabad, Pakistan, and in other undisclosed locations have begun keeping in touch with home via Military Affiliate Radio System--MARS--phone patches. Army Military Affiliate Radio System Headquarters here said that MARS members in all three services--Army, Air Force and Navy-Marine Corps--are gearing up for greatly expanded

phone-patch operations as the holidays approach.

MARS phone patches make it possible for deployed troops to call their families in the US from areas where commercial connections are not available. Specially trained Amateur Radio operators enrolled in MARS provide the connection between military shortwave stations deployed overseas and the telephone system back home. During the Vietnam War, phone patches were a major source of comfort to families and service members alike. MARS responded again during Operation Desert Storm.

Phone-patching has taken on new life over the last several years as Special Forces members were deployed on peacekeeping missions to Kosovo, Macedonia, West Africa and other areas that lack regular or affordable phone service.

"Most of our contacts lasted less than 15 minutes and were to the wives," said a communications sergeant recently returned from a three-month Special Forces mission in Africa. "All the guys wanted to make sure everything was running smoothly in their absence."

Successfully completing a patch gives a big lift to the MARS amateur in the middle, too. "You never know who you will meet on these [high] frequencies," said one East Coast MARS member, who called it "a privilege" to serve as an Army MARS phone-patch operator.

These days, calls from overseas might originate from battery-powered backpack transceivers with a power of 20 W or less, but hams on the US end of the circuit using ordinary Amateur Radio gear and antennas are usually able to make a workable connection. Even the more sophisticated military base stations can experience problems, however. One overseas communicator reported that turning on a linear amplifier tripped the circuit breakers on the local power system.

Amateurs interested in joining MARS should contact their state MARS director or visit the Army MARS <http://www.asc.army.mil/mars/>, the Air Force MARS <http://public.afca.scott.af.mil/public/mars1.htm> or the Navy-Marine Corps MARS <http://navymars.org/> Web site.--thanks to Army MARS and Bill Sexton, N1IN

==>NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE/ARRL SPECIAL EVENT IS DECEMBER 1

The National Weather Service and ARRL will co-sponsor an on-the-air event to recognize the contribution of SKYWARN volunteers. The NWS/ARRL SKYWARN Recognition Day will be Saturday, December 1, from 0000 to 2400 UTC. This will mark the third year that ARRL and the NWS have co-sponsored an Amateur Radio special event. Some 80 National Weather Service offices are signed up to participate.

During the special event, hams or ham groups will operate from NWS offices and contact other amateurs or amateur groups across the country. Last year more than 23,000 contacts were made from NWS offices. The object is for amateur stations to exchange QSO information with as many National Weather Service special event stations as possible. Stations will transmit call

sign, signal report, location and a one or two word description of the weather at their location--such as sunny, partly cloudy, windy.

The NWS will offer participation certificates and endorsement stickers to amateurs who request them. Requests go to National Weather Service, 920 Armory Rd, Goodland, KS 67735. This year's endorsements includes the Patriot--a special endorsement to honor Amateur Radio volunteers who assisted in the aftermath of the September 11, 2001, attacks at the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

Full information, operating instructions, a list of participating NWS stations, and certificate and QSL information is available on the NWS/ARRL SKYWARN Recognition Day Web page <http://hamradio.noaa.gov/> or see November QST, page 76.

==>"THE BIG PROJECT" SEEKS LOGO

Now that the Amateur Radio Education Project-- "The Big Project"--is under way, it's looking for a logo. "The theme is using Amateur Radio in education," says The Big Project Coordinator Jerry Hill, KH6HU. "This is your opportunity to show off your creativity." The deadline for entries is December 28, 2001!

All entries should incorporate the ARRL diamond, portray the proper image in both black-and-white and in color, and be the same size as other standard patches, such as ARES--typically 3.5 inches in diameter. Entries should be submitted electronically at a resolution suitable for QST publication (at least 300 dpi when the image is sized at 4x5 inches or larger; see The ARRL Author's Guide , <http://www.arrl.org/qst/aguide/>).

The creator of the logo selected as a permanent symbol for The Big Project will receive a handsome wall certificate, and the winner's name will be announced in QST, in The ARRL Letter and on the ARRL Web site. Remember, the deadline for entries is December 28. E-mail entries to The Big Project Coordinator Jerry Hill, KH6HU <kh6hu@...>. (Resubmit your entry if it's not acknowledged within two business days.)

==>PROFESSIONAL MEDIA AWARD ENTRY DEADLINE NEARS

December 14 is the deadline to submit nominations for the 2001 Bill Leonard, W2SKE, Professional Media Award. The annual ARRL award goes to a professional journalist or group of journalists to recognize outstanding coverage of Amateur Radio in TV, radio, print or multimedia.

Nominations will be reviewed by members of ARRL's Public Relations Committee, and the committee's recommendation will be presented to the ARRL Board of Directors at its January meeting. The winner will receive an engraved plaque and a check for $500.

An avid Amateur Radio enthusiast, Leonard--a former President of CBS News--is remembered for his 1958 Sports Illustrated article "The Battle of the Hams," which focused on the "sport" of DXing. Leonard died in 1994 and was inducted into the Broadcasting and Cable Hall of Fame in 1996.

For more information about the Professional Media Award or to receive an official entry form, contact Media Relations Manager Jennifer Hagy, N1TDY, 860-594-0328; jhagy@....

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar maven Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports:

Average daily sunspot numbers were down by nearly 38 points this week over last, but average daily solar flux remained about the same. Flux and sunspot values reached a minimum on Sunday and are now increasing. Projected solar flux for Friday through Monday is 210, 215, 220 and 220.

A large sunspot (9715) with a complex magnetic field is moving to the center of the visible solar disk, with a straight shot at Earth. This may cause some disruptions this weekend, although probably nothing like the severe geomagnetic storm that disrupted HF propagation last weekend. The predicted planetary A index for Friday through Monday is 5, 15, 30 and 15. 30 is quite disturbed, so Sunday may have high absorption of HF signals.

Last weekend Earth was blasted by energy from two coronal mass ejections. The mid-latitude A index on Saturday was 76, and the planetary A index was 108, indicating a severe geomagnetic storm. This caused dramatic aurora displays visible as far south as Arkansas and Texas in the United States. A dramatic gallery of aurora images is available on the SpaceWeather.com Web site <http://spaceweather.com/aurora/gallery_24nov01.html>.

Sunspot numbers for November 15 through 21 were 219, 200, 157, 181, 168, 160 and 132, with a mean of 173.9. The 10.7-cm flux was 207, 202.1, 198.5, 188.2, 191.3, 185 and 184.2, with a mean of 193.8. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 8, 11, 7, 16, 8 and 6, with a mean of 9.

Sunspot numbers for November 22 through 28 were 143, 144, 124, 102, 122, 139 and 180 with a mean of 136.3. The 10.7-cm flux was 282.5, 177.3, 173, 170, 174.8, 190.4 and 198.5, with a mean of 195.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 8, 12, 108, 8, 5, 2 and 3 with a mean of 20.9.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The TARA RTTY Sprint, the TOPS Activity 80-Meter Contest, the Tennessee QSO Party and the QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Sprint are the weekend of December 1-2. JUST AHEAD: The ARRL 160-Meter Contest, Six Club First Winter Contest, the PSK31 Death Match are the weekend of December 8-9. The ARRL 10-Meter Contest is the weekend of December 15-16. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

* Registration opens for ARRL Level III Emergency Comms course: Registration for the ARRL Level III--Advanced Amateur Radio Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-003) opens Monday, December 3, at 4 PM Eastern Time. On-line classes will begin the week of December 10. For those who took the

prerequisite Level I (EC-001) and Level II (EC-002) courses, the Level III course is designed to prepare volunteers for activity in upper level positions. To enroll, visit the ARRL Course Registration page <https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce> after 4 PM Monday. ARRL Course Welcome letters will be sent later in the week after mentors have been assigned to each student. Access codes will follow, so all students can begin. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Continuing Education Web site <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the CCE links found there, or contact ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

* Amateur Radio Trader calls it quits: Amateur Radio Trader magazine is ceasing publication with its second November issue, which went out to subscribers November 20. "This was a difficult but necessary decision, due to the combined effects of the Internet on our print edition (the primary source of our Web content), and the economic climate," said the magazine's editor Barbara Patterson, KF4MVV, in a statement on the Amateur Radio Trader Web site <http://www.amradiotrader.com>. "ART is no longer a viable product for us. We are redirecting the company's resources into other areas." Patterson told ARRL that the Amateur Radio Trader Web site also would be discontinued and that subscribers would be reimbursed for any outstanding issues. She said TAP Publishing Company, which owns the twice-monthly listing of classified ads, had decided to put its energies into other areas. Patterson apologized for any inconvenience and said the second November issue of ART would remain posted on the ART Web site through December 9.

* ARRL approves Afghanistan operation for DXCC: The ARRL DXCC Desk reports it has received acceptable documentation for YA5T in Afghanistan and has approved it for DXCC credit. Afghanistan is among the top 10 "most wanted" countries. The license, which authorizes operation on all bands--including 6 meters--was issued by the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan government that's still recognized by the United Nations. YA5T will be operated by Peter Casier, ON6TT, as well as by Mats Persson, SM7PKK, Robert Kasca, S53R, and Mark Demeuleneere, ON4WW. All work for the UN World Food Program. YA5T will be on the air as their schedules permit. The DXCC documentation is for contacts made on or after November 20, 2001. No other call signs or operations have been approved. For more information, visit the YA5T Web site managed by Bruce Richards, WD4NGB <http://www.qsl.net/ya5t/>.

* FCC says ULS now compatible with Internet Explorer and Netscape: The FCC has announced that its Universal Licensing System (ULS) now can be accessed using either Internet Explorer 5.5-6.0 or Netscape Navigator 4.5, 4.51, 4.61, 4.7 and 4.75. Until now, the ULS has supported only Netscape. The FCC says applicants may now use Internet Explorer to file applications and for all other ULS purposes. For more information, contact ULS <ulscomm@fcc.gov>. For questions concerning computer access to ULS, CORES registration and FCC Registration Number, TIN/Call Sign issues, or submitting attachments in ULS, contact the Technical Support Hotline, 202-414-1250, available weekdays 7 AM-10 PM, Saturdays, 8 AM-7 PM and Sundays from noon-6 PM Eastern Time. The Public Notice outlining this change is available on the FCC's Web site <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-01-2729A1.doc>.

* Ham-sailor departs Nassau: David Clark, KB6TAM--the oldest person to sail solo around the world--is again under way after a stopover in Nassau, the Bahamas. Clark arrived in Nassau Thanksgiving day on his way to a homecoming celebration in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, December 7. His wife, Lynda, reports that he departed November 27 for Bimini in order to get ahead of Hurricane Olga, now a Category 1 storm. Lynda Clark said her husband was "treated royally" during his Nassau stay.

* John Parrott, W4FRU, SK: Veteran DXer and well-known QSL manager John Parrott, W4FRU, of Suffolk, Virginia, died November 28. He was 79. A native of Memphis, Tennessee, he was first licensed in 1937. An ARRL Life member, Parrott was a director of the International DX Association, a member of the Virginia DX Century Club, Quarter Century Wireless Association, The Society of Wireless Pioneers and the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers. "All we say isn't enough for a friend like John," said INDEXA President Murphy Ratterree, W4WMQ. "He was special to many people." He was a retired US Air Force fighter and transport pilot, and his 32-year flying career spanned World War II, the Korean conflict and Vietnam. Survivors include his wife Amy, KN4NZ, and their daughter and two sons. The Funeral was set for December 1 in Suffolk, and burial will be in Arlington National Cemetery at a later date. Memorial donations are welcome to the American Heart Association or the American Diabetes Association.

* John "Mac" McKinney, W0AP, SK: A well-known member of Nebraska's ham radio community--John "Mac" McKinney, W0AP, of Dannebrog, died November 24. He was 83. A New York native and FCC employee from 1945 until 1975, McKinney last served as chief of the monitoring station in Grand Island. He was an ARRL Life Member, Assistant Midwest Division Director, and manager of the Nebraska CW Net. He also belonged to the Society of Wireless Pioneers, the Morse Telegraph Club, the Old Old Timers Club, and the Quarter Century Wireless Association, and once served as a QCWA board member. Survivors include five daughters. Services were set for November 28 in Dannebrog.

* Sixth District QSL Bureau changing manager, address: The ARRL Sixth District QSL Bureau has changed management and has a new address. Taking over effective December 1, 2001, are Arlette and Chuck Marshall, KO6IS and KD6WP, ARRL Sixth District QSL Bureau, PO Box 530, Weed, CA 96094-0530. For more information, visit the ARRL Sixth District QSL Bureau Web site <http://www.kqlz.com/qslbureau6.html>.

* Southeastern Division Convention is December 1-2: The ARRL Southeastern Division Convention will be held December 1-2 at the Manatee County Civic Center, Palmetto, Florida, in conjunction with the 26th annual Tampa Bay Hamfest. Featured speaker is ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP. ARRL Lab Supervisor Ed Hare, W1RFI, will offer five technical presentations. Amateur Radio examinations will be offered. For more information, visit the Tampa Bay Hamfest Web site, <http://www.fgcarc.org> or e-mail info@....--Paul Knupke, N4PK

* Starshine 3 is now SO 43: AMSAT-NA Board Chairman Bill Tynan, W3XO, has announced that the recently launched Starshine 3 satellite has met all the requirements for an OSCAR number and has been designated Starshine OSCAR 43

(SO-43). Starshine 3 is a mirror ball with AX.25 9600-baud telemetry on 145.825 MHz. The satellite is visible to the eye and will provide students the opportunity to participate in its primary mission of satellite tracking. More information about the Starshine project can be found on the Starshine Web site <http://www.azinet.com/starshine>.--AMSAT News Service

* DXCC credit granted for XU7AAR operation: The ARRL DXCC Desk reports that it has received supporting documentation for the 1999 XU7AAR (Cambodia) operation and has now accepted XU7AAR for DXCC credit. Those who submitted XU7AAR previously and were denied credit may contact DXCC <dxcc@...> and have their records updated without having to resubmit cards.--DXCC Desk

* Badger State Smoke Signals delayed: The January 2002 editions of Wisconsin's Badger State Smoke Signals Amateur Radio newspaper for Wisconsin amateurs will be delayed in delivery due to the ill health of Editor Jim Romelfanger, K9ZZ.

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400. Fw: NEWSLETTER - DEC'2001

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-07 15:30:39 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 400 Message: 400
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

----- Original Message -----
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
To: vu2nlf
Sent: Friday, December 07, 2001 7:46 PM
Subject: NEWSLETTER - DEC'2001

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December 07, 2001
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In this Monthly Edition :
FEATURE :
a.. Digital Mode - PSK 31
PSK31 is the first new digital mode to find popularity on HF bands in many years. It combines the advantages of a simple variable length text code with a narrow bandwidth phase-shift keying (PSK) signal using DSP techniques. This mode is designed for "real time" keyboard operation and at a 31 baud rate is only fast enough to keep up with the typical amateur typist. PSK31 enjoys great popularity on the HF bands today and is presently the standard for live keyboard communications. Most of the ASCII characters are supported.

a.. PSK31 Official Homepage : http://aintel.bi.ehu.es/psk31.html
b.. PSK31 Programs : http://www.dxzone.com/catalog/Software/PSK31/
c.. Favourite PSK31 program (600kb) : http://members.home.net/hteller/digipan/digipan6.exe
d.. Most preferred Multi-mode Software MIXW2 (1088kb) :
http://tav.kiev.ua/~nick/mixw2/MixW2rc6.exe
This program supports CW, BPSK31, QPSK31, MFSK, RTTY, FSK31, Packet (HF and VHF), Pactor RX/TX (TX requires TNC), Amtor (Sitor) TX/RX (No TNC needed), Hellschreiber, FAX (RX only), SSTV, and THROB.

a.. The Amateur's Code
The Radio Amateur is :
CONSIDERATE....never knowingly operates in such a way as to lessen the pleasure of others.
LOYAL....offers loyalty, encouragement and support to other amateurs, local clubs through which Amateur Radio is represented nationally and internationally.
PROGRESSIVE....with knowledge abreast of science, a well-built and efficient station and operation above reproach.
FRIENDLY....slow and patient operating when requested; friendly advice and counsel to the beginner; kindly assistance, cooperation and consideration for the interest of others. These are the hallmarks of the amateur spirit.
BALANCED....radio is an avocation, never interfering with duties owed to family, job, school or community.

PATRIOTIC....station and skill always ready for service to country and community.
-- The original Amateur's Code was written by Paul M.Segal, W9EEA, in 1928.
a.. New Products :
ICOM - http://www.icomamerica.com/new/index2.html
Kenwood - http://www.kenwood.net/products/index.cfm?AMA=open&ama_hheld=open&radio=TH-F6A&selection=Amateur&ID=193
Yaesu - http://www.yaesu.com/amateur/newprod.html

NEWS :
a.. SIMULATED DISASTER COMMUNICATION EXCERCISE
MARS successfully conducted simulated disaster communication excercise on 1st & 2nd December,2001. Congratulations to all the members who successfully participated in this event.

EVENTS :
a.. 9th December, 2001 - Venue : Shishu Vihar School, Dadar, Opp.Raja Shivaji Vidyalaya
a.. Debriefing Meeting at 9.00 am - The members who took part in Disaster Communication Exercise of 2nd December, 2001 are requested to be present for this meeting with their Team Report.
b.. Monthly Meeting at 10.00 am at the same venue.
c.. Antenna Homebrewing Workshop will be held after the meeting at the same place.
b.. 26th Jan 2001, GOLDEN FOX-HUNT - All members interested may contact Zyros - VU2ZRS.
LINKS :
a.. National Frequency Allocation Plan
http://www.dotindia.com/wpcc/NFAP/contents.htm

SEND YOUR COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS TO sandipadiwarekar@...

401. golden FOX HUNT ON 26 JAN 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-10 14:30:50 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 401 Message: 401

ZYROS ZEND
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FAX.OO-91-22-2025848
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402. golden FOX HUNT ON 26 JAN 2002 CONTACT 9821025289 VU2ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-10 14:33:21 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 402 Message: 402

DEAR MEMBERS OF M A R S
PLEASE CONTACT IF YOU WISH TO FIND THE FOX

AND ANYWAY I WILL BE CALLING YOU UP PERSONALLY ABOUT IT

SO DO CALL ME AND SAVE ME THE TROUBLE OF IT

MOBILE NUMBER IS THE BEST

9821025289

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403. Disaster Management Plan for Mumbai.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-11 11:28:15 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 403 Message: 403

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

Brihan Mumbai Muncipal Corporation conducted a Table Top Exercise on Disaster Management for Mumbai on 10th December 2001.

About 35 people were invited to participate in the exercise from Govt Organisations & Non Govt Organisations such as
The Municipal Commissioner, The Police Commissioner , The Chief Officer of Fire Bridgade, Air Force Commander, Navy Commander, Chief officers from VSNL/ MTNL ,Additional Controller of Civil Defense and other important officers from the CM's office.

The NGOs consisted of very few organisations such as AGNI & CARE INDIA, and some media personals. The Guest were Dr. Friedmann Wenzel from German Committee for Disaster Reduction., Ms.Yuriko Tsunehiro from United Nations, Mr. Shaw from
New York Fire Department. The exercise was conducted by Dr. Ravi Sinha for IIT Mumbai accompanied by Dr. Subramaniam for IIT Mumbai.

MARS was represented by Nilesh VU2NLF, (MARS is the only NGO included in the Group of Emergency Services). The workshop went quite well as all the participents gave their inputs and discussed their roles in the Disaster Management Plan.

HAM RADIO was given a lot of importance for providing communications support in case of disasters , inspite of VSNL & MTNL giving their assurance they have enough backup services in case of a disaster. Especially Mumbai Fire Brigade which has shown a very keen interest to tie up with us and working some simulated exercises in the near future.

The BMC also plans to conduct Table Top Workshops as well as Simulated exercises every 2 months. MARS is requested to participate in all these exercises.

73s
VU2NLF

404. VHF network for Mumbai DMP.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-11 11:53:03 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 404 Message: 404

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

I have informed you all about the Mumbai Disaster Management Plan, Ham Radio is likely to play an important role in case of real disaster. MARS has a very competent Team for Disaster Management, But the Team is trained for HF communications from remote locations, Disaster in Mumbai (God Forbid) would be totally a whole new Ball Game.

We would require an excellent VHF & UHF network and lots of hams to deal with the problems. In such case I am sure almost all the members having the VHF or UHF capability can partcipate for this noble cause.

There are about 20 BMC Wards in Mumbai [A -T] , we need to have atleast one of our Ham Representative for all these wards, who in case of emergency can coordinate with their local ward officers and vice versa.

Our VHF repeater is also likely to be up by this weekend, Nerverthe less we would still require hams as relay stations working from their areas, we would also require Hams who can be mobile for survery and reports.

I therefore request all the members to opt for this emergency service and offer their assistance depending upon their capability
members interested must send me the following details as under :-

1. Your BMC Ward.
2. VHF/ UHF equipment.
3. Antennas
4. Choice to work from House / Field.
5. Suggestions.

A VHF simulated exercise will be conducted (just Hams) very shortly to evaluate for our coverage and to test the foot prints of our repeater.

73s
VU2NLF

405. The ARRL Letter, Vol 20, No 48

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-11 11:55:35 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 405 Message: 405

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Vote on QST Cover Plaque Award
Anthrax scare impacting outgoing DX QSL volume

+Available on ARRL Audio News

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==>NEW YORK HAM WINS ANTENNA LAWSUIT

In one of the most favorable PRB-1 court rulings in years, a New York
amateur has won a three-year battle to erect a tower on his property. The US
District Court for the Northern District of New York has ordered the
Saratoga Springs Planning Board to grant Randall J. Palmer, N2NVH, a special
use permit for a 44-foot antenna support structure. PRB-1 is the limited
federal pre-emption that requires localities to reasonably accommodate
Amateur Radio communication.

In a 20-page decision issued December 3, US District Judge Norman A. Mordue
found that "the planning board did not attempt to negotiate a satisfactory
compromise" with Palmer. As a result, Mordue, said, the town failed to
reasonably accommodate Palmer's amateur communication needs pursuant to
PRB-1. The judge found that "the planning board engaged Palmer in a strictly
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one-sided negotiation consisting of inflexible demands and the construction of hoop after hoop for Palmer to jump through."

Mordue found that the record "clearly proves" the planning board made no attempt to negotiate a satisfactory compromise. On the other hand, the judge asserted, Palmer complied with many of the planning board's numerous requests and even made concessions on his own initiative. Mordue said that since the town already understood its obligations under PRB-1, he was directing the planning board to immediately grant Palmer's application. It's not known if the town will appeal.

ARRL Volunteer Counsel Albert J. Millus, WB2EQR, represented Palmer through much of the battle. "I'm a ham radio operator myself, and these are important cases for hams," Millus told the Associated Press December 4.

Saratoga Springs limits all antennas to 20 feet in height and allows exceptions only upon issuance of a special use permit. Palmer applied for one in 1999 to erect a modest antenna system of less than 50 feet in height, but the town continued to deny his permit application.

After the last rejection earlier this year, Palmer went forward with his lawsuit, filed after the town's initial denial of his application. A bench trial was held October 30. Mordue's decision relied on an analysis of prior antenna cases, including the landmark Pentel v. Mendota Heights case--issued by the Eighth Circuit in 1994.

ARRL Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, continues to spearhead a legislative effort to codify PRB-1 into New York state law. Fallon said he hoped the decision in the Palmer case--coupled with the goodwill generated by amateur response to the September 11 World Trade Center attacks--would prompt the New York Assembly to act favorably on the PRB-1 bill when the legislature goes back into session December 17.

==>TAKE A NUMBER: FRN NOW MANDATORY

Anyone filing an Amateur Radio application now will be asked to supply a 10-digit FCC Registration Number (FRN) issued by the FCC's new Commission Registration System, or CORES. The requirement applies to FCC applications filed on-line or on paper. The FCC also has supplanted Universal Licensing System (ULS) registration with "CORES/Call Sign" registration, so applicants no longer need to register separately in both systems.

Most, if not all, hams who registered previously with the ULS already have an FRN, although they may not know it yet. The FCC just completed another cross-registration to include those already on the ULS books within the CORES "entity registration" database, and another is scheduled. Amateurs can learn their FRNs by doing a license search on the FCC's Universal Licensing System page <http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/>. FRNs also are displayed via the ARRL call sign server on ARRLWeb <http://www.arrl.org>.

The FCC has updated its ULS page <http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/> to reflect the new reality and to make the page a bit less confusing. Amateurs not yet

registered in CORES who click "CORES/Call Sign" registration will be redirected to the CORES site to complete that process. Amateurs who click "Online Filing" are advised to proceed to CORES to register if they do not already have an FRN, then return to ULS for filing.

Those filing on-line applications now are asked to supply either an FRN or a Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN--a Social Security Number for an individual) plus a password, typically the same for both CORES and ULS.

The process is a bit more daunting for new club station applicants, who now will be asked to register in CORES as business entities. Such applicants also may file with a Club Station Call Sign Administrator using Form NCVEC 605 and simply leave the FRN field blank. ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, says that in those cases, the Club Station Call Sign Administrator (CSCSA), such as ARRL, will register the club station entity in CORES on the applicant's behalf.

The FCC also now only accept FCC Form 159 (Remittance Advice) dated February 2000 or later, which requires providing an FRN. A copy of the acceptable version is available on the FCC Web site <http://www.fcc.gov/fees>. At the left side of the page, click on "Form 159".

For more information about the Commission Registration System or on obtaining an FRN, contact the CORES Help Desk, 877-480-3201, cores@....

==>HAM RADIO CONNECTS SOUTH CAROLINA, GEORGIA YOUNGSTERS WITH SPACE STATION

Youngsters visiting the South Carolina State Museum in Columbia and attending the Atlanta New Century School in Georgia recently spoke via ham radio with the International Space Station. The contacts were the latest in a string of successful radio conversations between school-age youngsters and Expedition 3 Crew Commander Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ. They were arranged as part of the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program.

On Friday, November 30, 13 youngsters in grades 4 through 11 visiting the South Carolina State Museum quizzed Culbertson, who operated as NA1SS from aboard the ISS. Culbertson generated some news during the contact when he revealed that NASA had scheduled a space walk by two of the crew members to clear up a Progress rocket docking problem. The faulty docking had been holding up the launch of the Expedition 4 crew on the space shuttle.

Some 100 youngsters were on hand at "Earth Station South Carolina" for the occasion. One fifth grader wanted to know whether Culbertson had ever seen life in space. "Just the guys I live with up here," Culbertson quipped. "I haven't seen any other kind of life outside the space station." His remark drew laughter from the earthbound audience. "Who knows whether there is or not," he continued in a more serious vein. "If there is, it's a pretty big deal and would be very important. If there's not, then it makes our place in the universe even more important and gives us more responsibility to take care of what we have."

Culbertson told the youngsters that he was floating "halfway between the ceiling and the floor" as he was talking to them. "Zero G is fun," he said, referring to the weightless environment, "however, there are hazards." Although there's no artificial gravity aboard the space station, Culbertson said he sometimes he wished there were.

Culbertson spoke Wednesday, December 5, with youngsters at the Atlanta New Century School. First up was a first grader who wanted to know how "the fire makes the ship fly." Culbertson explained that the "fire" was really a mixture of exhaust gases forcefully exiting the rocket "really, really fast" and that the reaction to that force made the rocket move in the opposite direction. He told the next questioner that liquid hydrogen and liquid oxygen were the primary shuttle fuels--a half million gallons in all.

Another student prompted guffaws from his classmates when he asked how much Culbertson earned. The pay scale for his job as an astronaut is the same as for an average aerospace engineer, Culbertson told the youngster--from about $50,000 to more than $90,000 a year.

About a dozen questions were asked and answered during contact with Atlanta New Century School. Culbertson's sister, Amy, was among those in the audience at Atlanta. "Tell my sister Amy hello for me," Culbertson said, but the two did not converse.

Nancy Richeleau, WH6PN, and Dick Flagg, AH6NM, operating from The Sacred Hearts Academy club station in Honolulu, served as the control operators for the South Carolina contact. Tony Hutchison, VK5ZAI, in South Australia handled Earth station duties for the Atlanta contact. Two-way audio was handled by WorldCom teleconferencing facilities.

Culbertson, who's logged nearly two dozen ARISS school contacts during his ISS stay, is looking forward to returning to Earth in time to join his family for the holidays. The current crew has been aboard the ISS since August. The shuttle Endeavour carrying the Expedition 4 crew of Commander Yuri Onufrienko and Flight Engineers Dan Bursch, KD5PNU, and Carl Walz, KC5TIE, blasted into space December 5. The shuttle also is carrying some new ham radio antennas for the ISS.

==>FCC CHASTISES FEUDING 75-METER OCCUPANTS

The FCC's Enforcement Bureau recently stepped in to halt feuding over the use of some 75-meter frequencies. The dispute had pitted the Alabama Traffic Net, the Alabama SKYWARN Net and the Country Cousins Net against an informal group of amateurs. All wanted to operate between 3.965 and 3.970 MHz. In the end, the FCC declined to take any enforcement action in the situation, but Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth took all sides to task for bringing their charges and countercharges to the FCC in the first place.

"This dispute appears to be largely a 'who's on first' dispute, involving issues of proper operating procedures, and not appropriate for enforcement action," Hollingsworth told the parties involved.

In a two-page response sent to Jeremy Jackson, K9CNI, Henry Willmon, WA4GQS, Sal Viglione, W4SAL, and Alabama ARRL Section Manager Bill Cleveland, KR4TZ, Hollingsworth recounted allegations of deliberate and retaliatory interference, verbal harassment, frequency hogging, obscenity and profanity and even a charge that one individual was selling illegal linear amplifiers.

Hollingsworth pointed out that nets--regardless of their longevity, membership numbers or public service benefit--are not specifically regulated by FCC rules and have no greater rights to any frequency than any other licensee. On the other hand, the informal group, Hollingsworth said, needs to consider whether it's good amateur practice to deliberately start communications on a frequency widely known to be used by a long-established net.

Hollingsworth put those involved on notice that anyone violating the rules was risking FCC enforcement action and possible fines. "We cannot, however, mandate courtesy, good and fair operating practices or even common sense," he added.

Hollingsworth says the informal group has told him it would find another frequency to meet on 75 meters.

==>NEW AMATEUR EXTRA CLASS QUESTION POOL RELEASED

The National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators' Question Pool Committee has released a revised and expanded Amateur Extra class (Element 4) question pool into the public domain. The new question pool becomes effective July 1, 2002, and must be used to generate all Extra class written examinations administered on or after that date. It replaces the Extra class question pool released April 15, 2000--the day Amateur Radio "restructuring" became effective.

The new Element 4 pool expands the number of questions by more than 20 percent--806 questions--as opposed to 665 in the current Extra class pool, and it contains more technical material. More than half of the questions cover electrical principles, circuits, signals and emissions.

The 50 questions in an Extra class examination are drawn from the question pool consistent with FCC rules and according to a formula that specifies the number of questions to be asked from each of nine topic areas. Applicants must correctly answer at least 37 questions to pass.

The new Element 4 question pool is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/pools.html>. The just-released Extra class question pool remains valid through June 30, 2005.

The Question Pool Committee now will turn its attention to developing an outline for the Technician class (Element 2) question pool. A draft Element 2 syllabus is scheduled for public release and comment next spring. The QPC invites suggestions for the Element 2 syllabus and question pool revision.

Questions and comments about the QPC's work can be directed to, Chairman Scotty Neustadter, W4WW, w4ww@...; ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, vec@...; Fred Maia, W5YI, w5yi@...; and John Johnston, W3BE,

johnston.john1@...

==>THREE SECTION MANAGERS APPOINTED TO FILL VACANCIES

ARRL Field and Educational Services Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, has named three new ARRL section managers to fill vacancies in the field organization. New section managers were appointed in the Alaska, Georgia and San Diego sections.

In Alaska, David Stevens, KL7EB, of Anchorage, will succeed L. Kent Petty, KL5T. Petty last month withstood a challenge from Stevens for the SM slot, 154 to 104, but has decided to step aside. Stevens previously served as SM from July 1998 until December 1999. He's an ARRL Life Member and an Extra class licensee. He's also served as a Affiliated Club Coordinator and an Official Observer.

In Georgia, Susan Swiderski, AF4FO, of Norcross will replace Sandy Donahue, W4RU, the SM since 1997, who was recently elected Southeastern Division Vice Director. An Extra class licensee, Swiderski has been active in the ARRL field organization and has served as an Affiliated Club Coordinator.

In the San Diego Section, Kent Tiburski, K6FQ, of San Diego will step into the post now held by Tuck Miller, NZ6T, who was just elected ARRL Southwestern Division Vice Director. Miller has served as SM since April 1998. Tiburski has served as an Assistant Section Manager, District Emergency Coordinator and Technical Coordinator for the section.

Terms of office for Stevens, Swiderski and Tiburski begin January 1, 2002.

==>ARRL ISSUES QRP DXCC PROGRAM RULES

The ARRL has issued rules <http://www.arrl.org/awards/dxcc/qrp/qrp-dxcc-rules.html> for its new QRP DXCC Award. Applications will be accepted starting January 2, 2002.

The ARRL Board of Directors approved the new QRP DXCC Award at its July 2001 meeting. The QRP DXCC Award is given for working 100 different "entities" (formerly "countries") on The DXCC List while operating with an output power of 5 W or less. Standard DXCC rules <http://www.arrl.org/awards/dxcc/> also apply to this new award. Contacts made since November 15, 1945, are acceptable.

The award is available to Amateur Radio operators worldwide. Applicants must submit an alphanumeric list of 100 contacts--sorted by call sign prefixes. Application forms and additional information are available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/awards/dxcc/qrp/index.html>, via e-mail to dxcc@..., fax 860-594-0259, or mail to ARRL DXCC, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Propagation prognosticator Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: This has been a quiet week with no geomagnetic disturbances. Each day's

planetary A indices have been in the single digits, indicating stable conditions without the high absorption of HF radio signals associated with solar coronal holes and flares.

Average sunspot numbers were up more than 84 points, and average solar flux rose by nearly 49 points. Solar flux has probably peaked for the short term in the past few days.

For this weekend, Friday through Monday, solar flux is predicted at 225, 225, 220 and 210. Planetary A indices are expected at 8, 8, 15 and 15. The rising A index is possible because of sunspot 9727, currently moving toward the center of the visible solar disk with a complex magnetic field harboring the possibility for solar flares. Conditions should be good for the 160-meter event, barring any geomagnetic upset.

Average daily solar flux values for November were up slightly from the previous month, and were a fairly high monthly value for the year. Average daily solar flux for January through November was 166.6, 147.2, 177.7, 178.2, 148.7, 173.7, 131.3, 163.1, 233.8, 208.1 and 212.7.

Holographic images of the sun's far side show no substantial sunspots. Barring any emerging activity, the next short term minimum in solar flux is expected from December 16-20. Recently, 6-meter operators have been working a great deal of DX via F2 layer propagation.

Sunspot numbers for November 29 through December 5 were 204, 158, 208, 271, 230, 214 and 260, with a mean of 220.7. The 10.7-cm flux was 216.4, 225.8, 221.3, 245, 235, 233.3 and 237, with a mean of 230.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 3, 7, 4, 7, 6 and 8, with a mean of 5.4.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL 160-Meter Contest, Six Club First Winter Contest, the PSK31 Death Match are the weekend of December 8-9. JUST AHEAD: The ARRL 10-Meter Contest is the weekend of December 15-16. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html> for more info.

* "DX window" remains for ARRL 160 Meter Contest: Although the "DX window" no longer is a part of the ARRL 160-meter band plan, there will be a DX window for the ARRL 160 Meter Contest, which runs December 7-9. The contest's rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/rules-160m.html> still require that the segment 1.830 to 1.835 MHz be used only for intercontinental QSOs. The contest is a CW-only event. The revised band plan, which is considered an operating guideline, recommends that SSB, SSTV and other wideband modes stay at or above 1.843 MHz. It also establishes a QRP calling frequency is 1.810. In doing away with the DX window last July, the ARRL Board of Directors adopted the recommendations of the ad hoc 160 Meter Committee, which said the DX window concept was not followed and was impractical. The change left it up to contest sponsors to establish DX windows as necessary during their events.

* Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course December registration: Due to the holiday season, on-line registration will be handled a bit differently during December. Seats remain available for the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications on-line Level III class that opened December 3. Registration for the Level I class opens Monday, December 10, and registration for the Level II class opens the following Monday, December 17. To register, visit the ARRL Course Registration Page <https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce/> after 4 PM Eastern Time on the opening day of registration for the course you wish to enroll in. Registration will remain open until all seats are filled. Starting in January 2002, registration for Level I will open on the first Monday; registration for Level II will open on the second Monday; and registration for Level III will open on the third Monday. Courses must be completed in order, starting with Level I. To learn more, Visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@arrl.org.

* FCC offers Internet Explorer fix for on-line filing problems: The FCC announced recently that it now supports Microsoft Internet Explorer as well as most later versions of Netscape for filing applications via the FCC's Universal Licensing System (ULS). Some amateurs using Internet Explorer have reported problems filing on-line, however, and the FCC says those users may need to run a Java Applet IE plug-in to correct the problem. It's available from the FCC at <https://wtbjag1w.fcc.gov/ieplugin/j2re-1_3_0_02-win.exe> When a "File Download" dialog box appears, click on "Run" or "Open" (depending on your version of IE), and the plug-in will download and install automatically. If a "Security Warning" box appears, click "Yes." Amateurs also must now supply a 10-digit Commission Registration System-issued FCC Registration Number (FRN) when filing FCC applications on-line or on paper. For help initiating an on-line filing using Internet Explorer, contact FCC Tech Support, weekdays, for assistance, ulscomm@... or 202-414-1250.

* Historic coast radio station to celebrate Marconi event: Stations KPH and K6KPH will be on the air December 12, 2001, to help celebrate the 100th anniversary of the first wireless signal to cross the Atlantic, received by Guglielmo Marconi on December 12, 1901, at Saint John's, Newfoundland. Both stations will use the original transmitters, receivers and antennas of KPH, a former RCA coast station. K6KPH, the Maritime Radio Historical Society club station, will be active on amateur frequencies 3545, 7050 and 14,050 kHz. K6KPH will begin operation at 1700 UTC. KPH will be active on commercial frequencies 500 and 426 kHz. KPH will begin operations at 0000 (December 13) UTC. "Commercial practices and procedures will be used on all frequencies to give amateurs the experience of working a real coast station," said K6KPH Chief Operator Dick Dillman, W6AWO.Reception reports or QSLs go to Dick Dillman, W6AWO, 435 Utah St No. 4, San Francisco, CA 94110. KPH reception reports go to Tom Horsfall, WA6OPE, 1862 Tulare Ave, Richmond, CA 94805. More information is available on the Maritime Radio Historical Society Web site <http://www.radiomarine.org>.

* Newfoundland special event to mark centenary of transatlantic reception: The Society of Newfoundland Radio Amateurs will operate special event

station VO1S during the month of December. The special event will mark the 100th anniversary of the reception of the first transatlantic radio signal--the Morse code letter "s"--received by Marconi at Signal Hill in Newfoundland on December 12, 1901. Marconi used a kite-supported antenna to hear the signal, which was transmitted from his station in Poldhu, Cornwall, England. QSL VO1S via the bureau or direct (before March 1, 2002), to SONRA, PO Box 23099, St John's, NF A1B 479, Canada.

* Special event station W1AA/CC to commemorate Marconi's transatlantic feat: The Marconi Radio Club and The Falmouth Amateur Radio Association will celebrate the 100th anniversary of Marconi's December 12, 1901, one-way transatlantic radio transmission with a special event station--W1AA/CC--from December 11-16. Operation will be on 80 through 6 meters, SSB and CW. The public is invited December 12, from 9 AM to 5 PM Eastern Time, when--weather permitting--W1AA will fly a kite antenna and attempt to communicate from Coast Guard Beach, Eastham, Cape Cod, Massachusetts, to clubs at the historic Marconi stations in Poldhu, England and Saint John's, Newfoundland. Marconi used a kite antenna at his 1901 receiving site in Newfoundland. W1AA will transmit on 14.052 MHz. Amateurs at these locations also will attempt to fly kite antennas. QSL via the bureau or to W1AA, Box 1193, Lakeville, MA 02347 and include an SASE. For more information on this and other commemorative events, contact Marconi Radio Club President Whitey Doherty, K1VV, k1vv@...m, or visit the W1AA Web site <http://personal.tmlp.com/k1vv/w1aa/> or The Falmouth Amateur Radio Association Web site <http://www.falara.org/OpEvents/Marconi/fara-marconi.html>.

* Vote on QST Cover Plaque Award: The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for November was Paul Shuch, N6TX, for his article "A Moonbounce Odyssey." Congratulations, Paul! The winner of the QST Cover Plaque award--given to the author of the best article in each issue--is determined by a vote of ARRL members. Voting takes place each month on the Cover Plaque Poll Web page, <http://www.arrl.org/members-only/qstvote.html>. As soon as your copy arrives, cast a ballot for your favorite article in the December issue of QST. Voting ends December 31.

* Anthrax scare impacting outgoing DX QSL volume: With one month to go in 2001, ARRL Outgoing QSL Service Manager Martin Cook, N1FOC, reports that his bureau has handled 1,716,940 cards from January 1 through November 30 of this year. That's 54,960 cards ahead of the same date last year. "However, the volume of cards coming in for processing has slowed drastically since the recent anthrax scare," Cook said. "I was hoping to make the 2 million mark this year, but it's not looking good. We will be lucky to beat last year's total." The more than 1.7 million figure so far in 2001 includes cards going to US incoming QSL bureaus and cards sorted and mailed by contractor. The Outgoing QSL Service handled 1,868,895 cards during 2000.

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-11 13:27:37 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 403 Message: 406

Dear Nilesh,

Great. Congratulation. Continue the good work. You can count on me 24 hours of the day, 7 days of the week and 365 days of any year for disaster management any where in India.

What is a "Table Top Exercise?"

Kailash, VU2KIZ

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-11 16:48:15 UTC
From: Jayesh Kharwar
Topic: 403 Message: 407
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Excellent Guys - Way to Go

Even though I cannot provide personal support at the moment - my Moral support is always with you guys.

VU2ESP

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408. Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF network for Mumbai DMP.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-11 15:47:58 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 404 Message: 408

Here are my details:
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2. VHF Base station ICom 2100H and 5/8 antena
3. Hf Yasu 840 Antena Diapole
4. Can work both either from house or field.
Regards Nafisa VU2 NFS

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 11, 2001 5:53 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] VHF network for Mumbai DMP.

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-11 15:52:51 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 403 Message: 409

Congratulations! Very good work.
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 11, 2001 5:28 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Management Plan for Mumbai.

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410. WITH THE FOX HUNT THERE IS ALSO A TREASURE HUNT & LUNCH AND.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-12 12:39:49 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 410 Message: 410

DEAR MEMEBERS
PLEASE`NOTE ABOUT THE FOX HUNT

FIRST TIME IN MUMBAI CITY CONDUCTED BY MARS .100% EXCITING

1) A EDIBLE TREASURE HUNT WILL BE THERE IN THE BEGINING

2) NICE VEG.LUNCH WILL BE THERE BY AFTERNOON AFTER THE HUNT IS OVER

3) A NICE OCCASION TO INVOLVE YOUR FAMILY ESP. YOUR WIFES SO`THAT THEY ALSO HAVE A OUTING WITH A LUNCH (THAT MEANS NO COOKING ON SUNDAY)

4) A PRIZE WORTH WINNING WILL BE GIVEN .(USEFULL TO HAM RADIO)

5) GET YOUR FAMILY AND CAR OUT ON THE SUNDAY MORNING .

6) AND FINALLY VU2 ZRS AND VU2NLF ARE CONDUCTING IT SO ,,,,,

TO BE CONTINUED ....

CALL 9821025289 TO ASK ABOUT THE DETAILS

73 ZRS

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411. IS THE FOX A MALE OF A FEMALE ? OR IS IT SUPERFOX? FIND OUT & ENROLL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-12 12:42:03 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 411 Message: 411

ENROLL FOR THE FOX HUNT
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IT IS 100% FUN
WE GAUREENTEE FAMILY ENJOYMENT
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-12 09:52:50 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 404 Message: 412

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Thnks N Regards,

Mehul.
VU3MBF
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
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Sent: Tuesday, December 11, 2001 5:23 PM
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Date: 2001-12-12 17:21:25 UTC
From: Rajen Kavadia
Topic: 403 Message: 414

Dear Nilesh
True spirit of the hobby.
Keep up the good work
Regards
Rajen

-----Original Message-----
From: vu2nlf [mailto:vu2nlf@...]
Sent: Tuesday, December 11, 2001 16:58
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417. Early Bird's Net. - Good Morning Mumbai.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-12 15:41:08 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 417 Message: 417

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

The Early Bird's Net is operational on VHF 145.100 Mhz at 07:00 Hours every morning, the net is conducted by VU2NLF, all members having VHF capability are requested to check in and increase the VHF activity.

73
NLF

418. Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF network for Mumbai DMP.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-13 09:20:26 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 404 Message: 418

Hi Nilesh - would like to lend a hand here. But is navi mumbai included?

Requested informaion :

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Regards
Madhu

>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
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>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] VHF network for Mumbai DMP.
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>
>There are about 20 BMC Wards in Mumbai [A -T] , we need to have atleast
>one of our Ham Representative for all these wards, who in case of emergency
>can coordinate with their local ward officers and vice versa.
>
>Our VHF repeater is also likely to be up by this weekend, Nerverthe less we
>would still require hams as relay stations working from their areas, we
>would also require Hams who can be mobile for survery and reports.
>
>I therefore request all the members to opt for this emergency service and
>offer their assistance depending upon their capability
>members interested must send me the following details as under :-
>

>1. Your BMC Ward.
>2. VHF/ UHF equipment.
>3. Antennas
>4. Choice to work from House / Field.
>5. Suggestions.
>
>A VHF simulated exercise will be conducted (just Hams) very shortly to
>evaluate for our coverage and to test the foot prints of our repeater.
>
> 73s
> VU2NLF
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>

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Send and receive Hotmail on your mobile device: http://mobile.msn.com

419. Re: [m_a_r_s] golden FOX HUNT ON 26 JAN 2002 CONTACT 9821025289 VU2ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-13 09:47:18 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 402 Message: 419

Hi zyros - Would love to participate in the event. But do I need any
specialized equipment? I have just my IC2N with quarter wave antenna.
Let me know if its ok
cheers!
Madhu

>From: "ZYROS ZEND" <zzend@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] golden FOX HUNT ON 26 JAN 2002 CONTACT 9821025289 VU2ZRS
>Date: Mon, 10 Dec 2001 06:33:21
>
>DEAR MEMBERS OF M A R S
>PLEASE CONTACT IF YOU WISH TO FIND THE FOX
>
>AND ANYWAY I WILL BE CALLING YOU UP PERSONALLY ABOUT IT
>
>SO DO CALL ME AND SAVE ME THE TROUBLE OF IT
>
>MOBILE NUMBER IS THE BEST
>
>9821025289
>
>ZYROS ZEND
>FORTUNE COOKIE INDIA
>300,CAWASJI HORMASJI STREET
>DHOBI TALAO
>MUMBAI.
>TEL.00-91-22-2035586
>RES.00-91-22-2875741
>FAX.OO-91-22-2025848
>MOBILE. 9821025289
>
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>_____
>Get your FREE download of MSN Explorer at http://explorer.msn.com/intl.asp
>

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Join the world?s largest e-mail service with MSN Hotmail.
http://www.hotmail.com

420. You might be a ham if.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-14 00:00:44 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 420 Message: 420

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421. Re: [m_a_r_s] DFE for Fox Hunt

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-13 15:53:18 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 415 Message: 421

what date is the Fox Hunt on? What equipment does one require to participate?
Nafisa VU2 NFS
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, December 12, 2001 9:51 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] DFE for Fox Hunt

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Members interested in participating fox hunt are requested to get in touch with ZRS at the earliest, We will require a lot of DFE (Directional Finding Equipment) for all Participents and it gonna take time for home brewing it.

So do not delay and get in touch with ZRS and make the Event successful.

73
NLF

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422. Check this out!(The previous one did not go thru ok)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-14 00:09:29 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 422 Message: 422

You might be a HAM if.....
Richard Fitzgerald (W5RDF) (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W5RDF)on December 12, 2001
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My apologies to Jeff Foxworthy, but it occurred to me that as a ham we have a lot of traits that link us together.

So here is my own list of things that you can relate to; or you may know someone that really fits the title of a HAM.

You might be a HAM if.....

-
You know the Latitude and Longitude of your home QTH.

-
You ask for a Bird 43 for a Father's day gift.

-
You receive a Bird 43 for a Father's day gift.

-
You calculate the HAAT for your new QTH before you sign the loan papers.

-
Your teenager refuses to ride in your car because it looks like a porcupine

-
Your XYL refuses to ride in your car because all the radios give her a headache.

-
You ever replaced a perfectly good car battery just to get a higher capacity one.

-
Your criterion for a new QTH includes ground elevation, and no antenna restrictions.

-
You ever received a TVI complaint.

-
Your neighbor threatened to call the FCC for you interfering with an electronic device in their house.

-
You ever had an antenna fall down.

-
You ever had the same roll of coax up at 3 different locations.

-
Your XYL accuses you of moving all those boxes of wire for the last 20 years, but never using any of it.

-
You wear a watch that displays time in a 24-hour format.

-
The local Radio Shack knows you by name.

-
You consider an ARRL repeater directory a necessary glove box item.

-
You ever took a detour just to look at a new tower that has sprung up.

-
You use your ham call as a computer password.

-
You ever used your ham call as a part of an email address.

-
You ever bought a ham study guide for another family member in hopes of getting them interested.

-
You plan your vacation to take in as many hamfests as possible.

-
You ever tapped out HI in Morse on your car horn to another ham.

-
You ever took a spring vacation to Ohio, so you could drop in on Dayton.

-
You go to an antique flea market with the XYL, just so she would feel guilty when you wanted to go the ham flea market.

-
Your call sign shows up on your business cards.

-
You ever put a GPS tracker in the XYL's car, just so you could watch her on APRS.

-
You and the XYL took a cruise so you could visit the radio room.

-
Ham radio magazines comprise more than 50% of your bathroom library.

-
A ham radio activity is included in your business resume.

-
You factor in a few extra hours on a business trip so you can visit a ham radio retail establishment

-
You ever fell off a ladder while putting up an antenna.

-
You ever put up an antenna in a snow storm.

-
You ever had to patch your roof after an antenna project

-
Your teenager thinks all your friends are weird.

-
You have many other interests, but over the years keep ham radio as a core activity.

And, you might be a HAM if.....

You can add at least five other items to this list!

73!
Richard Fitzgerald W5RDF

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You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10830)

by KA5N (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KA5N) on December 12, 2001

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If you keep 6146's in your sock drawer.
Allen

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10831)

by KC8CON (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC8CON) on December 12, 2001

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If your local Radio Shack knows you by your callsign.

You begin your dinner prayer at the table with "this is (your callsign)."

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10833)

by W9QA (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W9QA) on December 12, 2001

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You have ever taken radios and control heads with you while car shopping to make sure everything fit before you made a purchase.

You continue to drive that old 70s or 80s land barge - It's ugly and guzzles gas, but there are plenty of good antenna locations, and a real metal bumper for the HF antenna

You have ever bought a present for the XYL on the way back from a hamfest - something to keep her distracted while you sneak that new rig into the house. Once it's in the shack, she'll never notice it.

You've spent an evening trying to explain to your wife all the neat stuff that the new hand held you want does so much better than the one you bought just last year.

You and a ham buddy buy new rigs, but make the purchase with each other's credit card. That way, when your XYL asks about the mysterious line item on the billing statement, you can just say, " Oh, that's Joe's. He just didn't have his wallet with him when we went to the ham store last time"

73, Dirk W9QA

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10834)

by N8FVJ (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N8FVJ) on December 12, 2001

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You start a small 'ham related' business and the equipment & parts flow is large enough the XYL can not tell what you own or not. This frees up the hobby to the point you can do what you wish and throwing a couple of hundred her way once in a while puts 'a rivet on it.'

RE: You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10836)

by VK6NU (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/VK6NU) on December 12, 2001

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You say 73's instead of saying goodbye on the phone...

John

RE: You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10838)

by AB8JZ (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AB8JZ) on December 12, 2001

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At night, when you pray, it starts off something like:

CQ CQ CQ GOD DE (your callsign)

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10839)

by KC4PX (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC4PX) on December 12, 2001

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You tell the XYL that the new radio you bought was on sale for $75

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10841)

by W7WV (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W7WV) on December 12, 2001

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Your watch is set only to UTC.

Your license plate on your car is your Ham Call Sign.

You watch for clearance measurement signs on bridges and overheads while driving to make sure your antenna is safe.

RE: You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10842)

by NN1I (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/NN1I) on December 12, 2001

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If your car radio cost more than the car

(20 of 36 applied to me, HI-HI)

Igor NN1I

RE: You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10844)

by NN1I (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/NN1I) on December 12, 2001

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if one of your child's first word was your callsign (in ITU phonetics)

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10846)

by N4ZOU (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N4ZOU) on December 12, 2001

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Your future Wife(unknown by you at the time)shows up at the Amateur radio class your teaching.

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10851)

by AA8X (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AA8X) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10851)

You tell the XYL, when she notices a new rig in the shack, why that has been there for years.

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10852)

by KF4ZYC (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KF4ZYC) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10852)

Have you forgotten the females that MUST explain their hobby to their hubbies!

1. We ARE looking for a new QTH, and yes, the RE agent is also a Ham! So, therefore, will have good elevation, good trees, and "the perfect spot." With no cc & r problems!

2. My children refuse to ride in or drive my van, because it has that "tail" on the back end. They're still waiting on that "cool suv" that I have been wanting.

3. My hubby refuses to allow me to have the radio on because it makes his headaches worse.

4. HamFest? Just another name for flea market (hubby DOES enjoy going to those!)

5. Friends? (my kids can identify them by call)

6. Fox Hunts. Get teenagers involved. You will have a wild time. And they know some spots YOU don't know about.

7. Towers? Okay, my kids spot a new one-and then tell me about it so I can check it out. Oh, and my oldest child is now tower climbing for a living-oh well..HI

8. Don't forget...the following: "mom's wierd hobby"

I must admit that without the care and support (especially when learning CW) of my family, I don't think I would have made it. (okay, the disclaimer was said!)

73,
Julie

RE: You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10853)

by NB6Z (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/NB6Z) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10853)

...If you introduce your wife as -mywife@...-.
...If you have used coat hangers and duct tape for something other than hanging coats and taping ducts.
...If you window shop at Ham Radio Outlet.
...If your ideal evening consists of flipping through the latest QST mag looking for technical inaccuracies.
...if you spend more time on the internet ICQ than you do on the ham bands.
...If you like to run new software programs before reading the manual.
...If you thought the concoction ET used to phone home with was stupid.
...If your HT has more computing power than your PC.
...If you have ever saved the power cord from a broken appliance.
...if you are old enough to know what an 807 is.
...If the salespeople at Circuit City can't answer any of your questions.
...If you have a habit of destroying things in order to see how they work.
...If the microphone or visual aids at a meeting don't work and you rush up to the front to fix it.
...If you have more friends on the 20 meter band than in real life.
...If you've ever tried to repair a $5.00 radio.
...If your favorite part of the 6 o'clock news is comparing their latest satellite weather picture with yours.

You might be a HAM if..............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10857)

by KA3POY (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KA3POY) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10857)

- when the flight instructors require you to identify the VOR beacon identification transmission in flight, you are the only student pilot who isn't faking understanding the morse code.

You might be a HAM if..............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10858)

by AB7RG (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AB7RG) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10858)

You might be a ham if... You have more wire up and coax cable run than the electric company, the cable company, and the telephone company combined...

...When you pick up the phone and say "QRZ?" instead of hello.

...When you tell a joke in person and end it with "HI HI"!

...When your end your telephone conversation with your callsign and "73"...

...When you start evaluating any and all high structures as potential antenna supports.

... When you start carrying your HT with you everywhere, even into the bathroom...

...When you have QST's in your bathroom. You've gone too far if you have an HF radio in there...

...When your baby's first words are; "CQ"!

...If the sun started to go supernova, a true ham's first thoughts would be; "I hope that this doesn't have an adverse affect on propagation..."

...When you sign your callsign instead of your name.

...When you can remember any callsign, and most any prefix, but can't remember the names of the operators you've worked.

...When you start giving out RST reports when you are on the telephone.

...When the propagation forcast means far more to you than the local weather forcast.

...When you start evaluating any and all high structures as potential antenna supports.

Wow, 22 out of 35 from the original list fit me!

73 Clinton AB7RG

You might be a HAM if.............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10859)

by KB3CDF (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KB3CDF) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10859)

I accept your challenge. Please send a copy of your book when you put these all together...hi hi hi.

{TKS... Quite a Chuckle.}

1.) You tap SK on your car horn as your leaving a driveway of a fellow HAM.

2.) You have a blank QSL card with your call taped under the name plate on your office door or in your cubical.

3.) You have at least one picture of you shack in your office or cube.

4.) Your toddler thinks it's strange that everyone else's car doesn't have as many antennas as Daddy's/Mommy's.

5.) You talk to more people "one hop away" on a regular basis than you do in your own town.

73, John de KB3CDF

RE: You might be a HAM if.............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10861)

by WA5BDU (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA5BDU) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10861)

While driving across scenic America with your spouse, you make comments like, "Wow--look at that beautiful tower!", and "Hey--great antenna farm!"

You have around fifteen unfinished electronics projects lying around the shack.

You bought $500 worth of test equipment to help you build a $50 rig.

You've gotten into heated arguments over whether or not a conjugate match presents an open circuit to reflected waves.

You took a 25th anniversary trip to KH6 and brought a rig along.

You got up the morning after your wedding day and made about 20 Q's in the CW SS.

You've got more parts than Digi-Key.

You've bought surplus equipment at a hamfest that required a fork lift to pick up.

You were indoors on 6 or 2 meters during a beautiful meteor display.

Miscellenous washing machine squeaks and bird chirps sound like CW to you.

You spend your lunch hour cruising ham web pages.

You've grabbed the wrong end of a soldering iron.

You've burnt the tips off your meter probes.

As you might guess, I've done most of these.

73--Nick, WA5BDU
in Arkansas

You might be a HAM if..............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10862)

by WA7KPK (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA7KPK) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10862)

. . . you can remember every country you've ever worked for DXCC but can't remember your the anniversaries and birthdays in your family.

. . . on your anniversary, your XYL asks you if you remember what today is, and you reply, "Sure, this was the day I broke that pileup to work Ascension Island."

. . . your XYL knows what XYL means.

. . . you'd rather help a buddy put up a new tower than mow the lawn.

. . . you can add even one more "you might be a HAM" to this thread. We all have a few, I'm sure!

73, Creede

You might be a HAM if..............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10865)

by W9QA (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W9QA) on December 12, 2001

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OK, maybe one more:

If you have ever given someone directions by saying something like, " Go down this way until you see the TH6DXX on the Rohn 45, hang a right......"

You might be a HAM if.............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10866)

by AD7DB (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AD7DB) on December 12, 2001

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You pass a place that says "Honey Baked Ham Store" and you wonder what they really sell there....

RE: You might be a HAM if.............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10867)

by AD7DB (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AD7DB) on December 12, 2001

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You have NO trouble whatsoever in locating your car in a crowded parking lot.

You might be a HAM if.............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10868)

by LZ1ABC (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/LZ1ABC) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10868)

..........if u dream for one of those BIGGG towers that the electricity company has while traveling with the train and ur friends ask u what the heck are u watching:)

You might be a HAM.............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10869)

by KC8PIA (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC8PIA) on December 12, 2001

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...if, on a walk around the neighborhood with the family, you look at every house's roof and backyard to see if anyone has an interesting antenna up somewhere.

...if, on that same walk, you keep thinking, "Now, where would I put an antenna or two if I lived there?"

...if, said family KNOWS that you do this.
-Ed-

You might be a HAM if.............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10870)

by ZL2TCR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/ZL2TCR) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10870)

YOU might be a HAM if...

IF you say to your XYL.. "look at that lovely tree".[reffering to a 100ft hight tree with not many branches on it] thinking "I could put a DIPOLE up there if i had it in my back yard. then my XYL could enjoy it aswell."

I have a interesting story that is true of my own expences that i will tell next..

YOU MIGHT BE A HAM IF..

HAve ever turned a tree into a antenna and used your mothers wheel barrow as the reciever.

I once read a article in a WIA mag[wireless intertute of australia] about a ham turning a big gum tree into a antenna.. so the next day i got up and stared looking around my house for a big enogh tre to convert.. there was a nice big gum about 300metres away[too mutch coax.. RG58] so i settled on a old slump plum tree that was next to the radio shack but very small. I decided to give this tree a go and see if it works. So i workded out the Radius of the tree and drillded a hole halfway through the tree then hammarded a bold into the hole.I wanted the best results out of my tree so i ran RG-213 coax to it. i simply attached the coax to the bolt with one of dads hose clips. Then i found had a problem...what do i do with the braid of the coax???. [i was a CBer in those days..not many brains] The coax problem was soon solved.I went and snuck mums wheel barrow away when she was not looking and attatched the braid to it. Time form trans mitting. well to my supprize it loaded up 2:1 VSWR ratio..Well that was me on 26MHZ transmitting off my tree and wheelbarrow. The antenna workded great and i was happy with it.. couldent be better.

the funny thing is that i was running RG-58 to my beam and RG-213 to my tree.

this is a true story that no one ever believes when i tell them.

HOW IS THE ANTENNA YOU ASK?

Well today the tree is dead..[it dided after i finishded tranmitting from it] and the wheel barrow is a rustded out mess at the botom of it.

P.S. MUM NEVER GOT HER WHEELBARROW BACK.

73s for now

ZL2TCR

You might be a HAM if.............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10874)

by KC7MMI (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC7MMI) on December 12, 2001

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You read the cover of a Led Zeplin CD as L.E.D. ... It happened to me!

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10875)

by KC7MMI (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC7MMI) on December 12, 2001

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You read the cover of a Led Zeplin CD as L.E.D. ... It happened to me!

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10877)

by N5XM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N5XM) on December 12, 2001

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1. Been discovered by the xyl to be re-arranging your shack in order to find a place to put the new rig you haven't told her about yet.
2, Critiqued the fists of the ops in war movies and documentaries because NOBODY has that much play in their key.
3. Left the Family Room during a Holiday get together to make a quick contact because, wow, it's been a whole four hours, and you don't want your fist to get sloppy.
4. Told your son that, "One day, all this will be yours", and he doesn't respond.
5. Laid awake at night trying to creatively figure a way to rearrange your bills so you could put that hundred dollars you planned on sending the hospital on your son's surgery next month into the money you've been stashing back for the rig upgrade in your shack.

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10878)

by VE3ZXQ (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/VE3ZXQ) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10878)

...when you drive down the neighbourhood and spot perfectly good tv towers not in use and wonder if you could take it off their hands for a song...

...you go to your local ham shop and you have a reserve spot on the shelf for repairs...

...you and your XYL are shopping in a mall and you bump into an old ham buddy you haven't talk to in years and your XYL rolls her eyes to the skies as you go into techno-babble mode...

RE: You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10879)

by AG4DG (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AG4DG) on December 12, 2001

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You are a bubblegum pop fan, and you write ham radio parodies of your favorite bubblegum pop songs even though only about 10 people in the world are hams AND bubblegum pop fans. (I have parodied "Baby One More Time" by Britney Spears and "Genie In A Bottle" by Christina Aguilera.)

http://www.jasonhsu.com/humor.html

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10880)

by K0XM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K0XM) on December 12, 2001

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A couple of true ones:
You're on ur honeymoon in KH6 land, taking pictures and the XYL asked why I took a pic of a group of hi-rises and I point out the tribander on top of a 15 story building (hmmm maybe thats WHY she is an ex-wife)

The first picture of ur newborn son has ur HT in his bassinet with him (sorry Nick)

When you scout out new real estate, you know where ALL the HV distribution lines are located and if they will interfere with 160/80 mtr DXing.

You work for the local power company and they DO NOT like you pointing out all the noisy insulators on the system

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10882)

by N9AVY (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N9AVY) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10882)

You ran around in the pouring rain at Dayton asking if anyone had any dry dummy loads...

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10883)

by KA1EZE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KA1EZE) on December 12, 2001

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- Neigborhoods kids stare and you and wonder why a grown man is alone in the woods throwing a rock with a string up through the trees.

- You justify your shack mess by pointing out another ham's is much worse

- Power supplies excite you.

- The smell of burning solder gets you all gushy.

- You are compulsed to tweak perfectly working electronic devices.

- You've stripped wire with your teeth.

- The smell of new electronics being opened has more appeal than that new car smell.

- You know what silica gel is.

- You've just had to open the silica gel.

- You save silica gel (just in case, could come in handy some day).

- You save inch long bits of wire (could come in handy some day).

- You save anything that has a high probablity of never being used (doesn't mean it won't come in handy someday yet)

Rick

RE: You might be a HAM if..............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10884)

by KF4MKJ (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KF4MKJ) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10884)

If when out walking with your HT, speaker mike and hat antenna you hear the words "five oh" said behind your back.

If not only your two local Radio Shack stores know you by name but also the ones in the next two towns.

If when driving through crackville people hide when seeing the antennas on your van.

If when using your cellphone you catch yourself ending a conversation with your callsign.

If you start telling your nonham friends about last night's band opening.

You might be a HAM if..............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10886)

by K8EMS (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K8EMS) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10886)

While answering the phone you say QRZ

You might be a HAM if..............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10887)

by K4TBN (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K4TBN) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10887)

I don't BELIEVE how many of these describe yours truly.

Just returned from London (UK) where I spent $80 in cab fare to visit the only remaining ham radio store (Martin Lynch & Son) in that city and it was worth it.

.....when house hunting, you take along an IC706 and a shorty antenna to check for noise

.....your house hunting kit includes a topo map

....your briefcase always contains an HT and spare battery

...your PC at work has a bunch of ham radio sites in your 'favorites'

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10893)

by W4CNG (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W4CNG) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10893)

Own the Bird 43 wattmeter with a 3-30Mhz 1000W slug.
Bought the home in a deed restricted neighborhood with a 1.5inch conduit from the terrace level hamshack to attic, Attic Antennas article posted here.
Just received the 1978 Chevy PU Truck from my parents with excellent antenna location points on it!
Saw Jeff Foxworthy at our neighborhood Package Store just down the street last week in Alpharetta Ga!

Glad to be "Ham Operator" last century, this century!

73 Steve W4CNG

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10895)

by W6ECE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W6ECE) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10895)

If you ever splashed hot solder on your sock, can't get it off fast enough. Ruins the sock and burns your foot!

Bernie W6ECE

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10897)

by KG6BXW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KG6BXW) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10897)

your friends find you wired becaue you brag about your "" old friends

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10898)

by KD4MZM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KD4MZM) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10898)

...if you called a tree company to remove a good tree to make room for a new antenna or room to turn the new long boom yagi.

...you spend more time on the tower working on the antennas than with the family on a nice weekend day.

...you can no longer use the fast food drive thru or bank drive thru without stopping and taking off one or more antennas from the car.

...before buying your next car, your asking the dealer what size is the battery and alternator and can they be upgraded to a larger size.

Most of your's also fit me. hihi
Eric...KD4MZM...

You might be a HAM if..............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10899)

by VE3GIB (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/VE3GIB) on December 12, 2001

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If your wife is at the dinner table yapping and annoying the heck outa you, you call her a lid and leave the table.

You might be a HAM if..............

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10901)

by N1DYM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N1DYM) on December 12, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10901)

When you become an SK, your XYL sells your station for what you TOLD her it was worth, Which is far far less than the $ 15,000 you ACTUALLY spent.

You buy a home telephone network and tie it into your ham station so that you won't miss out on any rare DX while you are in the bath room.

You are reminded by your XYL of your prior agreement with her that you will spend an equal amount on her at the diamond connection...Right after you've shown her that new rig and linear amp that cost Only $6250.00!!

You realize that you have been copying what you thought was a random code practice when in reality it was the washing machine making those weird noises again.

Your neighbor grabs ahold of your new mobile hf antenna just as you key the mike and you hear him say, "What's thIZZZZZZZZZZZZ????

RE: You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10902)

by KC8LWV (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC8LWV) on December 12, 2001

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3 more:

+You've destroyed at least one HT by closing a car door on it (by forgetting to disconnect the speaker-mike before exiting).

+Your XYL is put to sleep by the chatter on 2 meters at night.

+When evaluating two similar job offers, you decide to take the one with a longer commute so you can operate mobile longer each day.

RE: You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10903)

by AE7G (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AE7G) on December 13, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10903)

you tell the real estate agent you will only look at houses that have at most 10 degree line of sight to any mountains (and then wonder how to explain what you just said?); don't have any deed restrictions against towers; aren't near any power distribution lines; have lot at least 190 feet wide; and prefer underground utilities. Oh by the way, it has to be a 3 bedroom, 2 bath with a two car garage.

When you go to look at a house, you tune your car AM radio to ambient noise, to hear if there is any QRN.

you had a 220 line installed in your play room.

are afraid of heights and buy a 75 foot tower.

buy electrical black tape in ten packs.

after pointing out where due east is, for a visiting Muslim friend, you tell him the short path to Mecca is actually NE.

you have an ARRL Hand book in your bathroom.

you switched from Mac to Wintell so that you can run antenna modeling and logging software.

look at the full moon and be awed that you can see the mid point of a DX path for some people.

You wonder what someone is laughing about when they say ?Hi.?

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10904)

by KC5CSM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC5CSM) on December 13, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10904)

every store you go into, you hear checkout stands talking to you in Morse code!

you go see a movie just because it has "ham radio stuff" in it!

You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10907)

by OH7KA (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/OH7KA) on December 13, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10907)

..you have your callsign on CW as the ring tone of your cellular phone.

I do and got quite a good score from this list :)

RE: You might be a HAM if.....

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/10910)

by DL1OLI (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/DL1OLI) on December 13, 2001

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=10910)

Hello,

Please what is HAAT ?

bye

Oli
DL1OLI

Chat with friends online, try MSN Messenger: Click Here
(http://go.msn.com/bql/hmtag1_etl_EN.asp)

423. Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF network for Mumbai DMP. - VU3KPL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-14 03:47:16 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 404 Message: 423

>1. Your BMC Ward.> Dahisar(east)

>2. VHF/ UHF equipment. >VX5R handheld

>3. Antennas >5/8 vertical

>4. Choice to work from House / Field.> don't have mobile equipments, so if i have to perform independently its currently not possible on field.

>5. Suggestions.>
DMP from ham perspective is a voluntary activity rather than duty (which is... for other organizations participated in meeting mentioned earlier). It should not be our obligation but should be our privilege to serve the society in its hard times.
We have all pursued this hobby for so many different reasons and all of us enjoy this that's why we active in some way....

Do You Yahoo!?
Check out Yahoo! Shopping and Yahoo! Auctionsfor all of your holiday gifts!

424. Re: [m_a_r_s] IS THE FOX A MALE OF A FEMALE ? OR IS IT SUPERFOX? FIND OUT & ENROLL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-16 19:41:56 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 411 Message: 424

Dear Zyros,

Is there some way for me to join the Foxhunt from
Baroda. I have Yaesu 840 HF Transceiver.

Kailash, VU2KIZ

--- ZYROS ZEND <zzend@...> wrote:
>
> ENROLL FOR THE FOX HUNT
> YOU DO NOT WANT TO MISS THIS EXERCISE
> IT IS 100% FUN
> WE GAUREENTEE FAMILY ENJOYMENT
> ZRS
>
> ZYROS ZEND
> FORTUNE COOKIE INDIA
> 300,CAWASJI HORMASJI STREET
> DHOBI TALAO
> MUMBAI.
> TEL.00-91-22-2035586
> RES.00-91-22-2875741
> FAX.OO-91-22-2025848
> MOBILE. 9821025289
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your unique holiday gifts! Buy at http://shopping.yahoo.com
or bid at http://auctions.yahoo.com

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-22 07:52:29 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 425 Message: 425

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==>FCC STILL SINGING THE POSTAL BLUES

E-mail it or fax it, but--at least for now--if you've got something to send
to the FCC, don't put it in the mail if you expect the FCC to receive it
anytime soon. The FCC said this week that, because of the mail situation, it
still is not processing Amateur Radio vanity call sign applications--even
those filed electronically--because hard copy and electronic vanity
applications get equal processing priority.

In the aftermath of the recent anthrax incidents involving the mails, the
FCC began diverting mail destined for Gettysburg and for its Washington, DC,
Headquarters to special-handling facilities. The Commission likely will not
resume vanity processing until the mail situation is untangled.
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The FCC has processed vanity applications received through October 14. Vanity applications received after that still are on hold, but vanity fees paid by credit card for electronic filings are being charged to holders' accounts.

FCC staff members in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania--the office that handles vanity processing and issues all Amateur Radio licenses--say they're working on a two-week mail backlog. In mid-November, the Gettysburg office began diverting mail addressed to its 1270 Fairfield Road location to another site in town for special handling. But, staffers say, some earlier mail to Gettysburg was diverted to FCC Headquarters for decontamination with other federal mail and is yet to be returned.

Since October 19, the FCC has been urging all of its customers to avoid using the mails to conduct business with the agency and to use electronic means to file comments or applications. The FCC has been acting on amateur renewals and administrative updates filed on-line via the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau's Universal Licensing System <<http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/>. As of December 3, all applicants must include an FCC Registration Number (FRN) when filing.

Mail sent to FCC Headquarters has been diverted to a warehouse facility in Capitol Heights, Maryland, since late October. The FCC has indicated that it continues to track the date of receipt for each piece of mail.

An FCC spokesperson in Washington has assured that no mail has been destroyed and that the Commission probably would permit additional time to include any comments filed on paper in a proceeding that might be caught in the special-handling and decontamination process. The FCC staff member invited those who had filed paper comments in a proceeding to file their comments again electronically, using the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>.

The FCC said the US Postal Service will continue to accept and will divert all mail addressed to 1270 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg--the office's physical location--to the off-site mailroom. The Gettysburg office now only accepts hand and courier deliveries at the rear entrance of 35 York Street, Gettysburg.

==>"HOLLINGSWORTH ERA" OF AMATEUR ENFORCEMENT ENTERS FOURTH YEAR

FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, this week praised the overall level of Amateur Radio compliance with FCC rules as "outstanding." His assessment came as the current era of Amateur Radio enforcement under his guidance and direction enters its fourth year.

"The vast majority of operators are proud of the service and want to contribute to it and want to pass on the great legacy that it has become," Hollingsworth said in a statement marking the occasion. "May it last a thousand years!"

An amateur for 41 years, Hollingsworth also declared his pride in the Amateur Service. "I saw the energy and compassion and excellent operating of amateurs at the Pentagon and World Trade Center after September 11," he said. "I've seen and heard it at the National Hurricane Center in Miami--home of W4EHW--and in countless meetings with individual amateurs and at amateur events all over the United States."

Hollingsworth said US hams "have a lot to be proud of," and he urged them to "participate in Amateur Radio with enthusiasm, celebrate it, enjoy it and share it, because you have made it an incredible national resource and the only truly fail-safe communication service on the planet Earth."

Hollingsworth again reminded amateurs to be acutely aware of the image they present to anyone who might be listening. "I hear far too many operators who don't realize what a bad reflection they are on American amateur operators," he said.

Now nationally recognized and respected within the amateur community, Hollingsworth was relatively unknown outside the FCC bureaucracy when he volunteered to take on the challenge of amateur enforcement in 1998. For several years prior, the FCC had all but abandoned amateur enforcement. Hollingsworth noted that it was not until another plea went out from the ARRL to the FCC in the summer of 1998 that the FCC responded. The agency transferred Amateur Service enforcement from the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau to what was then called the Compliance and Information Bureau. The FCC subsequently created the Enforcement Bureau to handle agency-wide enforcement activities.

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, lauded Hollingsworth as "a great gift" to the amateur community and expressed appreciation on behalf of the League for what he's been able to accomplish during his tenure. "Over the past three years, Mr. Hollingsworth has breathed new validity and vitality into the enforcement of Amateur Radio," Haynie said. "His strong support for the amateur community as a whole and the ARRL's initiatives, has been unwavering."

Haynie said that Hollingsworth--guided by his passions for Amateur Radio and for the law--"has given hams across the nation reason to pause, think, promote and yes, even laugh about ourselves."

Hollingsworth's statement is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2001/12/12/1/>.

==>NEWFOUNDLAND STUDENTS HONOR MARCONI ANNIVERSARY WITH ISS CONTACT

One hundred years ago in Newfoundland, Guglielmo Marconi used a kite to hoist his receiving antenna aloft to hear the first radio signal to ever span the Atlantic--the simple Morse letter "S." Marconi likely would have been blown away with astonishment if he could have seen youngsters--on the centennial of his epochal accomplishment--sitting where he once sat and carrying on a radio conversation with someone in an orbiting space vehicle.

The successful December 12 Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact between special event station VO1S on Signal Hill, Newfoundland, and astronaut Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ, operating NA1SS in space was just one of the events to celebrate Marconi's transatlantic reception in 1901. During the contact, 10 students got to quiz Culbertson about life in space. The ninth-graders were winners of a crystal-set building competition associated with the centennial observance. Looking on were another 125 students and 40 adults, including members of the media.

"The question that seemed to get the most response from the audience was from Chris Mong, age 13, who asked 'If you sneeze on the space station, does the force of the sneeze propel you backwards?'," said ARISS mentor Charlie Sufana, AJ9N. "Frank said 'it can'."

Fourteen-year-old Ashley Evans, wanted to know how the crew members brush their teeth in space. "The only difference between brushing your teeth in space and on the ground is that most people end up swallowing the toothpaste, since we don't have a sink with running water to get rid of it in," Culbertson said.

Melissa Doody, age 15, was curious if the crew could see Newfoundland from the ISS. "Absolutely, we can certainly see you, and I've seen you many times since I've been up here," Culbertson replied. "Unfortunately, the ham radio is not located near a window, so I can't see you right now, but it's a beautiful part of the country."

The ARISS contact--only the third to involve Canadian students--was arranged with the assistance of Memorial University of Newfoundland, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, and the Society of Newfoundland Radio Amateurs. The commemorative event marked the first time an ARISS school contact was scheduled while a shuttle was docked with the ISS. The ground team reported later that the signal from NA1SS was "very weak and marginal," and contact between the ISS and the ground held up only for about six minutes, compared to the typical ten. There was speculation that the shuttle Endeavour may have blocked signals and led to the shorter-than-usual contact window.

Graham Dillabough, VE6KJ/VO1DZA, served as control op. Sufana congratulated Dillabough and his teammates for battling high winds--gusting at 110 km (68 miles) per hour--and even some snow to erect the antennas necessary for the contact. The high winds kept the visitors from atop Signal Hill itself; gear for the ARISS contact was set up in the visitors' center instead.

Culbertson, who's completing a four-month tour of duty aboard the ISS, turns over the reins this week to Expedition 4 crew commander Yuri Onufrienko, RK3DUO. The other Expedition 4 crew members are fight engineers Dan Bursch, KD5PNU, and Carl Walz, KC5TIE. The Expedition 3 crew has been aboard the ISS since August.

==>HAM-SAILOR COMPLETES "THE BIG ROUND TRIP"

David Clark, KB6TAM--the oldest person to sail solo around the world--arrived back in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, December 7 to a huge

welcome. He'd been on the high seas for two years.

"They made a big deal out of it," said Chuck Baer, W4ROA, an ARRL Assistant Southeastern Division Director who followed Clark's journey and was on hand for the Florida homecoming. "The Guinness Book of World Records people were there to declare it official." He said Clark, 77, was in high spirits and glad to be back on solid ground.

Although Clark technically had completed his circumnavigation when he arrived back in the Bahamas in November, he had said he would not consider his journey complete until he'd returned to the port from which he'd departed two years earlier. Originally intending to arrive back in Florida in time for his 77th birthday last May 17, Clark decided instead to sit out much of the Atlantic hurricane season in Trinidad.

In Fort Lauderdale, Clark was reunited with his wife, Lynda, and other family members whom he had not seen since setting sail in 1999. Baer said a crowd of around 300 people--including news media--was on hand, and Clark's arrival was heralded by a plume of water from a Fort Lauderdale fireboat. A local high school band and a Navy ROTC color guard added to the pomp and circumstance.

Clark almost lost his life a year ago when his original sailboat, the Mollie Milar, sank off the coast of South Africa. Clark bought another sailboat--a smaller one that he named Mickey after his canine sailing companion lost in the rescue effort--and he resumed his quest in April 2001.

Clark used Amateur Radio throughout his two-year odyssey to keep in touch with his family. Having the radio aboard also may have saved his life. When his boat began sinking off South Africa, Clark put out a distress call on ham radio that was relayed to maritime authorities. The crew of a commercial vessel plucked him out of the water to safety.

Clark in part supported his adventure with corporate sponsorship, but he funded much of the trip through Social Security earnings and occasional clarinet gigs. Hams along the way also provided financial assistance.

==>EMP SHIELDING PROPOSAL COULD INCLUDE AMATEUR RADIO GEAR

A petition recently put on public notice by the FCC would require that all electronic equipment subject to the Commission's jurisdiction be shielded against electromagnetic pulse (EMP) damage. The proposal, as drafted, would apply to both new and existing equipment that falls within its scope. If the petitioners have their way, that would include Amateur Radio equipment.

EMP--a high-voltage wave of electromagnetic energy--already is known to be a side effect of a thermonuclear explosion. But petitioners Don Schellhardt and Nick Leggett, N3NL, claim that terrorists could initiate an EMP using other technology--so-called "E bombs"--developed by the US military but, as yet, untested on a major scale.

The petitioners propose phasing in rules to require shielding--or "hardening"--to a basic performance standard that would permit "effective,

uninterrupted functioning" of covered equipment following an EMP of 100,000 V per meter. They say that's twice the estimated EMP from a single high-altitude nuclear explosion. Schellhardt and Leggett say the best defense against EMP is copper shielding.

Amateur Radio is mentioned only once in the Schellhardt-Leggett petition, and Leggett told the ARRL that they kept their proposed rules for Amateur Radio equipment "rather vague" for now. He said their primary intention is to promote serious discussion on the EMP issue--especially in the wake of the September 11 terrorist attacks.

"We do lean towards mandatory requirements for some type of EMP protection for commercially produced amateur radio equipment," Leggett said. "We would both very much like to see constructive progress in the protection of amateur radio equipment from EMP events and attacks."

Schellhardt and Leggett addressed the Amateur Radio issue more directly in reply to comments filed on their petition by REC Networks. "How much emergency communication is amateur radio going to provide if the radio sets are disabled by intense EMP pulses?" they asked rhetorically. "Our opinion is that amateur radio earns its frequencies by its significant emergency communications and technical self-training activities. EMP shielding fits naturally into this public service orientation."

The FCC has designated the petition as RM-10330. Although the comment deadline officially ends December 14, late comments might be accepted in light of the FCC's mail system delays. Interested parties may comment using the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>.

The ARRL has not commented on the Schellhardt-Leggett proposal.

==>AMATEURS RESTORE CITY'S POLICE, FIRE DISPATCHING

Volunteers from the Tulsa Amateur Radio Club helped to restore police and fire dispatching service in Collinsville, Oklahoma, after flames destroyed the city's radio gear and disrupted 911 service December 1. The early-morning fire badly damaged the 88-year-old Collinsville City Hall, which housed the community's police and fire departments and other offices.

"The city's communication system was functioning, but 911 calls were re-routed to a nearby city, because all the dispatch equipment was lost in the fire," said Oklahoma ARRL Public Information Coordinator Mark Conklin, N7XYO. Even the antenna was lost. As a result, the city had to find a temporary home for police and fire dispatch.

Collinsville, a community of some 4000 people, is located about 12 miles north of Tulsa.

Conklin says Collinsville arranged to set up its dispatching center in the Collinsville Rural fire station.

Area amateurs alerted to the devastating fire quickly responded to help, and Tim Diehl, KB5ZVC, notified ARRL Oklahoma Section Manager Charlie Calhoun, K5TTT. TARC Public Service Liaison Dan Lamoreaux, WG5Z, rounded up Gregg Wonderly, W5GGW, Dave Smith, KD5OIJ, and Tom Roininen, KB5HMZ, as additional volunteers. The volunteers brought the club's portable repeater system, which had been built using commercial radio equipment converted for amateur use.

Conklin says the amateurs reprogrammed the repeater for the police and fire departments to use as an emergency dispatch radio. "By 9 o'clock that evening all systems were totally operational and police and fire dispatching was being handled though the club's loaned radio equipment," Conklin said.

Established in 1924, the Tulsa Amateur Radio Club is the state's oldest ham radio club. It operates the W5IAS linked repeater system and its members are active in public service.--Mark Conklin, N7XYO/TARC

==>NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR ARRL INSTRUCTOR, RECRUITER, EDUCATOR AWARDS

Nominations close January 31 for ARRL awards that recognize excellence in teaching Amateur Radio classes, using Amateur Radio in the classroom, and recruiting others to Amateur Radio.

The ARRL Herb S. Brier Instructor of the Year Award goes each year to a volunteer Amateur Radio instructor. The ARRL Professional Educator of the Year award goes to a professional teacher who has incorporated Amateur Radio into his or her class curriculum. The ARRL Professional Instructor of the Year award is presented to a paid, non-state certified ham radio instructor, such as those teaching classes offered through adult education programs. The ARRL Excellence in Recruiting Award goes to a ham who exemplifies outstanding recruiting enthusiasm and technique and has gone the extra mile to introduce others to Amateur Radio.

All winners receive engraved plaques. Complete information and nomination forms are available on the ARRL Web site, <http://www.arrl.org/ead/award/>. Completed forms go to section managers before January 31, 2002. For more information, contact Jean Wolfgang, WB3IOS, jwolfgang@....

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar soothsayer Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: This has been another relatively quiet week with little in the way of geomagnetic upset. Planetary A indices were in the single digits through Tuesday. On Wednesday the planetary K index went to five, which is quite high, but then quieted back down.

A powerful solar flare erupted Tuesday, but the resulting coronal mass ejection is not Earth-directed. It could cause an upset starting Friday, so the predicted planetary A index for Friday through Monday is 15, 20, 25 and 10.

Average sunspot numbers dropped this week by more than 16 points, and average solar flux was down by almost 3 points. Solar flux is expected to decline, with Friday through Monday values around 220, 220, 210 and 200, and

it should reach a short term minimum around December 22-23.

Geomagnetic disturbances could cause problems for the ARRL 10-Meter Contest this weekend, but the effect is difficult to gauge at this point.

Sunspot numbers for December 6 through 12 were 226, 200, 218, 225, 224, 154 and 183, with a mean of 204.3. The 10.7-cm flux was 246.7, 225.9, 220.5, 224.2, 219, 220.6 and 236.7, with a mean of 227.7. Estimated planetary A indices were 8, 5, 5, 3, 4, 4 and 12 with a mean of 5.9.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL 10-Meter Contest, the OK DX RTTY Contest, the 28 MHz SWL Contest, the Croatian CW Contest, and the Great Colorado Snowshoe Run are the weekend of December 15-16. JUST AHEAD: The AGB Party Contest is December 21, the DARC Christmas Contest is December 26 and the RAC Winter Contest (CW/SSB), the Stew Perry Topband Challenge (CW) and the Original QRP Contest (CW) are the weekend of are the weekend of December 29-30. Straight Key Night is January 1, 2002 UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.html for more info.

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* Christmas City special event set: The Christmas City and Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio clubs will sponsor the traditional WX3MAS special event operation from the twin Christmas Cities of Bethlehem and Nazareth, Pennsylvania, from 1200 UTC December 15 to 2400 UTC December 16. Operation will be on or about 3.979, 7.270, 14.265, 21.365 and 28.465 MHz, SSB. For a certificate, QSL to CCARC/DLARC WX3MAS, Greystone Bldg, Gracedale Complex, RR 8, Nazareth, PA 18064-9211.

* Tune up the radio and turn on the kids: Are you ready? Here comes Kid's Day! On Saturday, January 5, sit down at your radio, tune it up, then share it with the younger generation. Let them talk about Pokemon, school, games, Harry Potter, computers, friends and other kid stuff, while you manage the

technical aspects and just watch and listen for a change. Kid's Day is always lots of fun for all ages, and it's a terrific opportunity for parents, clubs and individual amateurs to show youngsters what great fun ham radio can be. For more information about Kid's Day, visit the Kid's Day Rules page on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/ead/kd-rules.html>.

* ARRL reminds FCC of "legacy" amateur microwave allocation: The ARRL has reminded the FCC that the Amateur and Amateur-Satellite Services have primary access to the 75.5 to 76.0 GHz band--a so-called "legacy" allocation--until 2006. Loea Communications Corporation filed a Petition for Rule Making in September seeking to establish Part 101 licensing and service rules for fixed, point-to-point operation in that part of the spectrum using narrow beamwidth antennas. In reply comments in the proceeding (RM-10288), ARRL noted that neither the petitioner nor any commenters had mentioned the amateur allocation, due to phase out as a result of a shift in amateur allocations at WRC-2000. Part 97 Amateur Service rules include full access to the band 75.5 to 76 GHz and 77 to 81 GHz, conditioned on protecting, and the absence of interference protection from, government and non-government radiolocation. The ARRL said it had no objection to Loea's petition but wanted the FCC to note in any rules it adopts that the Amateur Service is entitled to operate at 75.5 to 76 GHz on a primary basis until 2006.

* FCC nixes FRS calling channel proposal: The FCC has turned down a petition to establish Family Radio Service channel 1 (462.5625 MHz) as a national calling channel. The petition was filed by Alan Dixon, N3HOE, and Robert K. Leef, KB6DON. In a six-page Order, the FCC December 5, pointed out--among other things--that FRS Rule 3 already requires FRS users to give priority to emergency communications concerning the immediate safety of life or the immediate protection of property on any of the 14 authorized FRS channels. "The current rules, therefore, already provide that emergency communications have priority over ordinary communications," Kathleen O'Brien Ham, deputy chief of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, wrote on behalf of the Commission. The FCC Order said a national calling channel was not necessary, given that FRS is intended only for short-range communication over distances of a half mile or less. The Order also said it did not want to burden the FRS with additional technical or operational rules. According to the FCC Order, the petition also called on the FCC to adopt requirements for manufacturers to include certain additional features in FRS units, but Dixon said that's an incorrect characterization. "At no point would the petition require manufacturers to include any additional features into FRS units," he told ARRL.--FCC

* Ohio ham sentenced in police radio jamming case: Kenneth Kelly, WT2FBI, has been sentenced to five years probation after pleading guilty of attempted disrupting public service--a fifth-degree felony in Ohio. FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth says Kelly did not appear by October 30 for requested retesting, and his license will be canceled. Kelly had been indicted on a felony charge of disrupting public service by allegedly jamming and talking on the Middletown, Ohio, police radio system in July. He had been held in the Butler County jail pending sentencing. The assistance of members of the Dial Radio Club--who did some

direction finding and also taped Kelly's legal transmissions on 2 meters for comparison with the voice showing up on the police frequencies--was instrumental in solving this case.--Ernie Howard, W8EH

* Question Pool Committee cuts questionable questions: The National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators' Question Pool Committee has stricken three questions from the new Element 4 Amateur Extra class question pool. The new Element 4 question pool was released to the public November 30 and must be used as the basis for all Element 4 examinations starting July 1, 2002. Questions deleted were E2E09, E2E10 and E6B17. Subsequent questions in each subelement of the pool will not be renumbered. "These three questions are no longer part of the question pool and should not be administered as part of any examination," a QPC announcement said.

* DC-area repeater group waives dues for members on active duty: The Green Mountain Repeater Association--which operates the 146.610 and 146.880 repeaters in the Washington, DC, area--has approved a motion to waive renewal dues for members who are on active military duty. "It is the least we can do for our military members," said GMRA President Paul Freirich, W3HFA. The waiver will remain in affect as long as the member is on active duty. GMRA member and "founding father" Murray Green, K3BEQ, urged other clubs across the nation to "follow suit as a gesture of support to Amateur Radio operators serving our nation."

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EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the final edition of The ARRL Letter for 2001. The
ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News will return Friday, January 4, 2002. ARRL
Headquarters is closed Monday and Tuesday, December 24-25 and Tuesday,
January 1. Important Amateur Radio news will be posted on the ARRL Web site
<http://www.arrl.org/> and/or as a W1AW bulletin. We wish everyone a safe
and happy holiday season and best wishes for the new year!--Rick Lindquist,
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==>ARRL STUDY PANEL RECOMMENDS ELIMINATING NOVICE BANDS

On the basis of nearly 5000 survey responses, the ARRL Novice Spectrum Study
Committee has recommended that the ARRL petition the FCC to eliminate the
Novice CW subbands and allow Novice and Technician with Element 1 credit
licensees to operate CW on the General 80, 40, 15 and 10-meter CW
allocations at up to 200 W output. The panel suggested setting aside
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portions of those bands for "slow CW operation" to aid new CW operators in enhancing their skills. The committee recommended refarming the current Novice/Tech Plus subbands in part to allow expansion of the phone allocations on 80, 40 and 15 meters.

The committee's complete report will be presented to the ARRL Board of Directors for consideration during its annual meeting in January. The committee's determinations were based on opinions expressed by 4744 respondents to an ARRL Novice Spectrum Study survey launched in June. Those expressing their opinions included ARRL members and nonmembers. Nearly 61% of those responding were Extra class licensees.

The committee, chaired by ARRL International Affairs Vice President Rod Stafford, W6ROD, has been studying the status and usage of the Novice/Technician Plus HF bands with an eye toward determining what changes to usage of that spectrum might be needed now that the FCC no longer issues new Novice licenses.

The survey offered possible refarming options for each of the bands involved--including no change at all. Generally speaking, the predefined options proposed retaining Extra class CW subbands on the affected bands, setting aside expanded CW reserves for all license classes except Technicians lacking Element 1 credit, and dividing the remaining spectrum into expanded phone segments for General, Advanced and Extra class operators. A guiding principle was that no class of licensees would lose any privileges as a result of refarming.

The committee recommended expanding the phone bands in accordance with the most popular of the survey choices offered--three for 80, 40 and 15 meters and two for 10 meters. Here's a summary:

* On 80 meters, nearly 40% of those responding opted for a plan that would extend the US phone allocation to 3700 kHz, with Extras permitted on the entire subband, and with Advanced and General class subbands starting at 3725 and 3800 kHz respectively.

* On 40 meters, nearly half of the respondents picked the plan to extend the primary US phone allocation to 7125 kHz, with Extra and Advanced licensees allowed on the entire segment and Generals from 7175 kHz and up. (The committee's report suggested no changes to the special allocations for amateurs on certain Pacific or Caribbean islands and in Alaska.)

* On 15 meters, again, nearly half of those responding wanted the US phone allocation extended to 21,175 kHz, with Extras permitted on the entire allocation, and Advanced and General subbands beginning at 21,200 and 21,250 kHz respectively.

* On 10 meters--where Novice and Tech Plus licensees already may operate CW, RTTY and data from 28,100 to 28,300 kHz, nearly 55% of the respondents favored a plan to retain the US phone allocation from 28,300 to 29,700 kHz and to extend CW access to Novice/Tech Plus operators to 28,000 kHz--an additional 100 kHz. The current Tech Plus 28,300 to 28,500 kHz phone segment

would be retained.

The committee's report says that if the ARRL Board adopts the plan, the League should include any request to the FCC to implement the changes within an omnibus filing encompassing other issues, rather than as a separate petition. Consideration of any necessary ARRL Band Plan changes would follow ultimate FCC approval.

==>ANTENNA MODELING IS NEXT ARRL CERTIFICATION PROGRAM OFFERING

Building upon the success of its emergency communication courses, the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) Program will offer an on-line course in computerized antenna modeling. Program Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, said the new course will open for registration soon.

"This course is designed to assist students in mastering the art and science of antenna modeling using computer software," Miller said. The course was developed by L.B. Cebik, W4RNL, and course content was edited by ARRL Senior Assistant Technical Editor (and antenna guru) Dean Straw, N6BV. At least initially, the antenna modeling course will be offered once per month for up to 50 registrants. The course is scheduled to take 12 weeks to complete. The fee will be $80 for ARRL members and $120 for nonmembers.

While Miller doesn't expect demand for the antenna modeling course to come anywhere near that for the emergency communications series, he's hoping it will be popular enough to eventually spin off a "live" classroom course.

Since the introductory Level I emergency communication course was offered for the first time one year ago this month, the popular series has expanded to three levels, with the addition of the intermediate and advanced courses. Miller reports that more than 1600 students have signed up for seats in one or more of the series, and registrations for both on-line and live classes spiked in the wake of the September 11 terrorist attacks.

"It exceeded my expectations of one year ago," Miller said. He said he also was pleased to be able to offer the Level II and Level III classes this year.

Next on tap for the ARRL C-CE Program is a course on HF digital communications, which will become available early next year. The Certification and Continuing Education Program is seeking HF digital mode aficionados to beta test the course and to serve as mentors to students taking the initial classes.

To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact C-CE Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

==>ALL-HAM CREW SETTLING IN ABOARD ISS; SCHOOL CONTACTS SCHEDULED

For the first time, there's an all-ham crew aboard the International Space Station. The Expedition 4 crew of Commander Yuri Onufrienko, RK3DUO, and flight engineers Dan Bursch, KD5PNU, and Carl Walz, KC5TIE, is settling into

the ISS quarters that will be its home for the next six months. Amateur Radio on the International Space Station school contacts already are tentatively set for January and February.

Expedition 3 crew members Commander Frank Culbertson, KD5OPQ, Mikhail Tyurin and Vladimir Dezhurov returned to Earth December 17 under heavy security aboard the shuttle Endeavour. Culbertson and his crewmates returned to a planet that's still trying to comprehend and adjust to the changes wrought by the September 11 terrorist attacks, which occurred while the crew was in space. The Expedition 3 crew had been aboard the ISS since August. Operating as NA1SS from aboard the ISS, Culbertson completed nearly two dozen successful ARISS school and educational contacts.

Now it will be the Expedition 4 crew's turn. Penciled in on the ARISS schedule for the new crew are contacts with St Clare School in Waveland, Mississippi, during the week of January 7, and with Harrogate Ladies College (GB2HC) in Harrogate, England, the following week. Depending on the crew's work activities, an effort will be made to schedule one ARISS school or educational contact during a typical week.

New Amateur Radio antennas carried into space for the ISS have been stowed for the time being. Current plans call for them to be installed around the perimeter of the Service Module by the Expedition 6 crew. The new antennas will allow future operation from HF to microwave frequencies, once additional ham gear is brought aboard the ISS.

==>FCC AMENDS PART 15 RULES TO ALLOW HIGHER-POWER DEVICES AT 24 GHZ

Despite objections from the ARRL, the FCC has announced plans to amend its Part 15 rules to allow fixed point-to-point transmitters in the 24.05 to 24.25 GHz band to operate at field strengths of up to 2500 mV per meter. That's 10 times the level currently permitted. Among other interference safeguards, the FCC will require devices operating at these higher field strengths to use highly directional antennas. Amateur Radio is primary at 24.0 to 24.05 GHz and secondary on the rest of the band. The AO-40 satellite includes beacon, digital and analog transmitters in the vicinity of 24.048 GHz.

"This band has accommodated unlicensed transmissions, government radar and amateur facilities with no major conflicts," the FCC said. "By allowing a greater variety of systems to occupy the band, we will provide the opportunity for innovative products and services to be made available to the American public as quickly as demand dictates."

The FCC first proposed permitting the Part 15 devices at the elevated field strengths in 1998, in response to a Petition for Rule Making from Sierra Digital Communications Inc. Sierra had requested that its proposal be authorized to include a portion of the 24.0 to 24.05 MHz segment, but ARRL had argued that such a move would adversely affect amateur operations there, and the FCC agreed. The FCC finally acted in the three-year-old proceeding, ET Docket 98-156, on December 11 in a Report and Order that closely mimics its earlier Notice of Proposed Rule Making.

Noting that Part 15 devices operate in a non-interference basis to licensed services and must accept interference from licensed services, the FCC said it was requiring directional antennas with gains of at least 33 dBi to minimize interference potential. For the same reason, the FCC also imposed more stringent frequency stability and spurious emissions requirements than initially proposed.

The FCC said it disagreed with ARRL that permitting Part 15 devices at the higher field strengths would increase the risk of interference to amateur operations in the 24.05 to 24.25 GHz segment. The Commission said that Part 15 field disturbance sensors have been operating for years in the band at 2500 mV/m field strengths with no adverse affects to other users.

The FCC took issue with ARRL's assertion that the FCC should acknowledge that Part 15 devices are only allowed under the Communications Act when they pose no interference potential to licensed services. The FCC called ARRL's interpretation "overly conservative."

The FCC Order in ET Docket 98-156 is available on the FCC Web site <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-01-357A1.doc>.

==>"SANTA HAM" SPECIAL EVENT A THRILL FOR THE YOUNGER SET

Several hams with young children report their kids have enjoyed the thrill of their lives talking with Santa via ham radio. The W6S "Santa's Workshop" special event operation by ARRL member Mickey Hicks, WO6T, in Bakersfield, California, now is in its 30th year of helping to make the season special for youngsters.

"Hats off to WO6T!" enthused Peter Schipelliti, W1DAD, of Atkinson, New Hampshire, who says he bumped into the W6S Santa's Workshop station while he was tuning around on 20 meters the evening of December 19. He awoke daughter, Geena--at age 6 already a seasoned Kid's Day veteran--so she could talk to Santa.

"She had a great time, especially when Santa recited our address and said that he would be coming next week," Schipelliti said. "Santa reinforced some basic values and reminded her that she should share her toys and continue to be good."

Hicks, 71, says he started his Santa's Workshop as a one-night effort, but he soon realized he needed to expand it. The annual W6S special event now runs for 10 days each Christmas season and occupies 7 to 10 hours of his day, including preparation.

"It's not scripted," he said. "I ad lib all the time." He said he spreads his effort out among several bands too--and notes that 17 meters has been great this year. Hicks estimates that he speaks with 400 to 500 youngsters each holiday season, and sometimes they include children of the youngsters he'd met years earlier.

During his QSO with W1DAD, Santa mentioned his Web cam site <http://www.wo6t.com>. "It was great," Schipelliti said. "We saw Santa from the back and a whole bunch of equipment and computers." Hicks said the Web

cam is a new twist the past couple of years that has proven to be a big hit with the kids.

Schipelliti said he and Geena heard Santa talking with some other children too. "He started out by asking them their name and age. Then, he would ask them one thing they were looking forward to," he said. Santa also joked with the kids and tried to draw out the shy ones, usually with great success.

Schipelliti said that when his son Luciano, almost 5, found out that his sister got to talk with Santa, he wanted to know if Santa would be on the air again. "He made me promise to wake him up so he could speak with Santa Claus on the radio," Schipelliti said.

A ham for 41 years and a long-time Amateur Radio instructor, Hicks says his Santa's Workshop has been a great ham radio recruiting tool. One of his most memorable experiences was when a young girl he'd once spoken with on the air as Santa came by with her ham ticket in hand to thank him in person for getting her interested. "I had tears in my eyes, of course," he said.

The W6S Santa's Workshop special event operates on or about 14.270, 18.135, 21.335 and 28.335 MHz. It continues through Christmas Eve, December 24. QSL via WO6T, who says Santa always appreciates a self-addressed, stamped envelope for the reply card.

==>ARRL STANDARDIZES CLUB NAMES FOR ELECTRONIC CONTEST SUBMITTALS

The ARRL Contest Branch has released a list of standardized club designators to enable the ARRL contest robot to properly count electronically submitted contest scores toward a club's ARRL Affiliated Club Competition point total. ARRL Contest Branch Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, says a list of clubs that have participated in various ARRL operating events in recent years is posted on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/contests/club-list.html>.

ARRL-affiliated club members submitting contest scores for club credit should use their club's name as it appears on the list as a standard designator. In most cases, this means typing the name into the "club" field on the logging program used. Henderson says that clubs must be ARRL-affiliated to participate in the various ARRL Affiliated Club Competitions associated with the ARRL's contest program. Members of clubs that are not ARRL-affiliated should leave that field blank when submitting ARRL contest entries.

"We can adjust the full club names when necessary," Henderson said. "We can edit the list to add new clubs." A standardized list of club abbreviations has not been developed at this point, Henderson explained, because some clubs might share an abbreviation.

"While we realize it isn't the perfect solution to the problem or the solution some would have chosen, it is a system that works within the framework of the database programs we use at the Contest Branch," Henderson said. He invited questions, comments and suggestions. Contact Dan Henderson, n1nd@...; 860-594-0232.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar sage Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Today is the "shortest" day of the year! Check out the nighttime bands such as 160 and 80 meters.

Solar flux and sunspot numbers were slightly lower this past week compared to the previous period. Average sunspot numbers were off by a little more than four points, and average solar flux was down by nearly eleven.

The view of the sun currently shows a few spots, with not much activity. The current outlook shows solar flux rising slowly in the near term, reaching a peak in the period December 30 through January 2. Solar flux is predicted to be right around 215 for Friday through Monday, and then rising slowly after that.

Sunspot numbers for December 13 through 19 were 212, 202, 198, 204, 215, 210 and 158, with a mean of 199.9. The 10.7-cm flux was 220.2, 245.8, 217.8, 209.1, 205.5, 211.8 and 208.2, with a mean of 216.9. The estimated planetary A indices were 4, 4, 11, 10, 15, 8 and 9 with a mean of 8.7.

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* Ducie Island DXpedition set for March 2002: With assistance from an ARRL Colvin Award, the Pitcairn Island Amateur Radio Association (PIARA) plans to mount a DXpedition to Ducie Island in March. Ducie--which became the newest ARRL DXCC entity as of November 16, 2001--has not yet been activated, making it the most-wanted DXCC entity. Poor weather scuttled the initial attempt to land a DXpedition team on Ducie Island in November. PIARA President Tom Christian, VP6TC, has announced that a DXpedition team now plans to depart by boat from Mangareva on March 12. Once on Ducie Island, the DXpedition will use a VP6 call sign to be announced at the start of the operation, which will include both SSB and CW and possibly RTTY on 160 through 6

meters. Six-meter QSLs go to JA1BK. Log checks will be available on the "DX Cluster from Japan" Web site, <http://www.big.or.jp/~ham/dx.html>. More information is available on the VE3HO QSL Manager Web page <http://www.ve3ho.com/ve3ho-qslmgr.htm> and on WD4NGB's DX Is Web site, <http://www.qsl.net/wd4ngb/ducie.htm>.--Tom Christian VP6TC

* FCC turns down request for special Winter Olympics prefix: The FCC has denied a request from a Utah amateur to permit hams in that state to identify using a special prefix during the upcoming Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City. D'wana R. Terry, chief of the Public Safety and Private Wireless Division within the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, told Thomas M. Schaefer, NY4I, that his request was "inconsistent with the international Radio Regulations" and could not be granted. Schaefer had asked the FCC to authorize hams in Utah to substitute the numerals "02" or "2002" for the numeral "7" when identifying on the air (Schaefer, with a numeral "4" in his own call sign could not have taken advantage of his own proposal, had it been granted). He noted that a similar waiver of the FCC's rules was permitted in 1996 for the Atlanta Olympics. Terry pointed out that the special temporary authority granted for the Atlanta games covered all amateurs in Georgia, while Schaefer's proposal for the Salt Lake City games would only cover hams with a numeral "7" in their call signs. She said rules applying to waivers have changed significantly since then, and Schaefer's request doesn't fall under the newer guidelines. She recommended hams take advantage of the special event call sign system or the provisions of Section 97.119 (c) of the rules, which permits the use of self-assigned indicators.

* K3RXK appointed as a Solar System Ambassador: ARRL Life Member and ARRLWeb Contributing Editor Tony Curtis, K3RXK, has been honored with the appointment as a NASA Solar System Ambassador for 2002. "The Ambassadors program is a NASA public-outreach effort designed to honor dedicated supporters of space research and exploration," said Curtis, who pens the Space&Beyond column that appears on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2001/12/16/1/>. He also is editor of Space Today Online <http://www.spacetoday.org/>. Space enthusiasts who have demonstrated deep commitment to the subject, the Ambassadors are selected from among the ranks of educators and others. The appointment is for one year and is renewable. Curtis says that last year, the various Ambassadors took part in some 600 events and were seen by more than one-half million people. An Extra class operator, Curtis holds a doctorate in mass communication and has authored 72 books about space, astronomy, computers and electronics. He's associate dean for academic information services at the Union Institute & University in Cincinnati, Ohio. The Solar System Ambassadors Program is sponsored by NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory at Pasadena, California.

* KPH coast station ops to be on the air for ARRL Straight Key Night: Maritime Radio Historical Society club station K6KPH will use the transmitters, receivers and antennas of former RCA coast station KPH during ARRL Straight Key Night (SKN), which takes place January 1, 2002, UTC (ie, starts New Year's Eve in US time zones and continues for 24 hours). ARRL sponsors Straight Key Night

<http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/skn.html> each year to promote the use of Morse code. K6KPH will take to the airwaves at 0000 UTC, and continue operation into the evening Pacific Time. Anticipated operating frequencies are 3545, 7050 and 14,050 kHz. K6KPH will use 1950s-vintage RCA transmitters. Also listen for the KPH call sign on medium frequency, 426 and 500 kHz. QSL to Maritime Radio Historical Society, K6KPH, 435 Utah Street 4, San Francisco, CA 94110. More information is available on the Maritime Radio Historical Society Web site <http://www.radiomarine.org>.--Dick Dillman, W6AWO

* Special event commemorates ARRL transatlantic tests: Special event station GB2ZE will operate until January 2, 2002, from Ardrossan in southwestern Scotland to mark the 80th anniversary of the successful Amateur Radio transatlantic listening tests of 1921. The tests culminated on December 12, 1921, when ARRL's special representative Paul F. Godley, 2ZE, confirmed reception of 1BCG in Greenwich, Connecticut, which had been erected especially for the tests. Listening between 200 and 400 meters, Godley also heard several other Amateur Radio transmissions from North America during his stay (Godley used a superheterodyne receiver and a Beverage antenna--Ed). GB2ZE will operate CW and SSB on a variety of bands, conditions depending. For more information, contact Andy Goldie, GM0DEX, goldie.seamill@....

* Special event station K1D will prime Kid's Day pump: Special event station K1D, operated by Peter and Jeanne Schipelliti, W1DAD and K1MOM, in New Hampshire, will be on the air starting Saturday, December 22, 2001, and continuing for the next two weeks to encourage participation in Kid's Day <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html>. The next Kid's Day is January 5, 2002, 1800-2400 UTC. Look for K1D on or around 3895, 14,270, 21,370 and 28,370 kHz. QSL to 7 Dearborn Ridge Rd, Atkinson, NH 03811. A free (via e-mail) K1MOM Amateur Radio Coloring Book for children--including operating aids for Kid's Day, log sheet, WAS map to color in and phonetic alphabet--is available from Jeanne Schipelliti, k1mom@....

* "The Big Project" logo designs due December 28: There's still time to submit your suggested logo design for the ARRL's Amateur Radio Education Project-- "The Big Project." The deadline is December 28. "The theme is using Amateur Radio in education," says The Big Project Coordinator Jerry Hill, KH6HU. "This is your opportunity to show off your creativity." All entries should incorporate the ARRL diamond, portray the proper image in both black-and-white and in color, and be the same size as other standard patches, such as ARES--typically 3.5 inches in diameter. Entries should be submitted electronically at a resolution suitable for QST publication (at least 300 dpi when the image is sized at 4x5 inches or larger; see The ARRL Author's Guide <http://www.arrl.org/qst/aguide/>). The creator of the logo selected as a permanent symbol for The Big Project will receive a handsome wall certificate, and the winner's name will be announced in QST, in The ARRL Letter and on the ARRL Web site. E-mail entries no later than Friday, December 28, 2001, to The Big Project Coordinator Jerry Hill, KH6HU <kh6hu@...>. Resubmit your entry if it's not acknowledged within two business days.

* AMSAT-NA announces Elmer Award: AMSAT-NA Awards Manager Bruce Paige, KK5DO, has announced a new Elmer Award to recognize those who encourage and assist satellite newcomers. The award offers three levels--beginner, intermediate and expert. For example, Paige said, to qualify for the beginning level, a satellite operator would need to work: one school club station; four female (YL) operators; four operators age 16 or younger; and 10 operators who have been licensed for less than two years at the time of contact. Paige said qualifications for the intermediate and expert levels build on the beginner level. Any Amateur Radio satellite may be used for contacts, but contacts should be voice or CW only, and QSOs with the ISS, shuttle or any other manned spacecraft are not eligible for this award. Contacts must be made on or after November 1, 2001. For more information, contact Bruce Paige, KK5DO, kk5do@... .

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Date: 2001-12-23 11:55:13 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 427 Message: 427

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Huzefa

428. HAM Interview by Srikant Gore on radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-24 03:59:00 UTC
From: ajay solanki
Topic: 427 Message: 428

Hi,
I am currently at banglore.
There was a very good HAM interview given by Srikant
Gore on radio last week.
Laxman Halbe VU2LH from banglore would like to
comunicate with Srikant.
If any one of you knows the address or callsign or
mail id of Srikant please forward it to me.
Regards,
Ajay...

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429. RDF Links

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-24 09:15:02 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 429 Message: 429

Hi OMs/YLs

here are few useful links related to RDF & Foxhunt :-

http://members.aol.com/homingin/
http://home.att.net/~jleggio/projects/rdf/rdf.htm
http://members.tripod.com/~clearRX/RDFUNIT.HTM
http://members.aol.com/bmgenginc/
http://www.tfs.net/~petek/rockets/RDF/rdf.html
http://www.tfs.net/~petek/rockets/RDF/70ant.html
http://www.eham.net/forums/HomeBrew/206
http://www.geocities.com/~w9az/foxhunt_main.html

73s,
VU2ugo
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430. Merry Christmas

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-25 07:39:27 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 430 Message: 430

Dear Friends,

Wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

NLF

431. Fw: Christmas Greeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-25 11:43:15 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 431 Message: 431
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Merry Christmas & Happy and Prosperous New Year - Mehul

432. Contact Details of MARS Members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-26 08:56:55 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 432 Message: 432

Dear YL/OM:

I have sorted the member details sent by VU2HIT just to make it user-friendly since we may not remember each ham's MARS membership number.

Changes made before sorting are

Dr. before Sudhir Shenoy put after his name

Mehul A.C. has become Mehul Chovatia

P.V. Jaiprakash has become Jaiprakash P.V.

The list is now as below.

my best regards,

Nirav Sanghavi

VU2NHR

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433. Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF network for Mumbai DMP.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-27 12:30:14 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 404 Message: 433

Dear NLF,

Can those hams participate who do not have any equipments.

1. Your BMC Ward.:D-Ward
>2. VHF/ UHF equipment.Nil
>3. Antennas:Nil
>4. Choice to work from House / Field.:either
>5. Suggestions.

>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] VHF network for Mumbai DMP.
>Date: Tue, 11 Dec 2001 17:23:03 +0530
>
>MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
>
>
>Dear Members,
>
>I have informed you all about the Mumbai Disaster Management Plan, Ham
>Radio is likely to play an important role in case of real disaster. MARS
>has a very competent Team for Disaster Management, But the Team is trained
>for HF communications from remote locations, Disaster in Mumbai (God
>Forbid) would be totally a whole new Ball Game.
>
>We would require an excellent VHF & UHF network and lots of hams to deal
>with the problems. In such case I am sure almost all the members having the
>VHF or UHF capability can partcipate for this noble cause.
>
>There are about 20 BMC Wards in Mumbai [A -T] , we need to have atleast
>one of our Ham Representative for all these wards, who in case of emergency
>can coordinate with their local ward officers and vice versa.
>
>Our VHF repeater is also likely to be up by this weekend, Nerverthe less we
>would still require hams as relay stations working from their areas, we
>would also require Hams who can be mobile for survery and reports.
>
>I therefore request all the members to opt for this emergency service and
>offer their assistance depending upon their capability
>members interested must send me the following details as under :-
>
>1. Your BMC Ward.
>2. VHF/ UHF equipment.
>3. Antennas

>4. Choice to work from House / Field.
>5. Suggestions.
>
>A VHF simulated exercise will be conducted (just Hams) very shortly to
>evaluate for our coverage and to test the foot prints of our repeater.
>
> 73s
> VU2NLF
>
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>

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434. Wishes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-29 03:14:34 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 434 Message: 434

Dear Friends

Wish you all a Happy and Prosperous New year.

Regards

vu2jpn

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435. WA7BNM Contest Calendar.htm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-29 08:48:52 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 435 Message: 435
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

WA7BNM Contest Calendar

WA7BNM 12-Month Contest Calendar
Last updated December 14, 2001
Please send corrections and additions directly to Bruce Horn, WA7BNM

For an e-mail version of this calendar, send a request to: calendar@...

Please note that you may not be able to operate during all of the total hours of the contests listed below. Total operating time may also vary by entry category. See individual contest rules for allowed operating hours.

December, 2001
TARA RTTY Sprint 1800Z, Dec 1 - 0200Z, Dec 2
TOPS Activity 80m Contest 1800Z, Dec 1 - 1800Z, Dec 2
Tennessee QSO Party 1800Z, Dec 2 - 0100Z, Dec 3
QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Sprint 2000Z - 2400Z, Dec 2
QRP ARCI Topband Sprint 2000 - 2400 local, Dec 5
ARRL 160-Meter Contest 2200Z, Dec 7 - 1600Z, Dec 9
Six Club 1st Winter Contest 2300Z, Dec 7 - 0300Z, Dec 10
PSK31 Death Match 0000Z, Dec 8 - 2400Z, Dec 9
ARRL 10-Meter Contest 0000Z, Dec 15 - 2400Z, Dec 16
OK DX RTTY Contest 0000Z - 2400Z, Dec 15
28 MHz SWL Contest 0000Z, Dec 15 - 2400Z, Dec 16
Croatian CW Contest 1400Z, Dec 15 - 1400Z, Dec 16
Great Colorado Snowshoe Run 0200Z - 0400Z, Dec 16
AGB Party Contest 2100Z - 2300Z, Dec 21
DARC Christmas Contest 0830Z - 1059Z, Dec 26
RAC Winter Contest 0000Z - 2400Z, Dec 29
Stew Perry Topband Challenge 1500Z, Dec 29 - 1500Z, Dec 30
Original QRP Contest, CW 1500Z, Dec 29 - 1500Z, Dec 30

January, 2002
AGB NYSB Contest 0000Z - 0100Z, Jan 1
SARTG New Year RTTY Contest 0800Z - 1100Z, Jan 1
AGCW QRP Winter Contest 1500Z, Jan 5 - 1500Z, Jan 6
ARRL RTTY Roundup 1800Z, Jan 5 - 2400Z, Jan 6
Kid's Day Contest 1800Z - 2400Z, Jan 5
Japan Int. DX Contest, 160-40m 2200Z, Jan 11 - 2200Z, Jan 13
Hunting Lions in the Air 0000Z, Jan 12 - 2400Z, Jan 13
Midwinter Contest, CW 1400Z - 2000Z, Jan 12
North American QSO Party, CW 1800Z, Jan 12 - 0600Z, Jan 13
NRAU-Baltic Contest, CW 0530Z - 0730Z, Jan 13
NRAU-Baltic Contest, SSB 0800Z - 1000Z, Jan 13
Midwinter Contest, Phone 0800Z - 1400Z, Jan 13

DARC 10-Meter Contest 0900Z - 1059Z, Jan 13
LZ Open Contest, CW 1200Z - 2000Z, Jan 19
MI QRP January CW Contest 1200Z, Jan 19 - 2359Z, Jan 20
North American QSO Party, SSB 1800Z, Jan 19 - 0600Z, Jan 20
ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes 1900Z, Jan 19 - 0400Z, Jan 21
CQ 160-Meter Contest, CW 2200Z, Jan 25 - 1600Z, Jan 27
REF Contest, CW 0600Z, Jan 26 - 1800Z, Jan 27
BARTG RTTY Sprint 1200Z, Jan 26 - 1200Z, Jan 27
UBA DX Contest, SSB 1300Z, Jan 26 - 1300Z, Jan 27
Kansas QSO Party 1800Z, Jan 26 - 1800Z, Jan 27

February, 2002
Vermont QSO Party 0000Z, Feb 2 - 2400Z, Feb 3
New Hampshire QSO Party 0000Z, Feb 2 - 2400Z, Feb 3
10-10 Inter. Winter Contest, SSB 0001Z, Feb 2 - 2400Z, Feb 3
Minnesota QSO Party 1400Z - 2400Z, Feb 2
YL-OM Contest, CW 1400Z, Feb 2 - 0200Z, Feb 4
FYBO Winter QRP Field Day 1400Z, Feb 2 - 0200Z, Feb 3
Delaware QSO Party 1700Z, Feb 2 - 0500Z, Feb 3 and
1300Z, Feb 3 - 0100Z, Feb 4
Mexico RTTY International Contest 1800Z, Feb 2 - 2400Z, Feb 3
North American Sprint, Phone 0000Z - 0400Z, Feb 3
Six Club 2nd Winter Contest 2300Z, Feb 8 - 0300Z, Feb 11
CQ/RJ WW RTTY WPX Contest 0000Z, Feb 9 - 2400Z, Feb 10
Utah QSO Party 0000Z, Feb 9 - 2400Z, Feb 10
Asia-Pacific Sprint, CW 1100Z - 1300Z, Feb 9
Dutch PACC Contest 1200Z, Feb 9 - 1200Z, Feb 10
YL-OM Contest, SSB 1400Z, Feb 9 - 0200Z, Feb 11
FISTS Winter Sprint 1700Z - 2100Z, Feb 9
RSGB 1.8 MHz Contest, CW 2100Z, Feb 9 - 0100Z, Feb 10
North American Sprint, CW 0000Z - 0400Z, Feb 10
QRP ARCI Winter Fireside SSB Sprint 2000Z - 2400Z, Feb 10
ARRL School Club Roundup 1300Z, Feb 11 - 0100Z, Feb 16
ARRL Inter. DX Contest, CW 0000Z, Feb 16 - 2400Z, Feb 17
CQ 160-Meter Contest, SSB 2200Z, Feb 22 - 1600Z, Feb 24
REF Contest, SSB 0600Z, Feb 23 - 1800Z, Feb 24
UBA DX Contest, CW 1300Z, Feb 23 - 1300Z, Feb 24
High Speed Club CW Contest 0900Z - 1100Z, Feb 24 and
1500Z - 1700Z, Feb 24
North Carolina QSO Party 1700Z, Feb 24 - 0300Z, Feb 25
CQC Winter QSO Party 2200, Feb 24 - 0359Z, Feb 25

March, 2002
ARRL Inter. DX Contest, Phone 0000Z, Mar 2 - 2400Z, Mar 3
World Wide Locator Contest 0000Z, Mar 9 - 2400Z, Mar 10
SARL Field Day Contest 1000Z, Mar 9 - 1000Z, Mar 10
RSGB Commonwealth Contest, CW 1200Z, Mar 9 - 1200Z, Mar 10
North American Sprint, RTTY 0000Z - 0400Z, Mar 10
UBA Spring Contest, CW 0700Z - 1100Z, Mar 10
Wisconsin QSO Party 1800Z, Mar 10 - 0100Z, Mar 11
Alaska QSO Party 0000Z, Mar 16 - 2400Z, Mar 17

BARTG Spring RTTY Contest 0200Z, Mar 16 - 0200Z, Mar 18
Russian DX Contest 1200Z, Mar 16 - 1200Z, Mar 17
Virginia QSO Party 1800Z, Mar 16 - 0200Z, Mar 18
Spring QRP Homebrewer Sprint 0000Z - 0400Z, Mar 25
CQ WW WPX Contest, SSB 0000Z, Mar 30 - 2400Z, Mar 31

April, 2002
MARAC County Hunters Contest, SSB 0000Z, Apr 6 - 2400Z, Apr 7
SP DX Contest 1500Z, Apr 6 - 1500Z, Apr 7
EA RTTY Contest 1600Z, Apr 6 - 1600Z, Apr 7
JIDX HF CW Contest 2300Z, Apr 12 - 2300Z, Apr 14
QRP ARCI Spring QSO Party 1200Z, Apr 13 - 2400Z, Apr 14
EU Spring Sprint, SSB 1500Z - 1859Z, Apr 13
His Maj. King of Spain Contest 1800Z, Apr 13 - 1800Z, Apr 14
Yuri Gagarin Int. DX Contest 2100Z, Apr 13 - 2100Z, Apr 14
UBA Spring Contest, SSB 0600Z - 1000Z, Apr 14
YU DX Contest 1200Z, Apr 20 - 1200Z, Apr 21
GACW CW DX Contest 1200Z, Apr 20 - 1200Z, Apr 21
EU Spring Sprint, CW 1500Z - 1859Z, Apr 20
Michigan QSO Party 1600Z, Apr 20 - 0400Z, Apr 21
Holyland DX Contest 1800Z, Apr 20 - 1800Z, Apr 21
Ontario QSO Party 1800Z, Apr 20 - 1800Z, Apr 21
Harry Angel Memorial Sprint 1100Z - 1246Z, Apr 25
SP DX RTTY Contest 1200Z, Apr 27 - 1200Z, Apr 28
Helvetia Contest 1300Z, Apr 27 - 1300Z, Apr 28
Florida QSO Party 1600Z, Apr 27 - 0159Z, Apr 28 and
1200Z - 2159Z, Apr 28

May, 2002
IPA Contest, CW 0000Z - 2359Z, May 4
MARAC County Hunters Contest, CW 0000Z, May 4 - 2400Z, May 5
10-10 Int. Spring Contest, CW 0001Z, May 4 - 2400Z, May 5
Indiana QSO Party 1400Z, May 4 - 2300Z, May 5
Massachusetts QSO Party 1800Z, May 4 - 0400Z, May 5 and
1100Z - 2100Z, May 5
ARI International DX Contest 2000Z, May 4 - 2000Z, May 5
Connecticut QSO Party 2000Z, May 4 - 0400Z, May 5 and
1200Z - 2000Z, May 5
IPA Contest, SSB 0000Z - 2359Z, May 5
VOLTA WW RTTY Contest 1200Z, May 11 - 1200Z, May 12
FISTS Spring Sprint 1700Z - 2100Z, May 11
CQ-M International DX Contest 2100Z, May 11 - 2100Z, May 12
Baltic Contest 2100Z, May 18 - 0200Z, May 19
CQ WW WPX Contest, CW 0000Z, May 25 - 2400Z, May 26
QRP ARCI Hootowl Sprint 2000 local - 2400 local, May 26
MI QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint 2300Z, May 27 - 0300Z, May 28

June, 2002
WW South America CW Contest 0000Z, Jun 1 - 1600Z, Jun 2
IARU Region 1 Field Day, CW 1500Z, Jun 1 - 1500Z, Jun 2
ANARTS WW RTTY Contest 0000Z, Jun 8 - 2400Z, Jun 9

Portugal Day Contest 0000Z - 2400Z, Jun 8
Asia-Pacific Sprint, SSB 1100Z - 1300Z, Jun 8
TOEC WW Grid Contest, SSB 1200Z, Jun 8 - 1200Z, Jun 9
ARRL June VHF QSO Party 1800Z, Jun 8 - 0300Z, Jun 10
All Asian DX Contest, CW 0000Z, Jun 15 - 2400Z, Jun 16
Marconi Memorial HF Contest 1400Z, Jun 22 - 1400Z, Jun 23
ARRL Field Day 1800Z, Jun 22 - 2100Z, Jun 23
QRP ARCI Milliwatt Field Day 1800Z, Jun 22 - 2100Z, Jun 23

July, 2002
RAC Canada Day Contest 0000Z - 2359Z, Jul 1
MI QRP July 4th CW Sprint 2300Z, Jul 4 - 0300Z, Jul 5
Venezuelan Ind. Day Contest, SSB 0000Z, Jul 6 - 2400Z, Jul 7
IARU HF World Championship 1200Z, Jul 13 - 1200Z, Jul 14
FISTS Summer Sprint 1700Z - 2100Z, Jul 13
CQ Worldwide VHF Contest 1800Z, Jul 13 - 2100Z, Jul 14
QRP ARCI Summer Homebrew Sprint 2000Z - 2400Z, Jul 14
Colombian Ind. Day Contest 0001Z - 2400Z, Jul 20
Pacific 160m Contest 0700Z - 2300Z, Jul 20
AGCW QRP Summer Contest 1500Z, Jul 20 - 1500Z, Jul 21
North American QSO Party, RTTY 1800Z, Jul 20 - 0600Z, Jul 21
Venezuelan Ind. Day Contest, CW 0000Z, Jul 27 - 2400Z, Jul 28
Russian RTTY WW Contest 0000Z, Jul 27 - 2400Z, Jul 28
IOTA Contest 1200Z, Jul 27 - 1200Z, Jul 28

August, 2002
10-10 Int. Summer Contest, SSB 0001Z, Aug 3 - 2400Z, Aug 4
European HF Championship 1000Z - 2159Z, Aug 3
North American QSO Party, CW 1800Z, Aug 3 - 0600Z, Aug 4
ARRL UHF Contest 1800Z, Aug 3 - 1800Z, Aug 4
YO DX HF Contest 0000Z - 2000Z, Aug 4
WAE DX Contest, CW 0000Z, Aug 10 - 2359Z, Aug 11
Maryland-DC QSO Party 1600Z, Aug 10 - 0400Z, Aug 11 and
1600Z - 2359Z, Aug 11
SARTG WW RTTY Contest 0000Z - 0800Z, Aug 17 and
1600Z - 2400Z, Aug 17 and
0800Z - 1600Z, Aug 18
ARRL 10 GHz Cumulative Contest 0800 local - 2000 local, Aug 17 and
0800 local - 2000 local, Aug 18
Keyman's Club of Japan Contest 1200Z, Aug 17 - 1200Z, Aug 18
SEANET Contest, CW/SSB/Digital 1200Z, Aug 17 - 1200Z, Aug 18
North American QSO Party, SSB 1800Z, Aug 17 - 0600Z, Aug 18
TOEC WW Grid Contest, CW 1200Z, Aug 24 - 1200Z, Aug 25
SCC RTTY Championship 1200Z, Aug 24 - 1159Z, Aug 25
Ohio QSO Party 1600Z, Aug 31 - 0400Z, Sep 1

September, 2002
MI QRP Labor Day CW Sprint 2300Z, Sep 2 - 0300Z, Sep 3
All Asian DX Contest, SSB 0000Z, Sep 7 - 2400Z, Sep 8
IARU Region 1 Field Day, SSB 1300Z, Sep 7 - 1300Z, Sep 8
North American Sprint, CW 0000Z - 0400Z, Sep 8

QRP ARCI End of Summer PSK31 Sprint 2000Z - 2400Z, Sep 8
WAE DX Contest, SSB 0000Z, Sep 14 - 2359Z, Sep 15
ARRL September VHF QSO Party 1800Z, Sep 14 - 0300Z, Sep 16
North American Sprint, SSB 0000Z - 0400Z, Sep 15
YLRL Howdy Days 1400Z, Sep 20 - 0200Z, Sep 22
AGB NEMIGA Contest 2100Z - 2300Z, Sep 20
ARRL 10 GHz Cumulative Contest 0800 local - 2000 local, Sep 21 and
0800 local - 2000 local, Sep 22
Scandinavian Activity Contest, CW 1200Z, Sep 21 - 1200Z, Sep 22
Washington State Salmon Run 1600Z, Sep 21 - 0700Z, Sep 22 and
1600Z - 2400Z, Sep 22
Panama Anniversary Contest 1200Z - 2359Z, Sep 22
CQ/RJ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY 0000Z, Sep 28 - 2400Z, Sep 29
Scandinavian Activity Contest, SSB 1200Z, Sep 28 - 1200Z, Sep 29
Texas QSO Party 1400Z, Sep 28 - 0200Z, Sep 29 and
1400Z - 2000Z, Sep 29
Louisiana QSO Party 1400Z, Sep 28 - 0200Z, Sep 29 and
1400Z - 2000Z, Sep 29
Anatolian DX Contest 1600Z, Sep 28 - 2400Z, Sep 29
Alabama QSO Party 1800Z - 2400Z, Sep 28

October, 2002
Oceania DX Contest, Phone 0800Z, Oct 5 - 0800Z, Oct 6
EU Autumn Sprint, SSB 1500Z - 1859Z, Oct 5
California QSO Party 1600Z, Oct 5 - 2200Z, Oct 6
RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest, SSB 0700Z - 1900Z, Oct 6
YLRL Anniversary Party, CW 1400Z, Oct 9 - 0200Z, Oct 11
10-10 Day Sprint 0001Z - 2400Z, Oct 10
Oceania DX Contest, CW 0800Z, Oct 12 - 0800Z, Oct 13
EU Autumn Sprint, CW 1500Z - 1859Z, Oct 12
Pennsylvania QSO Party 1600Z, Oct 12 - 0500Z, Oct 13 and
1300Z - 2200Z, Oct 13
FISTS Fall Sprint 1700Z - 2100Z, Oct 12
Iberoamericano Contest 2000Z, Oct 12 - 2000Z, Oct 13
North American Sprint, RTTY 0000Z - 0400Z, Oct 13
JARTS WW RTTY Contest 0000Z, Oct 19 - 2400Z, Oct 20
ARCI Fall QSO Party 1200Z, Oct 19 - 2400Z, Oct 20
Worked All Germany Contest 1500Z, Oct 19 - 1459Z, Oct 20
Asia-Pacific Sprint, CW 0000Z - 0200Z, Oct 20
RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest, CW 0700Z - 1900Z, Oct 20
Illinois QSO Party 1800Z, Oct 20 - 0200Z, Oct 21
YLRL Anniversary Party, SSB 1400Z, Oct 23 - 0200Z, Oct 25
CQ Worldwide DX Contest, SSB 0000Z, Oct 26 - 2400Z, Oct 27
10-10 Int. Fall Contest, CW 0001Z, Oct 26 - 2400Z, Oct 27

November, 2002
IPA Contest, CW 0600Z - 1000Z, Nov 2 and
1400Z - 1800Z, Nov 2
Ukrainian DX Contest 1200Z, Nov 2 - 1200Z, Nov 3
ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, CW 2100Z, Nov 2 - 0300Z, Nov 4
North American Collegiate ARC Championship, CW 2100Z, Nov 2 - 0300Z, Nov 4

ARCI Running of the QRP Bulls 2100Z, Nov 2 - 0300Z, Nov 4
IPA Contest, SSB 0600Z - 1000Z, Nov 3 and
1400Z - 1800Z, Nov 3
High Speed Club CW Contest 0900Z - 1100Z, Nov 3 and
1500Z - 1700Z, Nov 3
Japan Int. DX Contest, Phone 2300Z, Nov 8 - 2300Z, Nov 10
WAE DX Contest, RTTY 0000Z, Nov 9 - 2359Z, Nov 10
OK/OM DX Contest, CW 1200Z, Nov 9 - 1200Z, Nov 10
LZ DX Contest, CW 1200Z, Nov 16 - 1200Z, Nov 17
ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, SSB 2100Z, Nov 16 - 0300Z, Nov 18
North American Collegiate ARC Championship, SSB 2100Z, Nov 16 - 0300Z, Nov 18
RSGB 1.8 MHz Contest, CW 2100Z, Nov 16 - 0100Z, Nov 17
CQ Worldwide DX Contest, CW 0000Z, Nov 23 - 2400Z, Nov 24

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436. Re [m_a_r_s] Contact Details of MARS Members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-31 06:24:59 UTC
From: bal indi
Topic: 436 Message: 436

a small correction,
SUMEET BAL (tel no. is 446 0664 and NOT 0644)

On Wed, 26 Dec 2001 Nirav Sanghavi wrote :
> Dear YL/OM:
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> I have sorted the member details sent by VU2HIT just to
> make it user-friendly since we may not remember each
> ham's MARS membership number.
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> Changes made before sorting are
>
> Dr. before Sudhir Shenoy put after his name
>
> Mehul A.C. has become Mehul Chovatia
>
> P.V. Jaiprakash has become Jaiprakash P.V.
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> The list is now as below.
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> my best regards,
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> Nirav Sanghavi
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437. Happy Year Ahead

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2001-12-31 07:30:32 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 437 Message: 437

Wishes for a great year ahead for everyone!!!

Hope to meet everybody on the fox hunt...so get out your khakis, hunter topi
and tune up that directional antenna!

Cheers!
Madhu

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438. Re: Re [m_a_r_s] Contact Details of MARS Members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-01 04:18:54 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 436 Message: 438

Dear Friends

In contact details, pls correct my email ID as
vu2jpn@...

Good luck and best wishes

see you all soon

Jaiprakash vu2jpn

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439. Happy and Prosperous Year 2002.!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-01 04:50:32 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 439 Message: 439

Dear Friends,

Wish You all and your families a Happy prosperous year 2002.!!!

NLF.

440. Season's Greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-02 04:08:51 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 440 Message: 440
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Wish you a very Happy and Prosperous New Year - Mehul

441. SMART FOX ON THE HUNT .GOOD NEWS BETTER OPEN

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-02 22:12:01 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 441 Message: 441

DEAR FOX HUNTER
THANK YOU FOR INLISTING YOUR`SELF FOR THE HUNT
ALL TO GETHER WE HAVE MORE THEN 18 HUNTERS
ANY MORE WANTING TO JOIN PLEASE DO SO
THERE IS A LITTLE NEWS FOR YOU ALL

THE BLOODY FOX HAS BECOME SMARTER
AND IS MORE DIFFICULT TO HUNT
BUT WE WILL GET HIM
WE THIUGHT THAT WITH JUST YOUR HANDIES AND OUR CLUB ANTENNAS
WE WOULD BE ABLE TO HUNT HTE FOX BUT HE SEEMS TO BE SMART FOR US
SO WE HAVE DESCIDED TO MAKE AND EXTRA GEAR FOR HIM WHICH I CAN ONLY MENTION
TO YOU WHAT IT IS IF YOU CALL ME ON 9821025289 AT THE EARLIEST
IF I MENTIONIT ON THE NET HELL COME TO KNOW AND BECOME MORE SMARTER
SO PLEASE CALL ME FAST ALL THOSE WHO HAVE LISTED FOR THE HUNT
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442. SMART FOX ON THE HUNT .GOOD NEWS BETTER OPEN.zyros zend

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Date: 2002-01-02 22:12:39 UTC
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443. SMART FOX ON THE HUNT .GOOD NEWS BETTER OPEN.zyros zend

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==>FCC DENIAL LEAVES LEAGUE EYEING CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON DEED RESTRICTIONS

The ARRL got the proverbial lump of coal in its stocking in late December,
but it wasn't from Santa. The FCC affirmed a November 2000 staff-level
decision that declined to include privately imposed deed covenants,
conditions and restrictions--CC&Rs--under the limited federal preemption
known as PRB-1. That policy requires municipalities to "reasonably
accommodate" amateur communication in antenna-related zoning and regulation.

The ARRL a year ago appealed to have the full FCC review the earlier denial.
The Commission turned down the League's Application for Review December 18
in a Memorandum Opinion and Order released December 26.

"There has not been a sufficient showing that CC&Rs prevent Amateur Radio
operators from pursuing the basis and purpose of the Amateur Service," the
FCC said. The Commission said hams still can get on the air without
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installing residential antenna systems by operating away from home, while mobile or at club stations.

The FCC said it recognizes the importance of preserving the integrity of contractual relations that CC&Rs represent. It asserted that the ARRL had submitted no specific evidence that would persuade it to abandon its long-standing policy of excluding CC&Rs from PRB-1.

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, expressed disappointment in the Commission's ruling. "The biggest problem Amateur Radio operators face today is being able to put up an antenna," Haynie said. "Our only approach now is to get a bill into Congress."

The FCC itself even hinted that Congressional action ought to be a next logical step. "However, should Congress see fit to enact a statutory directive mandating the expansion of our reasonable accommodation policy," the FCC declared in its MO&O, "the Commission would expeditiously act to fulfill its obligation thereunder."

Haynie conceded that extending PRB-1 protection to CC&Rs would be "a tough sell" to members of Congress. He noted, however, that it's getting more difficult all the time for amateurs to find desirable housing that does not come with deed covenants and restrictions. "It's extremely serious for the amateur community, because it restricts what hams will be able to do in the future," he said.

The topic is likely to be the focus of additional discussion at this month's meeting of the ARRL Board of Directors.

In its Application for Review in late 2000, the ARRL maintained that the FCC should have the same interest in the effective performance of an Amateur Radio station and in the promotion of amateur communications regardless of whether the licensee's property is publicly regulated or privately governed by homeowners' associations and their architectural control committees.

A copy of the FCC's Memorandum Opinion & Order in RM-8763 is available on the FCC Web site <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-01-372A1.doc>.

==>NEW HAMPSHIRE ANTENNA DECISION UPHOLDS PRB-1

A New Hampshire ham appears to have won a battle to erect an antenna support structure on his property. It remains to be seen, however, whether Jerry Muller, K0TV, of Hudson will be allowed to erect the extensive system of towers that he'd originally planned. In a 4-0 vote, with one justice abstaining, the Supreme Court of New Hampshire reversed a lower court ruling that ordered Muller, an ARRL Life Member, to dismantle the three towers he had erected on part of his six-acre residential tract.

Writing for the court in Marchand v. Town of Hudson, New Hampshire Chief Justice David A. Brock concluded that the lower court's order requiring Muller to dismantle his towers violated the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 as well as New Hampshire's statutory codification of PRB-1. "In

light of the FCC's clear directive, we agree that the superior court erred when it ordered the towers removed," Brock stated in a ruling issued December 31, 2001. The Supreme Court ruling vacates the dismantling order and sends the matter back to the town's zoning board of adjustment for consideration in light of PRB-1.

ARRL New England Division Vice Director and Volunteer Counsel Mike Raisbeck, K1TWF, represented Muller in written and oral arguments before the New Hampshire Supreme Court. ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, also filed an amicus brief on ARRL's behalf.

Unlike many amateur antenna battles, this case did not pit Muller against the town. In December 1998, Muller applied for a permit to erect three 100-foot antenna structures on his property, and the Town of Hudson granted the permit. Three of Muller's neighbors appealed the grant of the permit, but the Hudson ZBA affirmed the grant. The neighbors then sued the town and won, resulting in the order for Muller to dismantle that's now been vacated.

While Muller has won the right to get on the air in some capacity, he will still have to make a case for his proposed three-tower installation. Brock agreed with the lower court that Muller's three-tower installation did not qualify as a "customary, incidental and subordinate" accessory use permitted by Hudson's ordinance. Another amateur in Hudson has a tower at the same height, but there are no instances of three such towers on the same property. Raisbeck explained that New Hampshire's accessory use statute relies on the prevailing local, not statewide, standard.

Nevertheless, Brock said that Muller's installation may be permitted within the framework of PRB-1, if Muller can demonstrate that his three towers are necessary to "reasonably accommodate" his communications needs.

Thirteen states have incorporated PRB-1 into their statutes. The full text of the New Hampshire Supreme Court decision is available on the Court's Web site <http://www.state.nh.us/courts/supreme/opinions/0112/march221.htm>.

==>AO-40 "OFFICIALLY IN THE 'DEAD ZONE'"

AO-40 satellite ground controllers have begun adjusting the spacecraft's attitude as it enters a period of unfavorable sun angles. AO-40 command station team member Stacey Mills, W4SM, says that AO-40's operating schedule has been modified slightly to reflect the decreasing attitude longitude (ALON).

"As expected, the satellite has lost sun sensor lock, so we are now officially in the 'dead zone'," Mills reported. The satellite is currently in a long period during which Earth eclipses the sun near perigee--its point closest to Earth. These periods will continue well into next June.

The satellite relies on solar panels for its power. In late November, Mills said that necessary adjustments to AO-40's attitude to compensate for unfavorable sun angles over the next several months would lead to some down time for the spacecraft's transponders. The attitude shifting necessary to

compensate for the unfavorable sun angle will leave AO-40's antennas pointing away from Earth for several weeks.

To save power, the transponder passbands were being turned off at various times, and the RUDAK digital transponder was scheduled to be off for up to five days.

Mills has said there will be periods of no transponder activity and a much longer period of limited--but progressively increasing--transponder activity. "AO-40 command stations will make every effort to activate AO-40's transponders, even if for only a short time each orbit, when conditions are appropriate," he said. Mills said he anticipated being able to keep the transponders active through the eclipse period for an hour or so right after perigee.

Yoshi Takeyasu, JA6XKQ, of the JAMSAT SCOPE team, recently announced the release of several new photos taken by the SCOPE cameras aboard AO-40. The photos are available on the JAMSAT Web site <http://www.jamsat.or.jp/scope/011215/>.

For more information on AO-40, visit the AMSAT-NA Web site <http://www.amsat.org/>.

==>FCC ASKS BROADCASTER, POWER COMPANY TO HELP CURE WEIRD INTERFERENCE

The FCC has written a Cincinnati AM radio station and the electric utility serving that region to help resolve an unusual and longstanding interference situation affecting local amateurs. Sharon Bowers of the FCC's Consumer Information Bureau in December wrote Clear Channel-owned WLW and Cinergy Corp citing numerous reports of apparently spurious signals associated with WLW transmissions that have been monitored over a wide area and frequency range.

"Many of these reports indicate that, although the noise is associated with WLW transmissions, the strongest signals appear to be originating some distance from the WLW transmitter site, possibly on a high-voltage tower owned by Cinergy Corp," Bowers wrote. The FCC said the circumstances suggest that multiple sources of interference are involved. According to the FCC database, WLW operates on 700 kHz with 50,000 W into a single, top-loaded half-wave vertical tower.

One of the amateurs affected--Bob Reiff, WA8ULW, of Mason, where WLW's tower is sited--said that while the noise is most noticeable on 160 meters, it's showing up elsewhere. "It is pervasive in the spectrum," Reiff told ARRL, "and, we suspect, it is causing us problems even on our 2-meter repeater."

The FCC said that Reiff and the other complainants attempted unsuccessfully for the past two years to work with WLW and Cinergy.

Bowers noted that WLW and Cinergy already have "expended considerable efforts" to locate the noise source and cause, but the noise remained "as strong as ever according to recent reports." She noted that the noise became intermittent after some recent work done on a Cinergy high-voltage tower,

and she expressed the FCC's appreciation for the cooperation to date. But, Bowers admonished, the FCC expects the responsible party to address any reports causing harmful interference to a licensed radio service.

"While the Commission recognizes that this is an unusual case, and the source could turn out to be something unexpected," Bowers wrote, "the Commission is turning to the radio station and electric utility company, asking for your help and cooperation in finding the source of the noise."

Ohio ARRL Section Manager Joe Phillips, K8QOE, credited the activities of the Greater Cincinnati Local Interference Committee with helping to bring the interference case to the FCC's attention.

==>FCC DESIGNATES COMPUTER HACKER'S HAM TICKET RENEWAL FOR HEARING

Citing character issues, the FCC has designated for hearing the Amateur Radio license renewal application of convicted computer hacker Kevin D. Mitnick, N6NHG. Mitnick's history of illegal computer-related activity--which includes several convictions and prison sentences--dates back more than a decade. Not long after his latest US District Court conviction in August 1999, Mitnick filed with the FCC to renew his General ticket.

"Mr. Mitnick's criminal background raises a substantial and material question of whether he possesses the requisite character qualifications to be and remain a Commission licensee," the FCC said in a Hearing Designation Order released December 21. "Given his propensity to engage in criminal activities, particularly those involving fraud, we have serious reservations about Mr. Mitnick's ability to comply with our rules and regulations in the future."

Mitnick, 38, has been licensed for about 25 years. In 1999, Mitnick was sentenced to 46 months in federal prison, the FCC said, after pleading guilty to wire fraud, computer fraud and illegally intercepting a wire communication--all felonies. Prior to that, the FCC Order stated, he'd received a 22-month term for possessing cloned cell phones and for violating his supervised release after a 1989 conviction for computer fraud. He's currently on probation following his January 2001 release from federal prison.

This is not the first time that the FCC has attempted to apply character issues to a ham radio license renewal case. In designating Mitnick's license renewal for hearing, the FCC invoked the case of Herbert Schoenbohm, ex-KV4FZ, whose lengthy efforts to renew his amateur license were scuttled on the basis of character issues that, in part, stemmed from a 1992 federal fraud conviction.

The Order also referenced the case of Leslie Brewer, ex-KC4HAZ, whose license was revoked and a fine levied last year after the FCC said he lacked the basic character qualifications to be and remain a Commission licensee on the basis of his "pirate radio and other unlawful activities."

Mitnick's license expired December 12, 1999, but he may continue to operate until action is taken on his renewal application. The FCC's Order is available on the FCC Web site <http://www.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2001/db1221/fcc01359.doc>.

==>BADGER STATE SMOKE SIGNALS EDITOR JIM ROMELFANGER, K9ZZ, SK

A voice for Amateur Radio in Wisconsin has gone silent. Jim Romelfanger, K9ZZ, of Baraboo, died December 22 at his home after suffering an apparent heart attack. He was 60. An ARRL Life Member, Romelfanger had served as Wisconsin's Public Information Coordinator. He also was the editor of the Badger State Smoke Signals, a Wisconsin Amateur Radio newspaper.

K9ZZ was a prime mover behind the annual Circus World Museum Circus Train Amateur Radio special event each summer and a guiding force in efforts to see a ham radio antenna bill enacted in Wisconsin.

"Jim was a force in Wisconsin Amateur Radio for many years, and he will be missed," said ARRL Wisconsin Section Manager Don Michalski, W9IXG.

A polio patient as a youngster in the mid-1950s, Romelfanger was first licensed in 1958 as KN6LWB, later K6LWB, on the West Coast. He became K9PKQ after moving back to his native Wisconsin and later obtained K9ZZ via the vanity call sign program. Romelfanger was a charter member of the Yellow Thunder Amateur Radio Club.

An ARRL member for 40 years, Romelfanger was a contributor to various Amateur Radio publications, including QST, CQ and Popular Electronics, the ARRL Web site, and The ARRL Letter.

In addition to his Amateur Radio-related activities, Romelfanger edited the monthly newsletter of the Sauk County chapter of Wisconsin Right to Life. An accomplished photographer, his photos appeared in the Baraboo News Republic and the Wisconsin State Journal. He also once worked at the Badger Army Ammunition Plant and later participated in the filming of a documentary on the facility, which has been shut down.

He enjoyed a radio career at stations in Nebraska and Wisconsin. In his later years he appeared in a television ad campaign for HIS jeans and was an extra in the Julia Roberts-Nick Nolte film I Love Trouble. Among his friends he counted Dean Torrance of the surfing music duo Jan and Dean.

A service was held December 28. Memorial gifts are invited to the St Vincent DePaul Society, the American Heart Association, the Wisconsin State Historical Society, Wisconsin Right to Life or mass offerings.

==>RHODE ISLAND SECTION MANAGER ARMAND LAMBERT, K1FLD, SK

Rhode Island ARRL Section Manager Armand E. Lambert, K1FLD, died December 31, 2001, at his home in Woonsocket following a lengthy illness. He was 58.

"Armand was one of the nicest people I've ever met, and he was a steady hand as Rhode Island Section Manager," said New England Division Director Tom Frenaye, K1KI. "He was someone who really left the world better as a result

of his efforts."

In 1999, Lambert outpolled two other candidates to succeed Rick Fairweather, K1KYI, who did not run for another term. He also had served as an ARRL VEC volunteer examiner. An ARRL member, Lambert was a regular participant in the New England Division cabinet meetings and, on Field Day, he made it a practice to visit as many sites in Rhode Island as possible. He also was president of the Blackstone Valley Amateur Radio Club.

Lambert's wife, Simone, KA1YVF, reported that Armand had suffered a recurrence of kidney cancer nine weeks ago which was untreatable and that he passed on peacefully on New Year's Eve. She also thanked all who had sent expressions of support. "You made Armand's transition one of love," she said.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, January 12, 2:30 PM at Lafayette Masonic Temple Lodge, Nate Whipple Highway, Arnold Mills, Cumberland, Rhode Island. Part of the service will be a time for stories, and she asked those unable to attend to share their memories via e-mail <simlamb@...> for reading at the service.

Simone Lambert invited memorial donations in lieu of flowers to Rhode Island Satsang Society Inc, ECKANKAR, Religion of the Light and Sound of God, 2914 Post Road--Unit #3, Warwick, RI 02886-3168.

A successor as Rhode Island's SM will be appointed to complete Lambert's term of office.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Heliophile Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Happy new year! Because this is the first bulletin of the new year, we'll spend some time reviewing last year.

If we look at the average daily solar flux and sunspot numbers for 2001, it was really a very good year with lots of activity, considering that the peak was supposed to be in 2000. Average daily sunspot numbers for the years 1997-2001 were 30.7, 88.5, 136.3, 172.8 and 170.3. Average daily solar flux values for those same years were 81, 117.7, 153.7, 179.5 and 181.6. Given those numbers, both 2000 and 2001 look like peak years for the cycle.

Average quarterly sunspot numbers for 2001 were 147.3, 164.8, 170.4 and 198.1. Average quarterly solar flux for the same period was 164.4, 166.7, 175.5 and 219.1, so solar activity increased over the year.

Over the past week, average sunspot numbers were up 13 points, and average solar flux was about the same. Sunday had unsettled geomagnetic conditions, probably from a flare on Friday. Friday's flare upset the 10.7-cm receiver at the Penticton observatory, which read a solar flux of 655.6 for the day. This was adjusted downward by NOAA SESC to 263.

Predicted solar flux for Friday through Monday is 220, 215, 210 and 210.

Sunspot numbers for December 20 through 26 were 171, 215, 234, 220, 176, 246 and 290, with a mean of 221.7. The 10.7-cm flux was 221.1, 234.3, 242.8, 254.6, 274.5, 258.8 and 267.8, with a mean of 250.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 11, 8, 7, 19, 8 and 7, with a mean of 9.3.

Sunspot numbers for December 27 through January 2 were 268, 263, 222, 218, 209, 222 and 241, with a mean of 234.7. The 10.7-cm flux was 274.6, 263, 264.4, 246.6, 245.6, 232.2 and 231.1, with a mean of 251.1. Estimated planetary A indices were 6, 5, 10, 17, 11, 7 and 7, with a mean of 9.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL RTTY Roundup, Kid's Day, and the AGCW QRP Winter Contest are the weekend of January 5-6. JUST AHEAD: The North American QSO Party (CW), the Japan International DX Contest, Hunting Lions in the Air, Midwinter Contest (CW and SSB), the NRAU-Baltic Contest (CW and SSB), and the DARC 10-Meter Contest are the weekend of January 12-13. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar, <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course January registration: Registration for the Level I Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-001) will open Monday, January 7, 2002, at 4 PM Eastern Time. Registration for Level II (EC-002) will open on Monday, January 14; registration for Level III (EC-003) will open January 21. Courses must be completed in order, starting with Level I. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

* Question pools to remain valid for four years: The Question Pool Committee of the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators has announced that starting with the new Amateur Extra (Element 4) question pool released November 30 and going into effect this July 1, all question pools will be valid for four years. QPC Chairman Scotty Neustadter, W4WW, says the shift from a three to a four-year schedule will enable the QPC to do a better job in developing syllabi and pools for the various examination elements and allow more opportunities for public input.

* New Zealand amateur LF signal heard in Nova Scotia! Another new low-frequency distance record is being claimed. New Zealand DX tests coordinator Bob Vernall, ZL2CA, reports that on December 15, John Currie, VE1ZJ, in Canada, managed to receive and positively identify 136-kHz signals from ZL6QH, in New Zealand. ZL6QH, the Quartz Hill club station, is run by the Wellington Amateur Radio Club. The path from ZL6QH near Wellington to VE1ZJ in Sydney, Nova Scotia, has been calculated at 15,645 km--around 9700 miles. VE1ZJ detected the ZL6QH transmission using a PC and ARGO DSP software. An Amateur Radio LF signal spanned the Pacific for the first time on June 30, 2001, when Steve McDonald, VE7SL, of British Columbia, Canada, detected a 184-kHz signal from ZL6QH. The feat was repeated in September.

Vernall said the next test from ZL6QH in the 136-kHz band likely would occur in mid-January. The ARRL has petitioned the FCC to authorize Amateur Radio allocations at 136 kHz and in the 160-190 kHz band. The petition is pending.

* Almost--but not quite--2 million cards in 2001: ARRL QSL Service Manager Martin Cook, N1FOC, reports that the final shipment of 138,925 QSL cards on December 31, 2001, brought the total for the year to 1,932,315 cards. "This is 63,420 more than last year," Cook said. The upswing in the number of QSL cards handled via the outgoing QSL service over the past couple of years has roughly corresponded with the current solar cycle peak.

* Cards invited for soon-to-be-nonagenarian New Zealand ham: The daughter of a New Zealander who might just be that country's oldest active amateur has invited hams to send birthday greetings to her dad. Len Hopkinson, ZL3IE, will turn 90 on January 14. His daughter, Noeline Sapwell, says he's been a ham since 1925. "He is still active daily on the air even though he is nearly blind and can no longer attend the local radio club," she told ARRL. "What I would love for Dad for his 90th birthday is to receive some cards from hams from all around the world wishing him a happy 90th birthday. I know it will definitely bring great joy to Dad." Cards go to Len G. Hopkinson, ZL3IE, 17 Andrew St, Timaru 8601, New Zealand.

* Guantanamo Bay QSL bureau closes: The QSL bureau for KG4 two-letter suffix call signs in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, has been closed. All operations from "Gitmo" should specify QSL manager information.

* Spark gap signal heard for hundreds of miles: David Wilson, VE3BBN, reports his commemorative spark gap transmissions December 12 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Marconi's 1901 transatlantic experiments were heard hundreds of miles away. Wilson, who lives near Niagara Falls, Ontario, built a low-power rotary spark transmitter and secured permission from Industry Canada (that country's FCC equivalent) to use it briefly on 80 meters. He transmitted "MARCONI S" twice a minute and said he got more than 450 reports but estimated that only about 60 of them were valid. "The best distance was Kansas City," he said--some 850 miles away. He noted that the majority of the reports were in the 200 to 400-mile range. Additional information, photos and audio of what his transmitter sounds like are available on the "Spark Gap Transmitter Signals for Marconi Centennial" Web site <http://www.qsl.net/g4rfr/marconi.htm>.

* Standardized list applies only to ARRL Club Competition participants: ARRL Contest Branch Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, notes that the recently announced list of club abbreviations that appears on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/contests/club-list.html> is only for the convenience of operators whose clubs typically participate in the ARRL November Sweepstakes, the ARRL International DX Contest, the ARRL 160-Meter Contest, the ARRL 10-Meter Contest and the ARRL-sponsored VHF events in January and September. Points for these contests count toward the club competition totals. Field Day participation, while appreciated, does not count toward the ARRL Affiliated Club Competition program. It is not necessary for clubs that only participate in Field Day to be shown on the club list. The

standardized list of club designators enables the ARRL contest robot to properly count electronically submitted contest scores toward a club's ARRL Affiliated Club Competition point total.

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In this Monthly Edition :-
FEATURE :
a.. SSTV
Slow Scan TV (SSTV) is a transmission method for sending images via the airwaves. These image types could be GIF, JPG, BMP or similiar depending on the computer software used for the SSTV transmissions.
It works similiar to Facsimile transmissions. Each colour has it's own frequency in SSTV mode and the software simply codes the colour into an audible frequency tone that can be interfaced into the microphone system of the radio. The receiving end software simply decodes the frequency tone back into the colur.
In fact, an SSTV signal can be recorded onto an audiotape and then played back and decoded. Any number of people can simulatenously decode a single SSTV transmission, just like 1000's of people can listen to the same radio station at the same time or watch the same television channel.
SSTV is a relatively fast method of transmission, each transmission burst of SSTV lasts about 30 seconds irrespective of file size.
-- Information contributed by John - VK3TVZ

An in-depth study of SSTV modes would take a lot more room than we have here, but in general terms, there are several "families" of SSTV modes, each with different characteristics. Each mode family has a number of "sub-modes", that normally differ in the length of the transmission time. Again in general, the longer it takes to transmit a picture, the better the results will be. In the US, for example, "Scottie 1" has become the most common SSTV mode, with a transmission time of ~112 seconds. When short transmission times are more important than quality, (like during an HF SSTV net) SSTV pictures will often be replayed in Scottie 2, which takes only ~72 seconds. Click here to see the pictures showing the differences between SSTV modes.

SSTV Modes : http://www.ultranet.com/~sstv/modes.html

Frequencies: 3.845, 3.857, 7.171, 14.230, 14.233, 21.340, 28.680, 145.5 MHz

Software - MMSSTV BY JE3HHT - Makoto Mori

Hardware - PTT signalling using Soundcard
WM2U's Soundcard Interfacing Schemes

a.. ATV
There are basically two methods used to send pictures over ham radio. Fast Scan TV is very

similar to broadcast TV: full motion color images. This requires a few megahertz of bandwidth so it is used only on UHF. A single transmission is wider than the entire 2 meter ham band. The other method is Slow Scan TV: still images sent through voice transceivers over a period of a few seconds to a couple minutes. Early pictures were low resolution black and white. Now nearly all images are higher resolution color. You'd expect the term Amateur Television to apply to both Fast Scan and Slow Scan but it generally means only Fast Scan TV.

Here are few interesting sites related to ATV :-
http://www.cq-tv.com/
http://www.hamtv.com/
http://www.eham.net/reviews/products/51
http://www.4atv.com/atvprod.htm
http://www.batc.org.uk/index.htm
NEWS :
a.. AMSAT-INDIA (AMSAT = AMateur SATellite) is formed by group of Radio Amateurs (Hams) with an active interest in Orbiting Satellites Carrying Amateur Radio (OSCARs). Members of this organisation are bound by the true spirit of Amateur Radio and international friendship.

The scope of the organisation is on All India basis and presently have its headquarters in Bangalore so as to closely interact and work with the Dept. of Space.

For more info visit http://www.amsatindia.org/

You can also subscribe to VUSAT Group by sending a request to
vusat-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
EVENTS :
a.. MONTHLY MEETING -13th January, 2002 - Sunday
Monthly meeting will be held at Shishu Vihar High School, Dadar.

b.. GOLDEN FOX HUNT - 26TH JANUARY, 2002 - Saturday
Details for this event will be announced in the monthly meeting.

LINKS :
a.. Amateur Radio Direction Finding Web Ring
The web ring is for Amateur Radio Direction Finding and Fox Hunting Web sites. The sites within this ring have information about Hams tracking radio transmitters for fun and to 'self police' the Amateur Radio bands.

a.. Radio Direction Finding at Dxzone.com

Send your comments and suggestions to sandipadiwarekar@...

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+Available on ARRL Audio News

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==>FCC INVITES COMMENTS ON FOUR AMATEUR RADIO PETITIONS

The FCC is seeking comments on four Amateur Radio rule making petitions
filed recently and put on public notice this week. Comments are due by
February 7, 2002, in petitions seeking to legally separate wideband and
narrowband modes on 160 meters; to allow hams to bequeath their call signs
"in memoriam" to a specific club; to expand HF operating privileges for
Novice and Tech Plus operators; and to permit retransmission on amateur
frequencies of NASA manned spacecraft communications.

A proposal from veteran Top Band operators and contesters Bill Tippett,
W4ZV, and Jeff Briggs, K1ZM, asks the FCC to subdivide 160 meters into
mode-specific subbands. The petition, submitted to the FCC last September,
has been designated as RM-10352. Tippett and Briggs contend that the ARRL
band plan for 160 meters--modified last year after lengthy consideration by
the ad hoc ARRL 160-Meter Band Plan Committee on which both men sat--does
not go far enough and is unenforceable. They want the FCC to prohibit SSB,
AM and other wideband modes below 1.843 MHz--something the revised ARRL band
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plan <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/bandplan.html#160m> already recommends.

A copy of Briggs' book, DXing on the Edge--The Thrill of 160 Meters, accompanied their 18-page petition to the FCC. The book is published by ARRL <http://www.arrl.org/catalog/6354/>. Tippett and Briggs made it clear that while the topic of their petition did arise during the ARRL committee's deliberations, their petition is an independent effort with no connection to the committee or the ARRL.

The Quarter Century Wireless Association (QCWA) has asked the FCC to change its amateur vanity call sign system rules to permit individual amateurs to, in effect, will a call sign to a designated club as an "in memoriam" call sign. The FCC has designated the petition, submitted in December, as RM-10353. The QCWA notes that the current vanity rule "excludes current licensees from speaking for themselves" while they're still alive and "requires their relatives to speak for them post mortem."

Novice licensee John S. Rippey, W3ULS, has petitioned the FCC to expand HF phone and CW privileges for Novice and Technician (with Element 1 credit) operators. The FCC has designated the petition, submitted in December, as RM-10354. Rippey held a General ticket in the 1950s and 1960s and got his former call sign back after relicensing as a Novice in 1999. He argues, among other things, that "the HF operating privileges authorized today for a Novice or Technician Plus license fall far short of providing adequate value." Rippey has asked the FCC to grant Novice and Technician (with Element 1 credit) licensees new or expanded operating privileges on 80, 40, 30, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meters. His suggestions include SSB privileges for Novices and Tech Plus licensees on 17 and 12 meters.

The NASA John H. Glenn Research Center Amateur Radio Club is seeking a modification in wording to the Part 97 rule that already permits amateur retransmission of NASA manned shuttle communications. The petition has been designated as RM-10355. The club wants the Amateur Service rule, Sec 97.113(e), to include International Space Station communications as well as any manned spacecraft in the future.

Interested parties may comment on any or all of these petitions via the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>.

==>FCC ACTS ON OCTOBER 15, 2001, VANITY APPLICATIONS

The vanity call sign logjam has begun to break up. The FCC granted 27 vanity call signs January 9, based on applications received last October 15. Prior to this week, the FCC had not issued any new vanity call signs since October 30.

FCC policy gives paper and electronically filed vanity applications equal priority. Mail problems due to the recent anthrax scare delayed some applications filed on paper and sent to Washington, DC, for decontamination. As a result, vanity processing has been on hold since last fall.

FCC Licensing Branch personnel recently have been attempting to obtain new paperwork from applicants, however. All vanity fee payments have been recorded and deposited or charged to credit card holders' accounts. The FCC has been using vanity fee payment data from the FCC's fiscal agent, Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh to contact applicants directly to have them resubmit their applications.

The FCC has a record of when it receives all vanity applications. Once the Commission has all paper and electronic applications for a given date, all submittals will be processed in chronological order.

In mid-November, the Gettysburg office began diverting mail addressed to its 1270 Fairfield Road location to another site in town for special handling, and decontamination now is being handled locally. Since October 19, the FCC has been urging all of its customers to avoid using the mails to conduct business with the agency and to use electronic means to file comments or applications.

The FCC has been acting on amateur renewals and administrative updates filed on-line via the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau's Universal Licensing System. As of December 3, all applicants must include an FCC Registration Number (FRN) when filing.

==>NEW ISS AMATEUR RADIO ANTENNA TO BE INSTALLED DURING SPACEWALK

Amateur Radio on the International Space Station Board Chairman Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, has announced that one of the four new ARISS antennas will be installed during a scheduled January 14 spacewalk--or EVA. Two crew members will attach the "WA3" model VHF-UHF flexible tape antenna on one end of the ISS Service Module.

"The Russian team is able to deploy this particular antenna sooner than the others because it is located very close to where the four RF connections go into the Service Module," Bauer said.

Expedition Four Commander Yuri Onufrienko, RK3DUO, and flight engineers Carl Walz, KC5TIE, and Dan Bursch, KD5PNU, are beginning their second month in orbit aboard the ISS. They have not yet been active on Amateur Radio, although several ARISS school contacts are pending. Onufrienko and Walz will carry out the EVA. NASA says the two will move a Russian cargo crane to the Russian Functional Cargo Block--or Zarya--for future assembly work. According to NASA, Bursch will operate the Canadarm2 robotic arm from inside the space station "and act as spacewalk choreographer."

Installation of the new antenna on the Service Module paves the way for two separate ham stations aboard Space Station Alpha. Plans call for one station to remain in the Functional Cargo Block using the Russian antennas that had been used to dock the FGB but are now used for ARISS. A second station will be set up in the Service Module--or Zvezda--using the new antenna.

"The installation of this first antenna on the outside of Zvezda will allow the crew to set up ham radio equipment in their living quarters," said Bauer, who's also chief of the Guidance, Navigation and Control Center at

NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center Maryland. The initial station ham gear was installed aboard the Zarya module because that module went into space first.

"The Zarya location worked well," Bauer said, "but this new setup is much more comfortable and convenient and should allow for more contact between the crew and Amateur Radio operators and schools on Earth." The other three antennas will be installed later this year.--ARISS; NASA

==>FCC REALLOCATION RETAINS AMATEUR RADIO'S 219-220 MHZ SLOT

Amateur Radio's secondary allocation at 219-220 MHz remains intact in the wake of an FCC spectrum reallocation of the 216 to 220-MHz band, among others. The FCC declined, however, to go along with ARRL's request to expand amateur access to 216 to 220 MHz. On a brighter note, the Commission potentially relieved spectrum competition for Amateur Radio at 2.3 GHz by making space available elsewhere.

The FCC acted December 21, 2001, in ET Docket 00-221 and in several other proceedings that it lumped into a single Report and Order and Memorandum Opinion and Order released January 2, 2002. The FCC Order reallocated 27 MHz of spectrum in seven bands from government to non-government use. Some of the spectrum will be put up for bid in public auctions. The Commission allocated the 216-220 MHz band to the fixed and mobile services (co-primary), although some government systems in the band will remain.

"We are pleased that the FCC has found suitable spectrum for MicroTrax and AeroAstro other than at 2300-2305 MHz," ARRL Executive Vice President David Sumner, K1ZZ, referring to two commercial competitors. "We hope this will clear the way for an upgrade to primary status at 2300-2305 MHz for the Amateur Service."

MicroTrax has sought access to 2300 to 2305 MHz and other bands for a proposed Personal Location and Monitoring System to enable tracking of people and objects. AeroAstro has proposed sharing the band with amateurs on a co-primary basis for its Satellite Enabled Notification System global messaging system. Both indicated interest in the 1670-1675-MHz band; MicroTrax also has said that 2385-2390 MHz might be a good fit. The FCC also noted comments from ArrayCom that the 1670-1675-MHz band would be suitable for its i-BURST high-speed data system, now operating experimentally at 2.3 GHz.

Sumner was less enthusiastic about the FCC's action at 216-220 MHz as it impacts the Amateur Service. "While the limited secondary allocation to the Amateur Service at 219-220 MHz is being maintained, the more intensive use of 216-220 MHz by commercial services is likely to preclude amateur use of the band in many parts of the country," he commented.

The amateur allocation at 219-220 MHz is secondary to the Automated Maritime Telecommunications System (AMTS). Within the 1 MHz of spectrum, Amateurs may install and operate point-to-point digital message-forwarding systems, but only under strict limitations that require coordination with and sometimes

approval by AMTS licensees. The ARRL had hoped to expand opportunities for point-to-point digital messaging systems, but the FCC said amateurs already have access to other bands for that purpose and denied the request.

The Order in ET Docket 00-221 is available on the FCC Web site <http://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Engineering_Technology/Orders/2001/fcc01382.pdf> .

==>SCHOENBOHM EFFORT TO OBTAIN NEW TICKET PROMPTS FCC HEARING ORDER

Former Amateur Radio licensee Herb Schoenbohm, ex-KV4FZ, apparently is eager to return to his favorite pastime. The FCC this week suggested that Schoenbohm, who lives in Kingshill, Virgin Islands, won't get his wish easily. Last April, only a few months after losing his battle to renew his ham ticket and his operating authority had expired, Schoenbohm applied for a new Amateur Radio license and passed the General exam. The FCC now has designated that pending application for hearing, to determine, in part, if Schoenbohm is rehabilitated and deserves to be a Commission licensee.

The FCC didn't mince words in its Hearing Designation Order, released January 6 in WT Docket No 01-352. Schoenbohm's "previous criminal behavior, misrepresentation and lack of candor warranted denial of his renewal application," the Order said. "Mr. Schoenbohm is a convicted felon and was found to have misrepresented facts and lacked candor in his testimony in that hearing."

The FCC said, however, that what's past is past, and it does not intend to rehash Schoenbohm's earlier case in the current proceeding. Now, the Commission says, it must determine whether Schoenbohm "has been sufficiently rehabilitated" since his earlier "disqualifying behavior." The Commission said it needs to know if Schoenbohm "could be relied upon to observe our rules and policies and deal with the Commission in an honest and forthright manner."

The FCC said that since it has "no facts now before us that would support a finding of rehabilitation," it cannot make a ready determination that granting Schoenbohm's application "would serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity." So, it's designating his application for hearing.

"Absent a demonstration by Mr. Schoenbohm that he now possesses the requisite character qualifications to be a Commission licensee, his pending applications may not be granted," the FCC added. Schoenbohm vowed last year to return to Amateur Radio.

The FCC, meanwhile, is continuing to investigate whether a South Carolina amateur broke any rules when he let Schoenbohm operate during a recent contest. Stephen S. Reichlyn, AA4V, rented and operated from Schoenbohm's station during the CQ World Wide SSB Contest last October.

The FCC said this week that Schoenbohm would bear the burden of proof in the new license application proceeding before an administrative law judge. The

hearing would determine whether he possesses the requisite character qualifications to be a Commission licensee and whether his application should be granted.

Schoenbohm has 20 days to respond to the Order or his application will be denied with prejudice. A copy of the FCC Order is available on the FCC Web site <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-01-392A1.doc>.

==>NEW UK FOUNDATION LICENSE PROVIDES HF ACCESS VIA "MORSE ASSESSMENT"

A new class of Amateur Radio license in the United Kingdom will make the HF bands much more accessible to newcomers as well as to Class B VHF-only "no code" licensees. The new Foundation license, which became effective January 1, does not require a specific Morse code examination. Instead, applicants must pass a short test and complete what's called a "Morse assessment." According to the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB), 600 of the new licenses were issued the first week.

The new license provides holders with access to most bands from 136 kHz through 440 MHz--with the notable exception of 10 meters--using CW, SSB, or digital modes. Foundation licensees may operate with 10 W output using only commercially manufactured equipment or "properly designed" commercial kits. Licensees will be issued call signs from the M3AAA-M3ZZZ series. The new license scheme followed discussions between the RSGB and the Radiocommunications Agency, or RA--the United Kingdom's telecommunications regulatory agency. The new ticket also is available to residents of the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

Current UK Class B licensees who have held that ticket for at least a year may obtain a Foundation license simply by taking the Morse assessment. There is no Morse speed requirement, and applicants are provided with a copy of the Morse alphabet and "coding" and "decoding" information sheets. The RSGB says the entire Morse assessment takes about 30 minutes.

Passing the Morse assessment will enable Class B licensees to operate on the HF bands as Foundation licensees, using their M3 call signs, while continuing to have privileges above 30 MHz under their Class B tickets.

Currently unlicensed newcomers have to complete a Foundation license training program being offered through the RSGB and pass a 20-question multiple-choice test, in addition to the Morse assessment. The class involves about 10 hours of hands-on training in safety, basic operating concepts, regulations and licensing requirements and can be completed in a weekend.

Last September, the RA reduced the Morse requirement from 12 WPM to 5 WPM for the Class A "full" license in Britain and incorporated the Class A/B license into Class A. The former Novice license has been renamed the Intermediate license, and the power limit was raised from 10 W to 50 W. The RA also has instituted an apprenticeship program in the UK that lets unlicensed trainees operate under supervision and contact other UK licensees.

More information on the new license is available on the RSGB Web site <http://www.rsgb.org>.

==>W1YRC APPOINTED RHODE ISLAND SECTION MANAGER

Robert G. "Bob" Beaudet, W1YRC, has been appointed to succeed Armand Lambert, K1FLD, as Rhode Island ARRL Section Manager. Lambert died December 31. The appointment was announced January 10 by Field and Educational Services Manager Rosalie White, K1STO. Beaudet, 63, will serve out the remainder of Lambert's term of office, which expires in June 2003.

Beaudet had been serving as an Assistant SM under Lambert and worked closely with him during his illness. An ARRL Life Member from Cumberland, Beaudet has held several League appointments in the past, including Official Observer, Net Manager and Assistant Emergency Coordinator. He now serves as an ARRL VEC volunteer examiner.

Licensed in 1953, Beaudet is an active DXer and DXCC Honor Roll member who also enjoys CW and vintage gear.

Beaudet is a charter member and board member of the Blackstone Valley Amateur Radio Club, where Lambert had served as president. He also belongs to the Richardson Wireless Klub and the Lone Star DX Association in Texas.

Members may contact Beaudet via e-mail at w1yrc@....

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Sun watcher Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Solar activity has been lower over the past week. Average daily sunspot numbers during the week of January 3-9 were nearly 52 points less than the previous week, and average daily solar flux dropped by 42 points. Along with fewer sunspots there was very little geomagnetic activity--which is great for HF propagation because of lower absorption. Many periods over the past week had planetary and mid-latitude K indices of zero or one.

Solar flux probably reached a short-term minimum when it was 188.6 on Monday. Predicted solar flux for Friday through Monday is 230, 235, 240 and 245. Solar flux should peak near 260 around next Thursday or Friday, then reach another short-term minimum during the first week of February.

Did we say this week was quiet? This won't last. A high-speed stream of energy from a coronal hole is due, and the predicted planetary A index indicates a geomagnetic storm. Values for Friday through Sunday should be around 30, 20 and 15. There was also a large solar flare at 1801 UTC on Wednesday. Although it came from a sunspot near the center of the visible solar disk, the blast of energy from this flare should not bother Earth.

Sunspot numbers for January 3 through 9 were 229, 248, 201, 143, 158, 143 and 159, with a mean of 183. The 10.7-cm flux was 220.3, 218.2, 212.2, 196.6, 188.6, 199.2 and 228.5, with a mean of 209.1. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 3, 3, 4, 7, 7 and 3, with a mean of 4.3.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The North American QSO Party (CW), the Japan International DX Contest, Hunting Lions in the Air, Midwinter Contest (CW and SSB), the NRAU-Baltic Contest (CW and SSB), and the DARC 10-Meter Contest are the weekend of January 12-13. JUST AHEAD: The ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes, the North American QSO Party (SSB), the 070 Club PSKFest, the LZ Open Contest (CW), the MI QRP January CW Contest, are the weekend of January 19-20. The CQ 160-Meter Contest (CW) is the weekend of January 26-27. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar, <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course January registration: Registration for the Level II Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-002) will open on Monday, January 14; registration for Level III (EC-003) will open January 21. January registration for the Level I ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-001) is closed. February registration for Level I will open Monday, February 4. Courses must be completed in order, starting with Level I. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

* Correction: The antenna system for WLW (AM 700 kHz) in Cincinnati was described incorrectly in an article "FCC Asks Broadcaster, Power Company to Help Cure Weird Interference" in The ARRL Letter, Vol 21, No 1 (Jan 4, 2002). ARRL Michigan Section Technical Coordinator David Smith, W8YZ, points out that the WLW antenna is 189.3 electrical degrees tall--somewhat taller than one-half wavelength. "Both it and WSM (Nashville) were originally 5/8 radiators, but a secondary lobe caused sky to groundwave interference about 300 to 400 miles from the stations," he explained. "Shortening the towers to approximately a 9/16 wavelength radiator lowered groundwave strength slightly but eliminated the secondary lobe skywave problem." Smith also noted that WLW's tower is not top-loaded.

* Continuing Legal Education Seminar set: ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, will conduct a Continuing Legal Education Seminar on February 1 in Doral, Florida, in conjunction with the Miami Tropical Hamboree. The session will be held at the Doral Hampton Inn from 1 to 5 PM. The $75 cost of the seminar includes a copy of Antenna Zoning for the Radio Amateur by Fred Hopengarten, K1VR--a $49.95 value. Those who have already purchased Hopengarten's book may attend for $25. The seminar will cover in-depth state and local antenna regulation, with a focus on amateur issues and other legal topics affecting Amateur Radio. Advance registration is required. Contact Linda Mullally, 860-594-0292, lmullally@..., to register. More information on Miami Tropical Hamboree 2002 is available on the Hamboree Web site, <http://www.hamboree.org/>.

* Frequency coordinators collecting data for ARRL Repeater Directory: Data collection for the 2002-2003 edition of the ARRL Repeater Directory is under way. Coordinators throughout the US and Canada will provide data for the

31st edition of the popular reference, due on sale by mid-May <http://www.arrl.org/catalog/?category=&words=8241>. Editor Brennan Price, N4QX, encourages repeater owners who have made changes in the operating parameters of their repeaters to immediately alert the frequency coordinator for their area. "By longstanding directive of the ARRL Board of Directors, all data published in the Repeater Directory must be submitted through a frequency coordinator in areas where a coordinator exists," Price said. "Any clubs wishing to change their listings must report these changes to the frequency coordinator in their area so that the changes can be made in the 2002-2003 edition." Changes should be reported as soon as possible and, in any case, by January 31! Contact information for coordinators throughout the country is available from the National Frequency Coordinators' Council Web site <http://www.arrl.org/nfcc> or from Brennan Price, N4QX, n4qx@....

* DARA announces 2002 scholarships: The Dayton Amateur Radio Association <http://www.dara-w8bi.com> has announced the availability of scholarships for the 2002-2003 academic year. Applicants must be graduating high school seniors in 2002 and hold an FCC Amateur Radio license of any class. DARA grants scholarship awards of up to $2000, as determined by the scholarship committee, toward tuition at an institution of higher education--as outlined in the application. To obtain an application, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to DARA Scholarships, ATTN: DARA Scholarship Committee Chairman Gary Des Combes, N8EMO, 9873 Lower Valley Pike, Medway, OH 45341, or via e-mail to Gary Des Combes, n8emo1@.... Completed applications must be postmarked by June 1, 2002.

* Vote on QST Cover Plaque Award: The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for December 2001 was Joe Taylor, K1JT, for his article "WSJT: New Software for VHF Meteor-Scatter Communication." Congratulations, Joe! The winner of the QST Cover Plaque award--given to the author of the best article in each issue--is determined by a vote of ARRL members. Voting takes place each month on the Cover Plaque Poll Web page, <http://www.arrl.org/members-only/qstvote.html>. As soon as your copy arrives, cast a ballot for your favorite article in the January 2002 issue of QST. Voting ends January 31.

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Topic: 449 Message: 449

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458. Golden Fox Hunt Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 1980-01-04 15:22:20 UTC [implausible archived timestamp]
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 458 Message: 458

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friend,

Further to the e-mail parcel of letters from ZRS.

Golden Fox Hunt is probably going to be the best event conducted by MARS. This is simply because it will be full of fun and frolic. (No commitments no Tension) just simple fun..!!!

All MARS members can participate for Treasure Hunt and Fox Hunt weather HAM or not, with or without equipment.

The event is in two parts (1) Treasure Hunt. (2) Fox Hunt. (First prize for both the events will be awarded)

The Treasure Hunt will be a normal good old treasure hunt (most your guys must have done this before) and obviously the Treasure will be the Frequency of Fox Hunt.. You can participate with your family and friends if you wish.

The Fox Hunt will be something interesting and new for Mumbai Hams. (Since it is being done for the first time, But nothing to worry about..!!!)

We have already homebrewed "THE FOX" , "THE ANTENNE" & "THE ATTENUATORS" for all the Teams. All that is required is one Handy from your side per team.. The handy must have a "Bar Graph" or "'S' Meter"
in order to study the signal strength.

Your family and friends can also join you for this event with a conditions that if your friend or your family member is a HAM then they must be MARS members (This is to avoid Non Mars Hams from Participating, I hope you guys understand this, otherwise the whole purpose of forming MARS fails).

There is ofcourse still time if our friends or Family are Hams and not a MARS members, this would be the best time to join us. (Membership will be accounted for 2002-2003).

VU2ZRS has put in a lot of effort for this GOLDEN FOX Event, so guys participate and make this event successful (All the members who are not going to participate are really going to regret it later) because this is going to be real fun..!!!!!

The Briefing meeting will be conducted on 20th Jan 2002 at 09:30 hours at Shishu Vihar School , dadar (E).
all the instructions and operation techniqes will be explained during the meeting.

A trial Fox hunt will also be carried out at that time to familiarise and try out the equipment. So Please Attend.

Early bird catches the FOX

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NLF

459. HAM EQUIPMENTS FOR DISPOSAL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-18 11:23:04 UTC
From: PRAVIN
Topic: 459 Message: 459

Friends,
This is VU3PAN Pravin from Mumbai, Here is the QSP for HAM FRIENDS.
Following equipment are available in Mumbai with Om Sandesh Kamat VU2SXF and would like to dispose off.
You can contect him on his LL 8734791
or You can email me at vu3pan@...

1. FT-4113E VHF 2 MTR HADNY WITH BATTERY CASE,
CHARGER NC-65C, PA-6 DC ADOPTOR, 1/4 WAVE WHIP ANT, SOFT CASE.
TX 134 TO 174 MHZ , RX 18 TO 200 MHZ----------RS 7000/-

2. 15 WATTS VHF POWER AMPLIFIER 50MW I/P 15W O/P.----------RS 1000/-

3. HF/VHF SWR/PWR METER MADE BY VU2POP, MEASURES UPTO----------RS 750/-

4. 5/8 LAMDA VHF MAGMOUNT ANTENAE BY GT COMMUNICATIONS
WITH 2 MTR CABLE AND CONNECTOR , CENTRE ELEMENT IN 2 PIECES-----RS 750/-

5. 20-25 FEET TRIANGULAR CRANK UP TOWER WITH TRUST BEARING
& WALL
CLAMPS----------RS 5000/-

6. LIGHT/MEDIUM DUTY ANTENAE ROTATOR WITH CONTROL BOX AND
CABLE . CAN TURN LARGE VHF ARRAYS AND ALSO MEDIUM SIZE HF
TRIBANDER
----------(PRICE ON REQUEST)

7. MAGNETIC MOUNT WITH UHF SO 239 & 2 MTRS CABLE WITH
PL259 CONNECTORS
----------RS 350/-

8. PROFESSIONAL HEADPHONE-MIC COMBINATION WITH
ADJUSTABLE MIC
----------RS 500/-

9. AIR TRIMMERS. AIR GANG CONDENSORS, HF/VHF POWER TRANSISTORS, COIL
FORMERS ----------
--------AT ROCK BOTTOM PRICE
(ALL USED COMPONENTS)

10. 2 MTRS 2 CHANNELS CRYSTAL CONTROLLED TRANCEIVER KIT
145.100 & 145.200 MHZ. RX SEMIASSEMBLED WITH ALL COMPONENTSTX
O/P 1.5W ALL COILS SOLDERS
----------RS 1200/-

11. CABINET FOR HOMEBREW NR 60, RM 96 POWDER COATED, HOLED
DRILLED FOR ALL POTS & FREQUENCY COUNTER ETC----------RS 150/-

12. 4 DIGIT 10 MHZ FREQUENCY COUNTER USING 74C926 IDEAL FOR HOMEMADE
TRANCEIVER ASSEMBLED
----------RS 300/-

13. 9 MHZ COMMERCIAL CRYSTAL FILTER WITH 2 SIDEBAD
CRYSTALS (USED)----------
----------RS 400/-

14. 10.7 MHZ COMMERCIAL CRYSTAL FILTER WITH 1 SIDEBAD
CRYSTALS (USED)----------
----------RS 400/-

15. BRAND NEW BREADBOARD NOT USED FOR DOING EXPERIMENTS
IN ELECTRONICS
----------RS
200/-

16. ARRL 1984
HANDBOOK----------RS
150/-

17. DYNAMIC MIKE WITH PTT AND COMMERCIAL WITH CONNECTOR----------RS 250/-

18. USED 100 MICROAMP MOVING COIL METERS---------- RS
100/- EACH

73, de VU3PAN
Pravin

P.S. :
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460. Re: [m_a_r_s] FOX HUNTERS ONLY OPEN PLEASE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-18 12:53:47 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 452 Message: 460

Pls dont send multiple copies of the same msgs. and clutter our mail boxes.

461. Re: [m_a_r_s] THERE IS FOX CALLED "OSAMA" . R U THE ONE TO HUNT IT DOWN?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-18 12:59:05 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 456 Message: 461

This is the 8th copy of the same mail.

462. The ARRL Letter, Vol 21, No 03

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-21 16:12:37 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 462 Message: 462

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==>PRESIDENT HAYNIE RE-ELECTED; ARRL BOARD TACKLES CHALLENGING AGENDA

As expected, the ARRL Board of Directors has unanimously re-elected
President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, to a new two-year term. Haynie said defining
Amateur Radio's role in homeland security will top his list of initiatives
for his second term.

"We have a great role we could play in homeland security," Haynie said. "The
problem we have is getting Amateur Radio introduced to the proper agencies."
He said federal agencies "need a big education on what Amateur Radio does."

Meeting in Fort Worth, Texas, January 18 and 19, the Board also elected
former Southwestern Division Director Fried Heyn, WA6WZO, as Third Vice
President. Heyn will replace incumbent Third VP (and former Roanoke Division
Director) John Kanode, N4MM, who also was a candidate. All other ARRL
officers were re-elected unanimously.
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The Board elected Rick Roderick, K5UR, to replace Heyn on the ARRL Executive Committee. Former Southeastern Division Vice Director Evelyn Gauzens, W4WYR, was elected as an ARRL honorary vice president.

The Board was expected to review a wide range of FCC proceedings and regulatory issues. The list includes consideration of the possibility--raised again recently by Haynie--that the ARRL work toward getting a bill introduced in Congress on the issue of CC&Rs. "We're going to be talking about that at length and what strategy we're going to use as far as congressional support," Haynie said. The League has been unsuccessful in efforts to get the FCC to incorporate CC&Rs under its limited federal preemption policy known as PRB-1.

Also up for discussion is the band threat posed by SAVI Technology's plan--and now tentatively agreed to by the FCC--to deploy unlicensed transient RF identification devices between 425 and 435 MHz in the 70-cm band. The League maintains that deploying such devices under the Commission's Part 15 rules could result in significant interference to amateur operations. Comments on the proposal are due February 12 (for more information, see "Threats to Our Amateur Bands" <http://www.arrl.org/news/bandthreat/>).

Haynie said the Board also will be considering the controversial topic of whether to eliminate "Section News" and contest results from QST and move these to the ARRL Web site as a cost-saving measure. "That's being debated at great length," Haynie said. Section News pages have been available on the Web site since January 1 (see "New ARRL section pages debut," below).

The Board also will hear a formal report from the Novice Spectrum Study Committee and consider action based on its recommendations. The committee last month advised eliminating the CW Novice/Technician Plus subbands, as such, and permitting Novice and Tech Plus (or Technician with Element 1 credit) licensees to operate CW on General-class 80, 40, 15 and 10-meter CW allocations at up to 200 W output. The committee proposed refarming the current Novice/Tech Plus subbands, in part to allow expansion of phone allocations on 80, 40 and 15 meters.

Attending for the first time as a new director will be Southwestern Division Director Art Goddard, W6XD, who succeeded Heyn. Newcomers to the back bench at this session include incoming ARRL Southwestern Division Vice Director Tuck Miller, NZ6T, and Southeastern Division Vice Director Sandy Donahue, W4RU. All took office January 1.

==>ONE UP, THREE TO GO: NEW AMATEUR RADIO ANTENNA INSTALLED IN SPACE!

Amateur Radio on the International Space Station got a new antenna it can call its own, thanks to a January 14 spacewalk by Expedition 4 crew members Yuri Onufrienko, RK3DUO, and Carl Walz, KC5TIE. ARISS Board Chairman Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, says another of the four new ARISS antennas could be installed January 25.

"It was beautiful to watch," Bauer told ARRL. "It went like clockwork, everything deploying just as it was supposed to."

While crewmate Dan Bursch, KD5PNU, monitored and videotaped the spacewalk--or EVA--from inside the ISS, Onufrienko and Walz first relocated a Russian cargo crane used to maneuver equipment and spacewalkers. Then, they installed the flexible-tape VHF-UHF Amateur Radio antenna on a handrail at the end of the Zvezda Service Module--the crew's living quarters. The ARISS initial ham station gear--single-band hand-held transceivers for 2 meters and 70 cm--is installed in the Zarya Functional Cargo Block. NA1SS currently uses antennas that were installed to aid docking operations and EVAs. The new VHF-UHF antenna is the first one designed for and dedicated specifically to support ARISS operations.

Bauer said no decision has been made yet on which of the remaining three ARISS antennas will be mounted during the scheduled January 25 EVA. Three of the antennas are for VHF-UHF, while the fourth will support HF, although no HF gear is aboard the ISS at this point. Installation of the new antenna on Zvezda paves the way for two separate ham stations aboard Space Station Alpha.

"It was pretty exciting to see the unfurled ISS ham antenna system permanently mounted on the outside edge of the Service Module," Bauer said. "The antenna system looked breathtaking from the videos we witnessed while supporting the EVA."

ARISS ARRL representative Rosalie White, K1STO, said she, too, was pleased to see this phase of the project coming together. "We started all this in 1998--and now we have a permanent antenna on the outside of the station. Pretty cool!"

Bauer credited Lou McFadin, W5DID; Mark Steiner, K3MS; Ken Nichols, KD3VK; and Mark Clausen with providing support for the antenna installation from the NASA Goddard/ISS Ham-Goddard Control Center. He said Carolynn Conley, KD5JSO, provided antenna installation support at NASA's Johnson Space Center Mission Control Center.

"Congratulations team on a job well done. We have taken our ideas, concepts and vision and transformed them into reality," he said.

The antenna installation got top billing in several high-profile media outlets covering the space walk.

==>MISSISSIPPI YOUNGSTERS HELP INITIATE EXPEDITION 4 CREW TO ARISS

Thirteen elementary school students in Mississippi fired off 18 questions January 16 to ham-astronaut Carl Walz, KC5TIE, who responded from the International Space Station during a pass over North America. As crowd of about 200 students and 50 parents looked on, youngsters at St Clare School in Waveland quizzed Walz for about 10 minutes. The contact with NA1SS was the first Amateur Radio on the International Space Station school QSO for the Expedition 4 crew, which has been aboard the ISS for just over a month.

"These students are going to have a very slow time of landing back on Planet Earth, and the parents are still on Cloud Nine!" Coordinating teacher Mary Bartholomew commented afterwards. Bartholomew said that her students have

been studying the electromagnetic spectrum and space travel in preparation for this week's contact, which was facilitated by ARISS--a joint effort of ARRL, NASA and AMSAT.

As the contact began, ARISS mentor and control operator Tim Bosma, W6ISS, relayed congratulations to Walz from ARISS Board Chairman Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, for Monday's successful installation of the new VHF-UHF ham antenna. Bosma contacted the ISS via W6SRJ in Santa Rosa, California. Audio was relayed to and from the school via a WorldCom teleconferencing circuit.

Walz mentioned ham radio in two of his answers to the students. He said ham radio was one of the ways that he communicated with family and friends while on board the space station (an onboard e-mail system and a telephone are others). In response to a question about improvements to the NA1SS station, Walz noted Monday's ham antenna installation. The new antenna was not used for the January 16 contact, however.

In response to other questions, Walz reported that he and his crewmates, Commander Yuri Onufrienko, RK3DUO, and Dan Bursch, KD5PNU, were conducting experiments with algae, and had done research on lung function during the January 14 spacewalk. He told the students that on Christmas Day he unwrapped a few presents that he'd carried up and that he received books, CDs and pictures.

Walz said that the Mercury and Gemini project astronauts of the 1960s--especially John Glenn--were his role models in deciding to become an astronaut himself.

Reporters from a Biloxi TV station and three newspapers witnessed the ARISS contact. ARISS mentor Randy Becnel, W5UE, helped the staff and students prepare for the event.

Several more ARISS school contacts are set for this month and next. Bursch reportedly made several casual contacts last week while the ISS passed over the US. For more information, visit the ARISS Web site <http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov>.--Gene Chapline, K5YFL/ARISS

==>FCC AFFIRMS $10,000 FINE IN AMATEUR PIRATE CASE

The FCC has fined a Texas man $10,000 for transmitting without a license on an Amateur Radio band. Following a Notice of Apparent Liability issued in September, the FCC affirmed the $10,000 fine in a December 26 Forfeiture Order to David Edwin Merrell of Wichita Falls. The FCC said Merrell did not respond to the NAL.

In its earlier NAL, the FCC said it was acting on "numerous complaints" from the amateur community that an unidentified station operating on 7235 and 7238 kHz in the 40-meter band was causing "intentional interference to authorized communications." The FCC's High Frequency Direction Finding network determined that the signal was located in the Wichita Falls area. Last June, agents in the FCC's Dallas office monitored an unidentified station on 7220 kHz and determined that the transmission was coming from

Merrell's residence. "The station did not identify and transmitted only one-way broadcasts," the FCC said.

During as station inspection, Merrell "admitted to the transmissions and stated that he did not have a station operator license," the FCC said. Unconfirmed reports to the FCC indicate that Merrell may have continued to occasionally transmit on 40 meters following the FCC visit.

"Considering the entire record and applying the statutory factors listed above, this case warrants a $10,000 forfeiture," the FCC concluded. Merrell has 30 days from the date of the Order's release to pay the fine. If not paid, the matter could be referred to the Department of Justice for collection.

==>ARRL OFFERS ON-LINE "ANTENNA RESTRICTIONS 'HOW TO' CHART"

The ARRL Regulatory Information Branch has made available a "triage center" of sorts for amateurs facing the prospect of dealing with various roadblocks to erecting an antenna system at their residence. The new "Antenna Restrictions 'How To' Chart" page <http://www.ARRL.org/FandES/field/regulations/ant-how-to-charts.html> offers three separate outlines that help users to logically work through issues involving local government zoning restrictions; deed covenants, conditions and restrictions (CC&Rs); or rental/lease restrictions relating to antenna structures.

The prime focus is on dealing with Local zoning restrictions to putting up an antenna structure and how to make the best possible case at a local regulatory board hearing. Some of the advice there applies to CC&Rs and rental/lease situations too.

"Remember: at the hearing, your presentation will be 80% of the battle, and 100% of the basis for any record, if the case ends up going to court," the "Important Notice" on the page advises.

Each "how to" outline is structured around a series of questions--much like a logic or flow chart. Depending on the answer, the user is referred to specific information or additional resources. The page also offers some step-by-step suggestions. For example, the local government zoning outline suggests 10 steps to those seeking to change an overly restrictive local amateur antenna ordinance. One of them is to obtain the ARRL book Antenna Zoning for the Radio Amateur ($49.95; order Item 8217 from ARRL via the Online Store <http://www.arrl.org/catalog/?category=&words=8217> or order by calling toll-free 888-277-5289). Written by attorney Fred Hopengarten, K1VR, the book offers detailed information on working with local governments and describes proven techniques and strategies that amateurs can employ in efforts to obtain an antenna-structure permit.

As the page emphasizes up front, however, neither this book nor the outlines on the "Antenna Restrictions 'How To' Chart" page are intended as substitutes for advice from an attorney.

The local government zoning outline also offers suggestions and information for amateurs who would like their legislature to incorporate the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 into their state's laws. So far, only 13 states have done so, but bills are still in the works in a few others.

The page offers limited guidance to those confronting CC&Rs--an issue facing more and more amateurs these days--and to those who rent or lease their homes and still want to be able to install an antenna--a situation where PRB-1 does not apply. In both instances, affected amateurs are advised to develop and present logical and persuasive cases for being allowed to install an antenna system--much as they would have to do when dealing with a local government.

==>TEAM USA FORMING FOR 2002 ARDF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Slovak Amateur Radio Association (SARA) will host the 11th World Championships of Amateur Radio Direction Finding September 2-7 in the Slovak Republic. Participants are divided into five categories for men and four categories for women, in accordance with newly approved ARDF rules of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU). Each country may have up to three members per category on its team. ARRL and IARU Region 2 ARDF coordinator Joe Moell, K0OV, says he needs a preliminary head count of interested radio-orienteers as soon as possible. IARU societies for each participating country must submit a Letter of Intent with tentative team size by January 31.

The US$300 per-person entry fee includes hotel accommodations (double occupancy), meals, local transportation to the Championships events, and fees for the cultural program. The fee is US$150 for entrants arranging their own camping accommodations and providing their own meals.

Those interested in competing as part of Team USA at the 2002 ARDF World Championships should notify Moell via e-mail <homingin@...> immediately. Include full name and mailing address, home telephone number, and date of birth. Entry fees are due in full to the organizers by July 15, 2002.

Team member selection will be based on performances in the first USA ARDF Championships last August and in the second USA ARDF Championships in Atlanta this April. For more information, visit the World Championships Web site <http://www.ardf.sk>. For more information on Team USA, radio-orienteering in the USA, and the upcoming USA Championships near Atlanta, visit Moell's "Homing In" Web site <http://www.homingin.com>.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar scribe Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Last week, we talked about a rising solar flux, with a peak around Thursday of this week. Instead the visible solar disk has few sunspots, and solar flux is almost 50 points lower than predicted. Geomagnetic conditions were unsettled last weekend, but not stormy. Instead of planetary A indices of 30, 20 and 15 for Friday through Sunday, they were 21, 15 and 11.

On Friday the planetary K index was at four most of the day. Higher latitude geomagnetic indices were greater. Alaska's College A index for Friday was 37, and the day prior was even higher at 45. The College K index went as high as 7 on Thursday, indicating a geomagnetic storm and absorption for radio signals traveling over the polar path.

Average daily solar flux was about 18 points higher than the previous week, and average daily sunspot numbers were more than 9 points lower.

The latest prediction for the next few days shows no geomagnetic upsets, with solar flux at 215 for Friday and Saturday and 220 for Sunday. Projected average solar flux for the whole week looks to be similar to this week, unless some new sunspots emerge. Holographic images of the sun's far side show a large active region, but it won't face Earth until some time after next week.

Sunspot numbers for January 10 through 16 were 179, 195, 174, 190, 191, 155 and 131, with a mean of 173.6. The 10.7-cm flux was 224.6, 228.9, 233.3, 240.7, 229, 218.3 and 216.1, with a mean of 227.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 17, 21, 15, 11, 8, 6 and 4 with a mean of 11.7.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes, the North American QSO Party (SSB), the 070 Club PSKFest, the LZ Open Contest (CW), the MI QRP January CW Contest, are the weekend of January 19-20. JUST AHEAD: The CQ 160-Meter Contest (CW), the REF Contest (CW), the BARTG RTTY Sprint, the UBA DX Contest (SSB) and the Kansas QSO Party are the weekend of January 26-27. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar, <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course January registration: Registration for the Level III Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-003) will open on Monday, January 21. January registration for the Level II ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-002) will remain open over the January 19-20 weekend (or until the 50 seats are filled). February registration for Level I will open Monday, February 4. Courses must be completed in order, starting with Level I. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

* New ARRL section pages debut: Section News pages for all ARRL sections now are available on the ARRL Web site. Hams can log on to read the latest news from their section as well as keep up with what's happening in other sections around the country. The pages include ARRL section leadership contact information, links to hamfest and club listings, and a handy section boundary map. These new pages provide section managers with the means to communicate rapidly and efficiently with their constituents. ARRL members who are logged on to the site as members will find their section page link

on the right-hand side of the screen--in the box just above the one that says "Current Feature Articles." Non-members will find a link to a page that lists all section pages. "Alert" messages tell hams of late-breaking section-related news, urgent events, or last-minute changes to publicized activities. To contribute news or photos, contact your section leadership <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/smlist.html>.

* ARRL Foundation scholarship deadline looms: The deadline is fast approaching to apply for ARRL Foundation-sponsored scholarships. Individual awards range from $500 to $5000. Don't delay! Send scholarship applications with academic transcripts to The ARRL Foundation, 225 Main St, Newington CT 06111. The February 1, 2002, postmark deadline is firm--there are no exceptions! For an application, visit the ARRL Foundation Scholarship Programs Web page <http://www.arrl.org/arrlf/scholgen.html>.

* Help available for viewing and filing FCC comments: The ARRL Web site now offers help for those planning to file comments electronically with the FCC on petitions for rulemaking and other FCC proceedings that invite public comments. Visit the "How to File Comments on FCC Proceedings" page <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/news/filing_hints.html>. Information on the page explains about the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html> and includes practical tips on how to use it. The page also decodes some of the FCC's acronyms, such as NPRM, NOI and R&O, and explains their purpose in the regulatory process.

* ARRL Vice Director Receives Distinguished Service Award: ARRL Southwestern Division Vice Director Tuck Miller, NZ6T, of National City, California, has received the Distinguished Service Award of the San Diego Trolley system. While operating his trolley last October, Miller was asked to help a passenger who was unable to breathe. Immediately recalling his first aid training, Miller applied the Heimlich maneuver and successfully dislodged food blocking the passenger's airway. This act saved the passenger's life and earned Miller the highest civilian award conferred by the City of San Diego. Miller's actions were recognized at a ceremony at San Diego Trolley Headquarters on December 6, 2001.

* CQ VHF to return as a quarterly: CQ VHF will resume publication this spring as a quarterly magazine, publisher Richard Ross announced today. The magazine ceased publication in 1999. Longtime CQ magazine "VHF-Plus" Editor Joe Lynch, N6CL, will be editor of the new quarterly. The first issue is due out in May. In announcing the publication's return, CQ Communications noted that the "overwhelming majority" of US hams have license privileges that primarily permit operation above 50 MHz. "However, the prime focus of the current ham magazines remains HF," CQ Communications said in a news release announcing the change. CQ Communications said the revived CQ VHF was designed with marketplace realities in mind and "will rely primarily on subscription revenues to meet expenses." CQ Communications said CQ VHF "will retain the friendly, conversational, look and feel of the original, but its technical content will be somewhat higher-level." A subscription will be $25 per year in the US.

* Articles sought for ARRL's Ham Radio . . . Planning for the Future: ARRL Field & Educational Services is seeking original articles for the next edition of its publication Ham Radio . . . Planning for the Future--Proceedings of the ARRL National Educational Workshop. The annual publication is a compilation of articles written by hams that will be of interest to teachers, instructors, club members and ham/Scout leaders. Typical articles detail club activities and events, licensing classes, and general ham radio information and can provide a "springboard" for your radio club activities or licensing class. Submit articles by e-mail to Jean Wolfgang, WB3IOS, jwolfgang@.... Articles must be received by March 31, 2002.

* RSGB elects a new president: Bob Whelan, G3PJT, is the new president of the Radio Society of Great Britain, effective January 1. Whelan succeeds Don Beattie, G3BJ; he will serve a two-year term. Whelan said he was looking forward to the challenges ahead in raising the awareness of the value of Amateur Radio as a way of interesting the next generation of radio engineers and scientists. There are 58,000 amateurs in the UK. The Radio Society of Great Britain is an International Amateur Radio Union member-society.

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* ARRLWeb, http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/. (NOTE: The ARRL Letter will be posted each Friday when it is distributed via e-mail.)

* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio Club: Send e-mail to majordomo@... (no subject needed). The body of the message should say "subscribe letter-list" to subscribe or "unsubscribe letter-list" to unsubscribe. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)

463. Read This...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-22 17:28:49 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 463 Message: 463

When Musharraf completed 2 years of his rule over
> > Pakistan, he wanted a special postage stamp issued,
> > with his picture on it. He so instructed the
> > Postmaster General, stressing that it should be of
> > international quality. The stamps were duly released
> > Of the stamp, he began hearing complaints that the
> > stamp was not sticking properly, and become furious.
> > He called the chief of the ISI and ordered him to
> > investigate the matter. The chief checked the matter
> > out at several post offices, and then reported on the
> > problem to Musharraf. He said:\"Sir, the stamp is really
> > of international quality. The problem is, our citizens
> > are spitting on the wrong side!\"

Chat with friends online, try MSN Messenger: Click Here
(http://go.msn.com/bql/hmtag1_etl_EN.asp)

464. Snow..... A True Story

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-22 17:42:38 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 464 Message: 464

This had most of the state of Michigan laughing for 2 days
and a very embarrassed female news anchor who will, in the future, likely think before she speaks.

What happens when you predict snow but don't get any....

True story...we had a female news anchor who, the day after
it was supposed to have snowed and didn't, turned to the weatherman and asked "So Bob, where's that 8 inches you promised me last night?"

Not only did HE have to leave the set, but half the crew did
too they were laughing so hard!

Get your FREE download of MSN Explorer at http://explorer.msn.com
(http://go.msn.com/bql/hmtag_etl_EN.asp).

465. See the toons...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-24 15:34:14 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 465 Message: 465
Attachments: 8 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Join the world?s largest e-mail service with MSN Hotmail. Click Here
(http://go.msn.com/bql/hmtag4_etl_EN.asp)

466. Night Owls' Net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-24 13:24:50 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 466 Message: 466

Hi Friends.
Many of our friends who check on the Net have expressed a feeling that 10:00 p.m. is too late and hence with a confirmation from all the check ins on two or three consecutive days, we are changing the Net time to 9:30 p.m. Please let us know if anyone has a different opinion or this suits everyone fine.
73s VU2 NFS Nafisa

467. PLEASE OPEN ONLY 1 OF THESE MESSAGES.HA HA FOX

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-25 13:38:57 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 467 Message: 467

ALL FOX (OSAMA) HUNTERS

CU ALL AT EROS AT 8.30 AM .REMEBER YOU ALL HAVE PAID UP FOR IT SO DONT MISS THE FUN .HUNT STARTS AT 9 SHARP .

PLEASE EAT BREAKFAST AND COME
LUNCH WOULD BE TOWARDS 2 , 2.30

CARRY WATER

CARRY A PEN PLEASE .A PEN WILL REALLY HELP YOU SOLVE THE CLUES TO THE TREASURE HUNT AND ALSO FILL UP YOUR FORMS

WEAR TENNIS SHOES OR COMFORTABLE SHOES

PLEASE CHARGE YOU BATTARIES

WE PROMISE EACH TEAM WILL ENJOY THIS ACTIVITY
IF NOT YOU MAY PAY US ANOTHER RS150 .

PLEASE

Carry your valid driving license

Please obey all traffic rules

Carry ham license

Carry Xerox copy of the permission from wpc

Please hand over your mobile to us at church gate

Emergency frequency WILL BE TOLD TO YOU ON THE SUNDAY

Please wear mars caps

Carry water, sunglasses, and snacks

DRIVE CAREFULLY, TWO-WHEELER RIDERS ARE ADVISED TO WEAR HELMET.

ENSURE YOU HAVE ADEQUATE FUEL FOR THE FORWARD AND RETURN TRIPS.

PARK YOUR VEHICLES WELL OFF THE ROAD ESPECIALLY ON MAJOR ROADS/

HIGHWAYS. DON?T PARK AT BLIND TURNS OR ON NARROW BRIDGES.

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Topic: 467 Message: 468

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From: ZYROS ZEND
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From: ZYROS ZEND
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474. Re: [m_a_r_s] Night Owls' Net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-25 12:47:08 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 466 Message: 474

Hi Nafisa

I am always late comer now a days to my qth and to shack and 22.00 hrs is better suitable for me. Hence I would prefer 2200 hrs as a better choice. But I would say the majority wins as per your confirmation data.

Best regards

Jaiprakash

--- nafisa shikari <nafisahs@...> wrote:
> Hi Friends.
> Many of our friends who check on the Net have
> expressed a feeling that 10:00 p.m. is too late and
> hence with a confirmation from all the check ins on
> two or three consecutive days, we are changing the
> Net time to 9:30 p.m. Please let us know if anyone
> has a different opinion or this suits everyone fine.
> 73s VU2 NFS Nafisa
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475. Re: [m_a_r_s] FOX CALLED "OSAMA"

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-01-25 12:55:54 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 456 Message: 475

Hi Friends / Fox hunters

Good luck to all teams

Take a note

This is a trial event only

Next will be coming soon - The semi finals

Final will be:

Go around the globe - hunt OSAMA - Winners will be
awarded by Wiskey land. If you are hunted ??????????

So take care if you win you have to go to semi finals
then to finals and if you are hunted - who knows -
who - what - where - when - why and how.

Good luck friends don't panick MARS is with you

Jai Hind

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+Available on ARRL Audio News

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==>ARRL BOARD ADOPTS MODIFIED NOVICE BAND REFARMING PLAN

The ARRL Board of Directors has adopted a modified proposal to refarm the
Novice bands, now that the FCC no longer issues Novice licenses. The Board
met January 18-19 in Fort Worth, Texas.

The ARRL Novice Spectrum Study Committee had proposed allowing Novice and
Tech Plus (or Technician with Element 1 credit) licensees to operate CW on
General-class 80, 40, 15 and 10-meter CW segments at up to 200 W output. The
panel recommended refarming the current Novice/Tech Plus CW subbands, in
part to allow expansion of phone allocations on 80, 40 and 15 meters.

The Board approved a modified plan that would leave in place or slightly
trim the amount of additional phone spectrum the committee had recommended
for 75 and 15 meters. The amended plan would drop the US phone band to 3725
kHz on 75 meters but leave it at 21,200 kHz on 15 meters. The original plan
called for dropping both by 25 kHz.
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The 75-meter proposal would expand the phone band by 50 kHz for Generals over the present allocation and by 25 kHz for Advanced and Extra licensees. On 15 meters, Generals would get another 25 kHz of phone spectrum, but phone privileges for Advanced and Extra class operators would stay the same.

The Novice Spectrum Study Committee's original recommendations for 40 and 10 meters were accepted. The ARRL plans to propose the modified refarming plan to the FCC later this year along with other regulatory requests.

The Board also deferred until its July meeting a decision on whether to cut "Section News" and contest "line scores" from QST and move them to the ARRL Web site as part of an effort to stem ARRL operating losses. Before deciding to relocate the QST content, the Board said, it wants members to be "aware of the reasons for the proposed relocation and the enhanced capabilities available on the Web site." The Board said it also wants to evaluate "variations and alternatives" to the proposal.

The Board did decide to eliminate the minutes of its own meetings--published as "Moved and Seconded"--from QST. Minutes already are posted on the ARRL Web site and will be made available via alternative means to members lacking Internet access.

In other business, the Board accepted the Volunteer Resources Committee's recommendations to change several field organization rules. The new rules state that a section manager "is accountable for carrying out the duties of the office in accordance with ARRL policies" and "shall act in the best interests of Amateur Radio." Among other changes, the revised rules will prohibit a section manager removed from office from running in the next SM election following removal. Anyone removed by action of the Executive Committee would have to get that committee's consent to be eligible to run again. The Executive Committee also will have the power to cancel any field organization appointment "whenever it appears to be in the best interest of the ARRL to do so."

The changes were prompted in part by the Executive Committee's declaring the office of Virginia Section Manager vacant last May. The rules changes will not affect the current Virginia SM election process, already under way.

The Board also modified the ARRL by-laws to say that anyone removed from office by recall won't be eligible to be a candidate for director or vice director for three years following removal from office.

The Board resolved to petition the FCC in order to elicit "a clear statement from FCC acknowledging the limit of its statutory jurisdiction to authorize the manufacture and sale of unlicensed Part 15 devices."

The Board further resolved to extend the ARRL's "most sincere condolences to the families and friends of the radio amateurs who lost their lives on September 11, 2001." The Board also commended and honored amateurs who volunteered during the subsequent rescue and recovery efforts.

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, who was elected to another two-year term during the Board meeting reported that he felt the League's relationship

with the FCC had improved and that he was very pleased with the Amateur Radio Day at the FCC held last September.

==>VANITY PROCESSING RAMPING UP SLOWLY

Vanity call sign processing is resuming, but not exactly apace. On January 23 and 24, the FCC processed 70 vanity grants from applications received October 16, 17 and 18. Additional vanity grants are expected to follow as FCC personnel assemble all applications--paper and electronic--received on a given date.

Prior to January 9--when the FCC processed 27 vanity applications received from October 15 filers--the Commission had not issued any vanity grants since last October 30.

The holdup got its start when a batch of mail containing some 100 vanity applications received during the first two weeks of October apparently was mislaid in the process of dealing with the anthrax scare and mail decontamination. FCC policy gives equal priority to paper and electronic vanity applications, so the mail snafu has affected all vanity processing.

All vanity fee payments have been recorded and deposited or charged to credit card holders' accounts. The FCC has been using vanity fee payment data from the FCC's fiscal agent, Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh to contact applicants directly to have them resubmit their applications.

Since October, the FCC has been urging all of its customers to avoid using the mails to conduct business with the agency and to use electronic means to file comments or applications. The FCC has been acting on amateur renewals and administrative updates filed on-line via the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau's Universal Licensing System <http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls>. All applicants now must include an FCC Registration Number (FRN) when filing any application.

==>NEW HF AMATEUR RADIO ANTENNA INSTALLED ON ISS

Amateur Radio on the International Space Station gained a new HF antenna January 25--although there's no HF gear aboard the ISS as yet. The antenna--the second of four slated for installation aboard the Service Module--was put into place during a spacewalk--or EVA--conducted by Expedition 4 Crew Commander Yuri Onufrienko, RK3DUO, and astronaut Dan Bursch, KD5PNU.

The antenna is a flexible-tape design--similar to, but longer than, a VHF-UHF antenna installed during a January 14 EVA by Onufrienko and astronaut Carl Walz, KC5TIE. ARISS Board Chairman Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, said the antenna would be installed at the end of the Service Module in the 2 o'clock position (6 o'clock is pointing toward Earth).

The HF antenna is a 2.5-meter (8.2-foot) long flexible tape. Bauer thinks it will definitely work on 10 meters and speculated that it might work on 15 or 20 too. Bauer added that he did not know when HF gear would be transported to the ISS nor when it might be made available for use by a future crew.

The EVA lasted several hours and also involved attaching six thruster plume deflectors on the ISS as well as the ham antenna work. Installation involved not only the mechanical deployment of the antenna but routing cables, establishing the RF connection and even photographic documentation.

A paper entitled "2001: an Amateur Radio Space Odyssey on the International Space Station," which details the development of ARISS and discusses the four new ARISS antennas is available via the ARISS Web site <http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov/EVAs/amsat01.pdf>.

The Expedition 4 crew is tentatively scheduled to speak with students at Butte High School in Montana the week of January 28. The contact was being arranged either via Tony Hutchison, VK5ZAI, in South Australia or via WH6PN at Sacred Hearts Academy in Honolulu.

==>FCC MODIFIES SANCTION IN CALIFORNIA REPEATER CASE

The FCC has reduced a sanction imposed last year against a California amateur who had been banned from using repeaters on the 144, 222, or 440-MHz bands for three years. The case involved allegations that Ted R. Sorensen III, KC6PQW, of Agoura Hills, California, and Gregory S. Cook, ex-KC6USO, of Chico, California, had conspired in making late-night one-way transmissions on the W6NUT 147.435 MHz repeater that originated from Sorensen's station.

Last March the FCC accepted Cook's voluntarily surrendered license. Although he did not dispute the allegations, Sorensen got a lawyer and protested his lengthy banishment. In his initial response to the FCC, Sorensen offered to accept a suspension from talking on the W6NUT repeater for a year "as fair punishment." After reviewing Sorensen's case, the FCC decided to accept that less-stringent settlement of the case, rather than get involved in a hearing.

Because Sorensen already has been off the repeater for more than two months, the prohibition expire next September 15.

The FCC review into the operation of the W6NUT repeater continues, following complaints of jamming by users, broadcasting, playing music and "a plethora of other violations," the FCC said.

==>WISCONSIN AMATEUR ANTENNA BILL HEADED FOR GOVERNOR'S DESK

Wisconsin is poised to be the next state to incorporate the language of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 into state law. ARRL Wisconsin Section Manager Don Michalski, W9IXG, said the antenna bill--Assembly Bill 368, "Amateur Radio FCC PRB-1 Amateur Radio Antenna Protection Act"--passed the State Senate this week on a voice vote. The bill now goes to Gov Scott McCallum for his signature.

"We would like to acknowledge this victory due to the tireless efforts of Jim Romelfanger, K9ZZ, SK," Michalski said. "Without his hard work over many years, it would not have been possible. This is a tribute to Jim, and we should all be grateful." Romelfanger, a Wisconsin Amateur Radio activist, ARRL Public Information Coordinator and editor of the Badger State Smoke Signals ham radio newspaper, died December 22.

Wisconsin ARRL State Government Liaison Jim Lackore, AD9X, said AB 368 passed the upper chamber January 22 with no expressed opposition.

AB 368 would require that ordinances or resolutions affecting the placement, screening or height of Amateur Radio antennas or support structures have a "reasonable and clearly defined aesthetic, public health or safety objective." Such an ordinance or resolution also must represent "the minimum practical regulation" necessary to accomplish the locality's objectives and must reasonably accommodate Amateur Radio communication.

Lackore and Michalski were encouraging Wisconsin amateur to contact Gov McCallum and urge him to sign AB 368 into law. Lackore noted that e-mail can be sent to McCallum's e-mail address, wisgov@..., or via the governor's Web site <http://www.wisgov.state.wi.us>. Messages also may be sent via fax (608-267-8983) or by mail to The Office of the Governor, 115 East State Capitol, Madison, WI 53702.

Michalski thanked everyone who has supported the bill. "Your letters have obviously had an impact," he said. "This is the last step to passage so your help is appreciated one more time."

To date, 13 states have incorporated PRB-1 language into their statues, and measures are pending in a few other states. Some states, such as Alaska and Virginia, have taken PRB-1 another step, passing laws that include schedules of minimum antenna structure heights, below which municipalities may not further regulate.

A copy of the pending legislation is available on the Wisconsin Legislature Web site, <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/2001/data/AB-368.pdf>.

==>ARRL BOARD NAMES AWARD WINNERS

The ARRL Board of Directors has named the winners of the 2001 ARRL International Humanitarian Award and the Bill Leonard, W2SKE, Professional Media Award. The Board made its selections during its meeting in Fort Worth, Texas January 18-19.

The 2001 ARRL International Humanitarian Award winner is Dr Jim Hirschman, K4TCV, of Miami, Florida, "in recognition of a lifetime of medicine and public service communications that has touched so many lives and put our Service in such a positive light," the Board said in making the award.

The Board's resolution naming Hirschman said he "combines his Amateur Radio and medical skills to give on-air advice on a moment's notice."

Hirschman's skills were put to the test on two occasions when individuals were injured as a result of pirate attacks on sailing vessels in the Caribbean Sea. In March 2000, marauders fired upon Jacco van Tuijl, KH2TD, and his son, Willem, and attempted to commandeer the family's sailboat while it was moored off the coast of Honduras. Willem was severely injured. Following van Tuijl's radio calls for help, Hirschman provided live on-the-air medical assistance for approximately nine hours until the youngster could be evacuated to medical facilities.

Hirschman also provided critical medical advice in the wake of a subsequent and similar incident a year later, when Bo Altheden, SM7XBH, of Sweden, was shot by pirates who boarded his vessel. Altheden's wife put out a call for help on 20 meters that attracted the attention of the Maritime Mobile Service Net. The Board said the incidents were "but two examples of a lifetime of dedication to public service that has made him well-known internationally."

Hirschman will get an engraved plaque, and his accomplishments will be the subject of an article in a future edition of QST.

The winner of the 2001 Bill Leonard, W2SKE, Professional Media Award is Michaelangelo Conte, a staff writer for The Jersey Journal in Jersey City, New Jersey. This award is given annually to a professional journalist (or group) for outstanding coverage of Amateur Radio in TV, radio, print or multimedia. The winner receives an engraved plaque and a check for $500.

Conte's winning submission, "Radio operators took to air--Aided rescue at Ground Zero," covered the communications activities of the Jersey City Amateur Radio Club following the World Trade Center attack last September. The club, which is affiliated with the Hudson County chapter of the American Red Cross, focuses on emergency communications, was just being formed and had not even held its first meeting prior to September 11. Several club members were interviewed about their roles in providing a needed communications link between Jersey City and emergency units in lower Manhattan.

Conte was nominated by the club's president Rich Krajewski, WB2CRD, who subsequently renamed the new organization the Cirri Memorial Radio Club in honor of Robert D. "Bob" Cirri Sr, KA2OTD, a Port Authority police officer and ARRL Hudson County District Emergency Coordinator who died in the WTC attack while helping to evacuate the buildings.

In Amateur Radio circles, Bill Leonard, a former president of CBS News, is remembered for his 1958 contribution to Sports Illustrated, "The Battle of the Hams," which describes the "sport of DXing." In November of 1996, Leonard was inducted into the Broadcasting and Cable Hall of Fame. Leonard became a Silent Key in 1994.

==>AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS HELP SAILBOAT IN DISTRESS

Amateur Radio played a role in the rescue of two people aboard the sailing vessel Antigone that ran aground off Honduras January 24. Ed Petzolt, K1LNC, of Hobe Sound, Florida, reports that, despite some apparently deliberate interference, members of the Intercontinental Net on 14.300 MHz helped relay communications from the vessel, which was equipped with an HF marine radio.

David Walz, AG4LI/HR6, in Honduras was in contact with the vessel and passed traffic from the stranded mariners to the Net. Petzolt said he was able to patch the US Coast Guard in Miami through to AG4LI/HR6, so the Coast Guard could obtain additional information and coordinate with Honduran authorities. Petzolt said the two passengers aboard the 40-foot vessel were safe, and the boat was on the beach. Amateurs, he said, stood by in case

serious problems arose during the rescue effort.

The registry of the vessel and the nationalities of the passengers were not known. The FCC was alerted to investigate the source of the interference.

==>PENNSYLVANIA RACES MEMBERS ACTIVATE FOR NURSING HOME FIRE

Hams responded December 15, 2001, after fire broke out at Cedarbrook County Home in South Whitehall Township and soon was upgraded to a four-alarm fire.

Emergency Management Agency Coordinator James Kelly, KA3UQP, began opening temporary shelters in anticipation of the evacuation of the 515 residents. He notified the South Whitehall EMA team that included Jeff Kelly, N3MFT, who is the Township EMA Communications Officer, Lehigh County Emergency Coordinator and RACES Radio Officer. It was agreed that RACES would be activated to staff the shelters and provide additional support.

A net was established, and Deputy RACES Officer Bruce Bobo, KB3FIH, directed operations from the county's mobile command center at the fire scene. RACES members were deployed to the scene as well as at shelter locations and the local trauma center. Over the next 24 hours, more than two dozen RACES members helped to provide communications until temporary shelters had shut down and residents transported to appropriate care.

On December 17, Lehigh County EMA contacted Kelly for RACES to assist in coordinating the return of patients to the facility, which received smoke and water damage. Bobo said RACES was called back in to help because it was determined that the amateur system had the best communications coverage over the four-county area where patients had been sheltered temporarily. More than 20 RACES members from Lehigh and Northampton counties provided support for the safe return of all 515 residents. Authorities expressed appreciation to the RACES teams and for use of the W3OI 146.94, W3OK 146.70 and N3MFT 448.775 MHz repeaters.--Jeff Kelly, N3MFT

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar seer Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Average sunspot numbers rose more than nine points this week, and average solar flux dropped nearly eight points, so solar activity was about the same as last week. There weren't any days with big geomagnetic upsets. Saturday was slightly unsettled, with the planetary K index at four over two of the three-hour reporting periods. Because of lower indices earlier, the planetary A index for the day was only 11.

Latest projections show stable geomagnetic conditions well into next month, with planetary A indices in the low and mid single digits. This is generally good for HF operators because of lower absorption. Predicted solar flux for Friday through Sunday is 225.

NASA reported this week that the previous two solar cycles were double-peaked, and the current one is also. At one time we believed that Cycle 23 peaked in mid-2000, but then a larger peak emerged in late 2001. No doubt this explains all that fabulous F2 layer propagation on 6 meters last

fall. You can read NASA's story on the Science@NASA Web site <http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2002/18jan_solarback.htm>.

Sunspot numbers for January 17 through 23 were 122, 156, 153, 212, 187, 178 and 272 with a mean of 182.9. The 10.7 cm flux was 211.8, 210.5, 213.7, 222.2, 224.5, 228.7 and 226.5, with a mean of 219.7. Estimated planetary A indices were 6, 5, 11, 7, 9, 6 and 6 with a mean of 7.1.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The CQ 160-Meter Contest (CW), the REF Contest (CW), the BARTG RTTY Sprint, the UBA DX Contest (SSB) and the Kansas QSO Party are the weekend of January 26-27. JUST AHEAD: The North American Sprint (SSB), the Vermont, New Hampshire, Minnesota and Delaware QSO parties, the 10-10 International Winter Contest (SSB), the FYBO Winter QRP Field Day, and the Mexico RTTY International Contest are the weekend of February 2-3. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, http://www.arrl.org/contests/ and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar, <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course registration: Registration for the Level III Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-003) will remain open over the January 26-27 weekend--or until the 50 seats are filled. February registration for Level I will open Monday, February 4, at 4 PM Eastern Time. Courses must be completed in order, starting with Level I. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

* REMINDER: Continuing Legal Education Seminar set: ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, will conduct a Continuing Legal Education Seminar on February 1 in Doral, Florida, in conjunction with the Miami Tropical Hamboree. The session will be held at the Doral Hampton Inn from 1 to 5 PM. The $75 cost of the seminar includes a copy of Antenna Zoning for the Radio Amateur by Fred Hopengarten, K1VR--a $49.95 value. Those who have already purchased Hopengarten's book may attend for $25. The seminar will cover in-depth state and local antenna regulation, with a focus on amateur issues and other legal topics affecting Amateur Radio. Advance registration is required. Contact Linda Mullally, KB1HSV, 860-594-0292, lmullally@..., to register. More information on Miami Tropical Hamboree 2002 is available on the Hamboree Web site <http://www.hamboree.org/>.

* KK5DO joins AMSAT-NA Board of Directors: Bruce Paige, KK5DO, is the newest member of the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors. Paige, a first alternate, acceded to the Board upon the resignation of Andy MacAllister, W5ACM, who stepped down because of a heavy professional workload. Paige will serve out the remainder of MacAllister's term, which runs through September. AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, has appointed Paige to also replace MacAllister as vice president of user services. "I thank Andy for his many

years of service to AMSAT and his active role as vice president of user services," said Haighton, who expressed his regrets at MacAllister's resignation but said he looked forward to MacAllister's "wise counsel" on future AMSAT matters. In a teleconference January 17, the AMSAT Board appointed AMSAT-NA's immediate past president Keith Baker, KB1SF, as executive vice president of AMSAT. "I welcome Keith, with his past experience and working knowledge of AMSAT," Haighton said. Paige will continue as AMSAT-NA's awards manager.

* New Jersey call sign license plates to bear "Amateur Radio" legend: Starting in February, New Jersey amateurs will be able to request call sign license plates bearing the legend "Amateur Radio," thanks to an amendment to the state's existing call sign license plate statute. The amendment was signed December 28, 2001, by then-acting Gov Donald DiFrancesco. The DMV is not yet ready to process new plates at this point, however. Northern New Jersey Section Manager Bill Hudzik, W2UDT, said the amendment now allows hams with leased vehicles to apply for plates, includes the words "Amateur Radio" on the plates, and increases the fee to $15. "Many New Jersey hams have worked over the years to make this happen," said Hudzik, who credited ASM John Hults, K2WJ, with started the ball rolling on the amendment some eight years ago. The measure also got help over the years from then-Hudson Division Director Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML--now Hudson Division Vice Director--as well as past Northern New Jersey SM Jeff Friedman, K3JF; the bill's original sponsor, Assemblyman Nick Felice, W2YGM; Frank Terranella, N2IGO, who drafted the bill's text; and Northern New Jersey State Government Liaison Ray Makul, K1XV. "This was a true team effort!" Hudzik said.

* Shiro Nomura, JA1CB, SK: Retired Kenwood executive and chief engineer Shiro Nomura, JA1CB, of Tokyo, Japan, died January 18. He was 70. An ARRL and Japan Amateur Radio League member, Nomura was a Kenwood Communications Corporations chief engineer and research-and-development manager prior to his retirement. He also was the designer of the popular TS-930S transceiver. Between 1989 and 1997, he directed Kenwood USA operations in California. Nomura was a DXCC Honor Roll member (352 mixed) and was active on the air until shortly before he died. Survivors include his wife and the couple's son and daughter. A service was held January 22 in Tokyo. Friends may express condolences to the family via e-mail, ja1cb@....--Junji Saito, JA7SSB

* Call for papers for Southeastern VHF Conference: The Southeastern VHF Society has issued its first call for papers for the sixth annual Southeastern VHF Conference. The conference will be held April 26-27 in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Registration, program details, hotel and travel information is available on the Society's Web site <http://www.svhfs.org/>. The conference will include presentations from accomplished VHF-UHF Amateur Radio enthusiasts. In addition, the program will include antenna gain measurements, pre-amp gain and noise figure measurements, the Friday evening flea market with vendor displays, the Saturday afternoon auction and the Saturday evening banquet. To submit a paper for inclusion in the Conference Proceedings, contact Skip Coppola, KG4QDZ, kg4qdz@.... The submission deadline is March 1, 2002. Proceedings of the 2002 Southeastern VHF Society

Conference will be available from ARRL.

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477. Re: [m_a_r_s] Night Owls' Net

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From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 466 Message: 477

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From: nafisa shikari
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, January 24, 2002 6:54 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Night Owls' Net

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Date: 2002-01-31 09:08:21 UTC
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Topic: 478 Message: 478

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==>PRESIDENT BUSH ADDRESSES FLORIDA ARES NET

President George W. Bush spoke January 31 via Amateur Radio to members of the Northern Florida Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net (NFAN). The president was in Florida to spotlight five volunteer groups for their value to the new Office of Homeland Security--among them the Volusia County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES).

"I want to thank all the volunteers who help make sure that Florida is prepared for any kind of emergency," the president said in part, after checking in around 9:15 AM to a regular session of the 75-meter ARES net. "I want to thank you all for helping your communities be prepared."

Northern Florida ARRL Section Manager Rudy Hubbard, WA4PUP, said Bush spoke from a portable station set up at a Daytona Beach-area fire station. At the request of ARES Volusia County Emergency Coordinator Joette Barnett, KG4HPN,

John Schmidt, AF4PU, and Clifford Fraser, KE4HIY, arranged to have the station ready as a demonstration of Amateur Radio's role in emergency preparedness and in the hope that Bush would be willing to address the 75-meter net. Hearing the president check into the net was a pleasant surprise, Hubbard said.

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, said he was "extremely gratified" that President Bush recognized the valuable service Amateur Radio operators provide in times of emergencies. "I know that all hams in the United States stand ready to do their part in America's Homeland Security Program," Haynie commented. Haynie has said that defining Amateur Radio's role in homeland security would top his list of initiatives for his second term.

Hubbard said a copy of proposed expanded Amateur Radio antenna (PRB-1)legislation was given to the President and to the president's brother, Florida Gov Jeb Bush, for possible introduction in next year's Florida legislative session. "We Amateur Radio operators will volunteer however we're needed, and maybe it will be seen that we can greatly help the nation if we have the antennas we need," Hubbard commented. The proposed bill would seek to extend Florida's PRB-1 law to include private deed covenants, conditions and restrictions.

Bush's stop in Florida was part of a swing through the southeastern US, which also included stops in North Carolina and Georgia. The Daytona Beach event marked a rare appearance on ham radio by a sitting president. Former President Gerald Ford spoke via a ham radio satellite hookup in 1986.

==>ARRL GOING TO THE MAT ON 70-CM BAND THREAT

ARRL officials met recently with FCC staff members as part of the League's effort to stave off a band threat on 70 cm. ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, and Technical Relations Manager Paul Rinaldo, W4RI, delivered an ex parte presentation to FCC Office of Engineering and Technology staffers on January 14. At issue was SAVI Technology's plan--already tentatively agreed to by the FCC--to deploy unlicensed transient RF identification devices between 425 and 435 MHz at much higher field strengths and duty cycles than Part 15 rules now permit for such devices. RFID tags are used to track and inventory parcel shipments.

"We told them that this was the worst possible choice of bands for these RFIDs," Imlay said. "Besides, there's no technical justification for that choice of frequencies." The request to use 70 cm has more to do with economics than technology, he said, because SAVI needs to bring down the cost of RFIDs in order to make a profit.

Imlay added that the ARRL would "do whatever it takes" to stave off the threat, including further direct appeals to FCC staff. The ARRL plans to file "strongly worded" comments on the SAVI petition by the February 12 comment deadline. Reply comments are due by March 12, 2002. Imlay said he was assured that SAVI's request "was not a done deal."

The FCC acted on the SAVI request last October in an FCC Notice of Proposed Rule Making and Order (ET Docket 01-278). The ARRL argued in comments filed last March that the field strengths and duty cycles SAVI proposed for its RFID tags as Part 15 "periodic radiators" were unreasonable and "would undoubtedly seriously disrupt amateur communications in one of the most popular of the Amateur Service allocations," particularly for weak-signal enthusiasts.

The League also believes the FCC lacks the statutory authority to permit the RFID tags under its Part 15 rules in the configuration SAVI has requested. The ARRL argues that under the Communications Act of 1934, such devices with substantial interference potential must be licensed. The ARRL also has suggested that SAVI pick one of the Industrial, Scientific and Medical (ISM) bands instead of 425-435 MHz.

The ARRL's January 14 ex parte presentation was complemented by an interference study prepared by ARRL Lab Supervisor Ed Hare, W1RFI, and ARRL Senior Engineer Zack Lau, W1VT. A copy of the interference study and more information is available on the ARRL Web site "Band Threats" page <http://www.arrl.org/announce/regulatory/rm-1005/SaviExParte.pdf>.

==>ARRL MEMBERS' DONATION TO HELP PRESERVE AMATEUR RADIO HISTORY

A generous donation from an Amateur Radio couple from Dallas will support the ARRL's efforts to preserve ham radio's history. ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart announced the contribution from Barry Merrill, W5GN, and Judith Spencer Merrill, KA5PQD, this week. The Merrills are ARRL life members.

"ARRL is proud to acknowledge the Merrills' exceptional generosity in support of the Preservation of Artifacts Fund," Hobart said. "Their donation is dedicated to the conservation of the valuable books, papers and artifacts that define the history of Amateur Radio."

The Merrills' desire to contribute was prompted in part by recent exploratory efforts--primarily by ARRL Pacific Division Director Jim Maxwell, W6CF, and his wife, Trudy, KC6NAX--to assess and inventory papers, pamphlets, correspondence and photographs now stored in an attic room at ARRL Headquarters.

The Merrills said the recent discovery of very early correspondence and documents by the founders and early leaders of Amateur Radio "comprise a unique history that will be lost forever without archival preservation." They expressed the hope that the documentary materials one day might be made accessible to the public, at least in digital form.

The ARRL Historical Committee, chaired by New England Director Tom Frenaye, K1KI, says the Maxwells' efforts helped increase sensitivity to the historical importance and value of some of the items on display or in daily use at Headquarters. For their part, the Maxwells say the uncatalogued material in the attic was the tip of the iceberg of a possible historical treasure trove.

In his report to the Historical Committee, Maxwell emphasized the importance of moving the documents and photographs into a more friendly environment. The Historical Committee wants to be able to inventory and store as many of the documents and photographs as possible over the next few months.

Hobart invited other League members to join the Merrills in helping to conserve Amateur Radio's documentary history. "The conservation project supported so generously by Barry and Judy Merrill will take months, if not years," she said. "If you would like to join them in building the historical record of ARRL, we would be pleased to hear from you."

Contact Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, mhobart@...; 860-594-0397, or send contributions to the Preservation of Artifacts Fund, c/o Chief Development Officer Mary M. Hobart, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington CT 06111.

==>ARRL FIELD DAY, AFFILIATED CLUB COMPETITION CHANGES ANNOUNCED

The ARRL has adopted rule changes affecting Field Day and the ARRL Affiliated Club Competition program. The primary Field Day change--effective with this year's event June 22-23--phases out the Novice-Technician station and replaces it with a new station category, the "Get-On-The-Air"--or GOTA--station.

A GOTA station is intended for operation by Novice and Technician operators or by generally inexperienced or inactive amateurs as well as by as-yet-unlicensed or "under-licensed" operators working under the privileges of a licensed control operator (third-party traffic rules apply--see the International Third Party Traffic page on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/io/3rdparty.html>). Under the revised rules, any Class A Field Day entry operating at least two transmitters may include a GOTA station, which will not count as an additional transmitter for the purpose of entry category.

The GOTA station may operate on any Field Day band and mode, but only one GOTA transmitter may be in use at any given time. The GOTA station may complete up to 400 QSOs to be counted toward the group's total Field Day score. A Field Day group can claim 100 bonus points if its GOTA station successfully completes 400 QSOs. The GOTA station does not affect the additional VHF/UHF station provided under Field Day rule 4.1.2.

Field Day 2002 will mark the first in which stations throughout the Americas have been invited to participate. As approved at the July 2001 ARRL Board of Directors' meeting, all International Amateur Radio Union Region 2 countries--North and South America--may take part in Field Day starting this June.

Complete Field Day rules and information packet will be available on the ARRL Web Contest Forms and Rules page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/forms> in early February. Field Day 2002 pins and T-shirt may be ordered now via the ARRL Web catalog <http://www.arrl.org/catalog/?category=&words=Field+Day+Pin>.

Changes to the ARRL Affiliated Club Competition program also were included in the report of the Membership Services Committee (MSC), presented to the ARRL Board of Directors at its January meeting. In accordance with the advice of the ARRL Contest Advisory Committee, five specific affiliated club competition changes will go into effect November 1. Under the revised rules:

* The requirement that a member must attend at least two club meetings a year in order to be allowed to submit a score for a club in the unlimited and medium categories has been altered. The new rules will allow participation by "a member in good standing, as defined by the club."

* Medium and unlimited clubs now may define their club service area either as a 175-mile radius circle or as an entire ARRL section. This change will allow clubs from larger states that encompass entire ARRL sections to compete with each other.

* The percentage of operators who must be members of a club in order for the club to claim a score from a multioperator station has been reduced from 66% to 50%.

* A station owner no longer must be a member of a club in order for a guest operator at the station to claim the score for that club.

* Canadian clubs that are full Radio Amateurs of Canada affiliates now may participate in the ARRL Affiliated Clubs Competition.

These changes affect ARRL contests that include a club competition--January VHF Sweepstakes, the ARRL International DX Contest, the September VHF Party, the ARRL November Sweepstakes, the ARRL 160-Meter Contest and the ARRL 10-Meter Contest.

Complete rules for all ARRL-sponsored operating events are available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/>. For more information, contact ARRL Contest Branch Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, n1nd@....

==>RFI COMPLAINTS, CITY COUNCIL INVOLVEMENT FRUSTRATE MICHIGAN AMATEUR

Rob Underwood, W8YRB, says RFI complaints have him at his wit's end. The Wyoming, Michigan, ARRL member says his efforts to resolve some neighbors' complaints of stubborn interference are at an impasse. To add to his frustration, the Wyoming City Council now has asked the FCC to step in, and the situation has erupted into a media spectacle that, he says, hasn't done much for ham radio's image.

The FCC's position with respect to RFI to consumer devices is that the consumer device--telephone, stereo, TV or other appliance--most often is to blame, and that consumers need to deal with appliance manufacturers.

Underwood says he's gone the extra mile to resolve interference complaints, but one neighbor a half block away has become especially intractable, pinning blame for interference to her telephone and touch lamp squarely on him. The woman ultimately complained to the city council, which met January 21 and unanimously agreed to contact the FCC.

Underwood said city council members "threw their hands in the air, and most of them said it was my station that needed to be 'filtered' and didn't want to hear what my solutions were." Twenty one amateurs reportedly attended the council meeting on Underwood's behalf, and one Council member praised Underwood's attempts to assist and to educate everyone.

Underwood said, however, that several other neighbors turned up at the session with new RFI complaints he hadn't heard before. He's volunteered to assist them. Underwood says media coverage has focused on the neighbors' complaints rather than on his efforts to respond to them.

The neighbor's touch lamp seems especially susceptible to RFI and even flickers when he keys his 100-W mobile transmitter while driving by her house, Underwood said. Although he installed some ferrite chokes on the lamp's power cord, the problem persisted. The neighbor has refused further offers of help.

Underwood reports that his own home is essentially free of RFI problems, with the exception of his cordless telephones when he runs his amplifier. He said he installed RF chokes on telephone equipment for his immediate neighbors who had complained of problems, and they have not reported any interference since.

Underwood has the full support of ARRL Michigan Section Manager Dick Mondro, W8FQT, who noted that the FCC Detroit Field Office was also aware of the problem and has been cooperating in resolving the issue.

ARRL provides information and resources to deal with RFI problems on the ARRL Web site's RFI pages <http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/rfigen.html>.

==>NEW RECORDS SET AT 241 GHZ AND 322 GHZ

Contacts made in mid-December "on the ultra-highs" by microwave enthusiast Brian Justin, WA1ZMS, set new North American records on two bands that amateurs don't encounter routinely--241 and 322 GHz.

On December 15, Justin, operating W2SZ/4 in Virginia, made contact with Gordon Howell, WA4RTS/4, on the 322-GHz band "over a whopping distance of 0.05 km (about 164 feet)," he said. Both stations were located in FM07ji.

"I know it's not much as far as DX is concerned, but it's on par with DB6NT's 411-GHz DX record and is a North American first for the 300-GHz band, excluding light," he added.

About an hour later another QSO was made between W2SZ/4 and WA4RTS/4 on 241 GHz over a distance of 1.1 km (approximately 3609 feet). "This is a North American first for the band and a new NA record at the same time," Justin said.

Both contacts were made using modulated CW and wideband FM receivers. The power output on 322 GHz was estimated to be just a few microwatts, while the power on 241 GHz was measured at 0.75 mW. The stations were constructed of 80.6-GHz free running Gunn oscillators driving GaAs diode triplers. Both setups used homebrew six-inch parabolic dishes with hyperbolic

sub-reflectors.

Justin said the next step is to phase-lock the Gunn oscillators to crystal oscillators in the future to permit using narrowband modulation, "thus resulting in better DX." WA1ZMS estimated that over the span of his ham radio career, he's operated at least once on every available Amateur Radio band.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar seer Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Average solar flux was up nearly 30 points this week, and average sunspot numbers rose by nearly 15. Solar flux peaked on Tuesday at 261 and is probably headed down for a while. Predicted solar flux for Friday through Monday is 250, 245, 240 and 235.

There was an M-1 solar flare at 2005 UTC on Saturday, and the flare may have enhanced the daily solar flux reading for that day--which was 256.5. This reading is at noon local time (2000 UTC) in Penticton, British Columbia, but there is also a morning reading and a third one in the afternoon. The morning reading for that day was 244.1 and the afternoon flux was 248.8.

Saturday's flare didn't cause any noticeable geomagnetic disturbance. Friday had a brief period when the planetary K index was 4, and the high-latitude Alaska College K index was 5, but the rest of the period was so quiet that, for all week, the A index was in the single digits.

Sunspot numbers for January 24 through 30 were 173, 196, 194, 189, 207, 214 and 210, with a mean of 197.6. The 10.7-cm flux was 230.8, 234.8, 256.5, 248, 259.8, 261 and 256.3, with a mean of 249.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 4, 8, 7, 7, 6, 4 and 3 with a mean of 5.6.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The North American Sprint (SSB), the Vermont, New Hampshire, Minnesota and Delaware QSO parties, the 10-10 International Winter Contest (SSB), the FYBO Winter QRP Field Day, and the Mexico RTTY International Contest are the weekend of February 2-3. JUST AHEAD: The ARRL School Club Roundup is February 11-16. The North American Sprint (CW), the Six Club Second Winter Contest, the CQ/RJ WW RTTY WPX Contest, the Utah QSO Party, the Asia-Pacific Sprint (CW), the Dutch PACC Contest, the YL-OM Contest (CW), the FISTS Winter Sprint, the RSGB 1.8-MHz Contest (CW) and the QRP ARCI Winter Fireside SSB Sprint are the weekend of February 9-10. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar, <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course registration: Registration for the Level I Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-001) will open Monday, February 4, 2002, 4 PM Eastern Time. Registration for Level II will open on Monday, February 11; registration for Level III will open

February 18. Courses must be completed in order, starting with Level I. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

* Mystery satellite identified: AMSAT News Service reports that a "mystery satellite" that had been transmitting frequency-modulated AFSK and CW on 144.100 MHz for several days was identified as MAROC-TUBSAT, an Earth-sensing spacecraft owned by the Royal Center for Remote Sensing--a Moroccan government agency. The satellite was placed into a polar orbit by a Russian launcher on December 10. When informed of the interference to amateur operations, the agency immediately shut down the 144.100-MHz transmitter. MAROC-TUBSAT also has a downlink at 436.075 MHz, which is switched on over North Africa and Europe when the control stations in Morocco and Germany are active. It has not been heard elsewhere. IARU Satellite Adviser Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV, is seeking more information from ARRAM--the Moroccan national radio society.--ANS via Ray Soifer, W2RS

* Broadcasters may borrow amateur band for Winter Olympics coverage: The FCC has granted the Salt Lake Organizing Committee a Special Temporary Authority to utilize the 13 centimeter band (2300-2305 and 2390-2450 MHz) for broadcast auxiliary operations at Olympic venues through March 1. While the STA does not forbid amateur use of the band between now and then, it does authorize the Broadcast Auxiliary Service as a co-secondary user until March 1. "These types of STAs are not unusual during major broadcast events, and the Olympic Games qualify," said ARRL regulatory correspondent Brennan Price, N4QX. The FCC has designated the Salt Lake Organizing Committee as the single point of contact for coordinating operations under §74.24 of the Commission's rules through March 31, 2002, for the 2002 Winter Olympic Games and Paralympic Games to be held in Salt Lake City, Utah.

* Olympic site is NOAA Weather Radio-ready, thanks to hams: With the help of local Amateur Radio operators in the Park City and Salt Lake City, Utah, area, the Olympic village in Park City has 24-hour NOAA Weather Radio coverage. "There was absolutely no weather radio coverage in Park City due to the mountain range between our SLC transmitter and Park City," said Joe Lachacz, KF6NHD, a NOAA Weather Radio Specialist. Steve Mainwaring NZ6Z, Don Lloyd, KD7BA, and Greg Lundell, K7UHP, installed the NOAA Weather Radio on Quarry Ridge in Park City. Olympic venues in Park City include bobsledding, luge and downhill skiing.--Joe Lachacz, KF6NHD

* Alan H. McMillan, W0JJK, SK: Alan McMillan, W0JJK, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, died January 15. He was 71. An ARRL member for more than 50 years, McMillan was perhaps best known to an earlier generation of amateurs as the sales manager for World Radio Labs (WRL), where he also contributed to the design of the Globe series of transmitters. Later, he worked on Galaxy radios--also part of the ham radio line offered by WRL's Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ. After retiring from WRL, McMillan founded Hobby Industries, selling ham gear and, until his death, operating Hi-Manuals

<http://www.hi-manuals.com/HomePage.htm>, which continues to offer reprints of operating and service manuals for older ham gear.

* FCC converting ATINs to FRNs: Acronym alert! Acronym alert! Everyone to get from street! (with apologies to the old movie, The Russians are Coming, the Russians are Coming!) The FCC is completing the conversion of Assigned Taxpayer Identification Numbers (ATINs) to Commission Registration System (CORES) FCC Registration Numbers (FRNs). ATINs were issued to amateur applicants--to clubs and to non-US citizens--who did not qualify for a Social Security Number, so they could register for the FCC's Universal Licensing System (ULS). The FCC issued most ATINS, but some were issued by a Volunteer Examiner Coordinator (VEC) or Club Station Call Sign Administrator (CSCSA). An FCC spokesperson said all ATINs should be converted to FRNs by mid-February. The FCC has discontinued the use of ATINs, since the CORES registration process provides an exception for club stations and non-citizens to obtain an FRN. The FRN then may be used to access the ULS, which incorporates the Amateur Service licensing database (among other services).

* Man injured installing antenna: The Electrical Contractor Network <http://electrical-contractor.net/> reports that an Indiana man--apparently not an amateur--was critically burned when the antenna he was trying to install came in contact with an overhead power line. The account says that 21-year-old Steven Long of Brazil suffered third-degree burns over half his body in the incident, which also burned the tree to which he was attaching the antenna. When emergency workers arrived, they found the antenna draped across the power line, the tree charred from the fire and Long hanging onto a lower branch. Brazil firefighters had to wait for utility workers to cut power to the line before they could rescue Long. See the Electrical Contractor Network Web site <http://electrical-contractor.net/ubb/Forum14/HTML/000146.html> for additional details.--submitted by George Corron, AF4JH

* Hamfests change dates: Radiofest 2002 in Monterey/Seaside, California, has changed its date to February 23. The hamfest, sponsored by the Naval Postgraduate School Amateur Radio Club, will be held at the General Stilwell Community Center (old Fort Ord), 4260 Gigling Rd. For more information, contact chairman Brian Broggie, W6FVI, w6fvi@..., or visit the Radiofest Web site <http://www.k6ly.org/radiofest>. The Red River Radio Amateurs have changed the date of their hamfest in West Fargo, North Dakota, to March 16 at the Red River Valley Fairgrounds. For more information, contact Mike Woytassek, N0VGV, mikew@..., or visit the club's Web site, <http://www.rrra.org>.

* AMSAT-UK colloquium seeks papers: The 17th AMSAT-UK Colloquium, set for July 26-28 at University of Surrey, Guildford, Surrey, United Kingdom, invites speakers to submit papers about Amateur Radio space and associated activities, both for the event and for the Proceedings, to be published following the event. Authors are asked to present their papers in person if possible. Offers of papers should be submitted as soon as possible; the final date for full documents to be received is mid-June 2002. Send

submissions to Richard Limebear, G3RWL, g3rwl@..., or to 60 Willow Rd, Enfield EN1 3NQ, UK. AMSAT-UK also invites suggestions for program topics. This year's Colloquium will include sessions aimed specifically at beginners to Amateur Radio satellite operating.--ANS via Richard Limebear, G3RWL

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482. Golden Fox Hunt - 2002

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

MARS conducted the first ever FOX HUNT in Mumbai on 27th January 2002.

The Participents.

Team [A] - VU2ESP - Jayesh Kharwar & VU2UGO - Sandip Adiwarkar.
Team [B] - VU2SWS - Sarla Sharma, VU2NFS - Nafisa Shikari & VU3PAN - Pravin Panchal.
Team [C] - VU2HIT - Huzefa Merchant & [SWL Grade - I] - Parin Gangar.
Team [D] - VU2SXF - Sandesh Kamat & [SWL Grade - I] - Ivor Pereria.
Team [E] - VU2MOO - Milind Mokashi & VU3MBF - Mehul Chovatia.
Team [F] - VU2UGJ - Mukesh Jaitley & VU3AUA - Arun Singh.
Team [G] - VU3KUN - Kunal Mashru & VU2JPN - P.V. Jaiprakash.
Team [H] - VU2RIO - Pankah Pasad & [SWL] - Nepolean Modi.
Team [I] - VU2CBU - Prasant Koli & [SWL]

And Many SWLs.

The Event was Conducted by VU2ZRS - Zyros Zend assisted by VU2NLF - Nilesh Rathod.

The event with at 09:00 am with a Treasure Hunt which was participated by many hams with their family and friends. The Treasure of the Hunt was the the frequency of the FOX and the General Area Map for the FOX HUNT. The winners for the Treasure hunt were - VU3MBF - Mehul Chovatia & VU2MOO - Milind Mokashi.
ofcourse eventually all teams completed the Treasure Hunt.

The Fox is a QRP VHF set pushing out 20 Milliwatts of Power with a rubber duck antenna, it has a timer cycle of 8 seconds on/off, it has a tone generator which goes Beep Beep Beep.....
The Fox was hidden in the Concrete Jungle with densely populated RCC Buildings in Flora Fountain & Nariman Point Area, (where the signals bounces like Crazy).

All teams were equipped with DFE (3 element Yagi Antennae, Attenuetors, HeadSets and Handies with Bar Graph)

Official Necessary Permissions were obtained from the WPC to conduct this event.

At 11:00 hours the FOX HUNT began, Team were seperated and started from different locations on intervals.
all the Teams started in their vehicles and once they got the first signal of the FOX, they were on their foot.
At 11:35 Team - B [VU2SWS,VU2NFS & VU3PAN] zeroed in, they were the first ones to catch the Fox.
by 12:15 all the teams had located the fox (Wonderful I would say for the First time ever).

On Demand we immediately conducted a Second fox Hunt, This time Team [A] - VU2ESP & VU2UGO zeroed in first in about 40 minutes time, ofcourse the rest of the teams followed expect for one.

Prizes were awarded to the winners of the Treasure Hunt , The first Fox Hunt & The Second Fox Hunt.
All the participents celebrated with a well deserved Lunch their after.

The Event was a Great Success mainly because of the Huge efforts by VU2ZRS - Zyros, VU2UGO Sandip, VU2HIT - Huzefa, VU3MHC - Minoo, VU2SXF - Sandesh and many other MARS members..

MARS plans to conduct the many many FOX HUNTs (Complex ,Tricky and Slimy ones) in the near future.

73s
VU2NLF.

483. Techfest - 2002.

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

MARS conducted a HAM RADIO Workshop at I.I.T , Powai, Mumbai on 1st/2nd/3rd February 2002.

The Participants.

VU2UGO - Sandip Adiwarkar.
VU2SWS - Sarla Sharma
VU2NFS - Nafisa Shikari
VU3PAN - Pravin Panchal.
VU2HIT - Huzefa Merchant
VU2SXF - Sandesh Kamat .
VU2UGJ - Mukesh Jaitley
VU3AUA - Arun Singh.
VU2JPN - P.V. Jaiprakash.
VU2CBU - Prasant Koli
VU2NLF - Nilesh Rathod.
[SWL Grade - I] - Parin Gangar.
[SWL Grade - I] - Ivor Pereria
[SWL Grade - I] - Sumeet Bal.
And Many SWLs.

140 students participated in the 3 day workshop (although IIT had received 367 applications from all over India) but due to the limitions of the capacity of the Audio-Visual Room, 140 students were admitted.

The Programme

DAY - 1 (Friday 1st February 2002).

15:30 Hours : A PowerPoint presentation on Ham Radio Covering the following:-
17: 30 Hours 1. The Origin Of Radio
2. The Inventors.
3. The History of HAM RADIO.
4. What you can do with Ham Radio.
5. All different modes of communications.
6. Public services with Ham Radio.
7. In depth information on Digital & Satellite Communication.
8. Ham Protocols.
9. How to become a HAM. (Examination & Licences)
10. Cost and owning Ham Equipment.

DAY - 2 (Saturday 2nd February 2002).

09:00 Hours : A PowerPoint presentation on Technical side of Ham Radio Covering the following:-
10: 30 Hours 1. Basic electronics. (receiver, Transmitter, Transducer etc etc.....)
2. Propagation.
3. Antennae (Omni, BI, and Uni Directional antennae for HF/VHF/UHF communication)
10. Cost and owning Ham Equipment.

15:30 Hours : A Live Demonstration was given on the following:-

1. VHF communication (Voice)
2. VHF communication (Digital) Laptop to Laptop (SSTV, RTTY,PSK31)
3. HF communication (Voice)
4. HF Digital (SSTV / RTTY, PSK31)

DAY - 3 (Sunday 3rd February 2002).

09:00 Hours : A PowerPoint presentation on Ham Radio & Disaster Management Covering the following:-
10: 30 Hours 1. Understanding Disasters. (Natural & Manmade)
2. Why Ham Radio. (Efficiency over other Govt & Non Govt Organisations)
3. Trishna Millinium Expedition - A True Story.
4. BHUJ Earthquake - A True Story.
5. WTC in USA - A True Story.

15:30 Hours : A FOX HUNT in the IIT Campus.
63 SWLs participated with HAM in the wonderful Hunt for the FOX.
by end of the day their excitement was beyond and bounds.

MARS conducted this workshop with total dedication and commitment (Without charging anything).

OUR REWARD:-

At the end of the 3 day session 132 participents have shown keen interest in become a HAM.

Our Request :-

MARS is already conducting HAM Radio classes in Mumbai, it also plans to start a special batch at IIT , Mumbai. But many of the participents were not from Mumbai (From All over India) , hence we have given them the contact information of the Local Ham in their area.

IF some of these guys calls you up for help and assistance in becoming a HAM, PLEASE DO THE NEEDFUL....!!!!

We are very grateful to IIT, Mumbai for including HAM RADIO in TECHFEST 2002, we also thank them for inviting us to give the presentations..

73s
VU2NLF

484. Fw: [RADIOHAMS] The Repeater Telemetry Project

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-02-07 03:47:02 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 484 Message: 484

A well done observation on part of UPX as regards to setting up repeater in Punjab(I hope he adopts Punjab as his native resident or rather they adopt him as a resident Hams),.....continuing with his observation on repeaters if he had worked on the Mumbai repeater he would have not face any elevation problem nor technical,manpower . why can he concentrate more on the mumbai repeater lying unused for last 5 years

Hope better understanding prevails on UPX

AMEN

huzefa merchant

One World, One Language, Amateur Radio...
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To: radiohams@yahoogroups.com
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Sent: Wednesday, February 06, 2002 12:16 PM
Subject: [RADIOHAMS] The Repeater Telemetry Project

A repeater telemetry project is actually thought of , when , after much endeavour, the Punjab Amateur Radio Society (India) managed to get a Licence for setting up a VHF repeater in this area. The location of the repeater is at Sri Nina Devi, which is a hill temple town at an elevation of 4500ft. Furthermore, it is approximately near the confluence of three states (Punjab, HP and Haryana in INDIA) and Chandigarh UT. The only problem is that the area is quite remote and at least 3-4 hours of a hilly drive from most ham stations. so the repeater has to be unmanned and remote.

So there is a need to monitor its working parameters like SWR, Heatsink temperature, standby battery voltage, AC line voltage etc probably wind speed later. This would give the caretakers an indication when to get ready for a busy weekend on the hilltop.

There are probably readymade projects for this, but they are either exorbitant or not suited for amateur radio use. Luckily we have someone with a good experience in using microcontrollers, and hence we wish to embarked on this project.

Basically we are planning to take / connect various sensors to the Atmel microcontroller, which will take commands from a DTMF decoder connected to the repeater audio. The sensor output will then be translated to voice using a addressable ISD voice recorder, and fed to the repeater microphone input and also the PTT. We are facing problems interfacing an LM3914 based SWR meter and battery voltage monitor. Hence a thought of using a ADC chip (ADC0809) instead.

Now it is felt (suggested) that a separate UHF link (315 MHz) be used for general monitoring and control of the Remote Repeater Station. This would have the advantage of no interference with the operating of the repeater and yet have total control on it.

Now we have available technology to make it happen using fewer and better components to accomplish our goal.

For this we have shortlisted the following group of components for the job :

Microcontroller
AT89C51

ADC
ADC0809

Receiver for the telemetry link.
MAX1470, MICRF022,

Transmitter for the telemetry link
RF2516, RF2512

We invite suggestion and contribution from this members in this group and open this project for discussion

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YHOTY nominations invited
New Zealand simplifies amateur licensing
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+Available on ARRL Audio News

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==>ARRL UNVEILS ANTENNA MODELING COURSE

The ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Program soon will offer its
first technical course--Antenna Modeling. Written by the well-known author
and historian L.B. Cebik, W4RNL, and edited by ARRL Senior Assistant
Technical Editor--and antenna guru--Dean Straw, N6BV, the course offers
students a hands-on tutorial. Registration for Antenna Modeling (EC-004)
will open Monday, February 11.

The course has been through extensive beta testing during the past several
weeks, and even the experts found they'd picked up some new knowledge on the
subject. "I've been modeling antennas using a computer for about 15 years,
and I certainly learned a great many things in this course," Straw
commented.
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ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, said the experts agreed that the best method to master the art and science of antenna design and analysis was to become familiar with the basic concepts of computerized antenna modeling and modeling software. "Using computer simulations--models--you will study the performance of a wide variety of antennas, without having to invest in a test range or a room full of test equipment," he said. "In this course, students will learn to master the basic techniques of constructing good models."

Several excellent and affordable antenna modeling software packages are available. The course will illustrate the elements of modeling antennas using two of the most popular packages based on the NEC-2 core--EZNEC 3.0 by Roy Lewallen, W7EL <http://www.eznec.com/> and NEC-Win Plus by Nittany-Scientific <http://www.nittany-scientific.com/>.

Beta testers offered positive feedback after completing the course. "What a gold mine of information!" said Dan Maguire, AC6LA. "I found myself looking forward to taking the next lesson just to see what new things I could learn." Former ARRL staff member Chuck Hutchinson, K8CH, also took a crack at the program. "Wow, I sure learned a lot about antenna modeling!" was his reaction.

Students will have up to 12 weeks to complete the course material. "There are 31 lessons, and you should plan to spend one to two hours per lesson," Miller advised. The inaugural class begins Tuesday, February 26 and wraps up Tuesday, May 21.

A sample lesson based on the actual Antenna Modeling course is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/cce/sample-lesson/>. Registration for the new Antenna Modeling course opens Monday, February 11, at 4 PM Eastern Time on the ARRL Course Registration page <https://www.arrl.org/forms/cce/>. The registration fee is $80 for ARRL members and $110 for nonmembers. Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are available for all ARRL C-CE courses.

Answers to most questions are available on the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education home page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the associated C-CE links. To learn more, contact ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

==>FCC TO CHECK GETTYSBURG MAILROOM FOR ANTHRAX

The FCC says it's making arrangements to test for possible anthrax contamination at the off-site mailroom serving its Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, office. This week's announcement follows the suspension of US Postal Service deliveries to the FCC's off-site mail facility in Capitol Heights, Maryland, after "a scant amount of anthrax contamination" was detected January 29 during US Public Health Service testing. The Gettysburg testing would be "a further precaution," the FCC said.

The FCC's Gettysburg office deals with Amateur Radio licensing and enforcement matters, including vanity call sign processing. Since last fall's anthrax scare, the Gettysburg office has been providing special handling for its own incoming mail at an off-site facility.

Before arrangements were made for the offsite facility, some FCC-Gettysburg mail was sent to Washington for decontamination along with other FCC mail. Apparently waylaid in the process was mail containing paper Amateur Radio vanity call sign applications for the last couple of weeks in October, forcing the FCC to halt all vanity processing. The FCC reports it's been able to contact most vanity applicants and have them resubmit their applications. So far, the FCC has processed vanity applications received through October 22. (The FCC advises anyone who believes their paper vanity applications might have been affected and cannot locate the application on the ULS Application Search <http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls> should resubmit their application.)

There is no indication that the Gettysburg mailroom testing announced this week would further complicate or delay vanity call sign processing or the handling of applications filed on paper. Since last fall, the Commission has been urging everyone to file applications and documents via e-mail or fax whenever possible. Vanity electronic and paper applications have equal processing priority, however.

The Center for Disease Control this week completed follow-up testing of the anthrax trace discovered at Capitol Heights. The CDC reported to the FCC that the trace "showed a very slow platelet growth, which indicates a weak or very scant amount of anthrax consistent with cross-contamination of mail," the FCC said in a statement. As a result, the FCC said, it was making arrangements for the Capitol Heights mail processing area to be decontaminated and retested as soon as possible before permitting mail service to resume.

The FCC moved its mail reception, processing and screening center out of FCC headquarters in Washington, DC, to the Maryland facility after the initial anthrax contamination incident on Capitol Hill last fall. The FCC has been updating a "Fact Sheet" posted on its Web site.--FCC

==>MONTANA HIGH SCHOOLERS POSE TOUGH QUESTIONS VIA HAM RADIO

Tough questions posed by a high school group required some thoughtful and detailed answers from astronaut Dan Bursch, KD5PNU, February 1 during a Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact. Operating NA1SS, Bursch represented the ISS Expedition 4 crew during an interview with seven physics students at Butte High School in Butte, Montana. The Q-and-A session was the crew's second school contact arranged by ARISS--a cooperative effort of AMSAT, ARRL and NASA.

Student Oliver Huang wanted to know whether chemical reactions that normally precipitate on Earth do the same in microgravity, and whether bones heal the same in space as on Earth. Bursch explained that aboard the ISS, some chemical reactions work differently because the densities of various compounds cause them to mix in unexpected ways. "For example, hot air doesn't rise," he pointed out. As for broken bones, Bursch speculated that that there might be a need to replicate the stress of gravity on a fracture in order to get broken bones to knit properly in microgravity.

Student Lori Stenson wanted to know how long an astronaut's oxygen supply lasted during a space walk. Bursch said it depends in part on the type of suit used, but for the Russian suits, the outside limit was about nine hours. "The actual limitation is not the oxygen but the lithium hydroxide that scrubs out the CO2," he explained. In response to another student's question, Bursch explained that the spacecraft is equipped with oxygen-scrubbing devices supplemented by fresh oxygen from Earth. "We do try to recycle as much as we can," he said.

In responding to a question from student Michelle Shannon about the detrimental effects of a lack of gravity, Bursch said he probably wouldn't notice them until he returned to Earth. The crew will spend about five and a half months in space.

Bursch and his crewmates Yuri Onufrienko, RK3DUO, and Carl Walz, KC5TIE, were passing over Australia at the time, and radio contact was made via Tony Hutchison, VK5ZAI. The contact marked Bursch's debut in handling questions from students via ham radio. Bursch reportedly already has done some casual hamming during his tour.

"This was absolutely fantastic!" enthused coordinating teacher Sandy Shutey after the contact. "It's one of the best things we've ever done!" She said the event was a hands-on culmination several-months' study of space topics on the part of her students.

Since the first crew came aboard the ISS in November 2000, 40 schools and other educational institutions have made successful contacts via ham radio with ISS crew members. For more information, visit the ARISS Web site <http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov>.--Gene Chapline, K5YFL/ARISS

==>HAMS ASSIST AILING SAILBOAT PASSENGERS

Amateur Radio operators have once again been instrumental in getting prompt assistance to sailboat passengers needing emergency medical attention.

On January 30, Marsha Stone, XE2/KF6TIQ, was scuba diving at 77 feet off Mexico when she encountered problems while surfacing. It's believed that she developed a pulmonary embolism as a result of the dive. She also was exhibiting possible neurological symptoms. Stone was aboard her sailboat She Wolf with three other passengers at the time, including her sister. Other amateurs sailing in the vicinity came to Stone's aid.

Members of the Intercontinental Net on 20 meters learned of the situation and offered to help. Bob Botik, K5SIV, in Austin, Texas, phone-patched Stone to her personal physician, who advised that she needed to get to facilities in Cabo San Lucas as soon as possible.

Meanwhile, aboard the sailing vessel Spirit Quest, Kathy Brownell, W6ATM, and her physician-husband Doug rendezvoused with Stone's vessel, and the couple was able to provide oxygen and comfort to the victim as well as transport to the Naval Landing Station at Socorro Island, Mexico, for an airlift.

Also rendering aid was Barb Campbell, XE2/KB0RIZ, a registered nurse aboard the sailing vessel Blue Chablis. Campbell's vessel reportedly stayed alongside Spirit Quest throughout the night to lend assistance when the victim's boat arrived at Socorro. The She Wolf and Spirit Quest maintained contact on marine VHF frequencies.

"This was a wonderful group effort of humans who had ham radio," Botik said.

Stone was transported to Cabo San Lucas the following day. Botik reported this week that he'd spoken to Stone and that her spirits were high. He said she had undergone treatment in a hyperbaric chamber, and, as of February 5, was able to stand and walk without assistance. "She continues her recovery," he said.

On February 4 a woman identified as Miranda Middleton--an Australian national in her mid-20s--became seriously ill while aboard the sailing vessel Baggywrinkle in the Caribbean. Skipper Benjamin Shaw, KG4OAQ, got on 20 meters to seek assistance on the Intercontinental Net. Unable to copy Shaw well, Dave Franke, WA5EZW, alerted Ed Petzolt, K1LNC, in South Florida by telephone.

No stranger to dealing with maritime emergencies via ham radio, Petzolt contacted the US Coast Guard in Miami, which patched him through to its San Juan, Puerto Rico, station. The US Coast Guard in turn contacted Coast Guard officials in St Vincent and the Grenadines. Coast Guard detachments in the US and in the Grenadines came up on frequency, and Petzolt was able to relay information between the Coast Guard and Shaw's vessel as necessary.

Middleton was picked up by the St Vincent Coast Guard and was taken to Kingstown for treatment. "Score another one for ham radio!" Petzolt said. He noted that KG4BVR, W8LK and W3JMU and other stations stood by in case of problems.

Shaw said that when Middleton arrived at the hospital, she was experiencing numbness and partial paralysis. He added that she was doing much better following treatment.

Shaw expressed his gratitude to the amateurs who aided in Middleton's medical evacuation to St Vincent, and especially to Petzolt. "Miranda and I would like to extend a special thanks to Ed for his excellent help throughout the ordeal," Shaw said. "Not only did he assess and take control of the situation in a rapid and professional manner, but he also kept our spirits up as we communicated.

Shaw expressed the hope that he and Middleton could be back on their way to Trinidad "in a week or so." Shaw maintains a Web site <http://www.baggywrinkle.com> and uses HF to access his e-mail while under way.

==>TURKISH AMATEURS FILL POST-QUAKE COMMUNICATION GAP

Amateur Radio operators in Turkey were among the first responders following an earthquake in central Turkey February 3. More than 40 deaths and some 170 injuries were reported in the aftermath of the earthquake, which registered

6.0 on the Richter scale and shook the province of Afyon.

"Our communication system was used by our members within the Civil Defense SAR [search-and-rescue] team for communicating with their HQ in Ankara and within the affected area," said Aziz Sasa, TA1E, president of the Turkish national Amateur Radio organization TRAC. "I must add that we were the only long and medium-range communication resource until normal communication facilities were restored."

Sasa said telecommunications systems in the region brought back up "very rapidly," and that the amateurs were able to wrap up their response the same evening. Hams were at the scene in Afyon for about 10 hours. "HF was utilized only partly, most of the communication was handled on VHF and UHF with repeaters linked to each other," Sasa said. The terrain allowed wide coverage that included the capital city of Ankara--some 200 miles away.

==>ARRL ANNOUNCES "BIG PROJECT" LOGO WINNER, UNVEILS NEW DESIGN

A design by an Illinois amateur--Chris Cieslak, KC9L, of Melrose Park--has been selected as the official logo for the ARRL Education Project, "The Big Project." ARRL Amateur Radio Education Project Coordinator Jerry Hill, KH6HU, said Cieslak's design best depicted the integration of education and technology--the foundation of The Big Project.

"In the center, the shaking hands represent the partnership between Amateur Radio and education," Hill said. "The continents represent the global reach of Amateur Radio, the ones and zeros and circuitry represent technology."

A ham since 1992 and an ARRL member, Cieslak says he does some design work for Web and print but mostly writes for a living. "I've been doing design for about seven years and am self-taught," he said. His amateur interests include homebrewing and kit building, as well as HF mobile and amateur television (ATV). When not hamming, Cieslak has been known to ham it up as an improv comic.

ARRL Central Division Director Dick Isely, W9GIG, presented Cieslak with a certificate January 27 during the Wheaton Community Radio Amateurs Hamfest in Chicago. Cieslak is the WCRA's current vice president.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Propagation wonk Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Average daily sunspot numbers were up this week, rising 38 points over the previous week. Solar flux continued a decline from last week, with average daily flux down more than 18 points. Solar flux for the short term peaked January 29 and has declined since. Predicted solar flux for Friday through Monday is 190, 185, 180 and 175. Flux values should reach a minimum near 170 for the short term, then jump suddenly higher around February 16. Geomagnetic conditions are expected to be moderate.

For the past few days the earth has been in a stream of solar wind from a coronal hole, causing some geomagnetic activity. Planetary K indices were as high as four. Also on March 1 there was another solar wind disturbance

commencing around 0558 UTC, which caused some aurora activity and planetary K indices as high as five. This is generally bad for HF communications because of absorption, especially over polar paths. What HF operators generally want to see are many sunspots, such as we have currently at the peak of this solar cycle, but without flares or the accompanying geomagnetic effects.

Sunspot numbers for January 31 through February 6 were 238, 256, 222, 273, 274, 286 and 226, with a mean of 253.6. The 10.7-cm flux was 242.6, 245.6, 240.6, 232.9, 234.6, 220.6 and 202.5, with a mean of 231.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 11, 18, 5, 6, 16 and 16, with a mean of 11.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL School Club Roundup is February 11-16. The North American Sprint (CW), the Six Club Second Winter Contest, the CQ/RJ WW RTTY WPX Contest, the Utah QSO Party, the Asia-Pacific Sprint (CW), the Dutch PACC Contest, the YL-OM Contest (CW), the FISTS Winter Sprint, the RSGB 1.8-MHz Contest (CW) and the QRP ARCI Winter Fireside SSB Sprint are the weekend of February 9-10. JUST AHEAD: The ARRL International DX Contest (CW), the YLISSB QSO Party (CW) and the YL-OM Contest (SSB) are the weekend of February 16-17. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar, <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* School Club Roundup 2002 set: School Club Roundup (SCR), sponsored by the Council for the Advancement of Amateur Radio in the New York City Schools, the ARRL and its Hudson Division Education Task Force, will be held February 11-16. The idea of SCR is to foster contacts with and among school radio clubs, and the annual operating event is a great way for new or inexperienced operators to get on the air in a low-pressure contest environment. Operators are encouraged to take some time to chat beyond the contest exchange. Award certificates will be issued for separate Elementary, Middle/Intermediate/Junior High School, High School and College/University levels for USA and DX entries. SCR rules are available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/scr.html>. The Wake Forest University Amateur Radio Club is offering the "Deacon Challenge" as an incentive for other collegiate clubs to get on the air. The WFU ARC will operate a demonstration station for six hours on February 12, and it challenges other collegiate clubs to beat their score for the six-hour period. For details, contact Chris Plumblee, KG4CZU, pimcg0@..., or Ken Hoglund KG4FGC, houglund@....

* Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course registration: February registration for the Level I ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-001) opened February 4 and will remain open through the February 9-10 weekend. Registration for the Level II course (EC-002) will open on Monday, February 11; registration for Level III (EC-003) will open February 18. Courses must be completed in order, starting with Level I. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page

<http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@arrl.org.

* Winter Olympics special event: The West Desert Amateur Radio Club will sponsor special event station W7U to commemorate the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, Utah. W7U will be on the air from February 8 until February 24. Look for W7U on or around 3.768, 14.250, 21.300 and 28.400 MHz. QSL to W7EO, PO Box 98, Grantsville, UT 84029.

* Celebrate the sunspots at the 53rd International DX Convention: Mark your calendars for the International DX Convention, April 26-28, 2002 at the Holiday Inn Visalia, California. This event attracts attendees and presenters from around the world, offering an opportunity to catch up on the latest DX events, such as Ducie Island and Logbook of the World, and perhaps catch a glimpse of new products before Dayton! With a full slate of programs plus vendors, a banquet, contest dinners, famous DX, friends and that famous convention patch, there's something for everyone. For more information, visit the International DX Convention Web site <http://www.qsl.net/visalia2002/index.html> or contact Don Bostrom, N6IC, <n6ic@...>.

* ISS crew resumes normal activities following computer shutdown: NASA reports that operations have returned to normal aboard the International Space Station after a computer crash. The crew's routine was interrupted the morning of February 4 when a main computer in the Zvezda Service Module unexpectedly went off-line, disrupting for a few hours the system that controls the spacecraft's orientation. The crew and flight controllers spent several hours correcting the problem. Expedition Four Commander Yury Onufrienko, RK3DUO, and flight engineers Dan Bursch, KD5PNU, and Carl Walz, KC5TIE, have resumed their everyday activities--including working with the space station's science operations. NASA says the crew was never in any danger, but quickly powered down backup equipment and several experiments in case the power generated by the station's solar arrays began to drop. All station systems now are operating normally, and the computer is on line. Russian controllers continue to analyze the problem to determine its cause. Information on the crew's activities aboard the space station, future launch dates and times, as well as station sighting opportunities from anywhere on Earth, is available on the NASA Human Spaceflight Web site <http://spaceflight.nasa.gov>.

* Not too late to become part of ARDF Team USA: ARRL Amateur Radio Direction Finding Coordinator Joe Moell, K0OV, says he has submitted Team USA's Letter of Intent to Participate in the 11th ARDF World Championships, September 2-7 in the Slovak Republic. Twelve stateside ARDFers ranging in age from 11 to 60 have expressed interest in attending, but Moell says it's not too late to add your own name for Team USA consideration. He said the divisions for males under age 40 and for all females still have several openings. Those interested should contact Moell via e-mail, homingin@.... For more information, visit the World Championships Web site <http://www.ardf.sk>. For more information on Team USA, radio-orienteering in the US, and the

upcoming USA Championships near Atlanta, visit Moell's Homing In Web site <http://www.homingin.com>.

* Vote on QST Cover Plaque Award: The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for January was Dick Stroud, W9SR, for his article "Six Meters from Your Easy Chair." Congratulations, Dick! The winner of the QST Cover Plaque award--given to the author of the best article in each issue--is determined by a vote of ARRL members. Voting takes place each month on the Cover Plaque Poll Web page, <http://www.arrl.org/members-only/qstvote.html>. As soon as your copy arrives, cast a ballot for your favorite article in the February 2002 issue of QST. Voting ends February 28.

* YHOTY nominations invited: Nominations are open for the Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award for 2002. Created in 1986, the award recognizes one young radio amateur under the age of 18 in the continental US for his or her contributions to society through Amateur Radio. Nominating forms and additional information are available at the Amateur Radio Newsline Web site, <http://www.arnewsline.org>. All nominations and materials required by the official rules must be received by Amateur Radio Newsline before May 30, 2002.

* New Zealand simplifies amateur licensing: New Zealand has streamlined the route to obtain an Amateur Radio license. New Zealand now offers just two license classes, Limited and General. The Novice and the Novice/Limited licenses no longer are issued, although holders may retain them and continue to operate; some also may be eligible for an almost-instant upgrade. The New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (NZART) administers the volunteer examination program there, and examinations are supervised by examiners from NZART branches. Candidate get two hours to complete a 60-question test and must answer 40 questions correctly to pass. The Morse code speed to qualify for the General-grade license has been lowered to 5 WPM. The General License provides access to all Amateur Radio bands with full privileges. A Study Guide and full information on the New Zealand licensing system is available via the NZART Web site <http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/>.

* Correction: A table of contents entry in The ARRL Letter, Vol 21, No 05 (Feb 1, 2002), was incorrect. W8YRB, a ham dealing the RFI complaints, lives in Michigan.

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487. Monthly meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-02-09 14:53:06 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 116 Message: 487

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

The monthly meeting for February 2002 will be held on 10th Feb 2002 at 10:00 am at Shishu Vihar School,

The Agenda for the meetings is as follows:-

1. Future activities for this accounting year.
2. Field trip with fox hunt. (When & Where).
3. Discussion and prepartions for the Coming CQ WPX contest.
4. Discussions and feedback of Foxt Hunt & IIT presentation.
5. Fund Raising Drive programme.
6. Pending work of the members.
7. any other topics that time permits.

Please note that in the last monthly meeting there were only 4 members presents, if this is the scene that we might as well not have any meetings, I hope guys will understand and participate tommorrow for sure.

looking forward to having an eyeball with you guys.

73s
NLF

488. New file uploaded to m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-02-11 07:34:37 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 58 Message: 488

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the m_a_r_s
group.

File : /HAMSTUDYMAT.pdf
Uploaded by : sandipadiwarekar <sandipadiwarekar@...>
Description : HAM Study Material in PDF Format

You can access this file at the URL

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files/HAMSTUDYMAT.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit

http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

sandipadiwarekar <sandipadiwarekar@...>

489. Creating chat room for the members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-02-12 10:03:05 UTC
From: Prashant
Topic: 489 Message: 489

Hi friends,

Why not create a chat room for our member?

Suggestions are welcome!

73 de VU2CBU

490. iit techfest photos

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-02-13 10:09:04 UTC
From: bal indi
Topic: 490 Message: 490
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491. more techfest photos

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-02-13 10:16:57 UTC
From: bal indi
Topic: 491 Message: 491
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492. Re: [m_a_r_s] Creating chat room for the members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-02-13 15:07:56 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 489 Message: 492

Why to create a chat room ?????????????WE already have night owl's net and early bird' net....Where u can have voice chat with all our friends.

>From: "Prashant" <vu2cbu@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Creating chat room for the members
>Date: Tue, 12 Feb 2002 15:33:05 +0530
>
>Hi friends,
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>Why not create a chat room for our member?
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>Suggestions are welcome!
>
>73 de VU2CBU

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493. Re: [m_a_r_s] Creating chat room for the members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-02-13 16:36:14 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 489 Message: 493

Exactly! I was about write this.

494. Fw: ARRL Presidents' Day Savings!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-02-14 12:49:24 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 494 Message: 494
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----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Web site
To: m_a_r_s@indiainfo.com
Cc: Subscribed ARRL Members:
Sent: Wednesday, February 13, 2002 11:02 PM
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Date: 2002-02-17 14:38:18 UTC
From: m.a.r.s
Topic: 495 Message: 495

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==>ARRL ASKS FCC TO DROP RFID RULES PROPOSED FOR 425-435 MHz

The ARRL says the FCC "cannot legally proceed with the rules proposed for
unlicensed RFID tags at 433 MHz," and it's asked the Commission to not adopt
them. The League filed comments February 12 as part of its continued
opposition to what it called "this ill-conceived proposal" of SAVI
Technology to deploy unlicensed transient RF identification devices between
425 and 435 MHz at much higher field strengths and duty cycles than Part 15
rules now permit for such devices. The FCC appears inclined to agree with
SAVI's proposal, but FCC staff members have told the ARRL that it's not a
"done deal."

"The level of interference from the devices permitted under the proposed
rule is intolerable," the ARRL argued, citing its own interference study.
The League reiterated its stance that the Communications Act of 1934 "is
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devoid of any authority to allow unlicensed devices with substantial interference potential; such devices must be licensed."

SAVI, the ARRL argues in its comments, "wants to have its cake and eat it too" by getting high power levels and lengthy duty cycles operating on a band heavily used by a licensed radio service that uses sensitive receivers "and all of the above on an unlicensed basis." Among other applications, RFID tags are used to track and inventory parcel shipments and vehicles.

The ARRL said the FCC's inclination to go along with SAVI Technology's proposal "eviscerates the periodic radiator rules, is vague and overbroad," and would permit digital RFIDs to operate "at unsuitable power levels and duty cycles." The result would be unacceptable interference that would "preclude or repeatedly disrupt amateur operation," the ARRL said.

The ARRL also said that the cost of the tags is a problem for SAVI, and the choice of frequency band is related only to the cost of components. The League said SAVI chose 433.9 MHz as an operating frequency because of the availability of relatively cheap components in Europe, where the 433.05-434.79 MHz band is available for industrial, scientific and medical uses in at least 10 countries.

The ARRL pointed out that deploying the proposed RFID tags elsewhere would make much better sense than 70 cm. "SAVI should seriously consider the frequencies around 868 or 915 MHz, which apparently stand at least some reasonable chance of global standardization," the ARRL advised.

The RFID rules proposed in response to SAVI's Petition for Rule Making last year "are flawed from their inception and should not be adopted under any circumstances," the League concluded. The ARRL has said it will "do whatever it takes" to keep the FCC from permitting the RFID tags on 70 cm. That could include further direct appeals to FCC staffers, Imlay has said.

The FCC included the Part 15 RFID proposals within a larger proceeding, ET-01-278, that's aimed primarily at reviewing and updating portions of its Part 2, 15 and 18 rules. A copy of the ARRL's comments in the proceeding is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/announce/regulatory/savi/arrl-savicmts-0.html>. Reply comments are due by March 12, 2002.

==>DIM LIGHT AT END OF TUNNEL IN VANITY HOLDUP

Despite a rising level of annoyance among those awaiting Amateur Radio vanity call signs, the FCC remains at a standstill in terms of resolving the current stalemate. No vanity call signs have been granted since February 1, when applications received at the FCC October 22, 23 and 24 were processed. The FCC subsequently realized that it needed further information for an October 23 application, and--at least for now--it has rescinded vanity grants for October 23 and 24.

Prior to late January, no vanity call signs had been issued since October 30. The ARRL estimates that some 1800 vanity applications now are in the

FCC's processing pipeline--the majority of them filed electronically.

The current holdup stems from the fact that some mail destined for the FCC's Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, office last October was diverted to Washington, DC, with other FCC mail for anthrax decontamination. That mail, which included more than 100 vanity applications filed on paper, never got back to Gettysburg, where the FCC processes all vanity applications. Since the FCC's policy is to give equal priority to electronic and paper vanity applications, the whole process ground to a halt when the paper applications went missing.

Payment receipts were not lost, however, and using that information, FCC Wireless Telecommunications Bureau personnel in Gettysburg scrambled to contact known applicants via e-mail or telephone to have them resubmit copies of their vanity applications. That process was largely successful. Right now, it appears that only three vanity applications filed during the last couple of weeks of October remain outstanding. The FCC has been unable to reach the applicants via e-mail or telephone, however. Wireless Bureau staffers also have been dealing with similar issues involving date-sensitive applications in other radio services.

The FCC has been considering issuing a formal public notice with a cutoff date for outstanding applicants in the Amateur Vanity and in the other similarly affected FCC services to respond--a process that could take weeks. In the meantime, the ARRL has been assisting the FCC in efforts to contact the missing applicants, collect the necessary information and get it to the Commission as soon as possible. If that effort is successful, the vanity logjam could begin to break as early as next week.

Once vanity processing resumes, the FCC is not expected to process all of the remaining applications in a single batch. It's more likely that the processing would be spread out over a period of a few days.

Last week, the FCC said it was making arrangements to test for possible anthrax contamination at the off-site mailroom serving the Gettysburg office. The Gettysburg testing would be "a further precaution," the FCC said, and there was no indication that any anthrax was present at Gettysburg or that the testing would have any impact on the processing of any Amateur Service applications. Since October, the FCC has been urging all applicants to file electronically.

==>AMATEUR RADIO VOLUNTEERS SUPPORTING OLYMPICS

Following months of planning and coordination, Amateur Radio is supporting the 2002 Winter Olympic Games, which got under way in Salt Lake City, Utah, February 8. Ham radio volunteers are assisting with security and remain available to provide back-up communication.

"The amateurs involved have assisted numerous local and federal agencies to develop a unique system that covers the entire Wasatch Front Area, providing communications to reach numerous Olympic venues 24 hours a day," said Utah ARRL Section Manager Mel Parkes, AC7CP. "Amateur Radio will be there should

any of the primary frequencies fail or become unavailable."

According to Parkes, Utah Section Emergency Coordinator John Mabey,W7CWK, and Brent Thomas, AC7H, from the State of Utah Comprehensive Management Office began working on this effort over a year ago. A special public safety organization--Utah Olympic Public Safety Command (UOPSC)--was created by the various local and national public safety organizations that provide the security necessary for the international event. Mabey, along with Davis County EC Hall Blankenship, KC7RAF; Kirk Boman, KD0J; Ed Cole, KB7EC; and Mike Youngs, KK7VZ, headed up the Amateur Radio effort to provide emergency backup communication for the Olympic Security Command.

"UOPSC has now involved more than 200 Amateur Radio volunteers in Utah to support this critical security effort," Parkes said. In addition Amateur Radio volunteers are staffing a number of Olympic Security Command centers assisting local and national public safety organizations.

Nevada SEC Paul Cavnar, NN7B, says hams in his state remain on standby in case they're needed to help with communications. Cavnar said hams in Nevada, Idaho and Northern California also are prepared to assist in the unlikely event of a mass evacuation of the Winter Olympics site.

"The hard work and dedication by all these Amateur Radio operators will certainly contribute to a very successful and safe Winter Olympic Games," Parkes said.

==>CONFERENCE TOLD OF HAM RADIO'S VALUE TO HURRICANE FORECASTERS

Attendees at the seventh annual Amateur Radio Hurricane Conference earlier this month in Miami gained some insights into how forecasters make use of reports gathered via ham radio to produce hurricane and tropical storm advisories. National Hurricane Center staffer Stacy Stewart described how so-called "ground truth" reports from hams in an affected region can augment data gathered via instruments, radar and satellites and permit forecasters to generate more accurate models of storms in progress.

Nearly a full house of some 40 attendees turned out for the conference February 2 at the National Hurricane Center. The annual event was organized by volunteers and operators of W4EHW--the Hurricane Center's Amateur Radio station, now in its 22nd year. During an Atlantic or Gulf storm, real-time weather data from amateurs is funneled to forecasters via the Hurricane Watch Net <http://www.hwn.org> and W4EHW to benefit forecasters in tracking the storm and predicting its likely path.

Stewart told the gathering that, among other things, ground truth reports can give forecasters a more meaningful picture of wind velocities at different elevations. The eyewitness ham radio reports also can help forecasters to pin down a storm's location and give them a clearer idea of what actions the public is taking or might have to take, he said.

In addition to W4EHW operators and team members, those attending included representatives of the ARRL, the Hurricane Watch Net, Florida Emergency

Management, and radio amateurs from the US Virgin Islands, Jamaica, Turks and Caicos, and Bermuda. Hurricane Center Amateur Radio Coordinator John McHugh, KU4GY, opened the conference and gave an update on the Caribbean Amateur Radio Meteorological Emergency Network (CARMEN) project <http://www.fiu.edu/orgs/w4ehw/>.

Assistant Amateur Radio Coordinator Julio Ripoll, WD4JR, recounted the 2001 hurricane season and W4EHW's supporting operations. He presented some of the reports and photographs sent in from affected areas, including Belize during Hurricane Iris, and Cuba and the Bahamas during Hurricane Michelle.

Assistant Hurricane Watch Net Manager Mike Pilgrim, K5MP, described the Net's ongoing mission and activities.

ARRL's Steve Ewald, WV1X, discussed the support that the League provides for emergency preparedness and training and gave a plug to the popular ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course series <http://www.arrl.org/cce/syllabus.html>. He said the ARECC courses offer a standardized approach to emergency communications training. Ewald said the ARRL's Field Organization continues to play a vital role in disasters and emergencies, and he thanked all participants for "carrying on the mission of Amateur Radio public service."

Individuals honored with W4EHW/National Hurricane Center awards of appreciation in recognition of support rendered during the 2001 hurricane season were: FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH; Wayne Wilkinson, KC4CYK/C6A; Mike Matalon, 6Y5MM; Alison Barton, KF6HYJ/mm; Brian Hamilton; Alexis Digon, CL4RP; and Lionel Remigio, KC4CLD.

The conference closed with a tour of the operations room at the National Hurricane Center and W4EHW. "We hope for peace on Earth and a quiet 2002 hurricane season," McHugh said. For more information, visit the W4EHW Web site <http://www.fiu.edu/orgs/w4ehw/>.

==>MORE 5-GHZ SPECTRUM SOUGHT FOR WIRELESS NETWORKING DEVICES

The Wireless Ethernet Compatibility Alliance--WECA, an industry coalition--has petitioned the FCC for additional 5-GHz spectrum to make more room for radio local area network (RLAN) systems and other unlicensed Part 15 devices. The FCC put the WECA petition on public notice in late January, not long after it was filed. WECA seeks to extend the available spectrum to include 5.470 to 5.725 GHz. The Amateur Service now shares 5.650 to 5.925 GHz on a secondary basis with government and nongovernment radars and nongovernment fixed satellite uplinks. The ARRL plans to comment on the WECA proposal.

"Layering relatively high-power Part 15 users on 5.650-5.725 GHz would reduce the utility of the amateur allocation," said ARRL Executive Vice President David Sumner, K1ZZ. He said the amateur 5-GHz allocation already has suffered from earlier FCC actions. In 1997, the FCC allocated 5.150 to 5.350 GHz and 5.725 to 5.825 GHz for so-called Unlicensed National Information Infrastructure (U-NII) wireless local area network devices. In

1998, the Commission allocated 5.850 to 5.925 GHz for dedicated short-range communications (DSRC) systems in the Intelligent Transportation System.

WECA says the additional spectrum and proposed rule changes are needed to "accommodate the inevitable explosion of demand for broadband mobile wireless data systems." In its petition, designated as RM-10371, WECA asserted that extending the spectrum available for unlicensed Part 15 devices at 5 GHz can be accomplished easily and "without harmful interference to other primary users." The coalition proposed extending the technical rules now in place for U-NII devices at 5.25 to 5.35 GHz to cover the new frequencies.

Interested parties may comment on the petition using the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>. Click on "Search for Filed Comments" and enter "RM-10371" in the "Proceeding" field. Comments are due by the end of February.

==>ARRL FIELD & EDUCATIONAL SERVICES ANNOUNCES CHANGES

ARRL Field & Educational Services Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, has announced the creation of two teams to help streamline the department's varied support activities. White has named Steve Ewald, WV1X, to lead the new Field Organization/Public Service Team, and Mary Lau, N1VH, to lead the new Field & Educational Support Team. White said the new teams, announced February 8, will permit F&ES staff members with common goals to more easily share their expertise, ideas, and resources and better serve League members.

Ewald's Field Organization/Public Service Team will support the activities of field volunteers, who further ARRL objectives at the local and section level. Ewald thus becomes the primary contact person at ARRL Headquarters for Section Managers. He will continue as the League's expert on emergency communications, public service and the field organization. "Public service is one of the most important aspects of Amateur Radio and one of the main reasons why we enjoy the many frequencies we've been allocated," White said. Ewald's team includes Leona Adams and Linda Mullally, KB1HSV.

Lau's Field & Educational Support Team will work with field volunteers active in the education and recruiting of new hams, as well as provide support for ARRL-affiliated clubs and ARRL-sanctioned conventions and hamfests. F&ES also sponsors annual events, such as Jamboree On The Air, Kid's Day and School Club Roundup, and the ARRL's annual educator and technical awards. Lau's team includes Jean Wolfgang, WB3IOS, Gail Iannone, and Margie Bourgoin, KB1DCO.

White stressed that Amateur Radio education in arenas other than schools will continue to be a major focus, equal in importance to the support given to clubs, hamfests and conventions.

A Tennessee native, Ewald, 42, began his ARRL career in 1982. He currently edits the "Section News" and "Public Service" columns in QST, and is a frequent contributor to various ARRL publications. He was licensed in 1972.

Lau has been at ARRL Headquarters since 1986. She also serves as secretary of the ARRL Foundation. She's been a ham since 1985.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Heliophile Tad Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Average daily solar flux and sunspot numbers both declined over the past week. Solar flux reached a low around 192 around February 7 and 8 but jumped to near 217 over the weekend.

The best current guess is for flux values to remain between 190 and 195 from now through Tuesday, then peak near 240 or 245 around February 24-28.

On February 14 around 0250 UTC a coronal mass ejection headed toward Earth, and this should cause geomagnetic upset around February 16- 17, just in time for the ARRL International DX Contest (CW). This isn't good news for contesters, although it is possible that the effects could be mild. If not, then expect greater absorption--especially on the polar paths. There is also the possibility of a visible aurora, especially in northern latitudes.

Sunspot numbers for February 7 through 13 were 178, 229, 225, 205, 206, 182 and 158, with a mean of 197.6. The 10.7-cm flux was 191.7, 191.5, 199.4, 216.5, 201.7, 208.3 and 203.5, with a mean of 201.8. Estimated planetary A indices were 14, 10, 9, 8, 13, 6 and 10 with a mean of 10.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL International DX Contest (CW), the YLISSB QSO Party (CW) and the YL-OM Contest (SSB) are the weekend of February 16-17. JUST AHEAD: The CQ 160-Meter Contest (SSB), the REF Contest (SSB), the UBA DX Contest (CW), the High Speed Club CW Contest, the North Carolina QSO Party, and the CQC Winter QSO Party are the weekend of February 23-24. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar, <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info

* Field Day 2002 rules, packets now available: The ARRL Field Day 2002 rules and packets now are available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/contests/forms/> as Adobe PDF files (ASCII files will be updated by next week). The ARRL has adopted rule changes affecting Field Day, including the addition of a "Get On The Air" (GOTA) station, which replaces the Novice-Technician station. Field Day 2002 will mark the first in which stations throughout the Americas have been invited to participate. All International Amateur Radio Union Region 2 countries--North and South America--may take part in Field Day, which takes place June 22-23 this year. For more information, contact ARRL Contest Branch Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, contest@....

* ARRL Headquarters closed for Presidents' Day holiday: ARRL Headquarters will be closed all day Monday, February 18, for Presidents' Day. Headquarters will reopen Tuesday, February 19, at 8 AM Eastern Time.

* Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course registration: Registration for the Level III Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course (EC-003) will open Monday, February 18, at 4 PM Eastern Time. Registration for the Level II ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course (EC-002) will remain open through this weekend or until all 50 seats are filled--whichever happens first. March registration for Level I will open Monday, March 4. Courses must be completed in order, starting with Level I. Thanks to tremendous interest in the Antenna Modeling course (EC-004), all available seats for the first classes have been filled. More than 100 people signed up the first day! As we add mentors to the list for this course, we will be able to offer more classes in the months ahead. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Coordinator Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@....

* Body of amateur lost in World Trade Center collapse located: The body of Robert D. "Bob" Cirri Sr, KA2OTD, was among several found February 9 in the ruins of the World Trade Center. The remains of Cirri, 39--a Port Authority Police Department lieutenant--and five other PAPD members were located in what had been the lobby of One World Trade Center--the second tower to collapse September 11. Nearby, recovery crews also found the body of a woman strapped into a rescue chair. An ARRL member, Cirri, of Nutley New Jersey, had served as ARES District Emergency Coordinator for Hudson County. "The thoughts of the Cirri Memorial Radio Club are with his family," said club president Rich Krajewski, WB2CRD. The club, headquartered in Jersey City, was renamed last year to honor Cirri's sacrifice. Cirri had helped to organize the club.

* Wayne C. Williams, K4MOB, SK: Wayne Williams, K4MOB, of Colfax, North Carolina, died February 12 after an extended illness. He was 65. An ARRL member, Williams served from 1977 to 2000 as editor of the Southeastern Repeater Association's SERA Repeater Journal. As the proprietor of Williams Radio, Williams was a familiar and welcome presence on the hamfest and convention circuit in the southeastern US. Current Repeater Journal Editor Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, hailed Williams as a "driving force in SERA," the frequency-coordination body for eight southeastern states. During his tenure as editor, Williams transformed the Repeater Journal from a newsletter to its current color-cover magazine format. "Wayne touched the lives of thousands of hams in the Southeast," Pearce said. "We'll miss him." Williams' survivors include his wife, Gerry, KB4SEL, and two sons, Chris, W4CAW, and Wayne Jr (a third son, Gary, died in 2000). The funeral was February 14.

* Many happy returns to W8HKY, age 101! ARRL member Mike Anuta, W8HKY, of Marinette, Wisconsin, remains active on VHF and UHF at the age of 101 and regularly participates in club nets. Anuta, who's quite possibly the League's oldest member, celebrated his 101st birthday February 4. The ARRL sent special greetings to Anuta when he attained centenarian status in 2001. He was first licensed as WN8HKY in 1952 during the early days of the Novice program. ARRL Wisconsin Section Manager Don Michalski, W9IXG, said he visited W8HKY at the Marinette-Menominee Amateur Radio Club

<http://www.W8PIF.com> annual charter banquet. "He wanted to pass along his gratitude to the club for their efforts in bringing area youngsters into the hobby," Michalski said. "He's an inspiration to everyone!"

* New satellites get OSCAR numbers: AMSAT-NA's Bill Tynan, W3XO, has announced OSCAR designations for two new amateur satellites. PCsat will be known as NAV-OSCAR-44 (NO-44). PCsat is a 1200-baud APRS digipeater designed for use by amateurs using hand-held transceivers or mobiles. The spacecraft known as Sapphire has been designated NAV-OSCAR-45 (NO-45). Sapphire has 1200-baud AX.25 telemetry and a voice replay on 437.1 MHz. PCsat is a project of the Small Satellite Program within the US Naval Academy's Department of Aerospace Engineering, and Sapphire is a joint effort involving the Naval Academy's Small Satellite Program, Stanford University and Washington University at St. Louis. Both were launched October 1, 2001, from Alaska.

* New listserver established for Web resource discussions: ARRL Field and Educational Services will offer to a select group of field volunteers a listserver for discussions about how ARRL's Field Organization can be better served by ARRL Web resources. As this is a pilot project to discover core Web issues of importance to field volunteers, all ideas are welcome but may not necessarily result in creative application or implementation. If you are interested in participating, e-mail Mary Lau, N1VH, <mlau@...> a short statement noting any topics that especially interest you and describe your Web development experience, if any.

* QCWA honors K4FW: The Quarter Century Wireless Association has honored Al Kahn, K4FW, of Cassopolis, Michigan, on his 80th anniversary as an Amateur Radio licensee. Kahn, who turns 96 in July, was president of Electro-Voice and, after retirement, went on to co-found Ten-Tec. He's also a member of the ARRL, the First-Class CW Operators Club and the A-1 Operator Club. The Quarter Century Wireless Association was organized to promote friendship and cooperation among Amateur Radio operators licensed at least 25 years ago. QCWA boasts nearly 200 active chapters and more than 10,000 active members from Australia to Zimbabwe.--submitted by Dan Caesar, NI9Y

* Second Winter Olympics special event station on the air: Ray Friess, WA7ITZ, in Salt Lake City has been operating special event station WA7ITZ/W19OG to commemorate the 19th Winter Olympic Games. WA7ITZ/W19OG is operating on 160 through 10 meters near the lower edge of the General phone bands. Some CW operation is possible. QSL to WA7ITZ, 1801 Jennifer Way, Salt Lake City, UT 84116. An SASE would be appreciated.

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* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio
Club: Send e-mail to majordomo@... (no subject needed). The body of the
message should say "subscribe letter-list" to subscribe or "unsubscribe
letter-list" to unsubscribe. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who
receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)

496. Telephone No. Change

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-02-21 20:22:34 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 496 Message: 496

Hello,

My Residence Telephone Number would change from the old: 542 4313 to the new : 589 3830 with effect from Friday,22 Feb 2002 5.00 pm .

Thanks

regards

Vijay Motwane

Join the world?s largest e-mail service with MSN Hotmail. Click Here (http://go.msn.com/bql/hmtag4_etl_EN.asp)

497. The 75 Watt Beauty

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-02-21 20:56:50 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 497 Message: 497

Send and receive Hotmail on your mobile device: Click Here
(http://go.msn.com/bql/hmtag2_etl_EN.asp)

498. When will we have a store like this in India? (A mouth watering pic!!)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-02-21 21:28:20 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 498 Message: 498

Send and receive Hotmail on your mobile device: Click Here
(http://go.msn.com/bql/hmtag2_etl_EN.asp)

499. Happy Birthday - VU2LIB

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-02-21 06:18:45 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 499 Message: 499

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its Founder Member Madhu Rajan [VU2LIB] a very happy birthday

740. New poll for m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-22 14:46:14 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 740 Message: 740

Enter your vote today! A new poll has been created for the
m_a_r_s group:

The most exciting part of Ham Radio you
think is(Apart from Disaster
communication):

o JOTA
o Ganesh Visarjan
o Rallies

To vote, please visit the following web page:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/surveys?id=946878

Note: Please do not reply to this message. Poll votes are
not collected via email. To vote, you must go to the Yahoo! Groups
web site listed above.

Thanks!

741. Fly like a bird!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-22 15:12:54 UTC
From: bing@vsnl.com
Topic: 741 Message: 741

Hi there,
I finally did what I wanted to do for a long time. I went up 21000 feet in an aircraft and dived!!!!! I soared like a bird till 5000 feet and then parachuted the rest of the way!!!
Besides ham radio this is what i want to do!!!! Become a proffessional sky diver!!!!!
I have it all on video!!!!
It did strike me then, that all of mars should sky dive at the same time and talk to each other on radio!!!!!That would be fun, na? Wonder what would be the answer to whats your QTH? 21000 ft and falling!!!!!!Ha ha .
Cheers all,
Sarla

742. Ham Radio notes only for those who are concerned

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-22 16:04:43 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 742 Message: 742
Attachments: 5 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi OMs,

I am sending the HAM RADIO CLASSES NOTES.

Since I did'nt have individual email addresses, I am sending it thru' group.

Please send your response.

73

Parin

Chat with friends online, try MSN Messenger: Click Here
(http://g.msn.com/1HM1ENIN/c144??PS=47575)

743. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ham Radio notes only for those who are concerned

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-23 06:10:20 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 742 Message: 743

Appreciate your efforts parin. tho i've not read the notes!
cheers!
madhu

>From: "parin gangar" <paringangar@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Ham Radio notes only for those who are concerned
>Date: Mon, 22 Jul 2002 16:04:43 +0000

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744. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fly like a bird!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-23 13:25:35 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 741 Message: 744

Dear Sarla

This was real great one, a real adventure - do
something here for all of us.

Regards

vu2jpn

--- bing@... wrote:
> Hi there,
> I finally did what I wanted to do for a long time.
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> Sarla
>

Do You Yahoo!?
Yahoo! Health - Feel better, live better
http://health.yahoo.com

745. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARTIANS ALERT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-23 13:33:13 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 745 Message: 745

Dear Members

A good thing to do immediately.

Hope this happens with Long Range Cordless phone
users.

Regards

vu2jpn

--- vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
> Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
>
> Dear Members,
>
>
> In a recent incident the Mumbai Police have seized
> all the Ham Radio Equipment from the shack of one of
> our members. The Police had reached the QTH for some
> other reasons, but looking at all the radio
> equipment, they simply decided to seize it.
>
> This has happend because our friend was not
> available at the QTH and the Amateur Radio Licence
> was not available.
>
> The society "TRIES" to maintain records and luckly
> the photo copy of the licence was available with us.
> After using other society's resources the situation
> was brought fairly under control. All the
> equipment will be released tommorrow hopefully.
>
> Looking at the above incident, all the members are
> advised to keep a attested true copy of your licence
> in your shack at all times. This will surely help
> in such cases when you may not be available at your
> QTH. (and also give you peace of mind)
>
> Members not having the attested copy with them can
> atleast take out a good photocopy (preferably color
> copy) and the society will help you to get it
> attested by the wireless authorities.
>
> It could happen to you tommorrow, if some cop comes
> looking at your antenna and starts enquiring and if

> you are not there you could end up loosing your
> equipment.
>
> Moral of the story. : Better safe then sorry..!!!
>
> All members who have not submitted the photocopy of
> their licence to the society are once again
> requested to submit the same at the earliest. (also
> renewed licence copy)
>
> Help us to serve you better..!!
>
> 73
> NLF
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>

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746. Re: [m_a_r_s] New poll for m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-23 14:41:55 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 746 Message: 746

>From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com Subject: [m_a_r_s] New poll for m_a_r_s
>Date: 22 Jul 2002 14:46:14 -0000
>
>
>Enter your vote today! A new poll has been created for the
>m_a_r_s group:
>
>The most exciting part of Ham Radio you
>think is(Apart from Disaster
>communication):
>
> o JOTA
> o Ganesh Visarjan
> o Rallies
>
>
>To vote, please visit the following web page:
>
>http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/surveys?id=946878
>
>Note: Please do not reply to this message. Poll votes are
>not collected via email. To vote, you must go to the Yahoo! Groups
>web site listed above.
>
>Thanks!
>
>
>
>hey nlf

u know being a raDio organisation , its more of emails now
guess its the most poular moDe than any ,

vu2 ugj
>
>

Chat with friends online, try MSN Messenger: http://messenger.msn.com

747. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fly like a bird!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-23 15:31:35 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 741 Message: 747

great going sarla, you are one brave woman.

----- Original Message -----
From: bing@...
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, July 22, 2002 8:42 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Fly like a bird!!!

Hi there,
I finally did what I wanted to do for a long time. I went up 21000 feet in an aircraft and dived!!!!! I soared like a bird till 5000 feet and then parachuted the rest of the way!!! Besides ham radio this is what i want to do!!!! Become a proffessional sky diver!!!!!
I have it all on video!!!!
It did strike me then, that all of mars should sky dive at the same time and talk to each other on radio!!!!!That would be fun, na? Wonder what would be the answer to whats your QTH? 21000 ft and falling!!!!!!Ha ha .
Cheers all,
Sarla

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748. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fly like a bird!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-23 16:07:51 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 741 Message: 748

>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Fly like a bird!!!
>Date: Tue, 23 Jul 2002 21:01:35 +0530
>
>great going sarla, you are one brave woman.
>
>hey sarla

really thrilleD to hear from u , abt ur sky Dive
well its really kinD of dream over here
u a lucky one to have an oppurtunity , to Do that

great

vu2ugj
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: bing@...
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, July 22, 2002 8:42 PM
> Subject: [m_a_r_s] Fly like a bird!!!
>
>
> Hi there,
> I finally did what I wanted to do for a long time. I went up 21000 feet
>in an aircraft and dived!!!!! I soared like a bird till 5000 feet and then
>parachuted the rest of the way!!! Besides ham radio this is what i want to
>do!!!! Become a proffessional sky diver!!!!!
> I have it all on video!!!!
> It did strike me then, that all of mars should sky dive at the same time
>and talk to each other on radio!!!!!That would be fun, na? Wonder what
>would be the answer to whats your QTH? 21000 ft and falling!!!!!!Ha ha .
> Cheers all,
> Sarla
>
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>
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>
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>

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http://photos.msn.com/support/worldwide.aspx

749. Look at this new baby from Icom IC 2720 H (Prashant take a close look...)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-23 18:26:26 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 749 Message: 749

Join the world?s largest e-mail service with MSN Hotmail. Click Here
(http://g.msn.com/1HM1ENIN/c157??PI=44344)

750. Long Range Phones

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-23 18:39:11 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 750 Message: 750

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Topic: Long Range Cordless Phones

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| Next Newest
(http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=ST;f=3;t=15736;view=new)
>

ag4rc

Group: Members
Posts: 9
Joined: April 2002

Posted: July 15 2002,12:12

(http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Post;CODE=06;f=3;t=15736;p=34100)
In an recent article "Aircraft Interference Sparks FCC Crackdown" (May 2002) explains the usage of MARS/CAP frequencies just above & below Amateur Radio (VHF & UHF) bands for long range cordless (mobile) telephone equipment:

http://www.conformity.com/cnf0205.html#aircraft

It's apparent the FCC is aware of, at least, one merchant in Miami Florida selling these devises as an alternative for cell phones.

The complete FCC's order for this particular case can be read here:

http://www.conformity-update.com/fcc-fines-020301.pdf

I did some quick research on the web and stumbled across the following site which sells the same type of "long range" wireless telephones:

http://www.no-air-time.com (http://www.no-air-time.com/)

http://www.no-air-time.com/Merchant2/merchant.mv

Most amateur VHF/UHF Amateur radio transceivers, including HT's have the ability to receive/monitor the frequencies of which these cordless telephones operate.

Perhaps fellow HAM's can keep an eye on these frequencies and forward any incriminating evidence (recordings, date / time, RF-fingerprints, directional finding coordinates) to your local FCC office and put these "pirates" out of business.

Your comments appreciated.

AG4RC

(http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Profile;CODE=03;MID=97-1019529004) (http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Msg;CODE=04;MID=97-1019529004) (http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Mail;CODE=00;MID=97-1019529004)

ke4mcl

Group: Members
Posts: 25
Joined: Mar. 2002

Posted: July 22 2002,08:32

(http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Post;CODE=06;f=3;t=15736;p=34187)
these phones are intended for use in south and central america. they are popular with farm owners and so forth because cell service is very expensive in these countries. most local merchants wont sell them without you presenting proof that it being shipped out (bill of laden). they do turn up at hamfests from time to time and the amps also surface. i have a pair of the amps (base and mobile) that i bought at a local fest to tune for 6m. they come tuned to the 47mhz band and have so-239 conectors on them. i dont understand how these units would interfere with aircraft freqs if they were put to use here in the u.s. as it would take a third harmonic to get into the air band if someone where to use (illegally of course) put them to use. finding an antenna tuned for those freqs is near impossible (you'd have to roll your own) and theres soo many 47mhz cheapo phones out there that its range would still be cut short. i havent seen any in the 150mhz range yet. theres plenty of noisy paging transmitters in that band though.. maybe they crack down on those!

i dont see its benefits in an urban area. maybe in a rural area it may be worthwhile but then again a 2.4ghz cordless has amazing range when sitting in a 2 or third story window. i just cant see this as being such a common problem.

robert
ke4mcl
miami

(http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Profile;CODE=03;MID=107-1017435059) (http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Msg;CODE=04;MID=107-1017435059) (http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Mail;CODE=00;MID=107-1017435059)

N7MK

Group: Editors
Posts: 8
Joined: --

Posted: July 22 2002,11:52

(http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Post;CODE=06;f=3;t=15736;p=34231)
This is a real problem. There have already been a number of documented cases of these long range cordless phones interfering with air traffic control safety-of-flight communications, and also to amateur communications.

Also, several vendors have been shown to sell to anyone who walks in their door, or calls them, and is willing to pay the price, without any verification as to where the item is going to be used.

The aeronautical frequencies are protected throughout most of the world by international treaties, yet these items are being produced, exported/imported and marketed by unscrupulous outfits.

For more info, see http://www.aerorfi.org (http://www.aerorfi.org/)

Mark

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kb9dbc

Group: Members
Posts: 22
Joined: May 2001

Posted: July 23 2002,04:39

(http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Post;CODE=06;f=3;t=15736;p=34341)
Not to get too technical here, but it's called a

BILL OF LADING

The individual that the US wants, dead or alive is:

OSAMA BIN LADEN

It is NOT a

BILL OF LADEN.

Just a clarification...

(http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Profile;CODE=03;MID=107-0000068099) (http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Msg;CODE=04;MID=107-0000068099) (http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Mail;CODE=00;MID=107-0000068099) (http://www.kb9dbc.com/)

kd4dcy

Group: Members
Posts: 5
Joined: Jan. 2002

Posted: July 23 2002,09:07

(http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Post;CODE=06;f=3;t=15736;p=34371)
According to most of the complaints I see on aviation-related web sites, the interference is seen largely in the 133.875 - 134.650 MHz range. One of these boxes, operating at 47MHz, would have its third harmonic at 141 MHz. Doesn't make sense, unless the phones are really operating at 44.625 - 44.883 MHz or their signals are somehow getting mixed with some sort of 3.375 MHz signal. (3.58 I could believe, but it doesn't work out.)

This is all academic, of course, the things are illegal and we need to see they're eliminated from the picture, but one wonders if the aviation interference isn't something else we're not seeing.

Scott KD4DCY (a ham AND a pilot)

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kd7rhe

Group: Members
Posts: 13
Joined: June 2002

Posted: July 23 2002,10:38

(http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Post;CODE=06;f=3;t=15736;p=34388)
These Phones are being used in Brazil and Argentina. What is legal in some countries is not legal in others and there is nothing you can do about it. That being said, I'm off to Holland for some hookers and rollies. Hey, it's legal there!

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kb9vky

Group: Members
Posts: 1
Joined: June 2001

Posted: July 23 2002,10:39

(http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Post;CODE=06;f=3;t=15736;p=34391)
quick search on e-bay results in:

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1368615474

and

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1368086974

One of these is selling from the UK. Neither list the freqs.

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n3bbf

Group: Members
Posts: 2
Joined: June 2001

Posted: July 23 2002,11:09

(http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Post;CODE=06;f=3;t=15736;p=34394)
There are, of course, other possibilities for getting a 47 MHz signal to appear in the aircraft band. A heterodyne with a radio station at the bottom of the FM broadcast band or with TV channels 5 (sum) or 8 (difference) would bring it into the right frequency range.

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(http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=ST;f=3;t=15736;view=new)
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(http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/ikonboard.cgi?s=3d3d9fac21c1ffff;act=Post;CODE=00;f=3)
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751. Check it out.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-24 16:50:41 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 751 Message: 751
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

HI FRIENDS,

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73

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752. test msg

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-26 04:22:07 UTC
From: vu2nlf@bol.net.in
Topic: 752 Message: 752

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test msg
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753. test msg

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-26 04:23:26 UTC
From: vijaymotwane@hotmail.com
Topic: 752 Message: 753

test msg

754. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-26 18:59:02 UTC
From: vijaymotwane@hotmail.com
Topic: 754 Message: 754

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755. Night Owls Net Freq

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-26 12:06:16 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 755 Message: 755

Hello everybody!!

From last 2/3 days there were discussions going on about LL QRM of 2M on
Night Owls Net. Wispi, Prashant, Vijay, Mukesh, Ananta and myself
are thinking of changing the Net frequency from 145.100 to 145.000

Please reply on the egroup or on Night Owls Net :
- whether the frequency 145.000 is OK with you or not
- if you are facing LL QRM or PAGER disturbances on 145.000 at yr QTH.
- the alternate frequency which you find is QRM free!

If everybody agrees to 145.00, i think we should switch to final frequency
from 1st August, 2002. This gives sufficent (7 days) time to decide whether
we should change the Net frequency or not.

Sarla!! Fantastic work!!! i would like to see the skydiving video
as well as the bugee jumping video from yr last DX visit,
when u return to VU, take care!!

Sumeet!! keep posting yr LW SWLing reports!!!

73s,
sandip

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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756. Re: [m_a_r_s] test msg

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-26 14:39:48 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 752 Message: 756

great
cool
god bless all

ZYROS ZEND
FORTUNE COOKIE INDIA
300,CAWASJI HORMASJI STREET
DHOBI TALAO
MUMBAI.
TEL.00-91-22-2035586
RES.00-91-22-2875741
FAX.OO-91-22-2025848
MOBILE. 9821025289

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Chat with friends online, try MSN Messenger: http://messenger.msn.com

757. Fwd: US-C/s -Map (For hams who like to work dx)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-26 18:14:07 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 757 Message: 757
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

JCC Number List JAPAN CITIES
Note1: "*" denotes deleted cities.
2: current existing cities --> 676 cities
3: as of April 1st, 2002

HOKKAIDO 01
0101 Sapporo
0102 Asahikawa
0103 Otaru
0104 Hakodate
0105 Muroran
0106 Kushiro
0107 Obihiro
0108 Kitami
0109 Yubari
0110 Iwamizawa
0111 Abashiri
0112 Rumoi
0113 Tomakomai
0114 Wakkanai
0115 Bibai
0116 Ashibetsu
0117 Ebetsu
0118 Akabira
0119 Mombetsu
0120 Shibetsu
0121 Nayoro
0122 Mikasa
0123 Nemuro
0124 Chitose
0125 Takikawa
0126 Sunagawa
0127 Utashinai
0128 Fukagawa
0129 Furano
0130 Noboribetsu
0131 Eniwa
* 0132 Kameda "Nov. 30,1973"
0133 Date
0134 Kitahiroshima
0135 Ishikari

AOMORI 02
0201 Aomori
0202 Hirosaki
0203 Hachinohe
0204 Kuroishi
0205 Goshogawara
0206 Towada
0207 Misawa
0208 Mutsu

IWATE 03
0301 Morioka
0302 Kamaishi
0303 Miyako
0304 Ichinoseki
0305 Ofunato
0306 Mizusawa
0307 Hanamaki
0308 Kitakami
0309 Kuji
0310 Tono
0311 Rikuzentakata
0312 Esashi
0313 Ninohe

AKITA 04
0401 Akita
0402 Noshiro
0403 Odate
0404 Yokote
0405 Honjo
0406 Oga
0407 Yuzawa
0408 Omagari
0409 Kazuno

YAMAGATA 05
0501 Yamagata
0502 Yonezawa
0503 Tsuruoka
0504 Sakata
0505 Shinjo
0506 Sagae
0507 Kaminoyama
0508 Murayama
0509 Nagai
0510 Tendo
0511 Higashine
0512 Obanazawa
0513 Nan'yo

MIYAGI 06
0601 Sendai
0602 Ishinomaki
0603 Shiogama
0604 Furukawa
0605 Kesennuma
0606 Shiroishi
0607 Natori
0608 Kakuda
0609 Tagajo
* 0610 Izumi "Feb.29,1988"
0611 Iwanuma

FUKUSHIMA 07
0701 Fukushima
0702 Aizuwakamatsu
0703 Koriyama
* 0704 Taira "Sep.30,1966"
0705 Shirakawa
0706 Haramachi
0707 Sukagawa
0708 Kitakata
* 0709 Joban "Feb.30,1966"
* 0710 Iwaki "Feb.30,1966"
0711 Soma
* 0712 Uchigo "Feb.30,1966"
* 0713 Nakoso "Feb.30,1966"
0714 Nihonmatsu
0715 Iwaki
* 0716 Wakamatsu "Dec.31,1954"

NIIGATA 08
0801 Niigata
0802 Nagaoka
* 0803 Takada "Apr.28,1971"
0804 Sanjo
0805 Kashiwazaki
0806 Shibata
0807 Niitsu
0808 Ojiya
0809 Kamo
0810 Tokamachi
0811 Mitsuke
0812 Murakami
0813 Tsubame
* 0814 Naoetsu "Apr.28,1971"
0815 Tochio
0816 Itoigawa
0817 Arai
0818 Gosen
0819 Ryotsu
0820 Shirone

0821 Toyosaka
0822 Joetsu

NAGANO 09
0901 Nagano
0902 Matsumoto
0903 Ueda
0904 Okaya
0905 Iida
0906 Suwa
0907 Suzaka
0908 Komoro
0909 Ina
0910 Komagane
0911 Nakano
0912 Omachi
0913 Iiyama
0914 Chino
0915 Shiojiri
* 0916 Shinonoi "Oct.15,1966"
0917 Koshoku
0918 Saku

TOKYO 10
1001 Tokyo 23-wards
1002 Hachioji
1003 Tachikawa
1004 Musashino
1005 Mitaka
1006 Ome
1007 Fuchu
1008 Akishima
1009 Chofu
1010 Machida
1011 Koganei
1012 Kodaira
1013 Hino
1014 Higashimurayama
1015 Kokubunji
1016 Kunitachi
* 1017 Hoya "Jan.20,2001"
* 1018 Tanashi "Jan.20,2001"
1019 Fussa
1020 Komae
1021 Higashiyamato
1022 Kiyose
1023 Higashikurume
1024 Musashimurayama
1025 Tama
1026 Inagi
* 1027 Akigawa "Aug.31,1995"

1028 Hamura
1029 Akiruno
1030 Nishitokyo

KANAGAWA 11
1101 Yokohama
1102 Yokosuka
1103 Kawasaki
1104 Hiratsuka
1105 Kamakura
1106 Fujisawa
1107 Odawara
1108 Chigasaki
1109 Zushi
1110 Sagamihara
1111 Miura
1112 Hadano
1113 Atsugi
1114 Yamato
1115 Isehara
1116 Ebina
1117 Zama
1118 Minamiashigara
1119 Ayase

CHIBA 12
1201 Chiba
1202 Choshi
1203 Ichikawa
1204 Funabashi
1205 Tateyama
1206 Kisarazu
1207 Matsudo
1208 Noda
1209 Sawara
1210 Mobara
1211 Narita
1212 Sakura
1213 Togane
1214 Yokaichiba
1215 Asahi
1216 Narashino
1217 Kashiwa
1218 Katsuura
1219 Ichihara
1220 Nagareyama
1221 Yachiyo
1222 Abiko
1223 Kamogawa
1224 Kimitsu
1225 Kamagaya

1226 Futtu
1227 Urayasu
1228 Yotsukaido
1229 Sodegaura
1230 Yachimata
1231 Inzai
1232 Shiroi
1233 Tomisato

SAITAMA 13
* 1301 Urawa "Apr.30,2001"
1302 Kawagoe
1303 Kumagaya
1304 Kawaguchi
* 1305 Omiya "Apr.30,2001"
1306 Gyoda
1307 Chichibu
1308 Tokorozawa
1309 Hanno
1310 Kazo
1311 Honjo
1312 Higashimatsuyama
1313 Iwatsuki
1314 Kasukabe
1315 Sayama
1316 Hanyu
1317 Konosu
1318 Fukaya
1319 Ageo
* 1320 Yono "Apr.30,2001"
1321 Soka
1322 Koshigaya
1323 Warabi
1324 Toda
1325 Iruma
1326 Hatogaya
1327 Asaka
1328 Shiki
1329 Wako
1330 Niiza
1331 Okegawa
1332 Kuki
1333 Kitamoto
1334 Yashio
1335 Kamifukuoka
1336 Fujimi
1337 Misato
1338 Hasuda
1339 Sakado
1340 Satte

1341 Tsurugashima
1342 Hidaka
1343 Yoshikawa
1344 Saitama

IBARAKI 14
1401 Mito
1402 Hitachi
1403 Tsuchiura
1404 Koga
1405 Ishioka
1406 Shimodate
1407 Yuki
1408 Ryugasaki
* 1409 Nakaminato "Oct.31,1994"
1410 Shimotsuma
1411 Mitsukaido
1412 Hitachiota
* 1413 Katsuta "Oct.31,1994"
1414 Takahagi
1415 Kitaibaraki
1416 Kasama
1417 Toride
1418 Iwai
1419 Ushiku
1420 Tsukuba
1421 Hitachinaka
1422 Kashima
1423 Itako
1424 Moriya

TOCHIGI 15
1501 Utsunomiya
1502 Ashikaga
1503 Tochigi
1504 Sano
1505 Kanuma
1506 Nikko
1507 Imaichi
1508 Oyama
1509 Mooka
1510 Otawara
1511 Yaita
1512 Kuroiso

GUNMA 16
1601 Maebashi
1602 Takasaki
1603 Kiryu
1604 Isesaki
1605 Ota

1606 Numata
1607 Tatebayashi
1608 Shibukawa
1609 Fujioka
1610 Tomioka
1611 Annaka

YAMANASHI 17
1701 Kofu
1702 Fujiyoshida
1703 Enzan
1704 Tsuru
1705 Yamanashi
1706 Otsuki
1707 Nirasaki

SHIZUOKA 18
1801 Shizuoka
1802 Hamamatsu
1803 Numadu
1804 Shimizu
1805 Atami
1806 Mishima
1807 Fujinomiya
1808 Ito
1809 Shimada
* 1810 Yoshiwara "Oct.31,1967"
1811 Iwata
1812 Yaidu
1813 Fuji
1814 Kakegawa
1815 Fujieda
1816 Gotemba
1817 Fukuroi
1818 Tenryu
1819 Hamakita
1820 Shimoda
1821 Susono
1822 Kosai

GIFU 19
1901 Gifu
1902 Ogaki
1903 Takayama
1904 Tajimi
1905 Seki
1906 Nakatsugawa
1907 Mino
1908 Mizunami
1909 Hashima
1910 Ena

1911 Minokamo
1912 Toki
1913 Kakamigahara
1914 Kani

AICHI 20
2001 Nagoya
2002 Toyohashi
2003 Okazaki
2004 Ichinomiya
2005 Seto
2006 Handa
2007 Kasugai
2008 Toyokawa
2009 Tsushima
2010 Hekinan
2011 Kariya
2012 Toyota
2013 Anjo
2014 Nishio
2015 Gamagori
2016 Inuyama
2017 Tokoname
* 2018 Moriyama "Feb.9,1963"
2019 Konan
2020 Bisai
2021 Komaki
2022 Inazawa
2023 Shinshiro
2024 Tokai
2025 Obu
2026 Chita
2027 Takahama
2028 Chiryu
2029 Owariasahi
2030 Iwakura
2031 Toyoake
2032 Nissin

MIE 21
2101 Tsu
2102 Yokkaichi
2103 Ise
2104 Matsusaka
2105 Kuwana
2106 Ueno
2107 Suzuka
2108 Nabari
2109 Owase
2110 Kameyama
2111 Toba

2112 Kumano
2113 Hisai
* 2114 Ujiyamada "Dec.31,1954"

KYOTO 22
2201 Kyoto
2202 Fukuchiyama
2203 Maiduru
2204 Ayabe
2205 Uji
2206 Miyazu
2207 Kameoka
2208 Joyo
2209 Nagaokakyo
2210 Muko
2211 Yawata
2212 Kyotanabe

SHIGA 23
2301 Otsu
2302 Hikone
2303 Nagahama
2304 Omihachiman
2305 Yokaichi
2306 Kusatsu
2307 Moriyama
2308 Ritto

NARA 24
2401 Nara
2402 Yamatotakada
2403 Yamatokoriyama
2404 Tenri
2405 Kashihara
2406 Sakurai
2407 Gojo
2408 Gose
2409 Ikoma
2410 Kashiba

OSAKA 25
2501 Osaka
2502 Sakai
2503 Kishiwada
2504 Toyonaka
* 2505 Fuse "Jan.31.1967"
2506 Ikeda
2507 Suita
2508 Izumiotsu
2509 Takatsuki
2510 Kaiduka

2511 Moriguchi
2512 Hirakata
2513 Ibaraki
2514 Yao
2515 Izumisano
2516 Tondabayashi
2517 Neyagawa
2518 Kawachinagano
* 2519 Hiraoka "Jan.31,1967"
* 2520 Kawachi "Jan.31,1967"
2521 Matsubara
2522 Daito
2523 Izumi
2524 Mino
2525 Kashiwara
2526 Habikino
2527 Kadoma
2528 Settsu
2529 Fujiidera
2530 Takaishi
2531 Higashiosaka
2532 Sennan
2533 Shijonawate
2534 Katano
2535 Osakasayama
2536 Hannan

WAKAYAMA 26
2601 Wakayama
2602 Shingu
2603 Kainan
2604 Tanabe
2605 Gobo
2606 Hashimoto
2607 Arida

HYOGO 27
2701 Kobe
2702 Himeji
2703 Amagasaki
2704 Akashi
2705 Nishinomiya
2706 Sumoto
2707 Ashiya
2708 Itami
2709 Aioi
2710 Toyooka
2711 Kakogawa
2712 Tatsuno
2713 Ako
2714 Nishiwaki

2715 Takaraduka
2716 Miki
2717 Takasago
2718 Kawanishi
2719 Ono
2720 Sanda
2721 Kasai
2722 Sasayama

TOYAMA 28
2801 Toyama
2802 Takaoka
2803 Shinminato
2804 Uodu
2805 Himi
2806 Namerikawa
2807 Kurobe
2808 Tonami
2809 Oyabe

FUKUI 29
2901 Fukui
2902 Tsuruga
2903 Takefu
2904 Obama
2905 Ono
2906 Katsuyama
2907 Sabae

ISHIKAWA 30
3001 Kanazawa
3002 Nanao
3003 Komatsu
3004 Wajima
3005 Suzu
3006 Kaga
3007 Hakui
3008 Matsuto

OKAYAMA 31
3101 Okayama
3102 Kurashiki
3103 Tsuyama
3104 Tamano
* 3105 Kojima "Jan.31,1967"
* 3106 Tamashima "Jan.31,1967"
3107 Kasaoka
* 3108 saidaiji "Feb.16,1969"
3109 Ibara
3110 Soja
3111 Takahashi

3112 Niimi
3113 Bizen

SHIMANE 32
3201 Matsue
3202 Hamada
3203 Izumo
3204 Masuda
3205 Oda
3206 Yasugi
3207 Gotsu
3208 Hirata

YAMAGUCHI 33
3301 Yamaguchi
3302 Shimonoseki
3303 Ube
3304 Hagi
3305 Tokuyama
3306 Hofu
3307 Kudamatsu
3308 Iwakuni
3309 Onoda
3310 Hikari
3311 Nagato
3312 Yanai
3313 Mine
3314 Shinnan'yo

TOTTORI 34
3401 Tottori
3402 Kurayoshi
3403 Yonago
3404 Sakaiminato

HIROSHIMA 35
3501 Hiroshima
3502 Kure
3503 Takehara
3504 Mihara
3505 Onomichi
3506 Innoshima
* 3507 Matsunaga "Apr.31,1966"
3508 Fukuyama
3509 Fuchu
3510 Miyoshi
3511 Syoubara
3512 Otake
3513 Higashihiroshima
3514 Hatsukaichi

KAGAWA 36
3601 Takamatsu
3602 Marugame
3603 Sakaide
3604 Zentsuji
3605 Kan'onji
3606 Sanuki

TOKUSHIMA 37
3701 Tokushima
3702 Naruto
3703 Komatsushima
3704 Anan

EHIME 38
3801 Matsuyama
3802 Imabari
3803 Uwajima
3804 Yawatahama
3805 Niihama
3806 Saijo
3807 Ozu
3808 Iyomishima
3809 Kawanoe
3810 Iyo
3811 Hojo
3812 Toyo

KOCHI 39
3901 Kochi
3902 Muroto
3903 Aki
3904 Tosa
3905 Susaki
3906 Nakamura
3907 Sukumo
3908 Tosashimizu
3909 Nankoku

FUKUOKA 40
4001 Fukuoka
* 4002 Kokura "Feb.9,1963"
* 4003 Moji "Feb.9,1963"
* 4004 Yahata "Feb.9,1963"
* 4005 Tobata "Feb.9,1963"
* 4006 Wakamatsu "Feb.9,1963"
4007 Kurume
4008 Omuta
4009 Noogata
4010 Iiduka
4011 Tagawa
4012 Yanagawa

4013 Amagi
4014 Yamada
4015 Yame
4016 Chikugo
4017 Okawa
4018 Yukuhashi
4019 Buzen
4020 Nakama
4021 Kitakyushu
4022 Ogoori
4023 Kasuga
4024 Chikushino
4025 Onojo
4026 Munakata
4027 Dazaifu
4028 Maebaru
4029 Koga

SAGA 41
4101 Saga
4102 Karatsu
4103 Tosu
4104 Taku
4105 Imari
4106 Takeo
4107 Kashima

NAGASAKI 42
4201 Nagasaki
4202 Sasebo
4203 Shimabara
4204 Isahaya
4205 Omura
4206 Fukue
4207 Hirado
4208 Matsuura

KUMAMOTO 43
4301 Kumamoto
4302 Yatsushiro
4303 Hitoyoshi
4304 Arao
4305 Minamata
4306 Tamana
4307 Hondo
4308 Yamaga
4309 Ushibuka
4310 Kikuchi
4311 Uto

OITA 44
4401 Oita
4402 Beppu
4403 Nakatsu
4404 Hita
4405 Saiki
4406 Usuki
4407 Tsukumi
4408 Taketa
* 4409 Tsurusaki "Mar.9,1963"
4410 Bungotakada
4411 Kitsuki
4412 Usa

MIYAZAKI 45
4501 Miyazaki
4502 Miyakonojo
4503 Nobeoka
4504 Nichinan
4505 Kobayashi
4506 Hyuga
4507 Kushima
4508 Saito
4509 Ebino

KAGOSHIMA 46
4601 Kagoshima
4602 Sendai
4603 Kanoya
4604 Makurazaki
4605 Kushikino
4606 Akune
4607 Izumi
4608 Naze
4609 Oguchi
4610 Ibusuki
4611 Kaseda
4612 Kokubu
* 4613 Taniyama "Apr.28,1967"
4614 Nishinoomote
4615 Tarumizu

OKINAWA 47
4701 Naha
4702 Ishikawa
4703 Hirara
4704 Ishigaki
* 4705 Koza "Mar.31.1974"
4706 Ginowan
4707 Gushikawa
4708 Nago
4709 Urasoe

4710 Itoman
4711 Okinawa
4712 Tomigusuku

JCG Number List JAPAN
Note1: "*" denotes deleted Gun.
2: current existing Guns --> 563 Guns
3: as of April 1st, 2002

HOKKAIDO 01
01001 Akan
01002 Ashoro
01003 Atsukeshi
01004 Atsuta
01005 Abashiri
01006 Abuta(Shiribeshi)
Kimobetsucho
Kutchancho
Kyogokucho
Makkarimura
Nisekocho
01007 Abuta(Iburi)
Abutacho
Toyouracho
Touyamura
01008 Ishikari
01009 Isoya
01010 Iwanai
01011 Usu
* 01012 Utasutsu "Jan.14,1955"
01013 Urakawa
01014 Uryu
01015 Esashi
01016 Okushiri
* 01017 Oshoro "Mar.31,1958"
01018 Kasai
01019 Kato
01020 Kabato
01021 Kamiiso
01022 Kamikawa(Tokachi)
Shimizucho
Shintokucho
01023 Kamikawa(Kamikawa)
Aibetsucho
Asahicho
Bieicho
Higashikaguracho
Higashikawacho
Pippucho
Furencho
Kamikawacho

Kenbuchicho
Shimokawacho
Takasucho
Tomacho
Wassamucho
01024 Kameda
01025 Kayabe
01026 Kawakami
01027 Kushiro
01028 Kudo
* 01029 Sapporo "Aug.31,1996"
01030 Samani
01031 Saru
01032 Shizunai
01033 Shibetsu
01034 Shimamaki
01035 Shakotan
01036 Shari
01037 Shiraoi
01038 Shiranuka
01039 Suttsu
01040 Setana
01041 Soya
01042 Sorachi(Sorachi)
Kamisunagawacho
Kitamura
Kurisawacho
Naiecho
Nanporocho
01043 Sorachi(Kamikawa)
Kamifuranocho
Minamifuranocho
Nakafuranocho
* 01044 Chitose "Oct.31,1970"
01045 Teshio(Rumoi)
Enbetsucho
Horonobecho
Teshiocho
01046 Teshio(Soya)
Toyotomicho
01047 Tokachi
01048 Tokoro
01049 Tomamae
01050 Nakagawa(Kamikawa)
Bifukacho
Nakagawacho
Otoinetsupumura
01051 Nakagawa(Tokachi)
Honbetsucho
Ikedacho

Makubetsucho
Toyokorocho
01052 Niikappu
01053 Nishi
* 01054 Nemuro "Jul.31,1957"
01055 Notsuke
* 01056 Hanasaki "Mar.31,1959"
01057 Hamamasu
* 01058 Bikuni "Aug.29,1956"
01059 Hiyama
01060 Hiroo
* 01061 Futoro "Mar.31,1955"
01062 Furuu
01063 Furubira
01064 Horoizumi
* 01065 Horobetsu "Jul.31,1970"
01066 Mashike
01067 Matsumae
01068 Mitsuishi
01069 Menashi
01070 Mombetsu
01071 Yamakoshi
01072 Yubari
01073 Yufutsu(Iburi)
Atsumacho
Hayakitacho
Hobetsucho
Mukawacho
Oiwakecho
01074 Yufutsu(Kamikawa)
Shimukappumura
01075 Yoichi
01076 Rishiri
01077 Rumoi
01078 Rebun

AOMORI 02
02001 Kamikita
02002 Kitatsugaru
02003 Sannohe
02004 Shimokita
02005 Nakatsugaru
02006 Nishitsugaru
02007 Higashitsugaru
02008 Minamitsugaru

IWATE 03
03001 Isawa
03002 Iwate
* 03003 Esashi "Nov.2,1958"
03004 Kamihei

03005 Kunohe
03006 Kesen
03007 Shimohei
03008 Shiwa
03009 Nishiiwai
03010 Ninohe
03011 Hienuki
03012 Higashiiwai
03013 Waga

AKITA 04
04001 Ogachi
04002 Kaduno
04003 Kawabe
04004 Kitaakita
04005 Semboku
04006 Hiraka
04007 Minamiakita
04008 Yamamoto
04009 Yuri

YAMAGATA 05
05001 Akumi
05002 Kitamurayama
05003 Nishiokitama
05004 Nishitagawa
05005 Nishimurayama
05006 Higashiokitama
05007 Higashitagawa
05008 Higashimurayama
* 05009 Minamiokitama "Mar.31,1958"
* 05010 Minamimurayama "Mar.20,1957"
05011 Mogami

MIYAGI 06
06001 Igu
06002 Oshika
06003 Katta
06004 Kami
06005 Kurihara
06006 Kurokawa
06007 Shida
06008 Shibata
06009 Tamadukuri
06010 Toda
06011 Tome
* 06012 Natori "Feb.29,1988"
06013 Miyagi
06014 Motoyoshi
06015 Monou
06016 Watari

FUKUSHIMA 07
* 07001 Asaka "Apr.30,1965"
07002 Adachi
07003 Ishikawa
* 07004 Ishiki "Sep.30,1966"
07005 Iwase
07006 Onuma
07007 Kawanuma
07008 Kitaaidu
* 07009 Shinobu "Sep.30,1968"
07010 Soma
07011 Date
07012 Tamura
07013 Nishishirakawa
07014 Higashishirakawa
07015 Futaba
07016 Minamiaidu
07017 Yama

NIIGATA 08
08001 Iwafune
08002 Kariwa
08003 Kitauonuma
08004 Kitakambara
08005 Koshi
08006 Sado
08007 Santo
08008 Nakauonuma
08009 Nakakambara
08010 Nakakubiki
08011 Nishikambara
08012 Nishikubiki
08013 Higashikambara
08014 Higashikubiki
08015 Minamiuonuma
08016 Minamikambara

NAGANO 09
09001 Kamiina
09002 Kamitakai
09003 Kamiminochi
09004 Kiso
09005 Kitaazumi
09006 Kitasaku
09007 Sarashina
09008 Shimoina
09009 Shimotakai
09010 Shimominochi
09011 Suwa
09012 Chiisagata
* 09013 (Reserved)
09014 Hanishina

09015 Higashichikuma
09016 Minamiazumi
09017 Minamisaku

TOKYO 10
* 10001 Kitatama "Nov.2,1970"
10002 Nishitama
* 10003 Minamitama "Oct.31,1971"
10004 Oshima
Toshima
Niijima
Kozushima
10005 Miyake
10006 Hachijo
Aogashima
Torishima
10007 Ogawasara
Chichijima
Hahajima
Iwojima
Okinotorishima
Minamitorishima

KANAGAWA 11
11001 Aiko
11002 Ahigarakami
11003 Ashigarashimo
11004 Koza
11005 Tsukui
11006 Naka
11007 Miura

CHIBA 12
12001 Awa
12002 Isumi
* 12003 Ichihara "Sep.30,1967"
12004 Inba
12005 Kaijo
12006 Katori
* 12007 Kimitsu "Mar.31,1991"
12008 Sambu
12009 Sosa
* 12010 Chiba "Dec.31,1966"
12011 Chosei
12012 Higashikatsushika

SAITAMA 13
13001 Iruma
13002 Osato
13003 Kitaadachi
13004 Kitakatsushika

13005 Kitasaitama
13006 Kodama
13007 Chichibu
13008 Hiki
13009 Minamisaitama

IBARAKI 14
14001 Inashiki
14002 Kashima
14003 Kitasoma
14004 Kuji
14005 Sashima
14006 Taga
14007 Tsukuba
14008 Naka
14009 Namegata
14010 Niihari
14011 Nishiibaraki
14012 Higashiibaraki
14013 Makabe
14014 Yuki

TOCHIGI 15
* 15001 Ashikaga "Sep.30,1962"
15002 Aso
15003 Kamitsuga
15004 Kawachi
15005 Shioya
15006 Shimotsuga
15007 Nasu
15008 Haga

GUMMA 16
16001 Agatsuma
16002 Usui
16003 Ora
16004 Kanra
16005 Kitagumma
16006 Gumma
16007 Sawa
16008 Seta
16009 Tano
16010 Tone
16011 Nitta
16012 Yamada

YAMANASHI 17
17001 Kitakoma
17002 Kitatsuru
17003 Nakakoma
17004 Nishiyatsushiro

17005 Higashiyatsushiro
17006 Higashiyamanashi
17007 Minamikoma
17008 Minamitsuru

SHIZUOKA 18
* 18001 Abe "Dec.31,1968"
18002 Inasa
18003 Ihara
18004 Iwata
18005 Ogasa
18006 Kamo
18007 Shida
18008 Shuchi
18009 Sunto
18010 Tagata
18011 Haibara
18012 Hamana
18013 Fuji

GIFU 19
19001 Ampachi
* 19002 Inaba "Mar.31,1963"
19003 Ibi
19004 Ena
19005 Ono
19006 Kaidu
19007 Kani
19008 Kamo
19009 Gujo
19010 Toki
19011 Hashima
19012 Fuwa
19013 Mashita
19014 Mugi
19015 Motosu
19016 Yamagata
19017 Yoro
19018 Yoshiki

AICHI 20
20001 Aichi
20002 Atsumi
20003 Ama
20004 Kitashitara
20005 Chita
20006 Nakashima
20007 Nishikasugai
20008 Nishikamo
20009 Niwa
20010 Nukata

20011 Haguri
20012 Hazu
* 20013 Higashikasugai "Nov.30,1970"
20014 Higashikamo
* 20015 Hekikai "Nov.20,1970"
20016 Hoi
20017 Minamishitara
* 20018 Yana "Sep.29,1956"

MIE 21
21001 Age
* 21002 Ano "Sep.29,1956"
21003 Ayama
21004 Iinan
21005 Ichishi
21006 Inabe
* 21007 Kawage "Sep.29,1956"
21008 Kitamuro
21009 Kuwana
21010 Shima
21011 Suzuka
21012 Taki
21013 Naga
21014 Mie
21015 Minamimuro
21016 Watarai

KYOTO 22
22001 Amada
* 22002 Ikaruga "Sep.29,1956"
22003 Otokuni
22004 Kasa
22005 Kitakuwada
22006 Kuze
22007 Kumano
22008 Soraku
22009 Takeno
22010 Tsuduki
22011 Naka
22012 Funai
* 22013 Minamikuwada "Sep.29,1959"
22014 Yoza

SHIGA 23
23001 Ika
23002 Inukamo
23003 Echi
23004 Gamou
23005 Kanzaki
* 23006 Kurita "Sep.30.2001"
23007 Koka

23008 Sakata
23009 Shiga
23010 Takashima
23011 Higashiazai
23012 Yasu

NARA 24
24001 Ikoma
24002 Uda
* 24003 Uchi "Dec.31,1958"
24004 Kitakatsuragi
24005 Shiki
24006 Soekami
24007 Takaichi
* 24008 Minamikatsuragi "Mar.30,1958"
24009 Yamabe
24010 Yoshino

OSAKA 25
* 25001 Kitakawachi "Nov.2,1971"
25002 Sennan
25003 Senboku
25004 Toyono
* 25005 Nakakawachi "Apr.2,1965"
25006 Mishima
25007 Minamikawachi

WAKAYAMA 26
26001 Arida
26002 Ito
26003 Kaiso
26004 Naga
26005 Nishimuro
26006 Higashimuro
26007 Hidaka

HYOGO 27
27001 Akou
27002 Asago
* 27003 Arima "May.30,1958"
27004 Izushi
27005 Ibo
* 27006 Innami "Jan.31,1979"
27007 Kako
* 27008 Kasai "Mar.31,1967"
27009 Kato
27010 Kawabe
27011 Kanzaki
27012 Kinosaki
27013 Sayo
27014 Shikama

27015 Shiso
27016 Taka
* 27017 Taki "Mar.31,1999"
27018 Tsuna
27019 Hikami
27020 Mikata
27021 Mino
27022 Mihara
* 27023 Muko "Mar.31,1954"
27024 Yabu

TOYAMA 28
28001 Imizu
28002 Kaminiikawa
28003 Shimoniikawa
28004 Nakaniikawa
28005 Nishitonami
28006 Nei
* 28007 Himi "Mar.31,1954"
28008 Higashitonami

FUKUI 29
29001 Asuwa
29002 Imadate
29003 Oi
29004 Ono
29005 Onyu
29006 Sakai
* 29007 Tsuruga "Jan.14,1955"
29008 Nanjo
29009 Nyuu
29010 Mikata
29011 Yoshida

ISHIKAWA 30
30001 Ishikawa
30002 Enuma
30003 Kashima
30004 Kahoku
30005 Suzu
30006 Nomi
30007 Hakui
30008 Fugeshi

OKAYAMA 31
31001 Aida
31002 Akaiwa
31003 Asakuchi
31004 Atetsu
31005 Oku
31006 Oda

31007 Katsuta
31008 Kawakami
31009 Kibi
31010 Kume
31011 Kojima
31012 Shitsuki
* 31013 Jodo "Apr.30,1971"
31014 Jobo
31015 Tsukubo
31016 Tomada
31017 Maniwa
31018 Mitsu
31019 Wake

SHIMANE 32
* 32001 Ano "Mar.31,1954"
* 32002 Ama "Mar.31,1969"
32003 Iishi
32004 Ochi
32005 Ohara
32006 Oki
* 32007 Ochi "Mar.31,1969"
32008 Kanoashi
* 32009 Suki "Mar.31,1969"
* 32010 Chibu "Mar.31,1969"
32011 Naka
32012 Nita
32013 Nima
32014 Nogi
32015 Hikawa
32016 Mino
32017 Yatsuka

YAMAGUCHI 33
33001 Asa
33002 Abu
33003 Oshima
33004 Otsu
33005 Kuga
33006 Kumage
33007 Saba
33008 Tsuno
33009 Toyoura
33010 Mine
33011 Yoshiki

TOTTORI 34
34001 Iwami
34002 Ketaka
34003 Saihaku
34004 Tohaku

34005 Hino
34006 Yazu

HIROSHIMA 35
35001 Aki
* 35002 Asa "Mar.19,1973"
35003 Ashina
35004 Kamo
35005 Konu
35006 Saeki
35007 Jinseki
35008 Sera
35009 Takata
35010 Toyota
35011 Numakuma
35012 Hiba
35013 Fukayasu
35014 Futami
35015 Mitsugi
35016 Yamagata

KAGAWA 36
36001 Ayauta
36002 Okawa
36003 Kagawa
36004 Kita
36005 Syozu
36006 Nakatado
36007 Mitoyo

TOKUSHIMA 37
37001 Awa
37002 Itano
37003 Oe
37004 Kaifu
37005 Katsuura
37006 Naka
37007 Myozai
37008 Myodo
37009 Mima
37010 Miyoshi

EHIME 38
38001 Iyo
38002 Uma
38003 Ochi
38004 Onsen
38005 Kamiukena
38006 Kita
38007 Kitauwa
38008 Shuso

* 38009 Nii "Mar.31,1959"
38010 Nishiuwa
38011 Higashiuwa
38012 Minamiuwa

KOCHI 39
39001 Agawa
39002 Aki
39003 Kami
39004 Takaoka
39005 Tosa
39006 Nagaoka
39007 Hata

FUKUOKA 40
40001 Asakura
40002 Itoshima
40003 Ukiha
40004 Onga
40005 Kasuya
40006 Kaho
40007 Kurate
* 40008 Sawara "Feb.28,1975"
40009 Tagawa
40010 Chikushi
40011 Chikujo
40012 Mii
40013 Miike
40014 Mizuma
40015 Miyako
40016 Munakata
40017 Yamato
40018 Yame

SAGA 41
41001 Ogi
41002 Kanzaki
41003 Kishima
41004 Saga
41005 Nishimatsuura
41006 Higashimatsuura
41007 Fujitsu
41008 Miyaki

NAGASAKI 42
42001 Iki
42002 Kamiagata
42003 Kitatakaki
42004 Kitamatsuura
42005 Shimoagata
42006 Nishisonogi

42007 Higashisonogi
42008 Minamitakaki
42009 Minamimatsuura

KUMAMOTO 43
43001 Ashikita
43002 Aso
43003 Amakusa
43004 Uto
43005 Kamimashiki
43006 Kamoto
43007 Kikuchi
43008 Kuma
43009 Shimomashiki
43010 Tamana
* 43011 Hotaku "Jan.31,1991"
43012 Yatsushiro

OITA 44
44001 Usa
44002 Oita
44003 Ono
44004 Kitaamabe
44005 kusu
44006 Shimoge
44007 Naoiri
44008 Nishikunisaki
44009 Hayami
44010 Higashikunisaki
44011 Hita
44012 Minamiamabe

MIYAZAKI 45
45001 Kitamorokata
45002 Koyu
45003 Nishiusuki
45004 Nishimorokata
45005 Higashiusuki
45006 Higashimorokata
45007 Minaminaka
45008 Miyazaki

KAGOSHIMA 46
46001 Aira
46002 Isa
46003 Izumi
46004 Ibusuki
46005 Oshima
46006 Kagoshima
46007 Kawanabe
46008 Kimotsuki

46009 Kumage
46010 Satsuma
46011 Soo
46012 Hioki

OKINAWA 47
47001 Kunigami
47002 Shimajiri
47003 Nakagami
47004 Miyako
47005 Yaeyama

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758. Try this `Fireworks' site. ... unusual & interesting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-28 17:54:11 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 758 Message: 758

http://www1.jawink.ne.jp/koji-y/java/jhanabie.htm

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759. Icom IC T 90

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-28 19:18:59 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 759 Message: 759
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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760. Re: [m_a_r_s] Night Owls Net Freq

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-29 08:41:22 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 755 Message: 760

i've encountered phone qrm on 145.100 . would be nice to take the net to
145.000
cheers!
madhu

>From: "Sandip Adiwarekar" <sandipadiwarekar@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Night Owls Net Freq
>Date: Fri, 26 Jul 2002 17:36:16 +0530
>Hello everybody!!
>
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>
>Sumeet!! keep posting yr LW SWLing reports!!!
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>73s,
>sandip
>
>==============================
>vu2ugo@...
>Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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>
>
>
>Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
>
>

Chat with friends online, try MSN Messenger: http://messenger.msn.com

761. Modified Notes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-29 13:42:57 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 761 Message: 761
Attachments: 5 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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762. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-31 00:41:52 UTC
From: bing@vsnl.com
Topic: 762 Message: 762

Hiya gang,
I will be on 20 mtrs on wednesday 5p.m IST onwards trying longpath.I will be around 14.200.Lets see if I hear anybody. Conditions have not been too good,but vu2WAP was heard.
Hope to meet u guys,
Sarla

763. hamfest

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-31 05:59:46 UTC
From: ajay solanki
Topic: 763 Message: 763

Hi guys
Check This out...

http://www.mars-hams.org/

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764. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-07-31 19:43:18 UTC
From: bing@vsnl.com
Topic: 764 Message: 764

Hiya gang,
Was on 20 and 15 trs for a full 4 hrs,but didnt hear any of you.But I talked to vu2xx and vu2elj,so i guess propagation was there,but you guys were'nt!! I was under a huge huge pileup all the time and was exhausted!!I was putting out a tonne of power and was heard all over the world. !!I had a fantastic time!!
I am back around the 12th in India.
Tchus,
Sarla

765. Calling Freq. - 145.000

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-01 06:18:50 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 765 Message: 765

Hi everybody!!!

Kindly note that from today onwards the net/calling frequency of MUMBAI is changed, because of the heavy Chinese Longrange Cordless Phone QRM, from 145.100 to

145.000 Mhz

so switch on your 2m set and tune to 145.00 for QRM less check-in into the NET at 9.30pm.

and you see that frequency written above in tricolor, that is to remind you about our 15th Aug event on 2M i.e. Special Independence Day Night Owls Net.

The details of that event will be announced on the egroup very soon.

73s,
Sandip - VU2UGO

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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766. Musical event at goregaon sport complex

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-02 04:46:01 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 766 Message: 766
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

Some Musical Event is taking place at Goregaon Sport Complex, it is going to be a huge crowd, hence HAMs are required for communication support.

The event is on 3rd AUGUST 2002, from 4pm to 10 pm, members interested in offering their services may directly contact Jignesh - VU2JHD on 98212-67955.

73
NLF

767. photos

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-02 17:22:26 UTC
From: bing@vsnl.com
Topic: 767 Message: 767

Hey guys,
Do go to the Central Texas Dx and contest club website and take a look at the new pics.
The club is listed at the clubs roster of the qrz.com main page under the texas (TX) area.
Tchus
Sarla

768. Re: [m_a_r_s] Night Owls Net Freq

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-03 13:12:30 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 755 Message: 768

Friends

So all are running away?

is there any method to drive them off?

One possible way I did:
track their LL no. and make a continuous call to them
at late hours and harras them MAKE QRM TO THEIR LL etc
etc.

If all of us can continue for days then our fq.will be
free.

Don't let them trace us.

we can pass on the LL of all Long range cordless phone
users nos. to all members thru. this group.

Good luck

vu2jpn
--- Sandip Adiwarekar <sandipadiwarekar@...>
wrote:
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769. Re: [m_a_r_s] Night Owls Net Freq

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-03 15:26:25 UTC
From: Prashant
Topic: 755 Message: 769

Any comments on JPN's msg?
_VU2CBU

----- Original Message -----
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2002 6:42 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Night Owls Net Freq

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770. Indian Freq. Guide

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-04 08:54:36 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 770 Message: 770

Draft NFAP-2000

India Footnotes

(http://www.nic.in/nfap-2000/p00.htm)

National Frequency Table (http://www.nic.in/nfap-2000/p13.htm)

International Frequency Table (http://www.nic.in/nfap-2000/p05.htm)

IND.001

The frequency spots 1610 kHz, 1640 kHz, 1675 kHz & 1690 kHz are earmarked for Cordless Telephone for base units only.

IND.002

Amateur Service is permitted in the following bands

1820-1860 KHz

3500-3700 KHz

3890-3900 KHz

7000-7100 KHz

14000-14350 KHz

18068-18168 KHz

21000-21450 KHz

4890-24990 KHz

28000-29700 KHz

144-146 MHz

434-438 MHz

1260-1300 MHz

3300-3400 MHz

5725-5840 MHz

IND.003

The frequency spots 2010.4 (A)/2009.0 (C) kHz ,2025.0 (A)/2026.4 (C) kHz are earmarked to Fishing vessels.

IND.004

The frequency spots 3211.4 (C)/3213.0 (A) kHz, 5219.4 (C)/5218.0 (A) kHz, 13861.0(C)/ 13862.4 (A) kHz, 73.675 MHz, 79.025 MHz,159.55 MHz, 436.525 MHz & 461.525 MHz are earmarked for demonstration of equipment.

IND.005

The frequency spots 3698.0(A)/3699.4? 5883.0(A)/5881.6 (C) kHz, are earmarked for shipping industries.

IND.006

The frequency spots 26.375 MHz, 26.475 MHz, and 26.575 MHz are earmarked for Cordless telephone base and remote units.

IND.007

Earmarking of Frequencies For Different Purposes In Citizen Band

Frequency (KHz)

Type of Purpose

26964.0, 26972.0, 27036.0, 27124.0

Personal Communication Relating To Hobbies

27260.0

Radio Controlled Toys

27004.0, 27116.0, 27148.0, 27156.0, 27228.0

Aeromodelling

27140.0, 27204.0

Mountaineering

27220.0, 27244.0

Radio Communication Relating To Sports Events

27012.0, 27028.0, 27172.0, 27212.0

Communication Requirement In Rural Areas

27044.0

27052.0

Communication Relating To Road Accident/Emergencies:
- Contacting Police
- Contacting Hospitals/Ambulance

26980.0, 27236.0

Communication Needs On Highways

27092.0, 27100.0

Communication Requirements Of Wild Life/Forest Conservation

27060.0, 27068.0

Life Saving Communication In Coastal Water/Rivers/Lakes

27076.0, 27084.0

Natural Disaster Relief

27020.0, 27108.0

For Special Radio Controlled Devices
(Garage Door Openers, Safety Alarm Etc.)

27988.0, 26996.0, 27132.0 27164.0, 27180.0, 27188.0, 27196.0, 27252.0, 27268.0,27276.0

Spare Channels For Future Requirements

IND.008

The frequency spots 26.968 MHz & 26.976 MHz , 150.175 MHz & 150.9 MHz are earmarked for Mountaineering expedition.

IND.009

The frequency spots 27.155 MHz & 27.225 MHz are earmarked for radio control of models.

IND.010

The frequency spots 27.250 MHz & 27.260 MHz & 5725-5735 MHz are earmarked for Radio controlled low power electric gadgets/toys.

IND.011

The frequency spots 36.5MHz,36.7 MHz, 37.1 MHz, 37.9 MHz, 160.9 MHz & 161.8 MHz are earmarked for Radio microphones.

IND.012

The frequency spots 46.675 MHz,46.725 MHz, 46.775MHz, and 46.825 MHz are earmarked for Cordless Telephone Base/Remote units.

IND.013

The frequency spot 49.830 MHz, 49.845 MHz, 49.860 MHz and 49.875 MHz are earmarked for cordless telephone base/remote unit.

IND.014

The requirement of Fixed/Mobile services in the band 54-68 MHz will be considered on case by case basis.

IND.015

The requirement of broadcast services will be considered in the frequency band 87-91.5 MHz and 95-100 MHz on case by case basis.

IND.016

The requirement of Fixed/Mobile services will be considered in the frequency band 91.5-95 MHz.on case by case basis.

IND.017

The requirement of Fixed/Mobile services may be considered in the frequency band 100-108 MHz on case by case basis.

IND.018

The frequency spots 143.950 MHz, 150.175 MHz & 150.9 MHz are earmarked for Car rallies/Sports activities.

IND.019

The requirement of wide area radio paging systems will be considered in the frequency band 146.45-147.95 MHz, 151.5-153 MHz, 164.5-166.5 MHz and 171-173 MHz. The frequency spots 146.5625MHz, 146.6125MHz, 146.6375 MHz, 151.6125 MHz (except Pune), 151.6625 MHz, 165.3625 MHz (Delhi only), 165.4625 MHz, 165.6625 MHz, 166.1125 MHz, 166.1625 MHz (except Delhi), 166.2375 MHz & 166.2875 MHz (Bombay only) ,166.3125 MHz, 166.3625 MHz, 166.3875 MHz, 166.4375 MHz, 172.8635 MHz, 172.8875 MHz and 172.9375 MHz are earmarked for wide area radio paging only.

IND.020

The frequency spots 148.5 MHz and 148.575 MHz are earmarked for concstruction activities.

IND.021

The requirement of onsite radio paging systems and talk-back facility will be considered in the frequency band 150.05-151.5 MHz. The frequency spots 150.3 MHz, 150.9 MHz and 151.07 MHz are earmarked for onsite paging and 151.15 MHz, 151.55 MHz and 150.6 MHz are also earmarked for talk back facility for such systems.

IND.022

The frequency spots 150.350 MHz, 150.750 MHz, 150.850 MHz and 150.950 MHz are earmarked for cordless telephone remote units only.

IND.023

The frequency spot 150.525 MHz is earmarked for All India Radio (between O.B. Vans & Field Staff)

IND.024

The frequency spot 151.250 MHz is earmarked for Film shooting.

IND.025

The requirement of maritime mobile services will be met in the frequency band 156-156.7625MHz.

IND.026

The frequency spots156.375 MHz, 156.475 MHz, 156.575 MHz, 156.850 MHz, 156.675 MHz,156.475 MHz & 156.750 MHz 8268.0 (A)/8266.6 (C) kHz, 12361.4 (A)/12360 (C) kHz are earmarked for Port operations (from shore to ship)

IND.027

The frequency spots 166.875 MHz & 167.725 MHz is earmarked for remote control of E.O.T cranes

IND.028

The frequency spot 166.950 MHz is earmarked for Doordarshan (for use by O.B. Vans)

IND.029

The requirement of Fixed/Mobile services will be considered in the frequency band 223-230 MHz on case by case basis.

IND.030

The requirement of wide area paging and talk back facility may be considered in the Frequency band 276-280 MHz paired with 929-932 MHz on case by case basis.

IND.031

Requirement of two-way radio, NON-PSTN Trunking Services and other captive networks will be met in the frequency band 335.4-367 MHz.

IND.032

The requirement of short range radio may be considered in the frequency band 350-351 MHz.The frequency spots 350.2250 MHz, 350.2375 MHz, 350.2500 MHz, 350.2625 MHz 350.3500 MHz, 350.3625 MHz, 350.3750 MHz, 350.3875 MHz and 350.4000 MHz are earmarked for this purpose.

IND.033

Frequency band 338-340 MHz paired with 348-350 MHz has been earmarked for Public as well as captive mobile radio trunking system. Channeling plan is attached at annexure-1.

IND.034

Additional requirements for radio trunking system may be co-ordinated in the frequency bands 336-338 MHz paired with 346-348 MHz and 340-342 MHz paired with 355-357 MHz on case by case basis.

IND.035

Requirements for digital trunked radio system may be considered in the frequency band 370-400 MHz on case by case basis.

IND.036

Requirements of digital seismic telemetry will be met in the frequency band 406-450 MHz. on case by case basis.

IND.037

Requirements of TETRA trunking system may be considered in the frequency band 450-470 MHz on case by case basis.

IND.038

Requirement of link frequencies for Radio Paging Service will be co-ordinated in the band 450-470 MHz.

IND.039

The frequency spots 461.775MHz, 461.825 MHz, 461.875 MHz ,461.925 MHz , 461.950 MHz are earmarked for Radio Paging Systems for on-site uses only.

IND.040

Requirements of fixed and mobile services will be considered in the frequency band 470-520 MHz on case by case basis.

IND.041

Requirements of fixed and mobile services may be considered in the frequency band 520-585 MHz on case by case basis.

IND.042

The requirement of low capacity links systems (upto 60 voice channels or 4 Mb/s) shall be co-ordinated in the band 622-712 MHz on case by case basis.

IND.043

Frequency band 806-811 MHz paired with 851-856 MHz has been earmarked for mobile trunk radio system to be used predominantly for captive networks.

IND.044

Frequency bands 811-814 MHz paired with 856-859 MHz has been earmarked for spectrum efficient digital mobile trunked radio systems.

IND.045

Frequency band 814-819 MHz paired with 859-864 MHz has been earmarked for mobile trunked radio system to be used predominantly for public networks.

IND.046

Frequency band 824-845 MHz paired with 869-890 MHz has been earmarked for wireless local loop services.

IND.047

Frequency bands 890-902.5 MHz paired with 935-947.5 Mhz has been earmarked for Cellular mobile telephone services.

IND.048

Frequency spots 849.0125/933.0125, 849.0250/933.0250, 849.0375/933.0375, 849.0500/933.0500, 849.0625/933.0625, 849.0750/933.0750, 849.0875/933.0875, 849.1000/933.1000, 849.1125/933.1125, 849.1250/933.1250 MHz have been earmarked for supervisory control and data acquisition system (SCADA).

IND.049

Additional requirements up to 6.2 + 6.2 MHz for cellular mobile telephone service may be co-ordinated on case by case basis in the frequency band 902.5 - 915 MHz paired with 947.5 - 960 MHz.

IND.050

Future development of digital trunked radio system is expected in the frequency band 1453-1465 MHz paired with 1501-1513 MHz.

IND.051

Requirement of cellular and WLL in the frequency band 1700-2000 MHz may be considered on case by case basis. Initially (10+10) MHz in the frequency band 1710-1785 MHz paired with 1805-1880 MHz. Additional (10+10) MHz may also be considered on case by case basis, subsequently in the frequency band 1710-1785 MHz paired with 1805-1885 MHz or in other sub bands in 1700-2000 MHz..... Note: Frequency band 1700-2300 MHz needs to be revisited in longer term perspective taking into account needs of the industry (Attached at annexure -II) and other users as well as those of IMT-2000.

IND.052

Requirements of DECT based system will be considered in the frequency band 1880-1900 MHz on case by case basis.

IND.053

Requirement of Information Technology connectivity will be considered in the frequency band 2.4-2.4835 GHz for spread spectrum based non-interface type systems subject to maximum of 4W EIRP and maximum channel spread of 10 MHz. The use of this band for this purpose is on the basis of non-interference, non-protection and non-exclusiveness. 2-3 selected bands of 10 MHz each have been earmarked in various areas.

IND.054

Low power devices for cable replacement using spread spectrum technology are likely to be developed in the frequency band 2.4-2.4835 GHz.

IND.055

INSAT system is using 2520-2670 MHz for satellite broadcasting service.

IND.056

Requirements for MMDS in the frequency band 2.7-2.9 GHz may be considered on case by case basis upto a maximum of 77 MHz. International recognition for such purpose is not affordable.

IND.057

Requirement of WLL application may be considered in the frequency band 3.3-3.7 GHz on case by case basis.

IND.058

Requirement of MMDS will be considered in the frequency band 27.5-28.0 GHz.

IND.059

Requirements of high capacity dense network may be considered in the frequency band 57-59 GHz.

(http://www.nic.in/nfap-2000/p02.htm#top)

National Frequency Table (http://www.nic.in/nfap-2000/p13.htm)

International Frequency Table (http://www.nic.in/nfap-2000/p05.htm)

(http://www.nic.in/nfap-2000/p00.htm)

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771. Poll results for m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-05 19:50:40 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 771 Message: 771

The following m_a_r_s poll is now closed. Here are the final results:

POLL QUESTION: The most exciting part of Ham Radio you think is(Apart from Disaster communication):

CHOICES AND RESULTS
- JOTA, 3 votes, 60.00%
- Ganesh Visarjan, 0 votes, 0.00%
- Rallies, 2 votes, 40.00%

INDIVIDUAL VOTES
- JOTA
- coilnrs@...
- sandipadiwarekar@...
- vu2hit@...
- Ganesh Visarjan
- Rallies
- madhurajan@...
- vu2jpn@...

For more information about this group, please visit http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s

For help with Yahoo! Groups, please visit http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/

772. Re: [m_a_r_s] Poll results for m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-07 14:51:51 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 771 Message: 772

If all of us can observe things carefully..
statistics may say 500+ hams in mumbai,
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but only 5 votes(i have also not voted) in this poll
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Do think...

kiran

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773. Fwd: CHOCOLATE MATHEMATICS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-08 00:53:21 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 773 Message: 773

>From: jayant gangar
>To: gorav chaplot , prain gangar , niranjan lodaya , anil rambhiya
>CC: subas nair
>Subject: Fwd: CHOCOLATE MATHEMATICS
>Date: Tue, 6 Aug 2002 10:46:15 -0700 (PDT)
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> Note: forwarded message attached.
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>Do You Yahoo!?
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(http://g.msn.com/1HM1ENIN/c144??PS=47575)

774. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 361

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-08 06:17:48 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 774 Message: 774

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----- Original Message -----
From: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 08, 2002 6:46 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 361

>
> To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
>
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> ------------------------------------------------------------------------
>
> There are 2 messages in this issue.
>
> Topics in this digest:
>
> 1. Re: Poll results for m_a_r_s
> From: kiran padiyar <kiran_padiyar@...>
> 2. Fwd: CHOCOLATE MATHEMATICS
> From: "parin gangar" <paringangar@...>
>
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> ------------------------------------------------------------------------
> ------------------------------------------------------------------------
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> Message: 1
> Date: Wed, 7 Aug 2002 07:51:51 -0700 (PDT)
> From: kiran padiyar <kiran_padiyar@...>
> Subject: Re: Poll results for m_a_r_s
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> Message: 2
> Date: Thu, 08 Aug 2002 00:53:21 +0000
> From: "parin gangar" <paringangar@...>
> Subject: Fwd: CHOCOLATE MATHEMATICS
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> [This message is not in displayable format]

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> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
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775. Poll Interpretation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-08 06:23:38 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 775 Message: 775

> 1. Re: Poll results for m_a_r_s
> From: kiran padiyar <kiran_padiyar@...>

> If all of us can observe things carefully..
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> 60+ with mars etc etc..
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Hi Kiran and all in the group,

This poll things makes no sense because of skewing due to lack of response. NLF reported at the MARS AGM that Ganesh Visarjan was the most attended MARS activity while this (unvoted) poll said it was last. With 5 votes, can we say more. Besides, how many members are on the egoup and of that how many respond. I for one missed it completely since I was away and checked my mail after the poll results were declared.

So now what are we going to do? May be try a poll on the efficacy/popularity of polls. At least that way, the results will be self-answering :-)

> 2. Fwd: CHOCOLATE MATHEMATICS
> From: "parin gangar" <paringangar@...>

Parin, can you please send me your mail mentioned above offlist since I do not get to see it in digest mode.

Finally, kudos to Sarla for being a befitting chAIRwoman with both the contest and the gravity tests.

73

Nirav
<me and my radio are the greatest of buddies...both currently in sleep mode>

776. Re: [m_a_r_s] Poll Interpretation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-09 05:54:01 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 775 Message: 776

I fully agree with Nirav.
Besides what Nirav has said I would like to add that in any poll the purpose of poll should be known beforehand; this is simply a wrong application.Secondly the tool chosen was simply wrong.It could give only one choice (as far as I know)...so those who have voted might have given their first choice only; and to conclude or infer on that basis is simply outragious.
Remember the famous quote " There are three types of Lies: Lies,damn Lies and Statistics ".
Well, this is not to offend anybody but these are my two pence.
When using statistical inference model one should be extremely careful.

73 de vu2cbu

>From: "Nirav Sanghavi" <niravsanghavi@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Poll Interpretation
>Date: Thu, 8 Aug 2002 11:53:38 +0530
>
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> > From: kiran padiyar <kiran_padiyar@...>
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>Nirav
><me and my radio are the greatest of buddies...both currently in sleep
>mode>
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Send and receive Hotmail on your mobile device: http://mobile.msn.com

777. E-group Membership wizard

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-09 06:55:13 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 777 Message: 777

Hello everybody!!!

FOR YOUR INFO
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When you join a Yahoo! Group, your membership is associated with a specific email address. If that email address isn't connected to the Yahoo! ID you use to access the group on the Web; is not verified; or is connected to more than one of your Yahoo! IDs, some of your e-group memberships may not be displayed on the "My Groups page".

The "Membership Wizard" can help you locate your group memberships using the information listed in your Account Info. Yahoo Site will look up the information for that Yahoo! ID.

"THING YOU NEED TO DO"
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whenever you login to egroup via the browser,
goto http://groups.yahoo.com/mygroups

Don't see all your groups? Use "Membership Wizard" to locate them.
i.e. http://groups.yahoo.com/memwiz

Logging to the group via browser is usefully
as you all know that Poll votes are not collected via email.
To vote, you must go to the Yahoo! Groups web site.

Access thru browser will also help you to access the other sections
of egroup like Chat, File, Photos, Bookmarks, Database,
Membership details and Calendar.

73s,
Sandip - UGO

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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778. Have a great day from parin gangar

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: Unknown date
From: paringangar@hotmail.com
Topic: 778 Message: 778

Dear MARS students and All Hams, parin gangar has sent you a greeting card from 123Greetings.com, a FREE service committed to keep people in touch. To see your greeting card, choose from any of the following options which works best for you. -------- Method 1 -------- Just click on the following Internet address (if that doesn't work for you, copy & paste the address onto your browser's address box.)
http://www.123greetings.com/view/BD30809002703918 -------- Method 2 -------- Copy & paste your card number in the view card box at http://www.123greetings.com Your card number is BD30809002703918 -------- Method 3 -------- Click on the link below to view your card (Recommended for AOL Users) http://www.123greetings.com/view/BD30809002703918 (For your convenience, the greeting card will be available for the next 30 days) If you need any help, write to us at support@... Regards, Postmaster, 123Greetings.com
http://www.123greetings.com **********
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http://www.123greetings.com/cgi-bin/sprinks.pl?85
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779. Have a great day from parin gangar

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Date: Unknown date
From: paringangar@hotmail.com
Topic: 778 Message: 779

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780. Have a great day from parin gangar

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: Unknown date
From: paringangar@hotmail.com
Topic: 778 Message: 780

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781. Have a great day from parin gangar

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: Unknown date
From: paringangar@hotmail.com
Topic: 778 Message: 781

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782. polls

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-09 16:23:27 UTC
From: bing@vsnl.com
Topic: 782 Message: 782

Hi all,
Hey guys whats with the poor response to the polls? C'mon ladies and gentlemen it only requires a click of the mouse!!!!Maybe we can do a repoll?
I am finally bidding goodbye to uncle sam and coming to the arms of bharat mata on the 13th early morning from london. I am so excited!!!!!
See you all, unless you have forgotten who I am,hahaha,
Sarla
P.S I have a video tape of the W1AW/5 IARU contest which features guess who?ME!!!!!!

783. Hello

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-10 15:44:57 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 783 Message: 783

Hello everybody,

This is just an observation :

Although some MARS members are doing a commendable job in running ham classes, propagating the hobby by giving good presentations etc. etc., the rest of us hams can do our bit by making good use of `mars egroups', instead of using it to just send messages.

Since we all surf the net pretty often, it would be interesting if we could share on the egroups some interesting finds, maybe a link to a fascinating amateur radio site, or a review of some new rig or an antenna or probably a ham accessory, software, or even some `ham humour' or an interesting frequency !

Vijay VU2VVP

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(http://g.msn.com/1HM1ENIN/c144??PS=47575)

784. Re: [m_a_r_s] Hello

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-12 15:46:43 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 783 Message: 784

I completely Agree with you vijay..
Now more juice is required to get into the real taste
of Amateur radio. and your earlier mails also were so
informative, they lead us into further exploration and
further study into this world of amateur radio..

Great CP allround... happy DXing to all of you HF..
VU2UGO when we will go on only CW mode??!!(lets use
signature mode of hams hi..hi..)

Regards
kiran
VU3KPL

--- vijay motwane <vijaymotwane@...> wrote:

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http://www.hotjobs.com

785. SOS-I

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-13 15:53:51 UTC
From: vu2_2000
Topic: 785 Message: 785

Hi All,
When I had posted msgs abt dxing thru internet some one and half yrs back..or even more...it looked like ahead of time to our hams.If you remember well we were to provide a sort of (crude)link to Sheffield repeater on Independence Day eve special net of the Year 2000.In fact G3ZHI, OM Ian was continously asking to put him onto our net...we were using Iphone4.5 and that time I was using MTNL's copper for connectivity (unlike cable now).
Well,the many innovative things that we were to do...atlest in India...have not materialised ....so sad!
For now,giving below interesting reading on History of origin of SOS, which I had posted on Mars_classes group for students. Please read on:

Mystery, intrigue as well as misinformation surrounds the origin and use of maritime distress calls. The general populace believes that "SOS" signifies "Save Our Ship." Casual students of radio history are aware that "CQD" preceded the use of "SOS." Why were these signals adopted? When were they used? Why did one replace the other? What is one likely to find by digging a little deeper?
The practical use of wireless telegraphy was made possible by Guglielmo Marconi in the closing years of the 19th century. Until then, ships at sea out of visual range were very much isolated from shore and other ships. A ship could vanish from the high seas, and no one would know until that vessel failed to make a port connection. Marconi, seeing that wireless would not compete with wire telegraphy for land based communication, concentrated his efforts on ship to shore communications. Ships equipped with wireless were no longer isolated.
The first use of wireless in communicating the need for assistance came in March of 1899. The East Goodwin Lightship, marking the southeastern English coast, was rammed in a fog in the early morning hours by the SS R. F. Matthews. A distress call was transmitted to a shore station at South Foreland and help was dispatched.
By 1904 there were many Trans-Atlantic British ships equipped with wireless. The wireless operators came from the ranks of railroad and postal telegraphers. In England a general call on the landline wire was a "CQ." "CQ" preceded time signals and special notices. "CQ" was generally adopted by telegraph and cable stations all over the world. By using "CQ," each station receives a message from a single transmission and an economy of time and labor was realized. Naturally, "CQ" went with the operators to sea and was likewise used for a general call. This sign for "all stations" was adopted soon after wireless came into being by both ships and shore stations.
At the first international congress of wireless telegraphy in 1903,

the Italians recommended the use of "SSSDDD" to signal an emergency. "D" had previously been used internationally as the signal for an urgent message. The origin of "S" is not known, but it may have come from the first letter of the word ship, indicating a ship in distress. The sending of "SSSDDD" would signal all other stations to stop sending and leave the channel open for emergency traffic. Though discussed, it was not adopted. Deciding on a distress signal was put on the agenda for the next meeting in 1906. "DDD" would later be adopted for the silent signal, indicating all stations must cease sending.

In 1904, the Marconi company filled the gap by suggesting the use of "CQD" for a distress signal. It was established on February 1 of that year by Marconi Company's circular No. 57. Although generally accepted to mean, "Come Quick Danger," that is not the case. It is a general call, "CQ," followed by "D," meaning distress. A strict interpretation would be "All stations, Distress." In the U.S. Senate hearings following the Titanic disaster, interrogator Senator William Smith asked Harold Bride, the surviving wireless operator, "Is CQD in itself composed of the first letter of three words, or merely a code?" Bride responded, "Merely a code call sir." Marconi also testified, "It [CQD] is a conventional signal which was introduced originally by my company to express a state of danger or peril of a ship that sends it."

At the second Berlin Radiotelegraphic Conference of 1906, the subject of a distress signal was again addressed. The distress signal chosen was "SOS." (The American distress signal "NC" for "Call for help without delay" was not adopted, although it remains as the international flag symbol for distress to this day.) Popular accounts portray the adoption of "SOS" as being derived from "SOE," which the Germans had used as a general inquiry call. These accounts suggest there was objection because the final letter of "SOE" was a single dot, hard to copy in adverse conditions. The letter "S" was substituted accounts say, for three dots, three dashes and three dots could not be misinterpreted.

Popular accounts of the origin of "SOS" fail to mention that the Germans had used "SOS" for a distress signal. They adopted the signal "SOS" for distress as well as "SOE" for inquiry on April 1, 1905, a year before the Berlin conference. The Electrician, May 5, 1905 published "German Regulations for the Control of Spark Telegraphy" which stated:

"...---..., "Distress" signal (Notzeichen). This is to be repeated by a ship in distress until all other stations have stopped working."

Unfortunately, the 1906 Conference proceedings do not give an account of the discussions nor the origin of SOS. The proceedings merely specify what the signal will be. In the Service Regulations Affixed to the International Wireless Telegraph Convention, paragraph 6a, "Signals of Transmission" states::

"Ships in distress shall use the following signal: ...---... repeated at brief intervals."

The Marconi Yearbook of Wireless Telegraphy and Telephony , 1918

states, "This signal [SOS] was adopted simply on account of its easy radiation and its unmistakable character. There is no special signification in the letter themselves, and it is entirely incorrect to put full stops between them [the letters]." All the popular interpretations of "SOS," "Save or Ship," "Save Our Souls," or "Send Out Succour" are simply not valid. Stations hearing this distress call were to immediately cease handling traffic until the emergency was over and were likewise bound to answer the distress signal. Although the use of "SOS" was officially ratified in 1908, the use of "CQD" lingered for several more years, especially in British service where it originated. It is well documented in personal accounts of Harold Bride, second Radio Officer, and in the logs of the SS Carpathia, that the Titanic first used "CQD" to call for help. When Captain Smith gave the order to radio for help, first radio officer Jack Phillips sent "CQD" six times followed by the Titanic call letters, "MGY." Later, at Brides suggestion, Phillips interspersed his calls with "SOS."

In SOS to the Rescue, 1935, author Baarslag notes, "Although adopted intentionally in 1908, it [SOS] had not completely displaced the older "CQD" in the British operators' affections." Marconi in his U.S. Senate testimony on the Titanic disaster said, "I should state that the international signal [SOS] is really less known that the Marconi Co.'s [CQD] signal." (It is interesting to observe that Marconi was waiting in New York to return home to England on the Titanic.)

The first use of wireless in the rescue of an American ship was in 1905. Off Nantucket, the operator of Relief Ship No. 58, a light ship, sent "HELP" in International Morse and American Morse. (Trans-Atlantic ships used International Morse and coastal ships used American Morse. The use of American Morse on seagoing vessels ceased in 1912 although it survived for many years on the Great Lakes.) A Naval Radio Station in Rhode Island answered the "HELP" call.

The rescue of 1,500 passengers and crew from the Republic and the Florida by the Baltic in January of 1909, was the defining moment in wireless rescue history. The White Star liner Republic was rammed in a dense fog by the Italian Florida. Wireless operator Jack Binns of the Republic, sent out a "CQD." (The Florida was not wireless equipped.) The Baltic came to the rescue after hunting for the Republic in the fog for many hours. Those concerned with the maritime industry now realized the importance of equipping ships with wireless.

The number of ships equipped with wireless grew rapidly after the Republic disaster. For example, at the end of 1909 the Marconi Co. owned and operated 143 wireless stations on the high seas. By the summer of 1911, the number grew to 303 stations. By the end of 1912, there were 580 shipboard wireless installations.

The U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Navigation publication, Important Events in Radio telegraphy, 1916, recorded maritime disasters in which wireless played a part in rescue on the seas and the Great Lakes. From 1899 to 1908, there were nine such events. In

1909 there were 18 rescues and in 1915, 35 rescues. The following quote, though not directly rescue related, demonstrates the extreme importance of shipboard wireless:
"November, 1914 -- Great Lakes storms destroyed 19 vessels, none of which were equipped with wireless. All vessels having radio apparatus installed received warning of the coming storm and sought safety."

The first recorded use of "CQD" by an American ship was in 1908 by the steamer Santa Rosa off the coast of California. Commander Richard Johnstone records this in his memoir My San Francisco Story of the Waterfront and the Wireless, 1965. The first recorded American use of "SOS" was in August of 1909. Wireless operator T. D. Haubner of the SS Arapahoe radioed for help when his ship lost its screw near Diamond Shoals, sometimes called the "Graveyard of the Atlantic." The call was heard by the United Wireless station "HA" at Hatteras.
A few months later, the SS Arapahoe received an "SOS" distress call from the SS Iroquois. Radio Officer Haubner therefore has the distinction of being involved in the first two incidents of the use of "SOS" in America, the first as the sender and the second as the receiver. Being slow to adopt international wireless standards, the U.S. did not officially adopt "SOS" until 1912.
Besides "CQD" and "SOS," "XXX" was used as an urgent signal, being less urgent than "SOS." "XXX" was used when there was concern for the safety of a ship or the safety of person on board or a person sighted from on board. "TTT" was used as a safety signal to precede ice, storm and other navigational warnings including coastal artillery practice. "MEDICO" was used by ships without a doctor seeking medical advice from another ship or shore station. During W.W.II, the signal "SSSS" was used for "submarine sited".
The distress call by radio telephone is the two words "MAY DAY." This corresponds to the French pronunciation for "m'aider", which means "help me." On voice, the "XXX" (urgent) equivalent is the word "PAN." This corresponds to the French pronunciation for "panne", which means "mishap" or "accident." The "TTT" (safety) equivalent is "SECURITY." This corresponds to the French pronunciation for "sécurité", which means "safety." The calling frequency for voice was 2182 kilohertz.
During the investigation into the Titanic disaster, Guglielmo Marconi stated that he was experimenting with a device that could be used as an automated alarm for distress signals. Upon hearing a series of signals, an alarm bell would ring. Some European nations put these alarms into service. A sequencing device was connected to the output of the receiver. Upon the reception of four or more dashes of exactly four seconds duration, a device rang an alarm bell in the radio shack, the radio officer's quarters and on the ship's bridge. The system was employed as a substitute for a second operator. Because the system could miss a call under adverse conditions or ring the bell in error, American radio authorities deemed it unreliable and not a substitute for another on duty operator. Americans later mandated the used of automatic alarms with the Communications Act of

1934.
At the third international radiotelegraph conference in 1912, it was agreed that ships would listen for distress signals on a wavelength of 600 meters. This is a frequency of about 500 kilohertz. (The calling and distress frequency for the Great Lakes was 410 kilohertz.) International law required each ship to cease transmitting for three minutes at 15 and 45 minutes past the hour. During this interval they were required to listen for distress calls. At this conference, the recent Titanic disaster was fresh on the minds of the delegates, particularly the British. Consequently, many advances were made concerning the cooperative use of wireless for safety at sea.
It is interesting that the use of "CQ" as a general call was displaced by "QST" in 1911. Radio amateurs, or hams as they are more commonly called, continue to use both. "CQ" is used as "calling any station" and "QST" is used as "calling all stations"
Wireless and radio literature of the early and mid 20th century is rich in documenting the use of maritime distress signals. Only the surface of the subject is covered here. Yet, perhaps next time a reference to "SOS" is seen, there will be a little more appreciation of its lineage.

786. SOS-II

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-13 16:11:26 UTC
From: vu2_2000
Topic: 786 Message: 786

Claim: The Titanic was the first ship to use SOS as a distress call.
Status: False.
Example: [Butler, 1998]
. . . at 12:45 A.M. April 15, 1912, the Titanic sent out the first SOS in history.
Origins: One trait of human nature is that we tend to associate notable achievements with important people and momentous events. If a memorable quote comes out of the mouth of an obscure person, we inevitably attribute his words to someone more famous who was likely to have said such a thing. (Hence historical and literary figures such as Abraham Lincoln and Mark Twain have been given credit over the years for originating hundreds of witty and pithy sayings they never uttered.)
The Titanic's sinking was certainly one of the most momentous events of the twentieth century, and one of the enduring images of Titanic mythology is that of the senior wireless operator, Jack Phillips, hunched over his telegraph key, tapping out a desperate distress signal over and over until the very last moment. Even after released from duty by his captain, Phillips remained at his post and continued to transmit without regard for his personal safety, stopping only when the Titanic's power finally failed and he could send no more. By then it was too late: All the lifeboats were long gone, and the Titanic was only minutes away from her final plunge into the sea. Phillips did not survive.
Naturally, then, we want to imbue the death of Jack Phillips and the loss of Titanic with some extra significance, and one of the manifestations of that desire is the claim that Phillips (and the Titanic) sent the very first SOS distress call in history. It is a "fact" that has been reiterated by many writers over the years, but it is not true.
In 1912, if marine wireless communication was no longer in its infancy, it certainly wasn't very far into adolescence. Rival wireless companies from different countries often refused to relay each other's messages (except for emergency situations), and international standards for such important matters as ship identification and distress signals were not in place. A 1906 International Conference on Wireless Communication at Sea held in Berlin attempted to sort out some of these issues, including the standardization of the call letters to be used by ships in distress. At the time, British wireless operators generally used the call letters CQD as a distress signal: CQ representing the general call for other ships in the area (i.e., "seek you"), with a D added at the end to signify "danger" (followed by the latitude and longitude of the ship in distress). The Germans disliked this method and countered

by proposing SOE, but this offering was rejected because the final E (represented by a single dot in Morse code) could too easily be lost in transmission due to interference. The solution the conference finally settled on was the signal SOS, its dot-dot-dot dash-dash-dash dot-dot-dot pattern being both distinctive and easy to transmit. (Despite later claims, the letters SOS were not chosen because they represented "save our ship" or "save our souls" or any other phrase.)
Although Britain and several other countries had voted to adopt the Berlin conference's proposals by 1908, wireless operators on British ships largely ignored them. Thus when the Titanic struck an iceberg and started to sink in April 1912, Jack Phillips began transmitting the call CQD as a distress signal to other ships in the area. It was not until Harold Bride, the Titanic's junior wireless operator, jokingly suggested "Send SOS; it's the new call, and this may be your last chance to send it!" that Phillips began to intersperse SOS with the traditional CQD call.
But standard or not, this was not the first use of SOS as a distress signal. Ships from other European countries had already employed it, and earlier that same month the French liner Niagara had issued an SOS when it was damaged by ice in roughly the same part of the Atlantic as the Titanic. The Titanic may have been the first British ship to issue an SOS, but that's about the only distinction it can claim in this area. It was largely because of the publicity surrounding the Titanic disaster, however, that SOS soon became the standard distress call for ships at sea.

787. Re: [m_a_r_s] SOS-II

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-14 13:20:14 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 786 Message: 787

hey prashant..... interesting reading. i am sure the students would have
enjoyed reading this.
cheers!
madhu

>From: "vu2_2000" <vu2cbu@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
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>To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
>m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
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>Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

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Send and receive Hotmail on your mobile device: http://mobile.msn.com

788. Fwd: Believe it (or not)!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-14 17:54:16 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 788 Message: 788

>From: jayant gangar <jaygangar2002@...>
>To: sanjayrane@...
>CC: gorav chaplot <gorav7@...>, prain gangar
><paringangar@...>, niranjan lodaya
><niranjanlodaya@...>, anil rambhiya <ani5us@...>
>Subject: Fwd: Believe it (or not)!
>Date: Wed, 14 Aug 2002 10:03:53 -0700 (PDT)
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> Note: forwarded message attached.
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>---------------------------------
>Do You Yahoo!?
>HotJobs, a Yahoo! service - Search Thousands of New Jobs

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Send and receive Hotmail on your mobile device: http://mobile.msn.com

789. Re: Files

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-24 04:17:10 UTC
From: Prashant
Topic: 789 Message: 789
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi All,

The important files meant for students, who R unable to access them on the group for whatever may be the reason R attached here.
73 Prashant
VU2CBU

790. Re:files

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-24 05:15:01 UTC
From: Prashant
Topic: 790 Message: 790

Sorry the last mail was for mars_classes group.

Prashant

791. New file uploaded to m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-24 09:19:18 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 58 Message: 791

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the m_a_r_s
group.

File : /renewal.doc
Uploaded by : vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...>
Description : licence renewal form

You can access this file at the URL

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files/renewal.doc

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit

http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...>

792. Icom R5

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-24 18:39:25 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 792 Message: 792

Icom IC-R5 Communications Receiver

Specifications
Vintage 2002
Type Handheld
Range 150kHz - 1309.995MHz
Channels 1000
Banks 18 (max)
Search Bands 25
Steps TBD
Modes AM, FM & WFM
Priority TBD
Conversion Triple
IFs 1=266.7 MHz
2=19.65 MHz
3=450 kHz
Sensitivity TBD
Selectivity AM/FM = - 9dB@ 15kHz
-60dB@ 30kHz
WFM = - 6dB@150kHz
Scan TBD chan/second
Search 30 steps/second
Audio 100mW at 10%THD
Current 170 mA (max vol)
100 mA (recv)
41 mA (power save)
Power 3V int (2xAA)
6V ext
Size 2.3(W) x 3.4(H) x 1.1(D) in
58(W) x 86(H) x 27(D) mm
Weight 6.5oz/185g
Interfaces SMA, earphone/SP
Antenna SMA, 50 ohm
Accessories Antenna, belt-clip, manual,
handstrap, 2 NiCds w/charger
(some models)
Features S-meter
CTCSS decode/search
6-letter alpha-tags
AM bar antenna
Freq offset
Freq duplex
APO
Power save
Backlight

Search skip
Rotary

Web Info
- Icom Japan IC-R5 page (http://www.icom.co.jp/ce/receiver/products/ic-r5/)

Chat with friends online, try MSN Messenger: Click Here
(http://g.msn.com/1HM1ENIN/c144??PS=47575)

793. Icom IC 703 ?? Does Anyone Know???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-24 18:52:37 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 793 Message: 793

[The full message body has unrecoverable character-encoding damage in Yahoo's archived raw text. Yahoo's separately preserved message snippet follows.]

ＱＲＰ運用の醍醐味を７０３で。 ＨＦオールバンド＋５０ＭＨｚオールモード１０Ｗ機。

794. IC-703

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-26 03:32:51 UTC
From: Prashant
Topic: 794 Message: 794
Attachments: 5 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

IC-703

Get a taste of QRP use with the new IC-703.
HF all band + 50MHz all mode 10W machine.

The IC-703 name machine furthermore evolves the broadband technology which is cultivated with 706MK II G, builds in the automatic antenna tuner which is covered to this size to 1.9 - 50MHz. Furthermore it applies the leading digital technology which eye COM is proud, it actualizes various digital functions by the fact that the DSP is built in. The QRP machine being, all compromise does not exist. Of course, field use is considered, the 9V DC. the transmission output 5w is actualized even with the 6v with the economical electrical design which loads the broadband PA of new development. To the one which you feel high level in the 5w machine it is unsatisfactory from the person who QRP use is expected, 703 reports certain satisfaction.

Main merits

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* 1.9 - 50MHz band full is covered the automatic antenna tuner built-in which
In this class external connection builds in the natural automatic antenna tuner to the compact body. At the time and the like of field use and load use, when connecting the shortening type antenna whose effective frequency zone is narrow, tremendous power is shown. In addition, the antenna tuner AH-4 for the long wire (option) it corresponds.

* DSP unit standard equipment
The analog signal which it receives is digitally processed, the noise component and the signal component are separated, the noise reduction function which the intended signal makes surface standard equipment. The noise blanker - with combined use power is shown in removal of various noises. Furthermore, it loads also the automatic notched filter function which removes the radio interference of the CW and the RTTY signal etc., detecting the signal which becomes the interference of reception automatically, it cancels.

* Energy-saving PA section of new design
Although covering the HF all band + 50MHz band with one PA, low voltage / low you adopt the PA section of the new design which actualizes consumed electric current. 9. Even at at the time of 6v connection, all the band 5W outputs (the AM mode 2W) it actualizes. Furthermore at the time of 13.8v connection all the band 10W outputs (the AM mode 4W) it can obtain.

* High sensitivity reception section
Reception sensitivity reaches, in the HF band - 16dB μV (for 10dB S/N), & in the 50MHz band - 18dB μV (for 10dB S/N) achieves the specifications which are equal to the first class fixed-station radio. Called the QRP machine, but all compromise was displaced, reception sensitivity of the highest level is actualized.

* Supports QRP use the power set function which
Until recently, transmission output inscription of the machine had used the Hi / the Mid /

the Low etc., but as in the fixed-station radio, setting of transmission output is indicated numerical inscription (the 10W / 5W / 2.5W / 1W / 0.5W) with in clearly, it actualizes the output setting whose precision is high. For example when transmission output the 5W (50% of rated output) setting, as for the machine RF meter shows half deflection until recently, but because the scale range of RF meter changes in order with 5W output to become the full scale, just as the 5W machine it is possible to use.

* Energy conservation mode
Low because consumed electric current is actualized, as for the PA section of course thing, the PLL circuit, the DC9V. lowering power source voltage to the 6v, until the antenna tuner section, by assuring the high improvement of efficiency of each circuit, it operates. Furthermore, when power source voltage is made below the 11V, current limiting various amplifier sections, it loads also the energy conservation mode which holds down consumed electric current.

* Memory keyer built-in of upper-class machine transferring
You can remember to maximum of 50 letters, it loads the memory keyer of the 3ch. When forwarding the definite form sentence in the contest and the like, it is the function which the treasure is done very much. In addition, the multi-function electronic keyer, CW full break-in function, CW reverse function and CW reception pitch variable function et cetera are loaded, comfortable CW use is actualized.

* Mobility is pursued front panel separate
From load the on air to the HF band, in addition either use with field does not become pain, 167 (W) x 58 (H) x 200 (D) mm (projections not included) it actualizes the compact body. Furthermore, the front panel separate system which can correspond also installation to the car to flexible was adopted. (The separate cable OPC-581 or the OPC-587 is needed)

* Option filter bay equipment
Adjusting to operational style and the mode which is used, it can select, various crystal filters (option) you prepared. It can select 1 from the midst of in the chart and can install.

* Note
IC-703 uses AF-DSP, not IF-DSP. It is a conventional dual-conversion superheterodyne.

Option filter Kind Passing bandwidth
FL-52A 455kHz CW/RTTY narrow 500Hz
FL-53A 455kHz CW narrow 250Hz
FL-222 455kHz SSB narrow 1.8kHz
FL-257 455kHz SSB wide 3.3kHz
FL-65 (standard equipment) 455kHz SSB 2.4kHz

* RTTY mode of FSK system
It loads the real RTTY mode of FSK system. Discharge of the tone whose quality is high in comparison with the AFSK system which is done with SSB mode is possible. Furthermore RTTY narrow mode (option) it corresponds.

* Also on air station obvious glance band scope function
It sweeps the range of the step which sets reception frequency on the center, graphics is indicated it loads the band scope function which in display. On air station and being less crowded frequency can be discovered easily.

* Other functional groups
- Large-sized indicatory department of invar color.
- General coverage reception 0.03 - 60MHz.
- TCXO of frequency stability 0. 5ppm standard equipment.
- Simple mode.
- SWR graphical representation function.
- Band stacking register.
- Reception pre-amp.
- AGC time constant change.
- RIT function.
- Level variable type noise blanker.
- IF shift radio interference removal function.
- Nighttime operation enhanced by key illumination.
- Quick band change.
- Frequency speech function (option).
- Total 105 the memory channel which is.
- AF speech compressor.
- VOX function.
- RF GAIN / SQL knob.
- CI-V correspondence.
- 9600bps data communication correspondence.
- Emergency traffic communication setting frequency (4630kHz) correspondence.

* Upgrade option group
AH-2b: Antenna element for load / based ¥ 23,800
AH-4: Outside installation type automatic antenna tuner ¥49,800
AT-180: Automatic antenna tuner ¥ 44,800
CT-17: CI-V level converter ¥12,000
FL-52A: 455kHz CW / RTTY narrow filter 500Hz ¥16,500
FL-53A: 455kHz CW narrow filter 250Hz ¥16,500
FL-222: 455kHz SSB narrow filter 1. 8kHz ¥18,000
FL-257: 455kHz SSB wide filter 3. 3kHz ¥16,500
HM-103: Rise / down switch equipped hand microphone: Modular type (for repair) ¥4,500
MB-62: Mobile bracket, substance or AT-180 ¥1,500
MB-63: Controller bracket ¥1,000
MB-65: Mount based ¥2,000
MB-72: Carrying steering wheel ¥800
OPC-581: Front panel separate cable < 3. 5m > ¥3,500
OPC-587: Front panel separate cable < 5m > ¥4,500
OPC-589: Conversion cable, modular -> 8 pin microphone connector ¥2,000
OPC-598: 7m type ACC cable, AT-180 13 pin ¥3,500
OPC-599: Conversion cable, 13 pin -> 8 pin + 7 pin ¥ 3,000
SM-20: Rise / down switch equipped stand microphone ¥14,800
SP-7: Speaker outside fixing ¥4,800
SP-10: Speaker outside mobile ¥4,800
UT-102: Speech synthesis unit ¥4,500

(As for price all classified by taxes)

Main specifications

General Frequency range Reception operating range 30kHz - 60MHz
Guarantee range 500kHz - 29.999MHz
50.000MHz - 54.000MHz
From transmission frequency 1.9MHz band all the amateur bands to 50MHz band,
And 4630kHz

Radio wave type LSB/USB, CW, RTTY, AM and FM
Memory channel number Total 105
Antenna impedance 50 ohms
Antenna terminal System M (SO-239) type 1
Frequency stability ±0.5ppm
Common configuration Negative ground
Category temperature range -10oC - +60oC
Frequency resolution Or less of the smallest 2 Hz
Power source voltage DC 9 - 15.87V
Consumed electric current (9.6v) When receiving rated largest 450mA (at the time of DSP off)
At the time of reception expecting (standby) 250mA (at the time of DSP off)
When transmitting largest 2A (5w)

External size 167 (W) x 58 (H) x 200 (D) mm (projections are excluded)
Weight Approximately 2kg
Transmitter Transmission output SUPPLY V. SSB/CW/RTTY/FM AM
13.8V supply 10W - 0.5W 4W
9.6V supply 5W - 0.5W 2W

Modulation system SSB balanced modulator
FM reactance modulation
AM low level modulation
Harmonic and spurious output -50dB below (below 30MHz band)
-60dB below (above 50MHz band)

Carrier suppression Better than -40dB
Unwanted-sideband suppression Better than -50dB
Microphone impedance 600 ohms
Receiver Reception system Dual-conversion superheterodyne system
Receiver sensitivity (pre-amp ON) SSB/CW/RTTY/FM AM FM
0.5 - 1.8MHz +22dB μV
1.8 - 29MHz -16dB V ⋆ 1 6dBμV -6dBμV ⋆ 2
50 - 54MHz -18dBμV 0dBμV -12dBμV

⋆1 except the ranges 4 - 4.5MHz and 8 - 9MHz.
⋆2 It limits to the range of 28 - 29.7MHz.
Selectivity
(Optional filter not installed) SSB/CW
-6dB: >2.4kHz. -60dB: <4.5kHz.

AM/FM narrow
-6dB: >8 kHz. -50dB: <30 kHz.

FM
-6dB: >12kHz. -50dB: < 0 kHz.

Image rejection Better than -70dB
Audio output 1W (into 8 ohm load)

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795. JOTA 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-26 16:54:30 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 795 Message: 795

Hi

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796. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-27 06:46:11 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 795 Message: 796

count me in

73
nlf
----- Original Message -----
From: Huzefa
To: MARS EGROUPS
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2002 10:24 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2002

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797. Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-27 06:56:21 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 797 Message: 797
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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your earliest reply will help in planning and coordination.

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798. MARS_CLASSES E Group

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-27 07:03:34 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 798 Message: 798
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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You may be aware that the Ham Radio Classes conducted by MARS at Churchgate & Thane are going great guns. We have almost 95% attendence. Field trips were conducted for both the batches, which the students have enjoyed thoroughly.

The reason not much news have been put up on our M_A_R_S e group is becuase a special new E Group has been created exclusively for the students and the faculities (Teachers).

There are 73 members on this E Group and students and faculites and make the most usage of it.

The examinations are likely to be conducted on 9th & 11th September 2002. About 85 students are likely to appear for these exams.

Many of our members have and are putting in great efforts for the classes.

73
NLF

799. Re:Confirmation [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-27 12:03:23 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 799 Message: 799

Hello Nlf,

I am coming for the Visarjan.

Do let me know about the meetings regarding this.

73

Parin

>From: "vu2nlf"
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To:
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan
>Date: Tue, 27 Aug 2002 12:26:21 +0530
>
>Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
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800. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-27 12:15:20 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 795 Message: 800

Huzefa,

Count me too!!

73

Parin

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801. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-27 12:18:44 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 795 Message: 801

Huzefa,

Count me too!!

73

Parin

>From: "vu2nlf"
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To:
>Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2002
>Date: Tue, 27 Aug 2002 12:16:11 +0530
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> From: Huzefa
> To: MARS EGROUPS
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> Subject: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2002
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802. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS_CLASSES E Group

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-27 14:29:29 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 798 Message: 802
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayWell done. Keep it up.
VU2 NFS
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2002 12:33 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] MARS_CLASSES E Group

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803. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-27 14:30:32 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 797 Message: 803
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayNilesh, count me in.
VU2 NFS
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2002 12:26 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan

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804. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-27 14:31:08 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 795 Message: 804

Huzefa, count me in.
VU2 NFS
----- Original Message -----
From: Huzefa
To: MARS EGROUPS
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2002 10:24 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2002

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805. from Pune with love

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-28 03:49:57 UTC
From: bal indi
Topic: 805 Message: 805

nilesh bhai,
i will be in mumbai for ganesh
visarjan on the 20th. count me in.

-sumeet bal(SWL)

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806. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-28 05:29:11 UTC
From: PravinKumar
Topic: 797 Message: 806

Dear Nilesh,
I was eagerly awaiting the news,
Count me in the comming list.
73's
Pravin vu3pan

--- vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
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807. 6 M openings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-28 12:48:14 UTC
From: Prashant
Topic: 807 Message: 807

Hi All,

It seems that 6M i.e. 50MHz is opening up. Today, in the afternoon, I worked many JA land stns.
This is for those who want to try 6 m.
73 de Prashant Koli

808. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-28 13:16:55 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 795 Message: 808
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I shall be there.

Thnks,

Mehul.

-------Original Message-------

From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, August 26, 2002 10:37:29 PM
To: MARS EGROUPS
Subject: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2002

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809. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-28 16:30:05 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 795 Message: 809

I am a Ham and a Scout, who received President's Scout certificate from the President Sarwapali Radhakrishnan and Bharaaat Scout Certificate from the Chief World Guide and wife of the founder of the Scouting movement in 1962. I was also Head Quaters official for the Ham activity at the All India Scout and Guiide Jamboree at Raipur in January 2002, which is held once in four years. Obviously, I shall participate in the JOTA as I have done in previour years and shall continue to do in years ahed.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ

--- Huzefa <vu2hit@...> wrote:
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810. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-29 09:13:14 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 795 Message: 810

dear huffesza
or dear huffessa
harry harry he had such wonderfull hair
during that time my barber is in town from italy mr lasly and i have taken a
6 month prior oppointment
so please for the sake of my barber excuse me from the jota

thank you

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811. small EH Antenna

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-29 18:17:32 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 811 Message: 811

Small EH Antenna
from KE0VH on August 19, 2002
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We all have antenna "issues" of some sort. Be it small lots, apartment dwelling, non-ham spouses who do not think that a 50 foot tower and triband beam are not things of beauty. And, by nature, most of us hams love to experiment. And, I am also a broadcast radio engineer, so antennas for me are something of great interest as I have had the opportunity to play with directional AM arrays and 50 kW transmitters. But, with all that said, while having room for antenna's, my family is not very receptive to towers or RFI or wires all over the yard. Dipoles hidden in a tree are adequate, but performance at 12 to 15 feet above ground could be much better, and a 40-meter wraparound dipole through the trees and terminating in a twist in the garage leave a lot to be desired. A 10-meter vertical dipole works well, but of course when 10 is open you can work the world on a wet noodle. However, there is no directivity to it, and sometimes the bigger stations (even those with monoband 3 element yagi's) make my signal sound like I am using a wet noodle. And, ever problematic is RFI in the TV's, VCR's and the next-door neighbors house only 20 feet away from the dipoles. So, how do you solve all those problems with minimal time and still have effective and even more than effective antennas? Pretty insurmountable or so it would seem.
But, we have ways to make the antenna's talk. Maybe you have read or heard about the CFA antenna's being tested in Egypt and the UK. What are CFA's? Crossed field antennas. Only 2% of a wavelength in size, nearly 100% efficiency, setting up the electric and magnetic fields in a much different way. That?s right. And one of the benefits of the way the fields are set up is that EMI is virtually eliminated. I didn't typo here. And, as a broadcast engineer I think a 500 foot radiator (or 160 feet, or yagi?s, towers and the like) is a thing of beauty, and you should have at least a quarter wave vertical with a good ground system to radiate properly, setting up the electric and magnetic fields according to how Mr. Hertz back in the 1880's developed the basic antenna we all have used. All these details can be found by going to the www.eh-antenna.com site. Far more detail and explanation than I will put here, so check out the site to find out more. Also, Jack, W0KPH has done a lot of work with the EH types of antenna's (very successfully). Go to http://www.qsl.net/w0kph/ I have talked with Jack at length and am very excited about the design.
To that end, I constructed w0kph's 20-meter antenna and tested it out. Fellow amateurs: I was as amazed as you are about to be. My test antenna was made out of a cardboard mailing tube 14 inches long and 2 inches wide.

As you will see when you visit the websites, the cylinders you see in the picture are made out of aluminum foil, the coil and link for the coax are covered in electrical tape made out of #22 wire to hold them in place after adjustment, and the antenna was put on a broomstick about 3 feet above the floor in my basement shack/laundry room. This is about 3 feet below ground level. The measurements to start with and full description with pictures are all on the w0kph web page. I then proceeded to trim the coil back about half a turn from the original 15 turns, and adjusted the link (where the coax connects) to where I started to hear signals on my TS-120. Then, testing with power applied, I got a 2 to 1 match, and then with more, down to 1.3 to 1. WOW I thought, it takes power. And, the

signals I can hear were about an S unit to 1 1/2 units below what the dipole outside was hearing. I thought, well, I am below ground level here. A little more adjustment and I got the match flat, and I was hearing W6XX in the San Francisco area with a signal just barely below that of the dipole. Now, one of the things noticed too was that the noise level present on the dipole of about S3 was practically non existent on the EH. Again, I was in the basement with the antenna less than 3 feet away from the clothes dryer and about 8 feet away from me and the radio, but the low noise level of this antenna is intrinsically low due to the way the E field (electric) and H fields (magnetic) are generated. And because the frequency range of the circuit is small, the EH Antenna harmonic radiation is all but nonexistent, but the bandwidth is wider than a conventional Hertz antenna. This from the www.eh-antenna.com website written by Ted Hart, but my experience would indicate that this is so.
So, I thought, here goes nothing. W6XX closed down his QSO and I gave him a call. HE CAME BACK to me and we proceed to exchange the usual signal reports, he gave me a 55-57 report while he was S7-8. I couldn't believe it. I was floored! (Or below the main floor in the basement) We had a 20-minute QSO, and discussed the antenna. He was skeptical as you would expect and probably you yourself are. I was too. Now, I still want to get the EH antenna outside and up in the air for further testing, but I believe it will perform as Ted Hart of the www.eh-antenna.com website and Jack, www.qsl.net/w0kph have had antenna's perform.
And, unbelievable, but folks have constructed a 160 meter antenna only about 6 to 8 feet tall that works incredibly, and the 10 meter version is 5 to 6 INCHES long, and 1 inch in diameter, made out of PVC pipe. That is the next one I will build to put up against the 10-meter vertical dipole. Check these out. They really do work. I will be putting up more information and details as I have time to work on them. If you get to try some of these for yourself, email W0KPH and myself and let us know how they work for you.
73? KE0VH

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14565)

by KF9Z (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KF9Z) on August 19, 2002

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Folks, you don't get something for nothing. The law of physics can not be changed in order to make something look better than it is. The old saying 'If it's to good to be true...it is' and that is true in this case as well.

Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14566)

by VE7NGR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/VE7NGR) on August 19, 2002

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This same article was posted a few months ago on qrz.com. Lots of interesting discussion ensued - if the topic interests you, you may wish to look it up in the qrz.com archives.

Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14568)

by N6AJR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N6AJR) on August 19, 2002

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Mr. Kurt Sterba, who writes a column for WORLD RADIO magazine states in Septembers issue,pretty much that you can not change the laws of physics no matter how much tin foil you wrap on a toilet paper tube. His final comments are " lets see some actual field tests done on an antenna range against known antennas, (dipole, 3 ele yagi, etc.) and see if the results are there. The theory is wrong and the antenna appears Not to work as claimed.Until then I will stick with conventional antenna. They do work."

Reminds me of the show on unsolved mysteries, where they had a certified psychic back up a expermental ghost hunter as to the effectivness of his new equipment. First , just who certifies psychic's and does it mean anything? and how does infrared heat detectors locate ghosts?? Its like pulling your self off the ground with your own boot straps.. Can't be done..ain't so. and I wasn't born yesterday.

By the way if you look up their website on the internet they will be glad to sell you one of these for a small amount of cash... hmmmmmmmmmm

If it looks like poo-poo and smells like poo-poo, I don't have to taste it to make sure.. tom N6AJR

Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14569)

by AG4DG (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AG4DG) on August 19, 2002

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I'll believe in the EH antenna when it eats into sales of Bugcatcher, Screwdriver, Hamstick, Hustler, Isotron, Isoloop, and other compact/mobile HF antennas. If it's such a great antenna, then why haven't the proponents produced test results and done presentations at IEEE conferences and other technical forums?

Remember the efficiency equation: efficiency=Rrad/(Rrad+Rg+Rc)

How does the EH antenna maximize radiation resistance and minimize ground and coil/conductive resistance?

Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14570)

by W4WNT (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W4WNT) on August 19, 2002

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Before we all blow off this idea, remember that there are folks who live in CC&R areas that are looking for working small antennas. While they may never beat a triband beam at 100 feet, these things look like a great possibility for a back porch antenna lifted up with some suitable support. And they are simple enough to build yourself!

Meanwhile, I'm looking for a source for the variable capacitors that are used in these antennas.

73, Bill, W4WNT

Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14572)

by W4CNG (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W4CNG) on August 19, 2002

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Smoke and Mirrors, Articles all, BUT in the world of communications nothing beats the full length dipole antenna as the standard of measurement on an antenna range. Let's go to the range where the truth is most often extracted (minus advertising hype). Let's also apply EIA RS329 the standard of measurement for gain against the reference dipole to the subject in hand. That should not be very difficult for such a small radiator of RF.

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14573)

by WA4DOU (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA4DOU) on August 19, 2002

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For some strange reason, no amount of feedback, no matter how well reasoned and in harmony with the laws of physics and reality, can debunk this kind of stuff in the minds of those that long for, wish for and by golly are going to have their nothing antenna. Remember this, if it weren't for the simple phenomonon of "feedline radiation", these antennas would not perform at all. Buy some antenna books, read and study them and learn antenna theory. You'll be a lot better off.

Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14574)

by W7KWS (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W7KWS) on August 19, 2002

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I haven't any idea if this antenna is gobbledygook or not. Many such panacea antennas are just that and nothing more. However, I always try to keep an open mind, inasmuch as a closed mind will reject all new scientific achievements.

Those that think that, just because an antenna isn't huge, that it can?t work should review the small tuned loop antennas used by the U.S. military. Amateur versions are written up in the ARRL Antenna Handbook and are very small yet exhibit nearly 100% efficiency when compared to a full size dipole. AEA made one and so does MFJ. They worked quite well.

In the meantime, the inventors of the E H antenna, Maurice C. Hately & Fathi M. Kabbary, or their employer (U.S. Patent No. 5,155,495), sure thought enough of this invention to spend some bucks on a patent attorney and filing fees.

I know that many patents aren?t worth the paper they?re written on. But at least reading this one will give you much more insight into this antenna than you probably have now. Take a look. It's on the WEB at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Maybe after some study, we?ll have some better, educated views of this work.

The URL is:

http://patft.uspto.gov/netahtml/srchnum.htm

73, Bob
W7KWS

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14575)

by AA5CH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AA5CH) on August 20, 2002

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Recently, eHam.net provided a link to a website concerning an EH antenna for 160 meters...

http://www.qsl.net/iz7ath/web/02_brew/18_eh/index.htm

I'm not smart enough to know if someone is attempting to rewrite the laws of physics with this technology or not...it is an interesting read, nonetheless.

73,

Brad
AA5CH

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14576)

by WO5I (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WO5I) on August 20, 2002

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Folks,

I am not a physicist or even an electrical engineer. But I am open-minded enough to NOT go disparaging the EH theory or design until I've tried it myself. I've seen several articles and web sites publishing results of experiments. Many of those results are favorable. For me to poo-poo it would be tantamount to me calling those hams, who I know nothing good or bad about, liars.

Consider:

Until Copernicus, the world thought the Earth was the center of the entire universe, and to openly state otherwise was a severe blaspheme,

Until Columbus, the earth was thought to be flat (good for propagation, BAD for sailing!),

Until Yager, the sound barrier was just that-- a barrier.

Until Armstrong, et al, few really thought that there'd ever be a man on the moon (and probably some of the naysayers still think that all took place on a Hollywood soundstage).

My challenge to the ham community that would write this idea off is this: build one yourself, per the directions on any of the published websites. They aren't expensive, they don't take any serious skill or expensive tools. The require a little patience to tune and fine-tune, but once it resonates, you can try it out head-to-head with any antenna you would otherwise use.

I intend to put my money where my mouth is and build one. I might find I've wasted my time, then I will take my "I-told-you-so's" like a man. But then again, there are those that think of ham radio in general as one big waste of time! After all, isn't ham radio chock-full of people that experiment? Maybe the EH is a better mousetrap.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14577)

by W3DCG (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W3DCG) on August 20, 2002

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Well...
In 1980, didn't the idea of CPU speeds in the range of Gigahertz seem Far Out? If you would have told me then, that in 20 years, children will be burning their own CDs, not only I, but likely most of you would be saying, "...burning, as in, on fire- what? You mean riots, our children will be burning our cities?"

Or something similar.

I mean, my rig uses a PTO- how long has that been completely OUT.

How long ago did the first Trans-Oceanic flight occur?

When did the first human reach outer space?

I don't know the answers...

I heard rumors, that Nikolai Tesla had some very Far Out ideas, probably landing him into a lot of hot water, because if they worked, the power structure of civilization might have crumbled.

Sure, I'm a skeptic, and have been known by a handful of people to be intensely cynical from time to time.
Yeah... antenna theory then and now is basically still the same, based upon the Laws of Physics as they are currently known and taught.

Remember when Cell Phones were relatively gigantic, with the telescoping whips, ha!
Remember when it was the big status symbol, and now, they are common-place. I know a few people who HAVE NO LANDLINE, but they have a cell phone.

Now if you want it bad enough, you can surf via some cell phones.
Recall when surfing was all about beaches, waves, and hydrodynamic low-drag boards. The scent of coconut suntan oil...

Place the latest Notebook (remember when they were called Lap Tops, now they are called NOTE BOOKS), set the latest Notebook next to a TRS 80, Commadore 64, PETs, audio cassette tape drives...what ever happened to ZIP drives, was that a FLASH IN THE PAN or what? Rendered completely useless by ever faster, higher capacity hard-drives, and now we're at Read/Write CD drives.

I am skeptical, but willing to admit, that new discoveries are probable, and that science/research is in bed with industry- and so the struggle for power is the same as it ever was.

I for one would be very sad to see towers and the precise, gorgeous, metalic structures that adorn them become obsolete before I ever get the chance to have one such sculpture myself.

I'm keeping an Open Mind- it's all I can do in my ignorance. I would imagine, that the developers of such a "crazy" far out paradigm, may very well have a fairly in depth understanding and grasp- of currently known and widely accepted, field-proven antenna design theory.

And it so happens, that I derive some small amount of twisted pleasure, when what should not work, performs in ways that defy conventionally accepted theory. It just tickles me pink.

Wouldn't it be great for the notion of Super Gain to be true, for the Hex Beam to actually work even if most hams don't completely understand precisely why, and for more research on all of that to be conducted.

Wouldn't it be great for the Carolina Windom to actually work as well as the makers claim- for the espoused modeled radiation patterns to actually be- a fairly accurate proximity of their true performance. For me it would, since an OCF dipole is all I have! ha.

I am aware that it seems, most antenna advancements work within the realms of conventionally accepted scientifically proven theory. Motor driven variable length elements, yielding wide range continuous optimized multiband coverage- one 3 element Yagi-Uda can practically do the job of at least 3, 3 element mono-banders. That is very cool. What next, remote controlled variable boom length? It would be virtually impossible to argue that in theory it does not work as claimed. Literally revolutionary, (motors inside each element turning). And at the same time NOT- (Only having to rotate the array a maximum of 180 degrees for 360 degree coverage is at best, non revolutionary). That is BEYOND cool, and simply- awsome.

It is often human nature to be skeptical, even zealously critical, of new and crazy-preposterous ideas.

It means having to learn more and for some people like me, it will take years to attain a solid grasp of current complex antenna theory- and then along comes some new fangled completely different yet apparently true theory- back to square one- and those that make these discoveries likely will be not so generous in the sharing of any such knowledge. After all they will have earned it the hardest way, having endured the pressure of nay saying antenna theory parias and skeptics at every turn... and it has to be tough, having formulated theory and devised the tests to prove or disprove the theory- what if they theory is proven wrong? If proven right? There'll be much profit to gain with such knowledge.

Human nature will never stop delving, never stop trying to improve upon that which is already the ultimate. Some people are compelled to keep dreaming, and the quest for a better mouse trap will never end...and I'll bet, that when someone has created the most perfect mouse trap beyong compare, it will be a matter of time before it is once again, improved- beyond compare.

Speaking of Surfing, how about that "new" Cheryl Crow video. I'm talking about that VW Van, and the pretty waterfall... and the *acoustic* guitar, and the *lyrics* are okay, too ;)

Cheers.

Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14579)

by AB7RG (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AB7RG) on August 20, 2002

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WO5I hit the nail on the head... While I too am very skeptical of this antenna design I won't rule it out until I've tried it. (For those moaning about there being a link to sell these antennas on their sites, does this antenna look that hard to build???) It might be a fun project and would make for a great traveling antenna. It certainly wouldn't be hard or expensive to build! Anyway, as Amateur Radio operators we MUST try to experiment and be able to look at different (and sometimes radical) new ideas, even on old tried and proven concepts. And what if this antenna design does help out those in CC&R neighborhoods, even if it doesn't work like a yagi? Hey we need those guys on the air too!

I think that in the interest of furthering the radio art and for scientific experimentation that we should not ever discount something before we try it. After all, what if Marconi had listened to the scientists and so-called experts of his day? After all, radio was "useless" and would be line of sight, at best. Marconi dared to dream and was brave enough to experiment. I hope that as Amateur Radio operators that we can continue to have an open mind towards experimentation and be able to continue to further the radio art.

73 Clinton AB7RG

"The important thing is not to stop questioning." -- Albert Einstein

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14580)

by KE4SKY (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KE4SKY) on August 20, 2002

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I sure hope that Osama Bin Laden and Sadam Hussein's armies use this antenna...

This sounds like the Smoketron to me!

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14581)

by KE0VH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KE0VH) on August 20, 2002

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=14581)

I did post this same article at QRZ.com a couple of months ago, and first of all it took Eham forever to put it up. The reason I wrote it was to help out fellow hams who might not know about a smaller design that will help in maybe a situation where someone can't put up a full size beam, or dipole, and and have a kilowatt like a lot of people who gripe when someone comes up with a new idea. Frankly, I am really irritated that so many come on and "diss" an idea without even having tried it. I am an RF/radio engineer with years of experience building antenna's and wouldn't put up something that was bogus. I am NOT trying to SELL anything, just SHARE AN IDEA. Those of you who are critical probably haven't even tried it. The Antenna DOES work. If a corporation or company has the money to design and produce a smaller antenna that does, like MFJ and the like, GREAT! If not, how about just sharing ideas that work without having to have a high and mighty opinion without having tried it. Check your attitude people.

Lets respect others viewpoints and WORK folks, and unless you have tried it frankly I think you should keep your critical views to yourself. Try it and put some work into and then present your results. I did. Otherwise, let those of us who are willing to experiment a little bit, build and try things and try to help others do so without the "benefit" of your not even experienced opinions. Try it, disprove it, and then present your findings. Then you will gain respect for at least having tried.

KE0VH

Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14582)

by KA1OGM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KA1OGM) on August 20, 2002

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In case no-one noticed, the initial post on this topic contains clear and explicit performance claims of 1 to 1-1/2 S-units down, in comparison to his full sized antenna. This is the same general performance that I've experienced with the design shown in the picture, over the past year and a half. The controversy of the past ten years surrounding the CFA and EH antennas are founded upon claims that they perform as well as, or better than full sized antennas.

We are dealing with a design here that can be used for restricted space situations with the expected reduced performance. Nobody has come onto this thread making any wild claims that defy the laws of physics, or the basic math for antenna design that was worked out a century ago. That Kabbary of "CFA" and Ted Hart of "EH" have been working on commercial applications all this time really has very little to do with the application of this compact, reduced performance alternative for ham radio applications.

This is a ground level vertical design that can be experimented with to achieve low angles of radiation. The longer the cylinders are, the lower the angle of radiation (to a point). Even lower angles of radiation can be achieved by using plates that are shaped like inverted cones, or a cone-disk arrangement, all of which is described in detail for practical construction on Jack Arnold's website at:

http://www.qsl.net/w0kph/

The "catch" with these antennas is that with lower angles of radiation, some claims might ring true about performance exceeding that of a single element full sized antenna, but most hams will find performance running down by 1 to 2 S-units in comparison to any full sized antennas they have at the same location. In many experiments I've done, however, I've gotten "hot" angles on the short, fat dipoles that produce better Rx and Tx performance working DX stations out at that favorable distance for the angle. This is a VERY interesting antenna design in this respect, and it bears scrutiny and investigation by those who would actually experiment with them.

And yes, there ARE some perplexing phenomena that can be produced when using these antennas. They are intriguing, and lead me to suspect that there are things going on with these designs that have yet to be adequately explained. Of course, if you never experiment with these things to any significant degree, you'll never get to that head scratching point, and you'll never have a chance to find out what I'm referring to.

Jeff Barnard
KA1OGM

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14583)

by KG6AMW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KG6AMW) on August 20, 2002

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Weak signal, low EMI. Strong signal, high EMI.

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14584)

by N3HKN (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N3HKN) on August 20, 2002

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First, the insulting and ill-tempered remarks above are disgusting. Why are such people so angry that they must sit around and await any opportunity to lash out with blind criticisim. I hope that these poor representitives of the Ham community are in a very small minority.

I have not built one of these antennas but I do have restrictions and have read the info on the associated web sites. Now that someone has "independently" constructed one I will try it. What harm can it do? Perhaps that is the question the above "personalities" should ponder as they sit in their dark little rooms doing whatever people like that do in private.

I will take a shot at the 20 meter version and see how it compares to my Gap Challenger vertical dipole. This is a fair comparison due to efficiency and angle of radiation. By the way, GAP has a similar multiband unit for over $400 for sale. I have yet to hear about any real-world results on this unit. It uses a flat plate with a metal box about a foot above it supported on an insulator. From articles in Antenna-X the tuning unit is the critical element.
Dick N3HKN

Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14585)

by KG6AMW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KG6AMW) on August 20, 2002

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Dick, I've seen some off color comments, but they don't seem ill tempered. Its the way a discussion goes. Some believe it, some don't, and some want more evidence. Until you obtain data in a controlled environment and put it into a report, all we have are just comments. Merrill

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14587)

by W2BRI (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W2BRI) on August 20, 2002

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Being very interested in all types of antennas I went out and built an EH antenna. Darn thing was so small and cute. I put it outside and compared it to my triband yagi...probably not a fair comparison. The EH while attractive and fun, did not seem to hear very well. Yeah, I got a good match, and my family made all sorts of funny remarks about my magic wand, but it worked horribly. I don't mean bad, I mean horribly. Maybe I did something wrong --as some might like to point out. And maybe I did. But it took me about 5 minutes to realize, my EH didn't work a darn. Now if someone is interested in small antennas that really work, I would strongly suggest building a magnetic loop antenna. My 80 meter 12x12 2 inch thick mag loop works great! and for the size you can't beat it on 80. Sure, you could build a smaller one if you want. I highly recommend this antenna and you don't have to re-write physics in the process. Please email me if you would like more info.

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14588)

by WA4DOU (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA4DOU) on August 20, 2002

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Flat earth? Closed minds? Unreceptive to new ideas? Since when did inefficient antennas become a new idea, warrenting much experimentation?
In free space, a theoretical point source of electromagnetic radiation is called an isotropic antenna. It is the point of reference we use to understand the 1/4 wavelength and 1/2 wavelength antennas, also in free space. The quarterwave displays a "gain" of about 1 db over this isotropic reference and the halfwave displays a "gain" of about 2.14 db. These can be turned around to state that an isotropic antenna has negative gain of 2.14 db over a half-wave antenna and negative 1 db over a quarterwave. Bring both of these antennas into close proximity to the earth and you have gain over them in free space, because of ground reflections. These are the real world reference standards by which we understand more complex antennas. 1 to 1-1/2 S unit down equates to about 50-90 % power loss. Why would you generate expensive r.f. energy and then be content to throw away 50-90% of it? Wouldn't it be better to generate less of it and radiate it more efficiently?
I have lived in many places as an adult and I have experimented with many antennas. A

common thread thru it all is that when you seriously shorten an antenna, you seriously diminish its performance. I have lived in beehives, townhouses, duplexes, mobile homes, single family dwellings, with and without antenna restrictions. I have used my share of clandestine antennas and I have never seen a circumstance where I couldn't erect outside antennas. All it takes is imagination and willpower. Any are to be preferred over any of these newfangled miracle antennas that promise much and deliver much less. Do what you please. I'll continue to use real antennas that deliver real performance.

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14589)

by WO5I (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WO5I) on August 20, 2002

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It's OK, Roy. Nobody, least of all ME, is asking you to take your proven antenna to the dump in favor of something untried or inferior.

My point, and that of several others on this thread so far, is to say "why not?" to the idea of EH. I'm not encumbered by a vast knowledge of antenna theory which prevents me from hoping that something like this would work. I read the article in World Radio, and all the negative comments regarding the antenna, and am unarmed to argue any of the theoritical points. The EH could very well end up being the "cold fusion" of antennas.

However, I've also read some good comments and favorable test results and think that the EH antenna is worth a weekend's worth of my time to tinker with. Even if the thing won't radiate beyond my back yard, I'll get to sharpen some rusty skills at forming aluminum foil, winding coils of wire, cutting PVC pipe or cardboard tube -- skills that will undoubtedly bail me out of some unforeseen jam like McGyver with a magnifying glass.

This argument, or friendly ham-like discussion, is akin to arguing the merits of of QRO vs. QRP. Nobody will dispute that the 1.5KW and stacked monobanders will be heard much clearer through a pile up than an FT-817 and telescoping whip, but try stuffing your Alpha amp and tower into your backpack!

I, too, have found somewhat clever ways to radiate in adverse housing conditions. My current solution is to thumb my nose at the CC&R and ground-mount a very low-footprint multi-band vertical, hoping any neighbors that might care about such things will assume it's a deep sea fishing pole (actually had one neighbor THINK THAT! HI HI).

The EH is just another option in the realm of possibility. Let beauty be in the eye of the beholder.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14590)

by KE4MOB (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KE4MOB) on August 20, 2002

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I think it's important to realize you can work QRP using only an ordinary lightbulb as an antenna. And people regularly load up metal guttering with fair results. Sometimes they can work stations using dummy loads for antennas.

We would like to think antennas are wonderfully complex instruments...fact is, you can radiate a workable signal with darn near anything.

This antenna is probably a perfect example.

They used to have a lot of info at www.antennex.com...I thought the so-called "tests" in Egypt were a failure?

Steve, KE4MOB

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14592)

by KD3V (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KD3V) on August 20, 2002

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!!! LISTEN UP SKEPTICS !!!

Please stop making fools of yourselves! If you haven't tried it you have NO BASIS for saying anything!

We made one! I used it! it works!

I am an electrical engineer. I have been one since 1982.

These EH antennas in fact:
1. ... are not "getting something for nothing",

2. they are not "changing the laws of physics in order to make something better than it is",

3. they agree completely with the law of physics that tells us how to get radiation, and for those that have taken the time to read the relevant website, this is called the "Poynting Theorem". This antenna is simple a DIFFERENT method to work this "law of physics".

4. They WORK! I know because I used one!

I sent the article to a friend who wanted to make one, he had a friend of his duplicate the 20 meter version that was detailed on the web site. He used it and then I put it up in place on the roof.

Simply put, I worked the world on it! I live in Hollywood Calif.

From John in South Africa, a 5-7 ... on the LONG path... a FM5 in Martinique, VK's ZL's ZK1, you name it and I only had it for 3 days!

So! Read the web sites! These antennas are not using feedline rariation, they are genuine rariators using a different method to create the crossed EM field and as a result they do not need the "linear" distance used by a diplole!

These antennas just do it DIFFERENTLY!

Yea, i get upset by the "ignorant" who speak up with no basis from which to do so. In the place of facts you put baseless opinion, and in the place of knowledge you put "authority". You are all only making fools of yourselves and those of us who take the time to "find out for ourselves" are the ones who gain real knowledge!

We were curious so we built one and we found that it works! Simple. We didn't know until we tried... but we also didn't try to slam it until we KNEW something about which we wanted to speak!

I would have posted a few photos but you can already see them when you go read the web site referenced! Ours looked just like theirs do. We used copper plate wrapped around PVC cylinder. Total length.. just like on the website! http://www.qsl.net/w0kph/

This is the link that describes the "full network" verion that our friend built. http://www.qsl.net/w0kph/fullnet.html

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14594)

by KE4MOB (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KE4MOB) on August 20, 2002

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How do you generate an E field without generating an H field?

Could somebody explain this to me?

Steve, KE4MOB

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14596)

by KA1OGM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KA1OGM) on August 20, 2002

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This subject is always one that elicits contentious debate regarding claims made by commercial interests. It also brings out a fair number of those who are not only knowledgable and technically savvy who have investigated one or more of these designs, but also those who have blindly stumbled onto them and been quite excited about what they ended

up with.

Anyone who is serious about efficient antennas will have issues with the two cylinder plus coil design, however, because it really isn't a very good antenna. But compared to NO antenna this is one of the more intriguing designs around because it's small enough to be used indoors.

I, for one, cannot operate a 75m loop in my basement and make contact with anyone, near or far. I can, however, operate a two cylinder plus coil antenna for 75m in my basement and maintain contact with everyone I've tried this with, when first making contact with my outdoor inverted Vee (and vice-versa). I even got a qsl e-mail from an SWL 500 miles away who heard me making a test one night on 75m AM. Admittedly, my effective radiated power is a tenth of what it was on the outside antenna, but I have to say that if I was restricted to an apartment, this would be my antenna.

Like I pointed out in my last post, nobody's making any wild claims about this design, and nobody will ever dispute that a monoband directive array is better. What's nice about this design is you can make it sloppily and still get on the air, where otherwise you might not be able to get on the air at all.

Jeff Barnard
KA1OGM

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14597)

by W3JJH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W3JJH) on August 20, 2002

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I'm open-minded, but not so open-minded that my brain has fallen out.

1. My dummy load has a 1.1:1 SWR on 20-m. It doesn't radiate very well.

2. At 6 dB/S-unit, a drop of 1-1/2 S-units represents a 90-% power loss. If the signals coming in the side of my dipole were only 9 dB above those from a small "EH" antenna, I would start checking for loose or corroded connections on the dipole.

The current in a wire in an H-field is proportional to the strength of field times the length of the wire. Use a shorter wire, get a smaller signal. The potential on a conductive surface in an E-field is proportional to the strength of the field times the size of the surface. Use a smaller area, get a smaller signal.

Scotty is right: "Ye canna change the laws of physics!."

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14601)

by K1OU (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K1OU) on August 20, 2002

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What? No opinion yet from WB2WIK/6?

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14603)

by W7KWS (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W7KWS) on August 20, 2002

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=14603)

In using wire length as a linear indicator of signal capture/radiation efficiency (presumed law of physics in previous post), how do you account for the fact that a tuned magnetic loop antenna, at 8.5 Ft. in circumference, is only down 1.0 dB below a "large antenna" for the same band? Reference the ARRL Antenna Handbook, 16th edition, page 5-13, loop design No. 5.

Good wishes to all in hopes we all learn here.

73,

Bob, W7KWS

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14604)

by W7KWS (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W7KWS) on August 20, 2002

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I forgot, the band of reference in my last post is for 20 meters (14.2 MHz.).

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14612)

by K3AN (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K3AN) on August 21, 2002

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I am on the verge of achieving a radical breakthrough that will finally achieve the dream of almost limitless free power from plain old water! Since water consists of just hydrogen and oxygen, combining those elements to release the power results in no pollution. I will be prepared to demonstrate this publicly in the near future. To the invitees of that demonstration, I must ask in advance that they pay no attention to the man behind the curtain ;-)

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14625)

by W3JJH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W3JJH) on August 21, 2002

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I don't have a copy of the reference which W3KWS cites, but please allow me to make some further comments. The "mechanics" of wave propagation are well known and have been rigorously descirbed for about 150 years now. Most electrical engineering students take a

course in Fields & Waves during their junior or senior year. In that course they learn that small radiators approximate a point source; such antennas have omnidirectional patterns and radiate equally poorly in all directions. Large radiators are more efficient, but are also more directive. For example, a half-wave dipole works well to the sides, but is deaf and dumb off the ends. Extremely large radiators generally do not work well because of phasing problems with the signals coming from different points on the antenna.

Note that a small antenna that has an efficiency many dB lower than a dipole may hear a signal coming from a bearing off the end of the dipole better than the larger antenna.

As an analogy, consider a set of loudspeakers. It is possible to construct two different loudspeakers systems which have the same low frequency cutoff using different size drivers and enclosures. Let's say we want a 20-Hz low end cutoff, and we build one system with a 38-cm (15-in) driver in a 600-l (21 cu ft) enclosure. The system efficiency will be roughly 1 %. If we build the other system with a 11-cm (4-1/2-in) driver in a 30-l (1.1 cu ft) box, the system efficiency will be around 0.05 %. At low frequencies we'll be able to get the same sound level out of the second system only if we use 20X the amplifier power. However, the smaller system will do a better job of reproducing signals above 1-kHz; the bigger woofer becomes an extremely large radiator at these frequencies. This is why a proper audio system has a woofer and a tweeter (at least!).

Similarly, we shouldn't use a 2-m ground plane on 80-m or an 80-m vertical on 2-m.

HF antenna testing requires large, open spaces and calibrated test gear which most of us do not possess. Even some manufacturers of HF antennas do not have a proper antenna test range. I take all antenna performance claims with a grain of salt until I have verified that test data actually exists and was properly measured.

I live on a small city lot. I can just fit a 70-ft dipole with loading inductors on my site. Fed with ladder line, it works sorta OK on all the bands from 160 through 10. I also have an Outbacker on an Alpha-Delta stand. In some cases (depending on the bearing to the other station or signal vertical arrival angle) it works better than the dipole. But, except on the 12- and 10-m bands, it is a less efficent radiator than the dipole.

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14634)

by W7KWS (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W7KWS) on August 21, 2002

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=14634)

William (W3JJH),

The problem that I see with your ideas about size of an antenna relating to its efficiency is that, while size is a factor, it is not the only factor involved. Your comparison of an isotropic source to a dipole suggests that a dipole radiates more energy than the point source. The fact is that it does not. Except for heat conversion in the resistance of both antennas and assuming for the moment that there are equal or no feed line losses, both antennas radiate exactly the same amount of energy, regardless of size. The differences you describe are due to the directional nature of the dipole versus the fact that the isotropic antenna distributes its energy equally in all directions, therefore, no one direction benefits over another, as is the case with the dipole.

Regarding wire length versus antenna efficiency, I quote from my copy of the 5th edition of the Reference Data for Radio Engineers, page 25-7; ?In addition, antenna efficiencies vary from about 70 percent for a 0.15-wavelength physical height to over 95 percent for a 0.6 wavelength height. This is for a vertical, and doesn?t account for why a loop can be above 90 percent, but it does show that a very short antenna of 0.15 wavelength can still radiate with more efficiency than one would suspect from a linear formula such as you proposed in your previous post.

Make no mistake, I doubt that the EH Antenna works very well, but I know that the tuned loop does. And, it is a small antenna. In facts, it can be a small fraction of a wavelength and approach the efficiency of a dipole. This is because factors other than size are involved. If you can get a copy of any ARRL Antenna book and read about it, you will see that it is true.

Also, you no longer need an extensive antenna range to determine the value of an antenna. There are many very good computer modeling programs that produce results that are very close to what you would find on an antenna range.

Believe it or not, we only think we have a handle on physics. People are proving every day that even Einstein didn?t have it all right. THERE ARE NEW THINGS TO DISCOVER ALL THE TIME. Even the fact that a small antenna like the tuned loop can work very well compared with much larger antennas.

Whether the EH Antenna is a good one is a simple matter of analysis. I wish I had those analytical skills myself, but I don?t, so I rely on the published references of those that do have the skills. The loop has been studied for years and has been proven to work.

Maybe we can attract someone to this discussion that can do a computer model of the EH antenna and give us some real data that we can rely on.

73,

Bob

Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14662)

by N2HBX (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N2HBX) on August 21, 2002

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=14662)

C'mon, guys. Let's not lose sight of the fact that this is a HOBBY, one that fortunately lends itself to all sorts of experimentation. What works for someone might not work for another, but if it doesn't, instead of just pooh-poohing it, try to se if you CAN make it work!
I knew a gentleman by the name of Jim Waldron. His callsign escapes me at the moment, and I'm sure he is an SK by now. He founded a company called Com-Rad Industries. He had designed and manufactured shortened antennas similar to the EH design. In fact, he designed and sold similar antennas from 160 meters up to 450. Of course we had our local "experts" that said it didn't work and all his so-called "testimonials" that he had were all hired shills to talk up his units. But I sat in his shack for about two hours and tried them myself, and the results were satisfying. I never bought one (or built one) myself, but I thought they were kind of cool and seemed to work. His company was the progenitor of a

company now known as Untenna (www.untenna.com). Apparently somebody thought the idea had merit, even though the current company specializes in commercial two-way antennas and has left the ham market.
Point is, don't get caught up in the physics of it all. If the laws of physics applied to everything literally, bumblebees couldn't fly.

Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14665)

by K9FE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K9FE) on August 21, 2002

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OK, I built one for 20m. (well two)Took about 2 hours including rounding up the materials and getting it tuned to 14.200. It works! No it isn't going to put Force 12 out of business, but I have limitations on where and what I can put up. I was so floored that I brought it to a club meeting to show it off.

Our club has a lot of techies but we never knock an idea until we can prove it wrong. A few members got excited and built them and they all worked. In our club we have EH antennas from 10m to 160m. AH6EZ Dick, is the big EH experimenter in our club and an engineer for Motorola who worked 47 states on 160 in one contest last year on an EH. His 160 is on the EH page of W0KPH. 10 feet tall and 16 inches in diameter and can handle over 600 watts! It works when it is 10 to 15 feet off the ground and suspended from a tree.

Until you walk in a mans shoes do not call him a liar. Build this thing and build it right and it does work. Sure it defies any old antenna theory so if you do not believe it build it "correctly" and prove it does not work, I doubted it, but now I have 3, two for 20m and one for 40m. The 40m is only 24 inches tall but works better than my mobile 40m antenna...so I am going to mount it on the back of the car and use it...has better bandwidth than my center loaded mast.

RE: Small EH Antenna

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14667)

812. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-08-30 13:25:18 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 797 Message: 812

count me in for ganesh visarjan
73's
vu3sob

>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan
>Date: Tue, 27 Aug 2002 12:26:21 +0530
>
>Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
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>Dear Members,
>
>The poll created by Parin Gangar showed a very poor response to ganesh
>visarjan, I am quite sure that was because most you guys did not bother to
>respond to the poll (Including myself).
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>Our past records reflect that Ganesh Visarjan has maximum number of
>participants as compared to the other events. (20th September 2002).
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>All members are therfore requested to confirm their participation with me
>by email or by phone.
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>your earliest reply will help in planning and coordination.
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>73
>NLF
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813. Fw: world dx-nets

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-02 01:15:44 UTC
From: Prashant
Topic: 813 Message: 813
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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----- Original Message -----
From: <FaxOperator_PG@...>
To: "Prashant Koli" <prashantz@...>
Cc: <vu2vvp@...>
Sent: Friday, August 09, 2002 10:30 PM
Subject: world dx-nets

> Hellos, Namaste.
> reply me on my yahoo id please.
> Basappa
>
> (See attached file: World_DX_Nets.txt)
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814. Lab Notes - What Rig Should I Buy

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-02 13:19:24 UTC
From: Prashant
Topic: 814 Message: 814
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi All,

While cleaning my hard disk I found this interesting article which was downloaded long back.But as somebody from MARS had remarked "who is going to read long article",I am sending it as attachment so that such members can simply ignore/delete this msg.
73' VU2CBU

815. The Worth Of Our Lives

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-03 17:57:54 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 815 Message: 815

THE WORTH OF OUR LIVES

A well known speaker started off his seminar by holding up a $20.00 bill. In the room of 200, he asked, Who would like this $20 bill? Hands started going up. He said, I am going to give this $20 to one of you but first,let me do this. He proceeded to crumple the dollar bill up. He then asked,"Who still wants it?" Still the hands were up in the air. Well, he replied, What if I do this? And he dropped it on the ground and started to grind it into the floor with his shoe. He picked it up, now
crumpled and dirty.
Now who still wants it? Still the hands went into the air. My friends, we have all learned a very valuable lesson. No matter what I did to the money, you still wanted it because it did not decrease in value. It was still worth $20.
Many times in our lives, we are dropped, crumpled, and ground into the dirt by the decisions we make and the circumstances that come our way. We feel as though we are worthless. But no matter what has happened or what will happen, you will never lose your value: dirty or clean crumpled or finely creased, you are still priceless to those who love you. The worth of our lives comes not in what we do or who we know, but by WHO WE ARE.
You are special - Don't EVER forget it. If you do not pass this on, you may never know the lives it touches, the hurting hearts it speaks to, or the hope that it can bring. Count your blessings, not your problems.

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816. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-05 13:33:49 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 797 Message: 816

Dear Nilesh

Count me in for Ganesh Visarjan

and also vu3mwh anantha will be joining visarjan duty

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817. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-05 13:35:48 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 795 Message: 817

Dear Huzefa

Count me for Jota

73's

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818. Fwd: K6JY Friends, check out David's website. It is Good

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-06 18:01:33 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 818 Message: 818

From: "David O'Keefe"
To:
Subject: K6JY
Date: Sat, 31 Aug 2002 11:00:50 -0700

Vijay,
Nice to have QSO with you tody. I was reading on QRZ.com and can I too
am a big Satriani, Vai, and VanHalen fan. I have been playing for years and
have small guitar studio here where I pretend I am Eddie VanHalen....Hi. I
don't know if you have ever spoke with W6TG, but he was Van Halens sound
engineer for years, you will see his name, Ken Deane on the back of CD.s for
the last 6 recordings they made, he works for me now and is a very good
friend.
Anyway, Big signal from you with 50 watts, incredible. One of best signals
from India I have ever heard on 15 meters. Hope to find you on again soon
and we can talk more.

73 de Dave K6JY
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819. September'2002 Newsletter

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-07 07:35:31 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 819 Message: 819
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hello everybody!!!

i've attached this months newsletter
in MHT file format which can be viewed
best in IE6 with 800x600 pixels resolution.

pls send me yr comments & suggestions.

73s,
Vu2UGO

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820. CHINESE HUNGAMA ON HF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-07 10:17:24 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 820 Message: 820

CHINESE "ROBOT"
The Chinese robot stations are reported on various frequencies.
This is a typical USB operation with RF carrier suppressed,
notching of audio frequency from 300 to 1000Hz is clearly observed
during it's transmission, probably used to increase a possible DSP
identification.
Logged frequencies: 4480, 5700, 6840, 6860, 7090, 7770, 8025 kHz.

JAMMERS
The usual bunch of wobble, buzz, and bubble jammers from Iran, Iraq,
China, N.Korea and Cuba are a pest on a large number of frequencies:
3912, 5680, 7000, 7010, 7030, 7040, 7050, 7060, 7070, 7080, 7086, 8350,
13420, 13430, 13440, 13470, 14005, 14036, 14061, 14105, 14175, 18090
kHz.

INDONESIAN / ASIAN ILLICIT STATIONS
The suspected stations from Indonesia were also reported in August.
A popular frequency range is 14000-14125 kHz.
Mode is usually USB, but LSB has also been noted.
Frequencies: 7000, 7015, 7025, 10105, 14000, 14005, 14080, 14100,
14110, 14115, 14120, 14125 (Timor), 14230 (Timor), 18010 kHz.

CHINESE - MUSICAL - JAMMING SPECIAL
STATION DATA:
- Transmissions:
Chinese instrumental folk music.
- Special nonstop compilation.
- Loop playback from hard drive.
- Duration of 1 cycle - 1hr 00 min 00.2 sec.
- Modulation:

Camouflage jamming audio signals:
(a) Chinese instrumental folk music, computerized loop recording,
t=60 min 00.2 sec.;
(b) 1st or 2nd program of Chinese National Radio.

Jamming modulations:
(a) Programs of China National Radio in non-distorted AM mode for
long distance high power (100-500 kW) sky-wave operation.
(b) Programs of China National Radio in Narrow FM - mostly for local
(ground-wave) operation.
- Estimated transmitters used for musical jamming: 20.
- Most suitable time for reception in Europe: from 1600 to 0900 UTC.
- Chinese musical jamming is targeted at Radio Free Asia, Voice of
America, BBC, Deutsche Welle, Falun Dafa and other stations.

FREQUENCIES on which the musical jamming could be heard one or more
hours per day. AM and Narrow FM jamming networks not included in the
frequency list.
5925, 6035, 6140, 7150, 7160, 7190, 7200, 7310, 7470,
7515, 7530, 9355, 9445, 9450, 9455, 9510, 9545, 9675,
9905, 9915, 9945, 9955, 11510, 11520, 11665, 11700, 11750,
11760, 11785, 11795, 11855, 11935, 11945, 11955, 12065, 13610,
13625, 13670, 13675, 13680, 13690, 13775, 15280, 15510, 15515,
15625, 15665, 15680, 17615, 17640, 17695, 17720, 21500, 21540,
21570, 21650, 21690, 21700, 21705 kHz

SCHEDULES
Time (UTC) Frequencies in kHz
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0600-0700: 13670, 15665, 17615, 17720, 21690
0700-0800: 21540, 21705
0800-0900: 21540, 21705
0900-1200: Not audible
1200-1300: 21570, 21585
1300-1400: Not audible
1400-1500: 9445, 11705, 15680
1500-1600: 7470, 11510, 11760, 11945, 13625, 13690, 15510, 17640,
17785
1600-1700: 7310, 7470, 7515, 9450, 9675, 11665, 11750, 11795,
11855, 13625, 13690, 15265, 15510, 15680, 17640
1700-1800: 7515, 9355, 9455, 9915, 11750, 11945, 11955, 12065,
13690, 15510, 15680, 17640
1800-1900: 7530, 9355, 9455, 11520, 11945, 11955, 15510, 15680,
17640
1900-2000: 9355, 9455, 9905, 9955, 11520, 11785, 11945, 13625,
13680, 15510, 15680
2000-2100: 9355, 9455, 9905, 11520, 11700, 11785, 11935, 13625,
13670, 15515, 15680
2100-2200: 5925, 9355, 9945, 11520, 11700, 11935, 13625, 13680,
15515, 15680
2200-2300: 7150, 7160, 7190, 7200, 9355, 9510, 9545, 9955, 13775,
15280, 17615
2300-0600: No monitoring data available

- Notes:
Usually between 30% and 80% of the used frequencies may be heard
in Europe at the same time. The frequency that propagated best in
Europe during July was 15680 kHz: daily from 1400 to 2200 UTC.
You may hear 1, 2 or more jamming transmitters on the same frequency
at the same time.

AND YOU THOUGHT CHINESE ARE CAUSING QRM ON 2m!!

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HAMS ON 5 MHZ
The frequencies that came recently available to UK radio amateurs for 5 MHz propagation experiments are 5260, 5280, 5290, 5400 and 5405 kHz. All are 3 kHz wide channels. You might find the Royal Cadets on these frequencies as well.

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821. Re: [m_a_r_s] September'2002 Newsletter

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-09 12:32:13 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 819 Message: 821
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi Sandeep,

Cant see any of the images.

VU3MBF.

-------Original Message-------

From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, September 07, 2002 02:37:54 PM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] September'2002 Newsletter

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best in IE6 with 800x600 pixels resolution.

pls send me yr comments & suggestions.

73s,
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822. September'2002 Newsletter

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-11 12:21:03 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 819 Message: 822
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hello everybody!!!

thanks mehul for your reply,
i'm posting the same newsletter in PDF format!!

hopefully i'll add more stuff in future radio waves!!

73s,
VU2UGO
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Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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823. HAM RADIO Exams Succesful

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-12 07:37:15 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 823 Message: 823
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

MARS conducted ASOC exam on 11th September 2002 at Nyan Sadhana College, Thane. Students for the Churchgate batch and Thane batch appeared simultaneously on the same day. 71 students gave their exams for Grade - I and Grade - II. Most of the students have done well in their exams and are likely to get good grades.

It was great on the part of the students to hang on with the course and not quit specially because of the Morse. (In past about 50% would quit). I sincerely hope that they will hang on to the hobby and become active HAMS once they get their tickets.

MARS conducted classes at Thane because of the keen interest shown by Mr.Satish Pradhan - VU2PDT, who also is a MP. MARS is grateful to him for providing the Class room for conducting the Ham Radio course and also motivating Thane residents to become HAMs.

I would like to thank all the MARS members for participating in teaching and assisting during this last 3 months. I would like to specially thank Mehul - VU3MBF, Kiran - VU3KPL, Sandip - VU2UGO, Zyros - VU2ZRS, Sandesh - VU2SXF, Prashant - VU2CBU, Jaiprakash - VU2JPN, Huzefa - VU2HIT,
Parin & Ivor and others for doing a wonderful job.

I also thank Mr. Milind Korde from Thane Batch for his help and wonderful support in organising and planning during the course at Thane. I am quite convinced that in future he would promote Ham Radio in Thane Dist with great enthusiasm.

MARS also thanks TARA (Thane Amateur Radio Association) for providing a superb Buffet Lunch during the full day recap session on Sunday at Thane.

I sincerely hope that the students will get their results and tickets soon and will become active hams in very near future.

Once again I thank all the people involved in the Ham Radio classes for taking out their time and offering their services without vested interest for this wonderful cause.

73
For Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Nilesh Rathod, VU2NLF
Secretary.

824. Re: [m_a_r_s] HAM RADIO Exams Succesful

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-12 08:09:03 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 823 Message: 824

HIP HIP HOOOOORAY! great news nilesh. now we need to keep the students enthusiastic till they get their licenses!
Good to hear about the successful completion of the classes.
Cheers!
madhu

>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>CC: "mars_classes" <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] HAM RADIO Exams Succesful
>Date: Thu, 12 Sep 2002 13:07:15 +0530

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825. Re: [m_a_r_s] HAM RADIO Exams Succesful

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-12 10:52:04 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 823 Message: 825

>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>CC: "mars_classes" <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] HAM RADIO Exams Succesful
>Date: Thu, 12 Sep 2002 13:07:15 +0530
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hi freinds ,

Kudos to all thr members of education commitee to carry out very sucessfully the classes and examinations ., hats off ,also a very special congratualtions to vu2 nlf , for his special extra efforts which he is always willing and does puts in , thanks nlf ,

de , vu2ugj

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826. monthly meeting & Ganesh visarjan briefing

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-12 15:32:08 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 826 Message: 826
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-13 06:49:00 UTC
From: bal indi
Topic: 826 Message: 827

Dear nlf,
Unfortunately, I won?t be able to
attend the meeting on sunday since I am in pune, but I
will be coming to mumbai on thurstad i.e. 19th night
and will gladly opt to be a volunteer for the visarjan

event. i request you to kindly brief me abt. the
details of the schedule of the 20th evening via email.

-bal(pune)

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828. Managing commitee meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-13 09:05:49 UTC
From: COILNRS
Topic: 828 Message: 828

There will a managing commitee meeting before the monthly meeting at
9a.m. on Sunday 15th September 2002. The venue will be the same,
Bengallee Girls High School, Opp USIS Library,Churchgate.
All Managing Commitee Members must attend.
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Sarla
VU2SWS
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829. you all will pass says vu2zrs.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-14 07:02:20 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 829 Message: 829

dear students
you have worked hard and the fruits willll be sweet

best of luck

ZYROS ZEND
FORTUNE COOKIE INDIA
300,CAWASJI HORMASJI STREET
DHOBI TALAO
MUMBAI.
TEL.00-91-22-2035586
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830. Re: [m_a_r_s] HAM RADIO Exams Succesful

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-12 14:08:51 UTC
From: Nafisa Shikari
Topic: 823 Message: 830
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Clear DayGreat work done, Nilesh. Congratulations and thanks to you and the whole team who worked for the classes. Hope to have many more Hams on the air very soon.
VU2 NFS
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars_classes
Sent: Thursday, September 12, 2002 1:07 PM
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831. MARS Web Site

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-14 17:12:07 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 831 Message: 831
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Dear Friends,

MARS Website www.mumbai-hams.org is now updated. kindly give your feed back and suggestions to improvise upon it.

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NLF

832. attachment SHOCK

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-15 12:30:19 UTC
From: sudhir_kalkar
Topic: 826 Message: 832
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From: vu2nlf [mailto:vu2nlf@...]
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-16 04:00:36 UTC
From: COILNRS
Topic: 833 Message: 833

To All MARS members,

This is to inform all that I have resigned from my duties as Chairperson
of MARS,due to my pressing family commitments.
I take this opportunity to thank all members for electing me to this
office and for their cooperation and wish the incoming
Chairman/Chairperson all the very best.

Sarla
VU2SWS

834. Fw: Thanks!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-16 06:42:31 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 834 Message: 834

Hello everybody!!!

here is a message received from VU2JMN - Jayesh
from Navsari informing me about the 2M opening.

pls watch out for Gujarat stations on 2M i.e. 145MHz.

73s,
VU2UGO - Sandip

----- Original Message -----
From: "Patel Jayesh" <vu2jmn@...>
To: "Sandip Adiwarekar" <sandipadiwarekar@...>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2002 09:50 AM
Subject: Re: Thanks!!!

> Dear OM,
>
> Sandip yesterday night I have copied one Mumbai station
> but as soon as I given him call, he QSY. Any way you please
> try to copy us on 2 m 145.0000 after 10.00 in the
> evening
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> hope you all are fine
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> 73
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> Take care
> bye
>
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> _____
> Want to sell your car? advertise on Yahoo Autos Classifieds. It's Free!!
> visit http://in.autos.yahoo.com
>

835. The ARRL Letter, Vol 21, No 34

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-17 12:10:39 UTC
From: ARRL Letter Mailing List
Topic: 835 Message: 835

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The ARRL Letter
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ARRL contest certificate redesign causes delivery delay
2002 ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference set

+Available on ARRL Audio News

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Editor's note: ARRL Headquarters will be closed Monday, September 2, to
observe Labor Day. ARRL HQ will reopen for business at 8 AM EDT Tuesday,
September 3. We wish all our members a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend!
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==>ARRL DIRECTOR, VICE DIRECTOR RACES SET IN FOUR DIVISIONS

ARRL members in the Atlantic and Great Lakes divisions will cast ballots
this fall in contests to pick directors, while members in the Delta and
Midwest divisions will have a choice of candidates for vice director. Six
other incumbents--including both the Director and Vice Director in the
Dakota Division--avoided challenges in the current election cycle to
choose directors and vice directors for the 2003-2005 term.

Two directors face opposition. In the Atlantic Division, incumbent
Director Bernie Fuller, N3EFN, of Saegertown, Pennsylvania, will face
Anthony Gargano, N2SS, of Sewell, New Jersey. Vice Director Bill Edgar,
N3LLR, is among those facing no opposition. In the Great Lakes Division,
Director Gary Johnston, KI4LA, of Edgewood, Kentucky, is in a three-way
race with Paul Daley, WT8S, of Canal Winchester, Ohio, and Jim Weaver,
K8JE, of Mason, Ohio. Johnston only recently took over the top spot from
George Race, WB8BGY, who, in a surprise move, resigned during the July
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Board of Directors' meeting. Vice Director Dick Mondro, W8FQT--who was Michigan Section Manager before his appointment in the wake of Johnston's accession--is unopposed for election.

Incumbent vice directors in two divisions will compete for their seats. In the Delta Division, incumbent Henry R. Leggette, WD4Q, of Memphis, Tennessee, faces a challenge from Nicholas R. Smith, W4GKM, of Crossville, Tennessee. Delta Division Director Rick Roderick, K5UR, has no opposition. In the Midwest Division, incumbent Vice Director Bruce Frahm, K0BJ, of Colby, Kansas, has competition from Bill Wheeler, K0DEW, of Lebanon, Missouri. Midwest Division Director Wade Walstrom, W0EJ, is unopposed.

Dakota Division Director Jay Bellows, K0QB, and Vice Director Twila Greenheck, N0JPH, also face no opposition in their bids for re-election.

In the divisions where there is competition for director or vice director, ballots will go out to all ARRL members on record in the division as of September 10, 2002. Ballots will be mailed by October 1 and must be received back at ARRL Headquarters (via the ARRL's auditor) by noon on November 15, when they will be counted and the successful candidates announced. Candidates running unopposed are declared elected. New terms of office begin January 1, 2003.

==>FLORIDA MAN IMPRISONED, FINED FOR DELIBERATE INTERFERENCE

Florida Citizens Band enthusiast William "Rabbit Ears" Flippo will spend a total of 15 months in federal prison--including two months already served--and pay a $25,000 fine for jamming Amateur Radio communications and transmitting without a license. He'll also spend a year on supervised probation following his release, during which he cannot own radio gear or firearms. Flippo was convicted in federal court earlier this year on eight misdemeanor counts. The sentence is believed to be a record for convictions of this type.

"It's sent a shock wave across the Amateur Radio and CB communities in South Florida," said Ed Petzolt, K1LNC, who was among the amateurs targeted by Flippo and who testified at his trial. "The CB guys are running for cover. You can buy an illegal CB amplifier pretty cheap right now," he quipped. Hams were surprised by the severity of the sentence.

Federal District Court Judge Daniel T.K. Hurley imposed the sentence August 29 on Flippo, of Jupiter. He had been found guilty June 19 of four counts of operating without a license and four counts of deliberate and malicious interference. Flippo has remained in custody since the guilty verdict and underwent a psychiatric evaluation prior to sentencing. The judge also said he wants a full financial disclosure from Flippo, who may face other legal actions unrelated to his radio operation convictions.

At the sentencing, Flippo reportedly wept, said he'd turned over a new leaf and claimed he was sole support for his wife and two daughters. None of his family members was in the courtroom for the sentencing, however.

The judge was not persuaded, telling Flippo, 60, that he was old enough to have considered the consequences of his actions. Hurley also alleged numerous incidents of perjury during the course of Flippo's testimony during his June trial, which ran six-and-one-half days. The jury took about a half hour to determine that he was guilty on all counts.

According to trial testimony, Flippo primarily had targeted members of the Jupiter-Tequesta Repeater Group for jamming and regularly interfered with amateur operations, especially on 10 and 2 meters, over an approximately three-year period. Following up on the amateurs' complaints, personnel from the FCC's Tampa District Office visited the Jupiter area at least twice in 1999 and reported tracking the offending signals to Flippo's residence.

Flippo had faced a maximum of eight years in prison--one year on each count--and up to $80,000 in fines. Available opinions were mixed on whether the sentence Hurley imposed was appropriate. Petzolt, who assisted the FCC in gathering evidence and, at one point, had his car rammed by Flippo's vehicle, said he felt Flippo should have received at least three years.

"I thought it was a slap on the wrist," said Petzolt, the 1999 ARRL International Humanitarian Award winner who also testified at the trial. John Criteser Jr, KC4JLY, agreed. "I think he should have gotten more--at least five years," Criteser said outside the courthouse. Other amateurs who attended the sentencing session, including Jupiter-Tequesta club member Bert Moreschi, AG4BV, were satisfied with the penalty, however.

Last year, Flippo was convicted in state court of criminal mischief--also a misdemeanor--after ramming Petzolt's vehicle. He was sentenced to a year's probation and ordered him to dispose of his radio equipment. A ban on possessing radio gear also was a condition of his federal bond, which Hurley revoked during the trial.

Federal authorities arrested Flippo in July 2000. The criminal charges of which he now stands convicted covered violations allegedly committed between June 1999 and April of 2000. The defendant already faces a $20,000 fine levied in 1999 for unlicensed operation, willful and malicious interference to Amateur Radio communications, and failure to let the FCC inspect his radio equipment.

Hurley ordered Flippo immediately back into custody to start serving his sentence. Flippo reportedly was led into and out of the courtroom in shackles and leg irons.

==>POP STAR LANCE BASS PASSES TECHNICIAN TEST AS PART OF HIS QUEST FOR SPACE

Lance Bass of the pop singing group 'N Sync is still hoping to travel to the International Space Station in late October through Russia's "space tourist" program. Bass passed his Technician license examination August 30 at an ARRL-VEC test session, and, if all arrangements can be worked out, ham radio could be a part of his space visit. He has not yet been issued a

call sign.

In the US this week for training with NASA, Bass worked with the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) volunteer team, which included Nick Lance, KC5KBO, ARISS Chairman Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, and Carolynn Conley, KD5JSO--the Amateur Radio integration manager at the Johnson Space Center (JSC) in Houston.

"I will be staying in contact the whole time I'm up there," Bass said during a NASA-hosted Web chat with students across the US August 29. "I'm getting my ham license this week--that's one of my goals this week--so I can talk to different schools around the world via ham radio. That'll be a lot of fun." An audience of youngsters ranging in age from 9 to 12 from Pearl Hall Elementary School, Pasadena, Texas, also joined Bass in the Johnson Space Center studio to ask questions face-to-face.

Bauer said Bass knows the rules and regulations and that the ARISS team also supplied training on the ARISS hardware and operations from space. "We gave him some sessions where he could listen to typical QSOs on orbit and school group contacts from the ground; he is now well versed on what to expect." Bass also received training with the ham radio hardware during his Russian training stay.

At this point, however, nothing is finalized to ensure that Bass will get on the air from the NA1SS/RS0ISS ham station on the ISS. Daily discussions continue between members of the ARISS team and Celebrity Mission LLC--the group handling Bass's affairs. If all goes well, the stage may be set for Bass to communicate with the Amateur Radio community from space this fall. Bass would be part of a three-person Soyuz "taxi crew" that will blast off from Kazakhstan on October 28.

At 23, Bass would be the youngest person ever to travel into space. A remaining potential roadblock still appears to be completion of financial arrangements with Russia, which has claimed that it had not received a promised payment from Bass's organization. At one point, Russia even halted Bass's training, but he was subsequently permitted to resume. The round-trip ticket price has been generally estimated to be in the vicinity of $20 million, but all sides are keeping mum about the exact cost.

For more information about the International Space Station, the Expedition 5 crew and the taxi crew of which Bass will be a member, visit the NASA Human Spaceflight Web site <http://spaceflight.nasa.gov>.

==>POWER LINE INTERFERENCE WORKSHOP A HIT

A two-day workshop at ARRL Headquarters on power-line interference turned out to be a great success on more than one level. The August 22-23 session, conducted by Mike Martin, K3RFI, of RFI Services of Maryland, not only attracted a better-than-average turnout, but participants were able to track down at least some of the sources of power line noise affecting W1AW. Most of those attending the session were involved with locating and dealing with power-line related interference issues.

"We're starting to get their attention," ARRL Lab Supervisor Ed Hare, W1RFI, said of the power companies. By hosting the workshop, the ARRL hoped to assist hams as well as the power companies to combat this longstanding problem. The course included hands-on field work and specific instruction on finding and fixing the noises that can plague Amateur Radio operators and other radio spectrum users. Participants went away with techniques on how to quickly determine which specific system hardware is the source of the noise.

The FCC recently began taking a harder line toward alleged Part 15 violations involving power line interference to Amateur Radio operators. Martin's workshops are aimed at helping anyone involved with the electric power industry to find sources of power line noise--occasionally an ongoing and vexing concern for hams--and to help them to understand their obligations under FCC rules.

Among the 20 attendees were FCC Special Counsel for Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth, two members of the US armed forces, a communications specialist, several members of the ARRL Headquarters staff and several power company employees.

"The RFI workshop was excellent and led to a much better rapport between the power companies and amateurs," Hollingsworth remarked. "Since RFI problems are often an early warning of an outage or danger to persons on the ground, it is important that the power companies respond. Power line interference can degrade the Amateur Service and must be dealt with."

The first day's class discussed the causes of power-line noise, some of the less well-known things to watch for and noise-locating techniques. On the second day, the whole group took to the field for some practical experience. Loading themselves into a fully equipped noise-locating van, the students went out to see if they could find the sources of noise that has been causing interference at W1AW for more than three years. It took the group less than an hour to find the two noise sources. Now that they have been identified, local power supplier Northeast Utilities will be notified and asked to correct the problem.

ARRL Electromagnetic Compatibility Specialist John Phillips, K2QAI, said participants' comments were uniformly positive. "It is our hope that as more people become aware of how easy it is to locate and fix most sources of power-line noise," Phillips said, "more power companies will take responsibility for solving the problems expeditiously."

==>AMATEURS' NON-STOP FIRE DUTY DOES SECTION MANAGER PROUD

Amateur Radio Emergency Service members in the San Diego, California, area spent two weeks assisting the American Red Cross and the California Division of Forestry during the so-called Pines Fire. ARRL San Diego Section Manager Kent Tiburski, K6FQ, says dozens of ARES members responded July 30 to a full callout. The fire started a day earlier after the blade of an Army National Guard helicopter on drug patrol struck the ground near Volcan Mountain. Hundreds of residents had to be evacuated as the fast-moving wildfire some 60 miles northeast of San Diego threatened

homes.

"Amateur Radio played a major role in the safe evacuation of residents from their homes to Red Cross-maintained shelters," Tiburski said. "Hams manned several shelters including one at Julian High School." The high school served as the primary shelter as well as the California Division of Forestry's field operations center. ARES members also were detailed to other shelters in Shelter Valley and Ramona. Hams later assisted the Red Cross in damage assessment.

"The fire early on had destroyed power and telephone lines, leaving the east county towns without telephone and cellular service," Tiburski said. "Hams utilized numerous repeaters during the fire to cover the rugged back country of San Diego County." Radio operators quickly set up vital communication links between the Red Cross emergency operations center and workers in the field, earning later praise from Red Cross officials.

"As the fire lines quickly changed, radio operators stayed one step ahead of the fire, radioing information necessary to assure an appropriate Red Cross disaster response," said Red Cross Public Information Officer Jay Esper. "Without the quality service from the ARES radio operators, the American Red Cross could not maintain the high quality of service to its clients."

Tiburski had special praise to San Diego County and the county's Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) team for loaning its new county-wide repeater system. He said the more than 40 ARES members, some working multiple shifts round-the-clock, passed hundreds of messages without missing a beat.

Doug Morris, W6DUG, who assisted at the Julian shelter, said he was "overwhelmed" at how dependent the community was upon the services of Amateur Radio. "It seemed many hams who had never been involved in this type of operation volunteered and found themselves badly needed," he said in a message to Tiburski.

For his part, Tiburski said he was gratified and pleased at how well the ARES members responded. "Their selfless devotion to providing emergency communications in time of need reflected great credit upon ARES and the Amateur Radio Service," Tiburski said. "I'm proud to be their Section Manager!"

The Pines Fire burned over some 62,000 acres and destroyed three dozen homes and another 100 or so other structures. Tiburski said it was the largest and longest-burning fire in San Diego County to require ARES support.

==>FINAL TWO HAM ANTENNAS INSTALLED ABOARD SPACE STATION

The last two Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) antennas were installed this week during a space walk. The installation wraps up work that began last January when the first two of the four

Italian-designed antennas were attached to the ISS exterior. During the second of two space walks this month, two members of the Expedition 5 crew attached essentially identical VHF-UHF flexible-tape antennas to the ISS Service Module on August 26. The space walk--or EVA (extra-vehicular activity)--had been postponed from August 23.

Expedition 5 Flight Engineer Sergei Treschev, RZ3FU, joined Crew Commander Valery Korzun, RZ3FK, during the nearly 10-hour-long space walk. In addition to installing the new ham radio antennas, the pair prepared the station for upcoming space walks and worked with Russian and Japanese experiments on the station's exterior.

Installation of the new ARISS antennas on the Zvezda Service Module--the crew's living quarters--makes possible two separate ham stations aboard the orbiting outpost--one for VHF operation, the other for UHF (70 cm). Similar flexible-tape antennas for VHF-UHF and for HF were installed during January space walks by the Expedition 4 crew, although there is not yet any HF gear aboard the ISS.

The newest two VHF-UHF flexible tape antennas--designated WA1 and WA2--were installed along the perimeter of the aft end of the Zvezda Service Module, near the Soyuz docking port.

ARISS is an international project sponsored jointly by ARRL, NASA and AMSAT. A paper entitled "2001: an Amateur Radio Space Odyssey on the International Space Station," which details the development of ARISS and discusses the four new ARISS antennas, is available via the ARISS Web site <http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov/EVAs/amsat01.pdf>.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar scholar Tad "Tequila Sunrise" Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Last week's rise in sunspot count couldn't last forever, and the numbers this week show a drop. Average daily sunspot count for the reporting period, August 22-28, declined 104 points, and solar flux was down by nearly 38 points when compared to the previous week.

The autumnal equinox is just a few weeks away. This is a great time for HF DX, as we pass from the summer season. Sunspot 87 is currently passing through an area where it is squarely aimed at earth and poses a threat for developing powerful X-class solar flares. The current prediction is for moderate to unsettled geomagnetic activity over the next few days, barring any upset from sunspot 87. Solar flux is expected to decline over the next few days with Friday through Monday values around 170, 165, 155, and 150. Solar flux is expected to reach a near term minimum near 125 around September 7, and then bounce back quickly.

Sunspot numbers for August 15 through 21 were 281, 247, 270, 308, 247, 209 and 238, with a mean of 257.1. The 10.7-cm flux was 210.3, 213.8, 226.7, 241, 237, 227.5 and 219.9, with a mean of 225.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 19, 17, 13, 18, 27, 23 and 41, with a mean of 22.6.

Sunspot numbers for August 22 through 28 were 205, 207, 199, 136, 105, 133 and 87, with a mean of 153.1. The 10.7-cm flux was 220.1, 224.5, 195.6, 178.6, 168.6, 161.4, and 163.2, with a mean of 187.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 11, 11, 11, 9, 18, 15 and 10, with a mean of 12.1.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The YO DX HF Contest, the Michigan QRP Labor Day CW Sprint are the weekend of August 31-September 1. JUST AHEAD: The Michigan QRP Labor Day CW Sprint is September 2-3. The North American Sprint (CW), the All Asian DX Contest (SSB), the IARU Region 1 Field Day (SSB), the DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest and the QRP ARCI End of Summer PSK31 Sprint are the weekend of September 7-8. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* Field Day 2002 received logs posted: The ARRL Contest Branch has announced that the logs submitted for Field Day 2002 have been posted on the Logs Received page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/claimed/> on the ARRL Web site. Click on "2002 ARRL Field Day" under "Other Reports." Contact the ARRL Contest Branch (n1nd@... or 860-594-0232) if you spot errors or if your entry is missing. The Contest Soapbox page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/soapbox> includes interesting photographs and stories from many Field Day groups. Feel free to share your group's photos and stories.

* ARRL Computer System Upgrade to Cause Some Disruptions: A major computer system conversion at ARRL Headquarters will allow the League to better serve our members, but there will be some delays in service as we transition from the old system to the new one. Any membership applications, renewals or changes to membership records--such as address or call sign--that arrived after 5 PM EDT August 28 will not be processed until the new system is in operation next week. Club and examination information also will not be updated. In the meantime, all normal lookup features will remain available via the ARRL Web site, but the information will be as of 5 PM EDT on August 28. ARRL product and publication orders placed during the conversion period will be delayed by a few days. E-mail and FCC call sign lookup information will not be affected by the changeover. "Please bear with us as we work our way through the conversion," said ARRL Chief Operating Officer Mark Wilson, K1RO. "The staff is a little nervous about flipping the switch but excited about seeing all of the work and preparation that went into developing the new system turn into reality." ARRL anticipates that regular Web processing will resume by Friday, September 6--if not sooner. We apologize for any inconvenience during this transitional period. Further information on the changeover will be posted as it's available.

* ARRL contest certificate redesign causes delivery delay: The ARRL Contest Branch is retiring its landscape-format (horizontal) certificates after many years of service and replacing them with redesigned portrait-style (vertical) certificates. The changeover has meant delivery

delays, however. "To those awaiting certificates for several ARRL-sponsored operating events, please stand by," says ARRL Contest Branch Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND. "The basic artwork has been approved, and the Graphics Department is hard at work tweaking the final design and layout for the certificates." Henderson says he anticipates having the new certificates on hand, ready for labeling and mailing by the Contest Branch by mid-October at the latest. The new-style certificates will be used for all ARRL-sponsored HF and international events starting with the certificates for the 2001 ARRL 160 Meter Contest. New VHF/UHF certificates will debut with the 2002 June VHF QSO party. New ARRL November Sweepstakes certificates will be issued for the first time for the 2002 events. In addition to the new certificates, ARRL is replacing the old-style ARRL June VHF QSO Party plaque with a more modern design. "The artwork was selected from dozens of photos submitted by members and will feature a spectacular mountain sunrise from a rover's perspective," Henderson explained. The new June plaques also are expected to be available by mid-fall.

* 2002 ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference set: The 21st ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference will be held in Denver, Colorado, September 13-15. "Our goal is to make everyone aware of the DCC and make it the best amateur technical conference," said TAPR's Steve Bible, N7HPR. The annual gathering provides an international forum for radio amateurs involved in digital communication, networking, and related technologies to meet, publish their work, and present new ideas and techniques for discussion. At this year's DCC there will be topics and demonstrations on Linux, Software Defined Radio, digital voice, IEEE 802.11 "Wi-Fi" protocol, and precision timing, just to name a few. Software Defined Radio will be the focus of the Sunday Seminar by Matt Ettus, N2MJI. The Saturday night banquet speaker is Bruce Perens, K6BP--a well-known Linux advocate and radio amateur. The DCC is for digitally oriented amateurs of all experience levels. Information about the conference and registration details also are on the TAPR site <http://www.tapr.org/tapr/dcc/>. Copies of the Digital Communications Conference Proceedings will be available from ARRL for $20 via the ARRL Web catalog <http://www.arrl.org/catalog/>.

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* ARRLWeb, http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/. (NOTE: The ARRL Letter will be posted each Friday when it is distributed via e-mail.)

* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio Club: Visit http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/letter-list. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)

836. MARS on Radio Mirchi

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-17 16:40:41 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 836 Message: 836
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Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

ON 18th Sept 2002 (Wednesday) MARS will a small talk on Radio Mirchi about Ham Radio at about 6:15 pm on 98.3 FM

73
NLF

837. KENWOOD WARNING !!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-17 18:51:33 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 837 Message: 837

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838. Happy Birthday - VU2NHR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-18 05:46:23 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 337 Message: 838
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Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes it founder member NIrav Sanghvi [VU2NHR] a very Happy Birthday.

839. Happy Birthday - VU2UGO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-19 04:39:08 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 839 Message: 839
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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes it founder member Sandip Adiwarekar [VU2UGO] a very Happy Birthday.

840. Ganesh Visarjan Successful

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-23 12:37:33 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 840 Message: 840
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

Once again MARS provided vital communications support during Ganesh Visarjan on 20th Sept 2002. 16 Hams and 22 SWLs participated in this Mega Festive occasion.

MARS coordinated with Mumbai Traffic Police, BMC, Life Guards, Medical Aid Centres and Ambulances.

STATION LOCATION HAM OPERATORS S.W.Ls
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CHOWPATTY CONTROL....VU2 NLF Nilesh Rathod [Event Manager] Abhay
VU2 ZRS Zyros Zend [Leader] Rajesh
VU2 CBU Prashant Koli Milind Korde
B.M.C TOWER.[VIP].....VU2 RIO Pankaj Pasad Napolean Modi

C.P.TANK..... VU2 AUA Arun Singh [Leader] Parin Gangar
VU3 SOB Dhaval Prabodh Doshi
Nishant

PRATHNA SAMAJ..... VU2 SXF Sandesh Kamath.[Leader] Dipak Pathak
VU3 PAN Pravin Panchal. Sajjad jivani
Terrence D’s

OPERA HOUSE..... VU2 NHR Nirav Sanghavi [Leader] Jigar
VU3 MWH Ananta More. Dilip Bhandari
Shirish Dhuru

FIRST AID CONTROL.... VU2 LIB Madhu Rajan Feroze Patel
VU2 NFS Nafisa Shikari Isaac
Manda Pawar
Sachin Tupe
Supriya Tupe

AMBULANCE STATION.....VU2 JPN P.V.Jaiprakash. Johar Attari
VU3 KNY Joseph Kinny

LIFE GUARD TOWER......VU2 UGJ Mukesh Jaitley. Sumeet Bal
Andrews
Sailesh

MARITIME MOBILE - 1...VU2 OUT Ratnesh Javeri.
MARITIME MOBILE - 2.. VU2 HIT Huzefa Merchant.

RELAY STATION.

Worli......VU3 MHC Minoo Contractor.

MARS assistance helped in re-uniting many many lost and found cases, aided Traffic co-ordination at key junctions and medical emergencies.

All the participants performed wonderfully with responsibility. I sincerely hope that it was a good experience for all of us especially for the SWLs.

I thank all the participants for taking keen interest in this event and making it successful. I hope that you all will continue to participate in the future events with same enthusiasm.

A Special thanks to VU2ZRS - Zyros Zend and VU2HIT - Huzefa Merchant for putting in lot of efforts to make the event successful..

The Debriefing Meeting will be held during the Monthly Meeting on 13th October 2002. You feed back with suggestion are welcome to improvise the event further next year.

73

NLF

841. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan Successful

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-23 12:55:28 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 840 Message: 841

THREE CHEERS FOR THE WHOLE GANG!!!!!

HIP HOP AND HUUUUUURAYYYY (3)

>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>CC: "mars_classes" <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan Successful
>Date: Mon, 23 Sep 2002 18:07:33 +0530

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http://photos.msn.com/support/worldwide.aspx

842. Re: [m_a_r_s] attachment SHOCK

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-23 15:07:57 UTC
From: Rajesh
Topic: 826 Message: 842
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayDear Sudhir,

Please check your system for REAL VIRIOUS as you have sent attachment (GAMEOFTHECENTURY.EXE)contains virous which is detected by recent PATCH of NORTON ANTIVIRIOUS.

Please make Sure before sending /Transmitting any attachment / DATA to M.A.R.S. Gruop it is free from any malicious code / virious to avoid infection.

You can perform this task by configuring your Antivirus Software. and It is good practice to keep recent patches of antivirious to prepare for the E.WAR.

Regards.

VU2QIJ
(Rajesh R. Bagwe)
----- Original Message -----
From: sudhir_kalkar
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: sudhirkalkar@...
Sent: Sunday, September 15, 2002 6:00 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] attachment SHOCK

-----Original Message-----
From: vu2nlf [mailto:vu2nlf@...]
Sent: Thursday, 12 September, 2002 21:02
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars_classes
Subject: [m_a_r_s] monthly meeting & Ganesh visarjan briefing

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The Monthly meeting for September will be held on Sunday 15th Sept 2002.

QTH : Bengalle Girls High School, Opp. USIS library, Churchgate, Mumbai at 10 am

The Agenda for the meeting is as under :-

Briefing for Communication support during Ganesh Visarjan on 20th Sept.
Preparations for JOTA on 19/20th Oct 2002.
Prospects for future Ham Radio Classes.

Members are requested to attend the meeting as we have not conducted the monthly meeting for the last 3 months because many of us were QRL with the classes.

Please note that the students of the last batch are automatically Annual members of MARS and hence they all requested to kindly attend the meeting and start participating in the Society's Ham Radio Activities.

Please also note that MARS maintains a good library with all the latest QST Magazine(including Sept 2002). kindly take the advantage and keep yourselves updated with the latest news and information. The magazines will be available at the monthly meeting.

looking forward to having an eyeball with you

73
NLF

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843. Times of India Coverage.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-23 15:24:42 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 843 Message: 843
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Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The Times of India has published an article in TOI 23th September 2002 on page 2 about Ganesh Visarjan.

They have also mailed me a soft copy as listed below:-

Modak moments at Chowpatty

By Nina Martyris

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Mumbai: On Visarjan night, as they have been doing for the past five years, Mumbai's hamsters got crackling. Into the dynamic homecoming scene of Mumbai's most popular deity, the wireless crew infused a much-needed measure of static.

Cocooned from the din behind a spongy set of headphones and looking more professional than the police, the Mumbai Amateur Radio Society, demonstrated that their crackle-and-static hobby could be used effectively for the greater common good. Thanks to their wireless grapevine, lost children were found, more nouveau forms of communication technology as techies-come-lately. In an era where internet and mobile phones are the preferred mediums of chat, this Morse-stricken set insists that its technology is older (not outdated, mind you), cheaper, faster and far more independent since, as hamster Nilesh Rathod declares, ``We're wireless, we don't have to depend on towers.''

On Friday night, however, the hamsters were more than happy to take refuge in one of the many control towers (also called Baywatch towers) rigged up on the beach. From their exalted bamboo Olympus__the hamsters were quick to assert proudly that they were the only non-governmental group to have a tower all to themselves__they opened lines of communication between the BMC, traffic police, lifeguards, First Aid and ambulance centres, and their other towers at CP Tank, Prathna Samaj and Opera House.

The scene at Chowpatty was a masterful inversion of the Tower of Babel tale. Here, the towers were the peaks of calm and communication looking down at the Babel below. And what a boisterous babel it was that whooped and flowed towards the sea, tossing vermilion and caution to the winds, mashing a million marigolds into the sands. Matted with humanity, its waters turgid with idols and with megaphones shrieking for attention, Chowpatty was seething proof of Galbraith's famous description of India as `a functioning anarchy'.

All night the static and crackle and chatter went on till at five in the morning, after being touched by hundreds of supplicatory hands seeking mannat and threading through the ``sensitive Muslim areas'' in Byculla where it was garlanded by the Hindu-Muslim Ekta Committee, the gigantic 30-feet-tall Lalbaugcha Raja slowly rolled in.

Communalism was in abeyance and cosmopolitanism in evidence at the various beach service stalls. Cheek by jowl with the Muslim Ambulance Society, Saifee Ambulance and the St John's Ambulance Brigade were the Cosmopolitan Progressive Group doling out iced drinking water and the Haryana Mitra Mandal providing puri-bhaji. The eco-religionists were aggressively represented too in the parade of Clean Mumbai Foundation banners strung along the barricades. The BMC control tower displaying some uncharacteristic semantic savvy had painted on its banner: Swachham Shivam Sundaram.

Despite repeated admonitions on the mike to parents to hold on tight to their children, ``Lahan mulanni hath sodu naka'', 65 children were lost and found, with more than a little help from the hamster crew. Thanks to the excellent security arrangements made by the BMC and police__one hamster was even stationed aboard a lifeboat__there were no major mishaps this year. Last year, when an overly chubby Ganesh was stuck between truck and beach, the hamsters had to summon a forklift to unwedge him. This year the transition was smooth.

``I've been watching the immersion for the past ten years and seen how things have improved,'' says P.D. Karguppikar, assistant divisional fire officer. ``The idols move fast, there's better sanitation and no one goes thirsty. Groups like the ham operators have an important role to play.''

More than 700 massive Ganeshas (12-feet-plus makes for massive) were immersed at Chowpatty alone. No one has a count of the little roly-polys that streamed in all day on carts, on shoulders, in taxis and even in a Qualis or two. Itinerant photographers with polaroid cameras made a killing and the few brave foreign tourists who had ventured forth to capture a definitive slice of India unplugged clicked away deliriously. It was a day of Modak moments like no other.

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844. Happy Birthday - VU2OUT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-26 07:42:07 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 844 Message: 844
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MARS wishes its founder member Ratnesh Javeri - [VU2OUT] a very Happy Birthday.

845. " Beware Of Vultures"

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-26 18:53:51 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 845 Message: 845

Beware of the 'Vultures'!
from Jerry Heien, N9AVY on September 16, 2002
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No one really likes to think about it, but someday we'll all be Silent Keys. Those who are left behind will no doubt be "stuck" with a lot of equipment and parts which they may not know how to dispose of; more precisely, how to get some of that hard-earned cash back that we invested in all that "junk"
The simplest way to protect the "heirs" from being confused and possibly ripped off is to make a complete inventory of your shack and workshop. Finding the current market value of used equipment might be difficult, but a listing of purchase prices is a good start. It would be nice if local clubs had a committee, which could help by figuring out current market prices so the heirs would be able to get a decent return on our investment.
Recently, I was present at an estate sale where a fellow ham offered the widow a measly $200 for equipment that was easily worth twice that and maybe more. I paid half that amount for just one older radio! Unfortunately, there are many of these "Vultures" out there who take advantage of these situations and will take it all out to hamfests or put it on eBay.
These "vultures" are really slick businessmen who use ham radio as a vehicle to make money and are seldom heard on the air unless they hear of equipment for sale. When they get to a sale they tell you it's old, outdated and they probably wouldn't be able to sell it for very much. When you hear that line, you can put your ear next to the guy's head and hear the cash register ringing!
If you go to hamfests be sure to find out who the "vultures" are and never buy anything from them. Maybe they'll go away. The local ham grapevine should be able to identify these characters for you.
Protect yourself and your survivors by having a complete inventory and access to honest hams who will assist your survivors in disposing of your equipment.

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Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14980)

by WD0CT (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WD0CT) on September 16, 2002

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=14980)

You are right on target about this. Write down all your equipment--what you paid for it and what it is actually worth. This will have to be updated from time to time.
Get a trusted friend and ask him to take care of selling your things and/or advising your loved ones of their worth. Let your family know about this arrangement. This fellow should know the market or how to learn the market value of these items and then list them for sale or auction.
Screw the vultures. Make em fight for it on ebay.

73,
Steve

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14984)

by WA8HHH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA8HHH) on September 16, 2002

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=14984)

The Vultures are usually pretty obvious at the swaps. They also make the rounds at closing time looking for the ham with the dismayed expression on his face as he looks at the pile of unsold equipment he has to put back into his car and lug home. The $20 bills come out and that cash register sound you mention starts clanging away while a ham goes home with chump change but an empty trunk. The only good news is that the XYL will probably be happy the stuff is gone.

Another of the "Vultures" out there is the "charitable contribution" where you donate cash or equipment to an organization that leads you to believe that it will be put to use directly in perhaps an underdeveloped part of the world or a public group who would otherwise not be able to afford the equipment. Then, lo and behold, the stuff appears by magic on the equipment boards around the Internet.

Perhaps it is also wise to ask the charity for information about disposition of donations, operating expenses, salaries, overhead and other deductions from those donations. With the these expenses running up to 85% of the donations in "legitimate" charities, what happens to your good intentioned donation? I guess it isn't only the buyer who needs to beware.

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14987)

by K4SFC (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K4SFC) on September 16, 2002

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Twice I have handled estate sales of a deceased friends ham gear. Both times the "Vultures" were his "other" friends. I've been called bad names by both the sellers and the buyers. The Wife said I didn't get enough money and the buyers said I was ripping them off. Both times I took zero for myself. (in case you were wondering) As a result, I said no to the last one that asked me to do an estate sale. My best advice is to make provisions for the disposition of your ham equipment in writing before it's too late. You can list it with prices you think it's worth and get a person lined up to sell it for your spouse. Or you can give it away or whatever. But, you are doing no one a favor by asking them to sell your ham gear in case of your going SK! I was treated badly by both the family and the buyers. And the emotions I went through were bad enough. In both cases the hams that went SK were dear friends of mine. My best advice is to tell your spouse to give the gear away, first come first served. And put a donation box by the door. Do not put one of your dear friends in the position of trying to satisfy everyone. Because you cannot satisfy anyone in these cases.
P.S. The one I refused to do, was bought by a few of his "friends" that put their money together. You should have heard these "sickos" laughing and talking about how they ripped off his son. Seems like the moral turpitude of people now days turns to water, when faced

with a money situation. I'm just a human with my own weaknesses, But money is not worth trading "MY SOUL" for.

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14991)

by KG6AMW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KG6AMW) on September 16, 2002

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Well, I myself would never take advantage of a widow. I just couldn't look myself in the eye every morning shaving knowing I hoodwinked an old lady. When you guys take on these transactions, please do the right thing and offer a decent price. Having said all this, most family members of silent keys are just looking to unload fast and are really quite glad to get something for it. As you get older, it may be wise to begin unloading the more obscure stuff out of your shack and just go with fewer and newer pieces of equipment. Also, donating the equipment to a ham club or community college is another option.

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14995)

by WB4M (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WB4M) on September 16, 2002

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=14995)

I will be facing surgery in the very near future, and because of that, I made a complete list of every piece of ham radio gear that I own, down to the digital clock. I made note of all serial numbers and model numbers. I also wrote down what I thought would be a fair price for someone to pay for my equipment, and I arrived at those prices by getting a good idea of prices being paid for used gear on eBay and other internet sell/swap boards. I have a long-time dear ham friend who I have asked to manage the selling of my gear if I die before he does. I told him he could have any of the gear he wants but he knows the money received will go towards my grandchildrens trust fund and that I want the bulk of it sold.

I think I have taken the correct approach but I am open to further options or ideas.

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14997)

by N3MVF (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N3MVF) on September 16, 2002

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I make a copy of the ad from where I purchased the equipment. If used equipment, a copy of an ad and write the purchase price and note "purchased used". Then I attach that to the inventory. Also, I cirle or mark any options on the ad such as filters etc, that I may have purchased with the radio. Since I run some LMR 400 and 600 coax for VHF work, I even have that there because it "looks like wire" to my family. Actually, I put the folder in with my life insurance policies because my wife knows where they are stored. Just some ideas.

73
Greg

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/14999)

by N3MVF (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N3MVF) on September 16, 2002

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After thought. I only did the above after I survived an unexpected, no warning sign except genetics, heart attack at the age of 42. So, make it easy on your love ones, and prepare, as we will be SK's if we want to or not!

good luck and 73
Greg

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15003)

by KI3B (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KI3B) on September 16, 2002

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Yeah, it's pretty bad when your so called 'friends' turn on you and your family at their time of grief. I've heard more than one story about the $200 Alpha 76 sold because some widow just wanted 'it out of here'.

One other idea is to check with the ham store you do business with on their estate policies. You may just do your widow/family a big favor by having the ham store handle your estate and forget about these other 'helpful' guys. Check with the salesman the next time you buy some gear and get a business card or two for your will folder. At least most of the businesses will try to help a customer's family in need I'd believe and at least attempt to treat them fairly.
Forget eBay and it's pricing, anymore the pricing of ham gear on eBay is rediculous and at times exceeds what you can buy it for new. A gear-list updated yearly is an easy spreadsheet we all should have in that will folder too....

73, from Joe KI3B

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15013)

by W5HTW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W5HTW) on September 16, 2002

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As an aging ham, approaching 63 (gads -- how did that happen?) I, too, have made plans. Some basic familiarization with the equipment to my wife has helped her understand, but she is in no way technically inclined (she thinks a pencil sharpener is over her head) so it was time to give her some real help.

Aside from creating folders in the desk drawer, correctly labelled, to contain manuals and spec sheets, I decided to do something that would help the non-technical. I made a list of all the equipment, first. I pretended I was going to sell it, which allowed me to think in

terms of "what goes with it" - that is, microphone, power cord, crystals, patch cords, manual, etc. Then I took a series of photos of the station setup the way I normally keep it. Using a felt-tip marker, I circled the individual station items on the photo, and gave each item a "key" number. That number relates back to the typed list. She can now look at the photo, use the key number, refer to the list, identify the item, its approximate current value, and everything that goes with it. If I make changes to the operating bench, I photograph it again, and re-do the key.

I also photographed the home breaker box, and marked on the photo the two breakers that shut off the 220 VAC to the shack. Those breakers control all radio equipment that is on the operating position. This means she can turn off the power and safetly disconnect equipment all by herself.

Equipment that is not currently being used is also photographed. Again, it is related by a key number back to the same list. Its condition, if it needs repair, is marked too, not in specific terms, but generally, like "needs speaker" or "no audio output," or "audio but no signals heard." This way she can tell a prospective buyer that the equipment does not work, can give them an idea of what may be wrong with it, and can price it accordingly.

Since she is not into computers, all this is on paper and hard copy photographs. There are directions about how to contact someone who can help her advertise it both in area papers and, if need be, on the web. In the long run, as someone says, most widows simply want to get the stuff out of the way, and she may take far less than market value. But the choice will be hers and she will have the information to make that choice.

In addition, I have two very special boot disks for the computer! Each one will boot the computer onto a floppy disk, and then give her prompts of what she can do next. The recommended choice is to reformat the hard drives, and reset the partition information. Anyone can do it, and no computer literacy is required. While it is true neither of those actions completely destroys data, there is a second floppy disk in the series that will allow her to write zeros to the entire hard drive. The idea is she will undoubtedly want to sell the computer, and we would not want personal information left on it. Again, the option of using the second disk is up to her, for if she gives it to one of the kids, she may not care about the possibility of recovery of data, so may choose not to write zeros to the hard drive.

As I noted, I'm in my early sixties. But even those in their thirties may find such things useful, as one just never knows. Making the burden lighter on those remaining behind should be a priority for all of us.

73
Ed

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15015)

by W5HTW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W5HTW) on September 16, 2002

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And as an addendum to the previous, I have also begun unloading the "non-essentials." I really hated to part with some of it, but the fact is, I will part will all of it someday. I had a Hammarlund rig, HX-50 and HQ180, which has now been sold. My second Collins S-Line

has also been sold. An old National receiver that worked fairly well has been sold. Remaining gear is the gear I actually use on a daily basis, and is covered in the photographs. We who tend to collect boat anchors, though I am not really a "collector" have things lying around with very arbitrary values - worth hundreds to one person, doughnuts to another. I found it is best to sell them while I'm in control, rather than wait and let her do it when I'm in a nursing home or pine box. Things of known value are easier, but that old Hallicrafters may be worth quite a bit to a collector, and not worth a box of Cracker Jacks to a digital radio fan.

73
Ed

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15035)

by WN3VAW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WN3VAW) on September 16, 2002

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About three times in the past two years, I was contacted by a non-ham family member who was trying to dispose of the remains of a ham's estate (in one case the heirs, one the widow, and one the executor of the will).

In all three cases, the story I heard was of some (unidentified) ham or hams who either claimed that some of the equipment was promised to them -- and I suspect that was more or less true, especially when one of the buyers offered $$ and didn't expect an "inheritance -- and of other hams or antique radio dealers who tried to low-ball them on the value of the equipment, and get it for close to nothing.

Sadly, none of these cases was local to me (one was about 2 hours away, the other two out of state). In the two out of state cases, I got ahold of a friend who could help the family out. In the third case, I tried to do that but never heard back from them.

Keep in mind, of course, that this breed of vultures is not just a despicable type of ham, but a despicable type of human being. They do similar things with all sorts of estate sales.

In any event... if you're interested in reading the sad story of what happend to the 8AIC estate, go to http://doit.pgh.net/~wolfie/washrag.htm and download the September 2002 issue. N3RHT's article is on page 5.

73, ron wn3vaw

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15039)

by NB6Z (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/NB6Z) on September 16, 2002

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When I go "SK" some day, I just hope my radio gear goes to some one who will enjoy and use it. My XYL won't need the little cash she might get for my radios.
So with that thought in mind... At age 52, I have been an active ham for 37 years. I plan

to be an active ham for 20 more years (knock on wood.) So if your outlook is shorter than mine, I would be honored to be mentioned in your Will. I will be happy to "pass it on" in good time... ;-)
My address is good in the Call Book...

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15043)

by KR4WM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KR4WM) on September 16, 2002

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I can only offer what our local club does- we have a group of no less than three knowledgable hams go over to the home and price everything. They are not eligible to purchase anything at that time. They make a list with prices, and present it to the widow(er). (We've only had to deal with widows so far.) After approval, the list will be made available to club members on a first-come first-served basis. Any leftovers are placed on E-bay, and the fees are subtracted from the proceeds with the remainder going to the widow. Better yet, would be to elmer a son or grandson into the hobby, and let them price the gear (or give it to them). My most recent purchase was a set of Drake twins from my own elmer's SK sale, and I'll never sell them. I bought them for a fair price, even though to me, they're priceless! One problem with letting the original owner price thier own SK sale is that many times, they overprice big-ticket items and they won't sell. TS-940? I'd price one at $1500.00, but being brutally honest, you're lucky to get $600.00 out of one these days....things just ain't like they used to be! -Web in Myrtle Beach, SC KR4WM

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15045)

by N0TONE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N0TONE) on September 16, 2002

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Guys, there really is a way to handle this without going through the arduous task of listing everything.

We all have trusted friends, right? If not, why not? Surely, there is one, or maybe there are two or three other hams - guys you think of first when you think about putting up a new antenna, or doing an outside-the-club Field Day. Guys you drink beer with (if young enough) or trade surgery stories with (if older).

Just make an agreement with them - a gentleman's handshake is enough. And let your spouse(s) know. We've all agreed that we'll take the load off the other guy's spouse if the time comes. We all know and trust each other. We have stations of similar capabilities, so there's no coveting going on, and we're capable of knowing what a fair price is.

I'm in my late seventies. My wife knows the list of 3 guys to call in the event of my demise.

And, when it's all said and done, this should NOT be a big deal. If your ham station's financial value is a large part of your nest egg, then you have screwed up priorities anyway. Your poor wife should not have had to go this long sacrificing so much just so you could have your radio hobby.

On that last part, I'm probably preaching to the choir. If you're in your seventies and have been married a long time, then you've already got that figured out.

AM

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15047)

by AD6GO (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AD6GO) on September 16, 2002

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I heard of hams scouring the obituaries daily and then going online and doing a call-sign search. If the SK was a ham, they'd "make a visit" to the house and offer thier condolances and ask to buy the equipment. Pure vultures indeed.

When I go SK, I've asked my family to stack the radio gear up in the coffin with me. I hear the DX is good up in Heaven.

73
Steve Giron
AD6GO

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15048)

by N8FVJ (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N8FVJ) on September 16, 2002

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Even though I am only 52, I been thinning out my amateur equipment. My gear will be divided among my surviving friends at no cost!

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15051)

by WD0CT (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WD0CT) on September 16, 2002

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n8fvj--I'm doing the same thing and one buddy and my brother get what is left.

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15056)

by W9JUV (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W9JUV) on September 16, 2002

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Beware another kind of vulture, too!

In recent years I've been tasked several times by "widows and orphans" to help dispose of estate gear. Some of the people I knew, most I did not. My response has been that I'll take

the equipment and clean it up, check it out, repair (simple only!) if necessary, and sell with MY warrantee -- for a small commission.

I also provide them a detailed listing WITH the price I hope to get for each item, and urge them to check it with another ham if they wish. It can be fun when it's mobile gear, hand-helds and station accessories -- but linears and boat anchors are back breakers!

Recently I got an HRO-60 as part of an estate; I found the power tranformer had a short that popped the proper fuse and -- with a heavier fuse -- heated notably and started to stink in 2-3 minutes.

I took it to a hamfest, told everyone who admired it the problem, and ended up selling it for half its working value to a guy who "Just couldn't wait to get it home and fix it up and use it!"

The very NEXT DAY I was at another hamfest when I found it on a table for $375! I asked the woman minding the table if they were telling would-be buyers about the shorted power transformer and she responded "I don't know nuttin' about that!" When I returned a few minutes later the HRO-60 was gone; I sure hope the buyer got the seller's REAL name and phone number!

The moral is that there is more than one kind of vulture out there, so beware!

73, Joe/W9JUV

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15062)

by N0TONE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N0TONE) on September 17, 2002

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Got another tip from a fellow ham at work that we all ought to think about.

His way of unburdening his wife went like this.

"Honey, the way I see it, the total amount of money that you could get from my ham gear if I die is about $20,000. There are 75 items, so that's about $250 each. How would you like to handle it?"

She replied, "If they're worth that much, really, do you suppose you could pre-arrange that the local ham club could take it all as a donation, and I'll just write it off? You could just fill out a list with what's there, when you go, the club gets it, and then they can sell it, and I really don't care how much they get for it!"

Done deal.

Here are the rules, guys:

1) Make it SIMPLE on the remaining family. If they are not fluent in radio, make sure they do not have to make ANY decisions.
2) Don't make them work any harder to maximize the money they get from it. If you've passed away, they really don't care about the money, it's simply NOT important. It's only us greedy hams who worry so much about the money.

3) Make it SIMPLE on the remaining family. If they are not fluent in radio, make sure they do not have to make ANY decisions.
4) How complex are funeral arrangements? Getting rid of the rigs involves about the same amount of money. It should be much simpler.
5) Read rule #1 again.
6) An estate is not the thing you want to get the most money out of. When selling an estate, the goal is to make it simple on those who have to deal with it.
7) Read rule #1 again.
8) IF A PIECE OF EQUIPMENT NEEDS ANY REPAIR WHATSOEVER, THEN THE ONLY ACCEPTABLE VALUE IN AN ESTATE IS ZERO. NEVER VIOLATE THIS RULE. If it needs fixing, do it NOW, before someone ELSE has to try to negotiate getting maximum dollar for it. There are people whose entire business is about maximizing money from estate sales. Their reputation is ruined if something they sell is not in working order, and they won't have anytihng to do with it. Those items are what end up in the trash heap, even if it's only a speaker or a fuse.
9) Read rule #1 again

And finally, in case you didn't get it...the money is NOT the most important point here. Rule #1 is.

I have been asked to handle the estates for about two dozen friends now - hams and non-hams. I can GUARANTEE you this - the widow who only got 20% of what the stuff could have fetched (and knew about it) but didn't have to mess with it, is always happier than the widow who got "the fair price" but had to deal with even ONE buyer directly.

The widow is not only lacking in knowledge about radios, she is also utterly lacking in any desire to "do deals" the way hams do, whether she gets a good deal or not. If that thing were her bag, then she'd be doing the hamfests with the OM, and she'd be able to handle this all on her own without any help.

AM

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15063)

by N9AVY (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N9AVY) on September 17, 2002

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Joe, W9JUV, brought up a good point about another kind of vulture, the quick buck artist at hamfests. Some time ago I brought a nice looking SWR/power meter at a fest and was told it was "from an estate sale". Looked to be in good condition; so I didn't mind paying good money for it. Well, I got it home only to find out it was a dead as the SK whose estate it may have come from.

When a seller at a hamfest tells me "it's from an estate" or "it worked the last time I used it", I now just walk away no matter how good the deal looks.

jerry

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15072)

by KE9UE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KE9UE) on September 17, 2002

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Had a HF rig for sale and got a call from what was (she said) a 13 year old girl that had been working and saving to get a HF rig for herself and her school in N. Wisconsin. Wanted a almost donation of the rig..and so on,,family was poor, no money, etc, well I bit and notice a week or so later what I thought was my rig for sale on the swap page. Person listing it had a Ex class call and I looked it up and was same last name and address. As this person was in our club area no one knew the family..I found out later this was a ongoing thing using the poor daughter to buy equipment for resale....stupid me !

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15073)

by KA5N (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KA5N) on September 17, 2002

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This thread has set me to thinking. I have heard tales
of the family of the SK taking the radio equipment to
the dump or tossing it in dumpsters. We aren't going
to last forever, but maybe sometimes even the vultures
do good by keeping the old gear in circulation awhile
longer. Once at a swapmeet a radio club was selling
the gear of an SK and some ham walked up and said
"Look at what I found in that old Hammerlund receiver."
He had a handfull of $100 bills. The old fellow had
been storing his excess cash in the equipment. The
total was over $10,000 and was given to the widow
(who needed it pretty badly). The equipment was
throughly searched and then sold at auction (good
prices were cajoled out of the bidders). I like to
think that most hams are honest. I am often disapointed.
Allen KA5N

The $5 Lesson

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15074)

by KG6AMW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KG6AMW) on September 17, 2002

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Last year, I rounded up an old Heathkit oscilloscope that I had purchased for $15 sometime back that I never ended up using. I cleaned it up, put some new rubber feet on it and generally tightened up everything. I took my blind friend to the swap meet with the intention of selling it. While I was walking around, a vulture came by bought it from my friend for $5. The guy just took advantage my friend while I stepped away. So lesson learned:
Buy new and keep new. When it comes time to sell, give it away as a charity item to a new ham, community college or a local ham club or let a friend have it for nothing. Life's too short to deal with people with low mentalities and greedy natures.

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15075)

by KB8ASO (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KB8ASO) on September 17, 2002

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Time to call the local police fraud department. This is simple fraud and misrepersentation. The b*stard should goto jail. Using your own minor daughter is about as low as you can go. Get names of others ripped off by this jerk if they are willing to file a complaint. Even if it doesn't result in an arrest, just having the cops "visit" him just might put the fear of God in him! The reason this continues to go on is no one is willing to put forth the effort to put a stop to it. What a stinkin' slimeball!!!

73
Randy KB8ASO

p.s. Have a trused friend place your ham items on Ebay when you pass on. The widow will know she got top $$$ and the Vultures can go to a very HOT place!!!

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A good club/arrl function

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15077)

by KA1EZE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KA1EZE) on September 17, 2002

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This is an ideal activity for the arrl/local clubs to provide.

If a family member could know to contact the arrl to find a local club that would handle this, the local club could assist. It seems right on target for ham activity.

Not only could there be equipment to deal with, there also could be towers they would have no idea what to do about. A local club would be more of a check and balance than one person, unless it's a group of vultures!

rick

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15087)

by W9JCM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W9JCM) on September 18, 2002

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Wow, thanks for your article. Its about time this has been brought up. We have a few of these jerks around here. They "buy estate sales" Meaning they knock on the doors of the widows before the SK is even burried and tell them this is worthless I will give you this and trust me its a good price. And so on. I have seen it on 2 occasions here. I got involved in it the first time and got the crooks out of the mix. Its a real shame to see this sort of thing in the hobby.

RE: A good club/arrl function

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15088)

by W7UIV (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W7UIV) on September 18, 2002

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Here is something else to watch out for, and I don't know what to do to protect yourself unless it might be to get a written agreement signed by both the friend and his spouse. And then keep daily contact with them until you get your property back. Sounds unreasonable?

I am talking about loaning of equipment to closest friends and they pass away while it is still in their possession. It would be bad enough if it was just a multimeter or a handeld rig, but in these two cases I am talking about a very late Collins 75A4 and in the other case the latest S line. I loaned the A4 to the ham who got my dad started in ham radio in the early 30s. The S line to a friend of mine. Both passed away within a short time after my last contact with them. The daughter of the one who had the A4 sold it at a garage sale, so I discovered about 6 months later. In the case of the S line, I was told by a mutual friend it was gone before the widow and kids even had time to arrange the ham garage sale.

Somebody had to have had their eye on that, and made darn sure it didn't get away, by rushing in before someone else got to it. And with the amount of speed involved I almost wonder if it may have been someone who had asked my friend if he wanted to sell it, but was informed it wasn't for sale because it was a loaner. The only thing I could find out about the transaction is that whoever he was, the offer he made wasn't a cheap one. So he didn't get by with "stealing" it in the monetary sense. He was only able to prevent it from going back to the true owner (if that was indeed his intent for getting there so fast). So far as the widow is concerned, she doesn't remember the day I brought it over, even though she was sitting at the table I set it on, and attentive to the discussion that her husband and I were having about it. And there was no use of my causing any trouble because she had since that time suffered through surgeries, been bedridden for several months, and was on strong medications. So what do you do?

If we loan equipment, no matter what it is, it seems there should be some sort of written statement about who it belongs to. Make, model, serial number. The friend with the 75A4 was 91 years old, so I should have anticipated that possibility, but his wife knew it so why bother? Well, I'm told by the daughter that her mother passed away a few days after her dad.

The other ham passed away untimely in his mid 60s, which only goes to show you never know. But then I wonder how a written statement would have helped get the S line back from the person who zeroed in and got it before anyone had time to even think about it? As I recall, I only knew of his passing through a mutual friend of ours who called in a few days, and it was already gone then!!

RE: A good club/arrl function

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15089)

by W7UIV (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W7UIV) on September 18, 2002

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Sorry, an add to above because now I recall how it went.

I received a call from our mutual friend a few days after to to tell me our friend had passed away. In the shock of the moment I forgot all about the S line.

Then a couple of days after I received another call from the same friend who inquired "Say, do I remember something between you and Don about a Collins S line?" I said yes and explained, then I asked if he would be able to go over and get it. That's when I found out "Too late, it's already gone, that's why I'm asking you about it".

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15091)

by WB9GKZ (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WB9GKZ) on September 18, 2002

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PLEASE........GET REAL !!!

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Pat WB9GKZ

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15094)

by NB6Z (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/NB6Z) on September 18, 2002

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I guess one mans "vulture" is another mans "early bird". (The early bird catches the worm ;-)

RE: A good club/arrl function

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15099)

by KC9ASI (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC9ASI) on September 18, 2002

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Good thought on loaning gear - I think that I'll be tagging all shack equipment with owner's Name,
Callsign, and contact information (Telephone and Email). After all, 73 years old is just another 48 years from now... and that way, I can be sure that people don't "accidentally" forget who's gear it is (it won't prevent "intentional" forgetfulness).

I'm thinking a nice little "repair tag" type ticket (as one might see on a lawnmower down at the local hardware store to get fixed up) attached to a crimp-on ring terminal, put under one of the case screws on the back.

RE: A good club/arrl function

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15100)

by WD0CT (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WD0CT) on September 18, 2002

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I wondered how long it would before this sort of bulls*** showed up! Some people would justify dealing with the devil. PLEASE GIVE US A BREAK. There will be plenty of vintage gear on ebay and elsewhere without vultures and jackals. "Total state of denial about his own mortality my foot". Ever hear of accidental death?

Steve wd0ct

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15101)

by KY6R (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KY6R) on September 18, 2002

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List your equipment in your will / family trust - and how you want the equipment donated, sold or whatever.

Consider donating equipment to organizations or local clubs where they might give the equipment to new hams who may not have the $$$$$ to buy expensive new equipment. Maybe the SK was even a member of the club or organization that is receiving the "gift".

Then everyone wins.

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15103)

by K1OU (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K1OU) on September 18, 2002

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If you can, dig up an article that was in QST around 1967 called "Are You Ready To Leave?". Pretty relevant to this discussion.

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15106)

by WB0ROD (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WB0ROD) on September 19, 2002

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=15106)

KR4WM made the best remark when he commented that you should elmer your kids or grandkids so that someone in your family becomes a ham and knows what you have. I have a wife and two sons who are hams and are intimately familiar with the value of OUR gear. I have no need to worry about the disposition of the gear when I'm gone as it will be used long after I'm planted.

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15112)

by KD2E (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KD2E) on September 19, 2002

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While my wife could handle the ebaying of my junk, I don't think that is something I should leave her with.
With a baby to arrive in November, I hope I have many more years left on this chunk a dirt, but I'm already putting stuff I just don't use on a shelf and selling it off.
If you are 70, and have a basement full of stuff with no plans....shame on you!!
If you are 70 and married.. shame on you, you rat bastard!
Even if someone has to plow that junk out and into a landfill...thats a job!!
Sell it all now, and get a nice hot tub or something.

What more do you need than a single 756pro and a 2 meter FM CB??

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15116)

by KA0MR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KA0MR) on September 19, 2002

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We call them E-Bay Trolls. Wanna find one real quick advertise Collins equipment on QTH.COM or the others and you will quickly be contacted for your wares.

His favorite ploy is to tell you he would like to have it but can't raise the money for a weeks or so or the end of the months. He seems like a kindly old gentleman so you think about it and the thought occurs to you this guys is retired and on social security and really has longed for the Collins line so since you really aren't parting with this for the money you send it on to him as a philanthropic gesture and are willing to wait until his social security check comes so he can get groceries and with enough scrounged he will pay you.

But alas you recieve a phone call from the kind old gent and he tells you of blemishes on it that somehow escaped your eyesight and offers you much less than what you asked for.

Not really being worth your effort to have him send it back and absorbing the 35.00 dollars each way to ship it you settle for what he offers you.

Bet you find your philanthropic trophy on E-Bay just as soon as he cleanes it up and shines it and sells it for 3 times what you asked.

Think it don't happen well I'm here to tell you it happend to me and the kindly old gent told me I was stupid for sending it to him unpaid.

How's that for a story. Sadly a true story.

The man that did this to me lives in Branson Missouri so if you recieve a call like that from Branson remeber my story.

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15122)

by N8IK (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N8IK) on September 19, 2002

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=15122)

The problem for some of you is that you told the XYL you only paid $200 for the 756pro2. How's she suppose to know what it's worth?!

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15129)

by KG5IF (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KG5IF) on September 20, 2002

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Besides fending off the vultures another reason to do an inventory and take pictures is in case of a loss by theft, fire or some disaster. Keep the list off site if possible and check with your insurance company to see what your coverage is. Many folks think they are insured but are not.. I know from experience on this.

Rich KG5IF

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15132)

by K8KAS (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K8KAS) on September 20, 2002

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=15132)

I have been thru two or three "estate" sales and it is a total pain to deal with. You know what it's like selling the stuff, in most cases no manuals, the guy smoked himself to death and the radio and equipment shows it, no idea if it works, towing it around to swapfests, etc. My feeling is if you pay 50% of what it lists for in an AES catalog used, you might break even after your all done fooling around. The Vultures you talk about earn their money.

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15136)

by KA0MR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KA0MR) on September 20, 2002

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=15136)

After 2 estate sales you didn't learn??

Or are you still on the prowl to make that buck of the estate??

Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15138)

by KD7KOY (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KD7KOY) on September 20, 2002

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=15138)

I don't know if it has always been this way, but I have been seeing alot of sleezebags with callsigns on Ebay who advertise "estate sales".
I don't recommend having a "club" involved. As one noted, make a list of gear and fair market price and leave it with your wife, significant other or relative.
Unless the ham community as a whole gets involved in this, it will get worse and we all will have the sign of "sleezebag" when it comes to buying and selling.

RE: Beware of the 'Vultures'!

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/15146)

by K6LVD (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K6LVD) on September 20, 2002

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=15146)

Of course there are two opinions on this subject.

there are three types of ham estate sales which I have attended. First is the Estate Garage Sale where everything is sold at once and not just the Ham stuff. this is handled by the family or an estate Sale professional. There is no opportunity for the buyer to gouge the family as you can not meet them.

Then there is the Ham Estate Sale where it is run by the Club or a Friend. In this case the seller is aware of the value of the items , but in the interest of clearing out the estate will price the stuff to move.

Then the third is the family selling the stuff through an ad in the paper. This is were the shenigans can take place. It is sometimes best for the people to have some one appraise the stuff and then donate it to the Salvation Army, or the Radio Club. But this does not give them any money so they become sujbect to being cheated.

I have handled 3 estates and in each case I took the gear , sold it on Ebay , kept a 25% commission for my work and had happy widdows to whom I could give cash.

There is always a problem with people chasing the obits to get gear, and that can not be changed. But, let's face it folks, when the gear is brought to the swap meet for sale the buyers are there in force and will never pay more than the people ask for the geat. And if they do not know what it is worth the problem arises.

I have run a swap net for years and I have seen hams come (Message over 64 KB, truncated)

846. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2OUT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-27 04:12:52 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 844 Message: 846

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(http://g.msn.com/1HM1ENIN/c157??PI=44344)

847. Re: [m_a_r_s] Times of India Coverage.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-27 11:13:39 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 843 Message: 847

dear vu2nlf,
congragulations to the entire team of ganeh visarjan for their perfomance.It's a moment for all hams to be proud that our activity is listed in one of the major newspaper which is read by thousands of readers.
i again congragulate the club.
73's
vu3sob

>From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>CC: "mars_classes" <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Times of India Coverage.
>Date: Mon, 23 Sep 2002 20:54:42 +0530
>
>Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
>
>Dear Friends,
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>The Times of India has published an article in TOI 23th September 2002 on
>page 2 about Ganesh Visarjan.
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>They have also mailed me a soft copy as listed below:-
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>Modak moments at Chowpatty
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>By Nina Martyris
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>TIMES NEWS NETWORK
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>Mumbai: On Visarjan night, as they have been doing for the past five years,
>Mumbai's hamsters got crackling. Into the dynamic homecoming scene of
>Mumbai's most popular deity, the wireless crew infused a much-needed
>measure of static.
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>Cocooned from the din behind a spongy set of headphones and looking more
>professional than the police, the Mumbai Amateur Radio Society,
>demonstrated that their crackle-and-static hobby could be used effectively
>for the greater common good. Thanks to their wireless grapevine, lost
>children were found, more nouveau forms of communication technology as
>techies-come-lately. In an era where internet and mobile phones are the
>preferred mediums of chat, this Morse-stricken set insists that its
>technology is older (not outdated, mind you), cheaper, faster and far more

>independent since, as hamster Nilesh Rathod declares, ``We're wireless, we
>don't have to depend on towers.''
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>On Friday night, however, the hamsters were more than happy to take refuge
>in one of the many control towers (also called Baywatch towers) rigged up
>on the beach. From their exalted bamboo Olympus__the hamsters were quick to
>assert proudly that they were the only non-governmental group to have a
>tower all to themselves__they opened lines of communication between the
>BMC, traffic police, lifeguards, First Aid and ambulance centres, and their
>other towers at CP Tank, Prathna Samaj and Opera House.
>
>The scene at Chowpatty was a masterful inversion of the Tower of Babel
>tale. Here, the towers were the peaks of calm and communication looking
>down at the Babel below. And what a boisterous babel it was that whooped
>and flowed towards the sea, tossing vermilion and caution to the winds,
>mashing a million marigolds into the sands. Matted with humanity, its
>waters turgid with idols and with megaphones shrieking for attention,
>Chowpatty was seething proof of Galbraith's famous description of India as
>`a functioning anarchy'.
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>All night the static and crackle and chatter went on till at five in the
>morning, after being touched by hundreds of supplicatory hands seeking
>mannat and threading through the ``sensitive Muslim areas'' in Byculla
>where it was garlanded by the Hindu-Muslim Ekta Committee, the gigantic
>30-feet-tall Lalbaugcha Raja slowly rolled in.
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>Communalism was in abeyance and cosmopolitanism in evidence at the various
>beach service stalls. Cheek by jowl with the Muslim Ambulance Society,
>Saifee Ambulance and the St John's Ambulance Brigade were the Cosmopolitan
>Progressive Group doling out iced drinking water and the Haryana Mitra
>Mandal providing puri-bhaji. The eco-religionists were aggressively
>represented too in the parade of Clean Mumbai Foundation banners strung
>along the barricades. The BMC control tower displaying some
>uncharacteristic semantic savvy had painted on its banner: Swachham Shivam
>Sundaram.
>
>Despite repeated admonitions on the mike to parents to hold on tight to
>their children, ``Lahan mulanni hath sodu naka'', 65 children were lost and
>found, with more than a little help from the hamster crew. Thanks to the
>excellent security arrangements made by the BMC and police__one hamster was
>even stationed aboard a lifeboat__there were no major mishaps this year.
>Last year, when an overly chubby Ganesh was stuck between truck and beach,
>the hamsters had to summon a forklift to unwedge him. This year the
>transition was smooth.
>
>``I've been watching the immersion for the past ten years and seen how
>things have improved,'' says P.D. Karguppikar, assistant divisional fire
>officer. ``The idols move fast, there's better sanitation and no one goes
>thirsty. Groups like the ham operators have an important role to play.''
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>More than 700 massive Ganeshas (12-feet-plus makes for massive) were
>immersed at Chowpatty alone. No one has a count of the little roly-polys
>that streamed in all day on carts, on shoulders, in taxis and even in a
>Qualis or two. Itinerant photographers with polaroid cameras made a killing
>and the few brave foreign tourists who had ventured forth to capture a
>definitive slice of India unplugged clicked away deliriously. It was a day
>of Modak moments like no other.
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Chat with friends online, try MSN Messenger: http://messenger.msn.com

848. Fw: [Icom] various Serial port connector pinouts

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-09-27 16:05:13 UTC
From: Prashant
Topic: 848 Message: 848

----- Original Message -----
From: "R Goodspeed (W7DGX)" <rollyg@earthlink.net>
To: <icom@...>
Sent: Friday, September 27, 2002 9:02 PM
Subject: [Icom] various Serial port connector pinouts

The following site has information on the RS-232 interface including several
alternate connector that have carried RS-232 signals.

Hope this helps.

http://www.uwsg.iu.edu/usail/peripherals/serial/rs232/

Rolly W7DGX

Larry Winslow wrote:

> To those who I sent the diagram for the CT-17 interface, one bit of
> information is missing.
>
> The pin declarations for the computer serial port are for DB-25 connectors.
>
> 73 - Larry WØNFU
>
> ----
> Your Moderator: Dick Flanagan W6OLD, icom-owner@...
> Icom FAQ: http://www.qsl.net/icom/

Your Moderator: Dick Flanagan W6OLD, icom-owner@mailman.qth.net
Icom FAQ: http://www.qsl.net/icom/

849. Birthdays!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-01 16:42:54 UTC
From: COILNRS
Topic: 849 Message: 849

Many Happy returns of the day to Nilesh(VU2NLF) and Minoo(VU3MHC)!!!

Sarla
VU2SWS

850. Re: [m_a_r_s] Birthdays!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-02 13:07:22 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 849 Message: 850

dear sarla,

Its not my birthday, nor it is minoo's, many many days still to go for both the birthdays.

thanks anyway.

73
NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: COILNRS
To: MARS
Sent: Tuesday, October 01, 2002 10:12 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Birthdays!

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Sarla
VU2SWS

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851. Change of Guards..!!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-02 13:21:28 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 851 Message: 851
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

Sarla Sharma - VU2SWS has submitted her resignation as Chairperson of the society.

The resignation was put up in the Managing Committee held on 26th Sept 2002 and it was unanimously accepted by all the Managing Committee members.

Nafisa Shikari - VU2NFS has been appointed as the new Chairperson of the society with immediate effect.

73

Nilesh Rathod
Secretary.

852. Cross-post from radiohams@yahoogoups.com

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-04 04:51:40 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 852 Message: 852

Date: Wed, 2 Oct 2002 21:22:26 -0700 (PDT)
> From: "Jose Jacob, AT0J, India" <at0j@...>
> Subject: Ham Radio Demo
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> Dear Radio Hams,
>
> YL Bharathi, VU2RBI from New Delhi is going to
> organise Ham Radio demonstration on 5th & 12 th
> October, 2002 (Saturdays) between 10.00 a.m. and 11.00
> a.m. IST.
>
> Please look out for her on those days on 14.160 mHz.
>
> Those who will be on the frequency then, please
> confirm through email or on radio. Her email adress is
> bharathipd@...
>
> 73
>
> Jose Jacob, VU2JOS

853. ICOM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-05 18:35:32 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 853 Message: 853

QRP HF TRANSCEIVER IC-703

This new model is being designed as a portable HF transceiver that utilizes the design excellence and body of the very successful IC-706 series. It will be similar to an IC-706MKIIG without the VHF and UHF bands, and is a model in a new genre that has an automatic antenna tuner built-in, low consumption circuit design and large external battery for field use as a portable HF QRP unit.

This new model will appeal to HAM user?s who require a convenient portable HF unit, and will be an ideal long distance communications device for sparsely populated territories where set-up of normal communication infrastructure is expensive and impractical.

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Relay type antenna tuner unit built-in, 1.9-30MHz coverage
(For 50ohm load antenna. Does not match to a wire antenna

-
New low current consumption circuit design to obtain longer battery life

-
Large capacity external battery pack and antenna suitable for field operation, will be set as options

-
Suitable for not only HAM radio operation, but is an excellent unit for long distance communications in remote mountainous or desert areas where effective communications are not readily available. Also, is perfect as a communications solution for specialized applications.

-
Quick power set function to make QRP operation efficient

-
DSP built-in for auto-notch and noise reduction functions
(DSP functions are equivalent to UT-106)

-
Max 10W output. Adjustable in 10/5/1/0.5/0.1W steps
(5W when using 9.6V batteries)

-
Memory keyer function built-in

-
Multi-use versatility for the home or shack, mobile DX?ing in your car and as a field unit in the outdoors

SPECIFICATIONS

GENERAL

Frequency Range

: Refer to Version List (http://www.icom.co.jp/world/info/ic-703/Version_List.html)

Mode

: USB/LSB/CW/RTTY/AM/FM

Temperature range

: -10?C to +60?C; +14?F to +140?F

Antenna Impedance

: 50 ohms(SO-239)

Frequency stability

: Less than ?0.5 ppm (0 to 50?C; +32 to +122?F)

No. of Memory Ch.

: 105(99 split, 6 scan edges)

Frequency stability

: Less than ?0.5 ppm (1 min. after powered ON/0 to 50?C; +32 to +122?F)

Power supply voltage

: 9.0 to 15.87 V DC (negative ground)

Current Drain

: Tx

Rx

10 W
5 W
Standby
Max. audio

3.0 A
2.0 A(9.6V)
0.25 A (typ.)
0.45 A (typ.)

Dimensions
(projections not included)

: 167(W) ? 58(H) ? 200(D) mm;
6 9/16(W) ? 2 9/32(H) ? 4 7/8(D) in

Weight (approx.)

: 2.0 kg; 4 13/32 lb

TRANSMITTER

Mode

USB/LSB/CW/RTTY/AM/FM

Modulation system

: USB/LSB Blanced Modulation
AM Low Level Modulation
FM Variable Reactance Frequency Modulation

Spurious emission

: 50 dB (HF bands)

Carrier suppression

: More than 40 dB

Unwanted sideband
suppression

: More than 50 dB

Spurious Emissions

: Below 30 MHz: Less than -50 dB
Above 50 MHz: Less than -60 dB

Microphone Connector

: 8-pin modular jack (600 ohms)

Output Power

:USB/LSB/CW/FM/RTTY 0.1 to 10 W (at 13.8V)
AM 0.1 to 4 W (at 13.8 V)
USB/LSB/CW/FM/RTTY 0.1 to 5 W (at 9.6V)
AM 0.1 to 2 W (at 9.6 V)

RECEIVER

Receive system

: Double conversion Superheterodyne system

Intermediate frequencies

: 1st 64.455 MHz (for all modes)
2nd 455 kHz (for all modes)

Sensitivity (typical)

:

Frequency Range
(MHz)

SSB, CW, RTTY
(at 2.4 kHz BW)

AM
(at 6 kHz BW)

FM
(at 15 kHz BW)

0.50 - 1.799

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13?V*1

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1.80 - 29.99

0.16?V *1

2?V *1

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28.0 - 29.7

0.16?V *1

2?V *1

0.5?V *1
10 dB S/N for SSB, CW, RTTY and AM, 12 dB SINAD for FM
*1 Pre-amp is ON

Squelch sensitivity
(Pre-amp: ON)

: SSB, CW, RTTY
FM

Less than 5.6 ?V
Less than 0.32 ?V

Selectivity
(typical)

: SSB/ CW (BW: 2.4 kHz)

AM /FN-N (BW: 6 kHz)

FM (BW: 15 kHz)

More than 2.4 kHz/-6dB
Less than 4.5 kHz/-60 dB
More than 8.0 kHz/-6dB
Less than 30.0 kHz/-60 dB
More than 12.0 kHz/-6 dB
Less than 30.0 kHz/-60 dB

Spurious Response

: More than 70 dB

AF output power

: More than 1.0 W with an 8 ohms load

RIT variable range

: ?9.99 kHz

All stated specifications are subject to change without notice or obligation.

SUPPLIED ACCESSORIES

- Not fixed yet

OPTIONS

- AH-2b : Antenna Element

- AH-4 : Automatic Antenna Tuner

- AT-180 : Automatic Antenna Tuner

- CT-17 : CI-V Level Converter

- FL-52A : 455kHz CW/RTTY Narrow Filter-500 Hz/-6dB

- FL-53A : 455kHz CW Narrow Filter-250 Hz/-6dB

- FL-65 : 455kHz SSB Filter-2.4kHz/-6dB

- FL-222 : 455kHz SSB Narrow Filter-1.8kHz/-6dB

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854. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-05 18:55:55 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 854 Message: 854

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855. QSL Cards

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-08 04:05:14 UTC
From: COILNRS
Topic: 855 Message: 855

To all concerned,
QSL cards received by Mr.Vittal,VU2VIT for the following Hams were handed over to me at the Chennai Hamfest.
VU3 KPL
VU2 BEJ
VU2 SXF
VU2 NLF
VU2 RIG

Kindly arrange to collect it.
Sarla
VU2SWS

856. Re: [m_a_r_s] Birthdays!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-09 07:55:14 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 849 Message: 856

Happy Birthday

Minu on 20th Oct

Nilesh on 26th Oct

73's

JPN

--- COILNRS <coilnrs@...> wrote:
> Many Happy returns of the day to Nilesh(VU2NLF) and
> Minoo(VU3MHC)!!!
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> Sarla
> VU2SWS
>

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857. Re: [m_a_r_s] QSL Cards

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-09 15:28:26 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 855 Message: 857

kindly bring the cards to the monthly meeting or send them by vichare courier.

NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: COILNRS
To: MARS
Sent: Tuesday, October 08, 2002 9:35 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] QSL Cards

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858. JOTA-2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-10 05:08:54 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 858 Message: 858

JOTA - Do a Good Turn for Ham Radio
Rev. Randall P Winchester (WD4HVA) on October 4, 2002
View comments about this article!

It's time for the 45th annual JOTA, or Jamboree-On-The-Air. This event occurs the third weekend in October each year. It is an opportunity for hams to assist Scouts by setting up stations and allowing the Scouts to learn firsthand about Amateur Radio.

Many people who are personally acquainted with Scouts invite them to visit the shack and operate from the station there. Other groups set up a portable Field-Day type operation and invite the Scouts to visit and operate from there.

Here are some things that interest the kids:

ISS contacts - just being able to hear the shuttle or ISS is a thrill for the kids. If you're actually able to make a contact you may find yourself being the elmer to the participants.

Amateur TV - Kids like to see themselves on TV. Consider putting a camera on one of the stations and then put the receiver at a display where you have information about upcoming ham classes displayed.

PSK31 - This is one that gets a fair amount of attention since they are used to keyboard conversations. It might be a good time to pull out the warbler and demonstrate it, since parents might be concerned about their kids getting involved in another expensive hobby. If a person gets their General then they can operate PSK with a rig that costs around $50.

SSB/CW - "Traditional" contacts are also fun, especially when you get scout to scout contacts going. They will happily talk about scouting and it may be hard to get them to give up the microphone for the next person to have a chance.

RC models - If you can find a ham who is using RC models a demonstration might be a good JOTA event. Everyone likes to watch the RC planes fly.

Foxhunt - This year I'm trying to get the amateur team members so we can have several foxhunts during the day on Saturday. Each team will consist of two Scouts and an amateur radio operator.

CW trainer - surprisingly enough, a computer running one of the CW training programs is a real attraction. I'm working on having some CD's available with test study guides and CW training software on them to hand out. The kids like to learn the letters for their name, and once you've got them learning you might as well keep them at it until they learn the alphabet and numbers!

Merit Badge requirements - If you have the resources consider setting up some "activity areas" where participants can work on some of the requirements for a communications or radio merit badge.

There are many resources available on the Web for JOTA, especially at the ARRL site. http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/jota.html

Contact the local Scouting organizations and see what kind of event you can assemble. Remember that JOTA includes organizations such as Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts and other youth organizations. Go ahead and invite the 4H people too - they'll enjoy the attention and the more people who get a good impression of amateur radio the better!

If you set up in a temporary location, remember that JOTA can be like field day using commercial power. It's not a contest but is a time for relaxed exploration of amateur radio by a bunch of kids and their adult leaders. The idea is to have fun, so don't get overly complex.

Set up a station, put the kids on the microphone, keyboard or key and watch what happens. Even with all the technological sophistication of our kids today there's still magic when you communicate using a station that you helped put on the air!

Last year we had about 30 people come to visit and operate. This year we're hoping to get double that number. We'll be operating K4S from the Murray City Park, Murray Kentucky. I hope one of our Scouts gets to contact you on the air during JOTA 2002! 73

Member Comments: Add A Comment
JOTA - Do a Good Turn for Ham Radio Reply
by K9WLF on October 4, 2002 Mail this to a friend!
I agree wholeheartedly, support JOTA- these are potential future hams, if we can make it interesting enough. Myself and some other hams here in south Florida are setting up at Camp Seminole in Broward County using K2BSA for our callsign. We are planning to have packet, SSTV, HF SSB/CW and, for myself, QRP PSK31 using a Small Wonder Labs PSK20 transceiver kit and home brewed 20 meter dipole and portable vertical antennas. I am a former Scout leader from New Jersey and am looking at JOTA as an excuse to get myself back involved in Scouting (we won't talk about the fun of getting out and camping and playing radio <grin>). These Scouts are our future, both in Amateur Radio and in real life. It behooves each and everyone of us Hams to get out and help make a difference. We had a saying in our district up north--" If you want to touch the past, touch a rock. If you want to touch the present, touch a rose. If you want to touch the future, touch the life of a child."

73, and good DXing at JOTA!!!!!
Remember Amateur Radio is not just a hobby, it's an obsession!

Tom, K9WLF/4

RE: JOTA - Do a Good Turn for Ham Radio Reply
by K2GW on October 4, 2002 Mail this to a friend!
JOTA is a fantastic way to introduce kids to Amateur Radio. I'm a Radio Merit Badge counselor and when the the kids make their on the air contact, I'm amazed how many hams tell them that they were first introduced to Amateur Radio through Scouting. So please host a JOTA event on the 19th and let your local Boy Scout and Girl Scout councils know you're doing it. You can find your local BSA Council at
http://www.scouting.org/nav/enter.jsp?c=lc

Here are some other resources to help you:

Register your JOTA activity with the ARRL at
http://www.remote.arrl.org/FandES/ead/youthskeds/

so they can refer Scouts to you if they get queries from your area. The league also has ideas for JOTA activities on their education page.

Check out the Radio Merit Badge site at http://www.qsl.net/aa6j/radiomb/ for ideas on teaching Radio Merit Badge.

If you're a ham involved in Scouting, check out the ScoutRadio discussion group on Yahoo Groups at
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/scoutradio/

Thanks again for your help in training the next generation of hams.

Yours in Scouting & 73,

Gary Wilson, K2GW
Unit Commissioner
Central New Jersey Council, BSA

JOTA - Do a Good Turn for Ham Radio Reply
by K1HC on October 4, 2002 Mail this to a friend!
I'm running a JOTA station Oct. 19-20 from Thompson Island in Boston Harbor during the Bostom Minuteman Council's Fall Camporee (1100 boy scouts and cub scouts attending!). It is posted as an event on the EHam.net calendar. Look for us on the JOTA frequencies and 146.55 MHZ simplex in the Boston, MA area.
I would encourage all hams to call their local Boy Scout district or council office to offer a demonstration of ham radio to a local boy scout troop or cub scout den or pack. You will spark interest in the hobby! Who knows where it will lead. If you have the time, you can also become a counselor for the radio merit badge, helping the boy scouts work through the eight segments to that merit badge. I have taught that badge many times, and I thought it was tougher than the Technican Class license classes I taught a few years ago.

Dick Bean, K1HC
Asst. Scoutmaster
Troop 3 Westwood, MA
k1hc@aol.com

JOTA - Do a Good Turn for Ham Radio Reply
by W4ABC on October 5, 2002 Mail this to a friend!
JOTA is a great two-way street. As Amateur Radio operators - introducing the Scouting family to radio often times leads a boy from avocation to vocation. In turn, the Amateur Radio community has a golden opportunity to bring some of America's best prepared Citizens into the fold!

While we're on the subject, allow me to offer each of you who hold more than just a passing interest in Scouting/Radio operations an invitation to the 'ScoutRadio' email list. Some of you may well have seen the words below show up in your mail box's, earlier this evening...

ScoutRadio at YahooGroups!

JOTA is just around the corner and the internet is all a buzz with operating schedules flying. The ScoutRadio list is active year round to help not only with scheduling for JOTA activities but for all the other 'odd' times of the year when a 'sked' with other radio Scouting groups is preferred!

ScoutRadio is the largest group of it's kind with a primary focus on delivering the Amateur Radio experience to:

Cub Scouts - These little guys have a short attention span and enjoy Amateur Radio in a less technical, faster-paced, fun atmosphere.

Boy Scouts - Their attention is driven by many different facets of the hobby, from repeater ops to satellite ops to that one in a million that likes the smell of vacuum tubes!

Exploring - Law Enforcement, Fire, Medical... in their programs they can find many utilitarian uses for keeping track of one another with a radio!

What many find to be our greatest asset is the fact that our primary focus is on Amateur Radio operations as related to BSA programs.

We are proud to have such luminaries on our list as Bob Bruninga - WB4APR (the father of APRS), ARRL and K2BSA staff - not to mention a host of Scouters that are experienced at operating full time ScoutRadio club stations.

If you're already a list member please disregard this message. If not and you're looking to do some networking with Amateur Radio operators who are delivering the Promise every day, then please visit us at:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/scoutradio/

Yours in Scouting,

Jon Pearl W4ABC
Trustee WA4BSA

JOTA - Do a Good Turn for Ham Radio Reply
by KB9YFR on October 6, 2002 Mail this to a friend!
I want to put in my two cents about JOTA. JOTA was my first experience with HAM radio about 10 years ago. It was in Wisconsin at a council wide campout. There was a man there, can't remember his call, but he had a fantastic field day type setup. He let us talk on the radio and I had a few qso's to the virginia area. It was great. I then waited about 7 years to get my ticket but it was that first experience that I will always remember. If we want to get kids interested in our hobby this is a great way to do it. I came from a family that had no HAM's and because of JOTA I am the first HAM in my family. I plan on introducing my kids and their friends to this great hobby but we can reach so many kids through JOTA.

Pat

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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859. WTB 2/4 position coax switch

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-11 03:43:38 UTC
From: Prashant
Topic: 859 Message: 859

Wanted:
2 or 4 position coax switch in good working condition.
Please reply on my email id vu2cbu@... directly.
73' de Prashant,VU2CBU

860. http://k0swi.microlnk.com/REVIEW/ICOM/1_ICOM%20REVIEW%20MAIN%20MENU.htm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-11 19:13:33 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 860 Message: 860

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861. Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-12 02:26:53 UTC
From: Nafisa Shikari
Topic: 191 Message: 861

Hello Friends,
Tomorrow Oct. 13th being the second Sunday of the month, we will be having our monthly meeting at Bengali Girls' High School, Churchgate opp. U S I S at 10:00 a.m. The agenda for the meeting will be debriefing of Ganesh \Visarjanand briefing of JOTA to be held on 19th and 20th of this month. All members are requested to attend.
Nafisa Shikari VU2 NFS

862. 45th JOTA 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-12 03:34:16 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 862 Message: 862

Members interested in partcipating in 45th JOTA to be held on 19th & 20th October 2002, are requested to attend the Briefing on 13th Oct 2002 at Bengali Girls High School at 10.00am sharp.

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863. Re: [m_a_r_s] Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-12 09:09:11 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 191 Message: 863

Hi Nafisa,

Due to prior committment (related to mQTH), I will not be able to attend the meeting.

-Prashant,VU2CBU

>From: "Nafisa Shikari"
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To:
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Monthly Meeting
>Date: Sat, 12 Oct 2002 07:56:53 +0530
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864. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA-2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-18 08:15:49 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 858 Message: 864

Dear friends

Count down started for 45th Jota.

Good luck guys

73's

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865. MARS Library.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-18 13:46:31 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 865 Message: 865
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Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

For the time being the charge of MARS library is with VU2NLF till the library is regularized.

Our society is growing very fast and in order to have efficient working of the society certain rules and regulations have to be followed. Listed below are some rules and regulations relating to our MARS Library.

LIBRARY RULES.

1. Each members will be allowed to borrow only 1 book at a time.
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during the monthly meeting OR sent to the next reader as per the schedule made by the library Manager (NLF for Now).
7. Members delaying books for more than 3 times will not be allowed to borrow books for next 1 year.
8. Books will handed over to the members only upon producing their I.D Card.
9. Books will given only to the valid members of the society.
10. Members borrowing the book must counter sign on the index card at the time of borrowing.
11. Members damaging or loosing the book will have to bear the cost of the book.
12. The society will TRY to send reminders, BUT it the members duty to return the book on time.

Members are requested to follow these rules and help to increase the effeciency of our society.

Members are also requested to donate books to our MARS Library.

73
NLF

866. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS Library.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-19 13:26:44 UTC
From: capt.Manek
Topic: 865 Message: 866
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear Nilesh,
Thank you for this e mail regarding MARS Library.
In order to avail facility of library, I should have I.Card.
Kindly issue I.Card and receipt at the earliest.
Manek
VU2 ADW

vu2nlf wrote:

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867. Cross-post from "radiohams" yahoogroup - group of hams from around the world.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-19 07:38:34 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 867 Message: 867

> Message: 1
> Date: Thu, 17 Oct 2002 17:26:56 -0700
> From: "g3zhi hotmail" <g3zhi@...>
> Subject: internet linked repeater in madras
>
> the repeater in madras is now linked to the internet so you can talk to
the
> world on a hand held
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> for more information please visit my web site
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> 73 ian
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> http://www.qsl.net/g3zhi - many ham radio links
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> United Kingdom Internet Radio Linking Project
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> http://www.ukirlp.co.uk http://www.irlp.co.uk http://www.irlp.net
>
> I usually monitor G4NJI node 520 and GB3DV node 513
>
> Ian Abel G3ZHI
> 52 Hollytree Ave
> Maltby
> Rotherham
> Yorkshire
> S66 8DY
>
> Tel: 01709 799911
> Mobile 0776 481 3363

868. Library Reminder & Availability Statement

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-21 07:24:15 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 868 Message: 868
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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PACKET : SPEED, MORE SPEED AND APPLICATIONS. 1 MONTH

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VU2NLF

869. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS Library.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-21 09:52:46 UTC
From: Srihari Krishnan
Topic: 865 Message: 869

hi nilesh,
Kindly advise me status of my id card(life membership) & any other
kit along.Tks-VU2 KQS

On Fri, 18 Oct 2002 vu2nlf wrote :
>Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
>
>Dear Friends,
>
>For the time being the charge of MARS library is with VU2NLF till
>the library is regularized.
>
>Our society is growing very fast and in order to have efficient
>working of the society certain rules and regulations have to be
>followed. Listed below are some rules and regulations relating
>to our MARS Library.
>
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> LIBRARY RULES.
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870. Re: [m_a_r_s] Library Reminder & Availability Statement

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-21 16:49:57 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 868 Message: 870

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And since you have sent this as a c.c. to the mars_classes group, I would request you to forward this one too to that group.....I have left that group immediately after the debriefing meeting of ham classes.

73' de Prashant Koli,VU2CBU

>From: "vu2nlf"

>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To:
>CC: "mars_classes"
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Library Reminder & Availability Statement
>Date: Mon, 21 Oct 2002 12:54:15 +0530
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871. Re: [m_a_r_s] Library Reminder & Availability Statement

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-21 16:54:21 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 868 Message: 871

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872. Re: [m_a_r_s] Cross-post from "radiohams" yahoogroup - group of hams from around the world.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-21 17:12:57 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 872 Message: 872

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873. tri band handies

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-22 08:46:41 UTC
From: ajay solanki
Topic: 873 Message: 873

Hi
I was surfing thruogh the net for some tri band
handies
I found the following models.
I think that the dual receiving feature of kenwood
TA-F6A is cool.
Though all the prices are almost the same,
it is difficult to decide which one has more useful
features.

Maybe some of our oldtimers can analyze the 3 models
and give us their valuable suggestions.
All suggestions are welcome.

Also if there are enough people
(now that we have a new batch)
then we could try getting bulk discounts and importing
the same.

ICT90A
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http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/ht/0690.html

http://www.elixcom.sk/ic-e90_ic-t90a.htm

http://www.elixcom.sk/pdf_docs/ic-e90_ic-t90a.pdf

http://www.icom.co.nz/T90A.html

http://www.radioworld.ca/ham/icom/icomhh.htm

VX-7R
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http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/ht/0777.html

http://elkel.ca/yaesu_a/vx-7r.htm

http://www.icongrp.com/~sllewd/VX7Rmods.html

http://www.aaradio.com/cartfile/yaesu/vx7r.html

http://www.yaesu.com/amateur/vx7rtx.html

TH-F6A
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http://www.kenwood.co.jp/i/products/info/amateur/thf6a.html

http://elkel.ca/kenwood_a/thf6br.pdf

http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/ht/0066.html

http://www.geocities.com/azkoza/projects/pg4p/g71cable.html

http://www.chq-inc.com/ken/th-f6a.html

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874. my Yaesu 757GXII for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-22 18:04:29 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 874 Message: 874

Hi all,
I am selling off my Yaesu 757 GXII with 15A Power
supply. This set is in very good working condition and
i have used it very much during last 2 years. Even
some of you might have used this rig during many club
events.
If anybody is interested in buying this rig, do drop
in a mail for details..

Thanks a lot
regards
kiran
VU3KPL

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http://webhosting.yahoo.com/

875. Chinese & Spielberg

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-22 18:05:20 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 875 Message: 875

A Chinese man went into a bar in Hawaii to have some
> drinks. At the
> counter, he was amazed to see that he was sitting
> next to the famous
> Hollywood Director,Steven Spielberg.
>
> After a round of beer the Chinese sensed that the
> famous producer was
> glaring at him. Suddenly, in a flash the Chinese
> crashed down from his
> stool, felled by a vicious punch from the Director.
>
> Picking himself up, he yelled, "What was that
> for?"
> The Director ranted: "That's for the bombing of
> Pearl Harbour! My dad
> perished in that bombing!"
>
> "I am not Japanese, you stupid! I am Chinese!"
> "Yeah yeah yeah...Japanese, Burmese, Chinese, you
> are all the same",
> retorted Spielberg.
>
> Regaining his composure, the Chinese took his seat
> and ordered a double
> from the bartender.
>
> A few seconds later, the Chinese turned around and
> delivered a mighty
> punch to the Director, sending him flat to the
> floor.
>
> "What was that for?" exclaimed the Director.
>
> "That's for sinking the Titanic! I had ancestors
> on that ship!" the
> Chinese replied.
>
> "You ignorant fool! The Titanic was sunk by an
> iceberg!" shouted the
> Director.
>
> The Chinese retorted, "Yeah yeah yeah...Iceberg,
> Carlsberg,
> Spielberg,...you are all the same .....

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876. Library Books

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-25 13:54:03 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 876 Message: 876
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Dear Friends,

Please find enclosed the latest status of our library books.

The QST - June 2002 issue is located and my apology to Prashant Koli - VU2CBU as it was lying with me with lot of other MARS stuff in my shack.

The QST August 2001 issue is still missing from the library, any member having the same may please inform me.
Once again I remined you that all the books which are overdue on 27th October 2002 onwards will have a fine of Rs.50/-

Please note that 3 CDs are also now added to our library and to begin with I have donated my ARRL Handbook to our library. Members are requested to donate book related to Ham Radio to our Society.

73

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877. A very Happy Birthday to VU2 NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-25 16:28:08 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 877 Message: 877

Mumbai Amature Radio Society wishes its founder member and Honorary Secretary Nilesh Rathod VU2 NLF a very happy birthday.
Regards Nafisa VU2NFS

878. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-26 08:06:49 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 878 Message: 878

Hi Nilesh,
Many Many Happy Returns Of The Day

LIVE LONG LIFE

TUM JEEYO HAZAARON SAAL AUR SAAL KE DIN HO PACHAAS HAZAAR

Have A Nice Day!!!!!

73

Parin

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879. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-26 08:14:30 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 879 Message: 879

Hi Nilesh,

Many Many Happy Returns Of the Day

Tum Jeeyo Hazaaron Saal Aur Saal Ke Din Ho Pachaas Hazaar

Live Long Life

Have A Nice Day!!!!!!!!!!

73

Parin

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880. Fw: The ARRL Letter, Vol 21, No 42

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-26 14:22:30 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 880 Message: 880

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----- Original Message -----
From: "ARRL Letter Mailing List" <letter-dlvy@...>
To: <info@...>
Sent: Saturday, October 26, 2002 5:04 AM
Subject: The ARRL Letter, Vol 21, No 42

> ***************
> The ARRL Letter
> Vol. 21, No. 42
> October 25, 2002
> ***************
>
> IN THIS EDITION:
>
> * +ARRL, American Red Cross renew cooperative agreement
> * +FCC withdraws advisory notices concerning 146.52 MHz operation
> * +Astronauts help Dutch scouts celebrate Jamboree On The Air
> * +New tower in New York demonstrates the power of PRB-1
> * +HPM II talk enthralls ham club members
> * Solar Update
> * IN BRIEF:
> This weekend on the radio
> ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration
> +JOTA participants requested to complete ARRL survey
> +DXCC digging out
> Former ARRL staffer returns to the fold
> QCWA's W2MM Memorial Station on the air
> Missouri clubs to field Halloween special event
> Former ARRL West Gulf Director Grady Payne, W5ETA, SK
> International symposium issues call for papers
> Correction
>
> +Available on ARRL Audio News
>
> ============================================================
> NOTE: To accommodate vacation schedules, the November 1 editions of The
> ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News will be distributed Wednesday, October 30.
> The Solar Update will be available via the ARRL Web site Friday, November
> 1. See you in the ARRL November Sweepstakes (CW)!
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> ==>ARRL REAFFIRMS CLOSE TIES WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS
>
> The ARRL and the American Red Cross have renewed and updated the Statement
> of Understanding (SoU) between the two organizations, last visited in
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> 1994. Formal cooperative arrangements between the ARRL and the American
> Red Cross date back to before World War II.
>
> "Both ARRL volunteers and American Red Cross workers will work
> cooperatively at the scene of a disaster and in the disaster recovery,
> within the scope of their respective roles and duties," the agreement
> provides.
>
> ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, said no significant changes resulted
> from the consultations leading up to the new SoU, and the updated document
> reaffirms the spirit of cooperation that has existed all along between the
> two organizations.
>
> "In the wake of 9/11 and all the wonderful work that was done in New York
> City and Washington, DC," Haynie said, "this agreement has rekindled our
> enthusiasm." Amateur Radio Emergency Service and Red Cross volunteers
> worked side-by-side following the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.
>
> In the document, the ARRL recognizes the American Red Cross as "having
> primary responsibility for responding to domestic disasters" and expresses
> the League's desire "to maintain a harmonious and cooperative
> relationship" with the ARC in providing emergency communication services
> to communities affected by disasters.
>
> Among other things, the SoU calls for "close liaison" between the American
> Red Cross (ARC) and the ARRL and for each organization to "share current
> data" regarding disasters and disaster declarations. If amateurs are
> required to carry ARC identification while supporting the Red Cross during
> a disaster, the ARC is to provide operators' names if ARRL requests them.
>
> With some exceptions under the SoU, amateurs would at all times be
> considered ARRL volunteers. In addition, the SoU says, amateur licensees
> supporting the ARC "shall at all times exercise sole and exclusive control
> over the operation of their radio stations. Such control cannot be
> surrendered or delegated, in accordance with federal law."
>
> The new agreement also characterizes the ARRL Amateur Radio emergency
> communications courses <http://www.arrl.org/cce/> as a mutually beneficial
> training program. "Volunteers holding valid ARRL Emergency Communications
> Certification credentials will be recognized for this knowledge," the SoU
> stipulates.
>
> The newest SoU will remain in force for the next five years, although one
> provision calls for representatives of American Red Cross Disaster
> Services and ARRL to "jointly evaluate" progress in implementing the SoU
> and to "revise and develop new plans or goals as appropriate" annually. It
> was ratified in September by Haynie and ARC Disaster Services Executive
> Vice President John McDivitt.
>
> In a letter marking the first anniversary of the September 11, 2001,

> terrorist attacks, the ARC's Jay Ferron, N4GAA, wrote Haynie to express
> appreciation for Amateur Radio's support for Red Cross activities over the
> years. An ARC disaster telecommunications partner, Ferron helped
> coordinate ARES and Red Cross activities at the World Trade Center.
>
> According to Ferron, the American Red Cross encourages municipalities and
> homeowners' associations to employ regulations that will not impinge on
> the needs of Amateur Radio operators. "In emergencies, the American Red
> Cross and the people we serve need what radio amateurs provide--effective
> communications through existing equipment and antenna systems," he
> concluded.
>
> A copy of the September 2002 Statement of Understanding between the
> American Red Cross and the ARRL is available on the ARRL Web site
> <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/mou/redcro.html>.
>
> ==>FCC RESCINDS 146.52 MHz ADVISORY NOTICES
>
> FCC Special Counsel for Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth has told five
> amateurs in Ohio and Michigan to disregard his earlier admonitions to
> avoid lengthy QSOs on 146.52 MHz. That's the generally recognized national
> simplex calling frequency and is endorsed as such by the ARRL's 2-meter
> band plan. Acknowledging, however, that some confusion exists within the
> amateur community as to whether 146.52 is a national calling channel or
> just another simplex frequency, Hollingsworth decided to simply rescind
> the five advisory notices he'd sent October 15.
>
> "We made an error in issuing that Advisory Notice, and you may disregard
> it," Hollingsworth wrote October 23 in letters to the affected amateurs.
> Commenting to ARRL, Hollingsworth was blunt yet good-natured. "I goofed,"
> he said. "If I were worried about making a fool of myself from time to
> time, I never would have become a lawyer in the first place."
>
> Amateurs commenting to the FCC and on various newsgroups reportedly were
> bewildered by the FCC advisory notices. An ARRL error apparently
> contributed to the confusion. Hollingsworth did not find 146.52 MHz
> singled out as the national simplex calling frequency in his edition of
> The ARRL's FCC Rule Book (12th edition, 1st printing). The designation
> does appear in subsequent printings of the Rule Book, however, as well as
> in recent editions of The ARRL Operating Manual and The ARRL Repeater
> Directory 2002/2003.
>
> Hollingsworth says that operation that does not comply with a generally
> accepted band plan such as ARRL's is not illegal. He points out, however,
> that band plans--to the extent that they're followed--do help to keep down
> friction among various users and make his job a lot easier.
>
> "I don't consider it a big deal. I was just trying to raise awareness," he
> said, adding that the FCC has no intention of making band plan compliance
> mandatory.

>
> Hollingsworth told ARRL this week that he had initially written four
> amateurs in Ohio and one in Michigan on the basis of complaints about
> lengthy contacts on 146.52 MHz in late September and early October. Those
> QSOs, he said, averaged 45 minutes and in some cases lasted up to an hour.
> Two of the amateurs who had received the October 15 advisories already
> have contacted Hollingsworth and agreed to cooperate with the original
> requests, now rescinded.
>
> "In an ideal world, stations making initial contact on 146.52 MHz probably
> should move off to another accepted simplex channel to continue their
> conversation," Hollingsworth said. "The main thing is, we're all in this
> together, and the goal is to make Amateur Radio last 1000 years."
>
> All ARRL band plans are available on the ARRL Web site
> <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/bandplan.html>.
>
> ==>PEGGY WHITSON HELPS NETHERLANDS' SCOUTS CELEBRATE JAMBOREE ON THE AIR
>
> US Astronaut Peggy Whitson, KC5ZTD, made Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) a very
> special occasion this year for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts in The
> Netherlands. One of the International Space Station's Expedition 5 crew
> members and the only woman, Whitson on October 20 answered questions posed
> by the scouts via Amateur Radio. The direct, 2-meter contact with PA3HGQ
> was arranged as part of the Amateur Radio on the International Space
> Station (ARISS) program.
>
> "The scouts were very impressed by the quality of the radio link and
> delighted to have an astronaut joining the Jamboree On The Air right from
> the International Space Station," said ARISS Vice Chairman Gaston Bertels,
> ON4WF. On hand for the official opening of the JOTA in The Netherlands was
> Dutch astronaut Andre Kuipers, who congratulated the Ascanen scouting
> group of Lelystad for their ARISS QSO with Whitson.
>
> More than 100 scout groups from all over The Netherlands listened in on
> the downlink while Whitson answered about a dozen questions. At the
> contact site, parents and friends of the 20 youngsters selected to take
> part assisted with the space chat, and local radio and TV stations covered
> the event.
>
> Several of the questions the Dutch youngsters asked mirrored those often
> put to crew members by their American counterparts. One Scout asked about
> how the ISS crew prepared its meals. Whitson explained that meals in space
> are pre-cooked and stowed in foil packages or cans. "It's just a matter of
> warming it up or adding water," she said.
>
> Whitson told another questioner that the crew can see weather from space.
> "It's beautiful up here," she said, noting that the crew can recognize
> such systems as hurricanes. "At night, we can even see thunderstorms," she
> added. Whitson said the crew can see the aurora borealis (northern lights)

> too. "They're beautiful from here!" she declared.
>
> Bertels said the NA1SS downlink also was monitored at Flanders Expo in
> Ghent, Belgium, where a science exhibition for youth drew a big audience.
> At a booth set up by the Royal Belgian Amateur Radio Union (UBA) and
> devoted primarily to ARISS, visitors--mostly youngsters, parents and
> teachers--followed the pass of the ISS on a screen showing the world map.
>
> "The UBA also was very pleased to use this opportunity to demonstrate
> Amateur Radio at its best to the public visiting a popular scientific and
> technological event," Bertels remarked. He said many amateur stations all
> over Western Europe tuned into the downlink and reported excellent copy.
>
> ARISS is an international project with US participation by NASA, ARRL and
> AMSAT.--Gaston Bertels, ON4WF, provided information, photographs and
> audio-video for this report
>
> ==>"THE TOWER IS UP!" ANTENNA BATTLE FINALLY PAYS OFF
>
> A New York amateur who credits both the limited federal preemption PRB-1
> and the ARRL with helping him win approval for an antenna support
> structure on his property, now reports his new tower is up. Fred Fitte,
> WA2MMX, spent months trying to gain the necessary approvals from the Town
> of Kinderhook. He saw his new tower become reality in late September--more
> than a year after his zoning battle began.
>
> "I was finally able to erect my 50-foot self-supporting tower with the
> help of my local ham buddies who have supported me through the fight,"
> Fitte said recently. Some VHF and UHF antennas already are up on the
> tower, and an HF tribander is in the offing.
>
> The Town of Kinderhook would not allow a ham radio antenna support
> structure in excess of 35 feet without a variance. "PRB-1 is what saved my
> bacon," said Fitte. PRB-1, spelled out in the FCC Amateur Service rules
> under ?97.15(b), requires municipalities to "reasonably accommodate"
> amateur communication. Fitte finally got a building permit last May after
> what he called "a really ugly battle"--winning approval of his request to
> erect a 50-foot tower on a 3 to 1 vote of the town's Zoning Board of
> Appeals.
>
> Among those who had helped Fitte in his battle with the town was ARRL
> Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, who says WA2MMX's situation
> "was not your run-of-the-mill ham tower case." As Fallon explains it,
> Fitte ran into problems after he moved approximately 300 feet into a new
> development and filed for a building permit for a tower 10 feet shorter
> than his old one.
>
> "His first hearing, only days before the 9/11 attack on the World Trade
> Center, did not go well," Fallon said, adding that Fitte "was shocked at
> the hostile response from his new neighbors."

>
> What followed was a series of seven hearings over nine months, during
> which he confronted several hostile neighbors, aided by a local attorney
> and a medical doctor. The neighbors attacked the proposed support
> structure as a health and safety hazard and an aesthetic blight that would
> lower property values. Their attorney also wanted the town to require
> WA2MMX to move his antennas outside the development.
>
> "Fred, with a lot of help from his friends, finally prevailed," Fallon
> said. Fitte and his wife, Terry, hosted a celebratory "thank you" picnic
> over the September Labor Day weekend for friends and expert witnesses who
> had helped. Only his attorney, Al Millus, WB2EQR, was unable to attend.
>
> In addition to Fallon, among those who did turn out was ARRL Lab
> Supervisor Ed Hare, W1RFI, who voluntarily attended five of the hearings
> to present testimony. Dr George Wilner, K2ONP, the head of the Hematology
> Department at Albany Medical Center, attended one hearing session to
> debunk the issue of potential biomedical hazards. One friendly neighbor--a
> real estate appraiser--came forward to put to rest the claim that Fitte's
> antenna would lower property values.
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> ==>TALK BY HIRAM PERCY MAXIM'S GRANDSON ENTHRALLS HAMS
>
> Hiram Percy Maxim II held members of Connecticut's Newington Amateur Radio
> League (NARL) spellbound October 7 with tales of his famous grandfather,
> Hiram Percy Maxim, 1AW, also known as HPM. As most ARRL members know,
> Hiram Percy Maxim co-founded the ARRL in 1914 with Clarence Tuska, and he
> became its first president.
>
> "HPM II"--who bears a strong resemblance to his grandfather--was around a
> year old when the elder Maxim--who often referred to himself in QST as
> "The Old Man" or simply "TOM"--passed away in 1936. "What he knows of our
> founder was gleaned from family stories and the films and writings that
> were passed down to him," said Joe Bottiglieri, AA1GW, an ARRL staffer and
> a NARL member who attended the talk.
>
> HPM was an amateur film buff, and a highlight of his grandson's
> presentation was a short 16-mm film that showed the elder Maxim and some
> of his friends working, relaxing and frolicking on the grounds of the
> family's summer home in Lyme, Connecticut, where HPM II now lives.
>
> "No evidence of radio activity appeared on that clip," Bottiglieri said,
> "but 'The Old Man' comes across as a real cutup!" The elder Maxim also
> founded another "League"--the Amateur Cinema League--in 1926.
>
> Not a ham, HPM II says he doesn't feel he shares the inventive talents of
> his grandfather and great-grandfather, who held many patents between them.
> HPM II told the club audience that his grandfather took on radio and
> filmmaking as diversions from inventing--an endeavor he considered
> extremely hard work. He also thought of Amateur Radio as a means to "bring

> together" individuals from distant locations and believed that
> communication was a key to better understanding other people and cultures.
>
> Filmmaking was an extension of that same philosophy, HPM II said. His
> grandfather's interest in astronomy--he was fascinated by the planet
> Mars--was born of similar motivations, and he died while on his way to
> visit Lowell Observatory in Arizona.
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> ==>SOLAR UPDATE
>
> Mighty morphin' solar power ranger Tad "Ain't No Sunshine" Cook, K7VVV,
> has morphed this week into Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, Ft Wayne, Indiana,
> who reports: Geomagnetic field activity for the first five days of the
> reporting period, October 18-24, was quiet to unsettled. This increased to
> a major storm level at the end of the period, which was fueled by high
> speed solar wind emanating from a large coronal hole in the western solar
> hemisphere. There were no significant proton events during the period.
>
> X-ray flare activity during the period ranged from low to moderate. The
> largest flares were M1 events on Sunday and Tuesday. These flares did not
> cause any significant radio blackouts.
>
> The book Storms from the Sun by Carlowicz and Lopez--discussed in two
> previous bulletins--is reviewed in the December 2002 issue of Sky &
> Telescope.
>
> Propagation is generally expected to be very good for the CQ World Wide DX
> Phone contest the weekend of October 26-27. There is a chance of
> geomagnetic field activity at the minor storm level at the start of the
> contest, but it is expected to subside after that.
>
> There is also a chance of an X-class flare from Region 162, which could
> cause a short-term blackout on the daylight side of Earth. Remember this
> is all a roll of the dice, so be sure to jump in and have fun working lots
> of DX!
>
> Sunspot numbers for October 17 through 23 were 215, 200, 156, 179, 139,
> 132 and 116, with a mean of 162.4. The 10.7-cm flux was 178.9, 172.6,
> 179.5, 180.3, 182.5, 169.4 and 163.6, with a mean of 175.3. Estimated
> planetary A indices were 11, 13, 11, 10, 11, 12, and 10, with a mean of
> 11.1.
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> ==>IN BRIEF:
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> * This weekend on the radio: The CQ Worldwide DX Contest (SSB), the ARRL
> International EME Contest and the 10-10 International Fall Contest (CW)
> are the weekend of October 26-27. JUST AHEAD: The ARRL November
> Sweepstakes (CW), the IPA Contest (CW/SSB), the Ukrainian DX Contest, the

> North American Collegiate ARC Championship (CW), the ARCI Running of the
> QRP Bulls, the High Speed Club CW Contest and the DARC 10-Meter Digital
> Contest are the weekend of November 2-3. See the ARRL Contest Branch page
> <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar
> <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.
>
> * ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration:
> Registration for the ARRL Satellite Communications course (EC-007) opens
> Monday, October 28, 4 PM Eastern Daylight Time (2000 UTC). Registration
> will remain open through Sunday, November 3. Class begins on November 4.
> Registration for the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level III
> (EC-003) and HF Digital Communications (EC-005) courses remains open
> through Sunday, October 27. If you have not yet let us know what you'd
> like to see for future C-CE course offerings, visit the C-CE Course Survey
> <http://www.arrl.org/members-only/cce/ccesurv.html> page on the ARRL Web
> site through midnight, October 27. To learn more, visit the ARRL
> Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce>
> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact
> Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins,
> W1HSR, hrobins@....
>
> * JOTA participants requested to complete ARRL survey: If you or your club
> participated in JOTA 2002 over the October 19-20 weekend, we'd appreciate
> your completing the ARRL JOTA Survey
> <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/jotalog/> on the ARRL Web site to let us
> know about it. The Boy Scouts of America K2BSA call sign was on the air
> from Camp Wisdom in Dallas, Texas, where members of Cub Scout Pack 591
> talked to other Scouts on 15 meters while Dave Cummings, WA5TET,
> supervised. Also on the air was ST2BSS from the Sudan (QSL to Magdi Osman
> Ahmed, PO Box 2--Khartoum Airport, Khartoum, Sudan). Mike Cizek, W3MC,
> headed up a JOTA group with 500 scout visitors near Ft Meade, Maryland. In
> addition to certain detailed information, the survey seeks feedback on
> your overall JOTA experience and on whether your club has scheduled any
> follow-up ham radio classes. If you have JOTA photos to share, send them
> via e-mail or USPS to ARRL Educational Programs Coordinator Jean Wolfgang
> WB3IOS, jwolfgang@..., ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.
> Wolfgang reports that some 150 JOTA stations signed up on the Youth Skeds
> page <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/youthskeds/> prior to the annual
> Scouting-ham radio event. In addition to letting Scout groups know where a
> JOTA station planned to be set up, the site also let JOTA groups set
> schedules with one another.--some information from The Daily DX
>
> * DXCC digging out: The ARRL's DXCC Branch is digging out following the
> annual "September rush," says ARRL Membership Services Manager Wayne
> Mills, N7NG. Applications postmarked by September 30 have been accepted,
> and updates received by that date will be included in The DXCC Yearbook,
> which will be published in the spring. "Although the DXCC Branch was able
> to become current last summer, the September deadline has come again along
> with its inherent increase in workload," Mills said. "We are currently
> working on about 2400 applications which include more than 240,000 QSL

> cards." This represents nearly half of all applications--and
> cards--received each year. Mills said that as applications are logged into
> the DXCC system, they are listed on the ARRL Web site
> <http://www.arrl.org/awards/dxcc/appstatus.html>. With new DXCC software
> in place next year, the League hopes to be able to publish DXCC standings
> on the ARRL Web site on a near-real-time basis, Mills said, eliminating
> the need for the September deadline. "This will spread the workload
> throughout the year and, along with the introduction of electronic DXCC
> applications, minimize turnaround time for DXCC applications," he
> predicted.
>
> * Former ARRL staffer returns to the fold: Former ARRL Lab staff member
> Mike Gruber, W1MG, rejoined the laboratory staff October 14 as the new
> electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) and radio frequency interference (RFI)
> engineer/specialist. He replaces John Phillips, K2QAI, who is retiring.
> "We are delighted to have him back," said ARRL Lab Supervisor Ed Hare,
> W1RFI. During his previous stint at ARRL HQ--from 1990 until 1997--Gruber
> focused mainly on product review testing. He also has written a number of
> interesting articles for QST and QEX, including "QST Product Reviews: A
> Look Behind the Scenes," which appeared in the October 1994 issue of QST
> and "Synchronous Detection of AM Signals," which ran in the September 1992
> issue of QEX. Members may address RFI concerns via e-mail to rfi@....
> Welcome back, Mike!
>
> * QCWA's W2MM Memorial Station on the air: The Quarter Century Wireless
> Association (QCWA) Memorial Station W2MM will be on the air October 25-27
> from the site of the 2002 QCWA convention in Orlando, Florida. In view of
> the CQ World Wide DX Contest (SSB) under way this weekend, the W2MM
> operators may concentrate on 17 and 12 meters to avoid QRM. Serving as
> hosts for this year's QCWA convention is Orlando's Citrus Chapter #45. For
> more information, visit the QCWA Web site <http://www.qcwa.org/>.
>
> * Missouri clubs to field Halloween special event: The Mid-Missouri
> Amateur Radio Club and the Warrensburg (Missouri) Amateur Radio Club will
> sponsor a Halloween special event "FunXpedition" to Frankenstein,
> Missouri. Special event W0O (as in "Woooooo!) will be on the air from
> approximately 2100 UTC October 31 until approximately 1500 UTC November 1.
> The operation will be by several stations at two locations in
> Frankenstein, CW and SSB, on 80, 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 meters. QSL to Tom
> Hammond, N0SS. Additional information is available on the Mid-Missouri ARC
> Web site <http://www.mmccs.com/mmarc>.
>
> * Former ARRL West Gulf Director Grady Payne, W5ETA, SK: Grady A. Payne,
> W5ETA, of Cleveland, Texas, died October 6. He was 90. Payne served as
> ARRL West Gulf Division Director from 1957 until 1961. Licensed in 1934,
> Payne was a member of the ARRL and the Quarter Century Wireless
> Association (QCWA) as well as a founding member of the Sam Houston Amateur
> Radio Klub. He was active in public service. Early in his career, Payne
> worked as a railroad dispatcher and telegraph operator in his home town of
> N Zulch, Texas. Later, he was employed by the Humble Pipe Line, and,

> following his retirement, he opened his own business repairing meters for
> Humble. Survivors include his daughter, Sherry Taack, KC5VWJ. The family
> invites memorial donations to the American Diabetes Association, Memorial
> and Honor Program, PO Box 2680, N Canton, OH 44720.--ARRL thanks Sam Neal,
> N5AF, and The Cleveland Advocate for this information
>
> * Correction: The address provided for the new W5 incoming QSL bureau in
> The ARRL Letter, Vol 21, No 40 (October 11, 2002), was incorrect. The
> correct address is Claremore, OK 74018-2591
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> posted each Friday when it is distributed via e-mail.)
>
> * The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur
> Radio Club: Visit http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/letter-list.
> (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via
> this listserver.)
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881. 2nd Harmonic of ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-26 14:45:48 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 881 Message: 881
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

VU2ZRS - ZYROS ZEND IS NOW A PROUD FATHER OF A BEAUTIFUL BABY GIRL.

MAY SHE BECOME THE SECRETARY OF MARS IN ABOUT TWO DECADES.

73
NLF

882. Re: [m_a_r_s] A very Happy Birthday to VU2 NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-26 18:54:34 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 877 Message: 882

Hi Nilesh - I'm sure u had a wonderful day ! Happy Birthday!!!!

Cheers!

Madhu

>From: "nafisa shikari"
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To:
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] A very Happy Birthday to VU2 NLF
>Date: Fri, 25 Oct 2002 21:58:08 +0530
>
>Mumbai Amature Radio Society wishes its founder member and Honorary Secretary Nilesh Rathod VU2 NLF a very happy birthday.
>Regards Nafisa VU2NFS

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883. Re: [m_a_r_s] 2nd Harmonic of ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-26 19:01:08 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 881 Message: 883

Hey Zyros! Congratulations! you have sugar and spice and everything nice twice over! calls for a special treat!

Cheers!

Madhu

>From: "vu2nlf"
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To:
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] 2nd Harmonic of ZRS
>Date: Sat, 26 Oct 2002 20:15:48 +0530

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
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>Dear Friends,
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>
>73
>NLF

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884. Re: [m_a_r_s] Library Books

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-27 11:34:15 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 876 Message: 884

Thank god Nilesh, you could find the magazine!

Well, I had 1980 and 1988 issues of ARRL handbook and few WRTHs, which, I must confess, gave away to raddiwala few years ago thinking I will never become ham!!Hi Hi...

Prashant,VU2CBU

>From: "vu2nlf"
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To:
>CC: "mars_classes"
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Library Books
>Date: Fri, 25 Oct 2002 19:24:03 +0530
>
>Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
>
>Dear Friends,
>
>Please find enclosed the latest status of our library books.
>
>The QST - June 2002 issue is located and my apology to Prashant Koli - VU2CBU as it was lying with me with lot of other MARS stuff in my shack.
>
>The QST August 2001 issue is still missing from the library, any member having the same may please inform me.
>Once again I remined you that all the books which are overdue on 27th October 2002 onwards will have a fine of Rs.50/-
>
>Please note that 3 CDs are also now added to our library and to begin with I have donated my ARRL Handbook to our library. Members are requested to donate book related to Ham Radio to our Society.
>
>73
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>VU2NLF
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885. Re: [m_a_r_s] 2nd Harmonic of ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-27 12:37:06 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 881 Message: 885

Hey Zyros,

Congrats A Lot!!!!!!!!!!

After all, " Beti Dhan Ki Peti " hoti hai yaar

73

Parin

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886. Re: [m_a_r_s] 2nd Harmonic of ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-30 08:19:04 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 881 Message: 886

Congrats Zyros.

It's a celebration time. When to join?

All hams, okay.

73's

JPN

--- vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
> Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
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> Dear Friends,
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> VU2ZRS - ZYROS ZEND IS NOW A PROUD FATHER OF A
> BEAUTIFUL BABY GIRL.
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> MAY SHE BECOME THE SECRETARY OF MARS IN ABOUT TWO
> DECADES.
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887. Birthday.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-30 08:21:52 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 879 Message: 887

Dear Nilesh.

Belated Birthday wishes to you.

Just missed the day.

73's

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888. JOTA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-30 08:26:56 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 868 Message: 888

Dear Huzefa

Congrats for successful Jota.

Awaiting consolidated details of all JOTA stations.

73's

JPN

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889. The ARRL Letter, Vol 21, No 43

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-31 07:30:56 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 889 Message: 889

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NOTE: To accommodate vacation schedules, this week's editions of The ARRL
Letter and ARRL Audio News are being distributed October 30. The Solar
Update will be available November 1 on the ARRL Web site as well as via
W1AW/ARRL bulletin.
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==>NEW CC&R BILL COSPONSORS CONTINUE TO STEP FORWARD

Despite the fact that action on the CC&R bill, HR 4720, is highly unlikely
as the current session of Congress winds down, additional cosponsors
continue to register their support for the measure. The
latest--representatives Todd Platts (R-PA), Larry Combest (R-TX), Duke
Cunningham (R-CA), and Mary Bono (R-CA)--raise the total cosponsor count
to 34.

The recent spurt in cosponsors may have resulted from an eleventh-hour
initiative in late September, when the bill's sponsor, Rep Steve Israel
(D-NY), and the only two amateurs in the US House of Representatives--Mike
Ross, WD5DVR (D-AR) and Greg Walden, WB7OCE (R-OR)--appealed by letter to
their colleagues who had not already done so to agree to cosponsor the
measure.
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HR 4720 is aimed at providing relief to amateurs faced with private deed covenants, conditions and restrictions--CC&Rs--in erecting antennas. No more votes will occur until a post-election "lame duck" session that begins November 12 to complete several appropriations, homeland security and other high-profile bills. Another lame duck session in December also is possible.

With further progress on the bill unlikely this year, the effort to secure a congressional solution to the CC&R issue will start all over again after the new Congress convenes in January. The current list of HR 4720 cosponsors and more information are available on the HR 4720, The Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Consistency Act of 2002 page of the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/govrelations/hr4720>.

==>NTIA STUDY IS BAD NEWS FOR SAVI 425-435 MHz PROPOSALS

A National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) study supports the ARRL's position that the FCC would be making a mistake to permit SAVI Technology to deploy RF identification (RFID) tag devices at 433 MHz at much greater duty cycles than current Part 15 rules permit for such devices. RFID tags are used for tracking shipments and packages, among other applications.

"NTIA has grave concerns about the Commission's proposal to amend its Part 15 rules to permit the operation of RFID tags in the band 425-435 MHz at increased power levels and increased duty factor (or activity factor) and data transmission by remote control devices," wrote Fredrick R. Wentland, the NTIA's acting associate administrator in the Office of Spectrum Management. "Given the likelihood of interference to critical government radars, NTIA is unable to support the Commission's proposal."

The NTIA filed initial comments in the proceeding, ET Docket 01-278, last March but requested additional time to document an NTIA staff study with respect to field strength limits for RFID tags in the band.

ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, said the NTIA staff study bears out what the League has been saying all along. "RFID tags represent a significant source of potential interference to sensitive receivers," Sumner said, adding that use of the 425-435 MHz band would be incompatible with ongoing requirements of incumbent services--military and amateur. "We trust that the FCC will now terminate this portion of the proceeding and that the RFID proponents will focus their attention on other, more appropriate parts of the radio spectrum."

That's exactly what the NTIA advised. It recommended that the FCC "explore other bands that might be able to accommodate the technology without causing unacceptable interference to critical incumbent users." Among the suggestions was 450 to 470 MHz, which provides nearly the same propagation characteristics as the band SAVI picked. The NTIA also noted that 902 to 928 MHz--an amateur allocation--or 2400 to 2483.5 MHz--which includes part of an amateur microwave allocation--might accommodate the proposed RFID tags as spread spectrum devices.

Accompanying Wentland's letter was a six-page NTIA technical analysis. The study asserts that the FCC's proposal to permit increased duty cycles and field strengths for the 425-435 MHz RFID emitters "would result in received power levels in excess of the required interference-to-noise ratio" that could adversely affect "critical government radar systems."

SAVI this week filed its own detailed study that rebuts the NTIA's position. SAVI suggested it would be willing to have the FCC limit the available band for "advanced RFID" products to 433 to 435 MHz, lower the peak-to-average ratio to 14 dB, strengthen the definition of RFID products to add language forbidding voice transmissions and limit use of RFIDs to "commercial or industrial locations."

More than 130 amateurs filed comments in opposition to SAVI Technology's RFID tags proposal, and most supported the ARRL's position that the proposed rules are flawed and should not be adopted. A copy of the NTIA letter and study and SAVI's rebuttal study in ET Docket 01-278 are available via the FCC Electronic Comment Filing System page <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>. Click on "Search for Filed Comments" and enter "01-278" in the "Proceeding" field.

==>PHILLY YOUNGSTERS MEET ASTRONAUT PEGGY WHITSON VIA HAM RADIO

US Astronaut Peggy Whitson, KC5ZTD, told students in Philadelphia that she thinks it's possible there's life on other planets somewhere in the universe. Using NA1SS aboard the International Space Station October 22, Whitson answered several questions from youngsters attending Spruce Hill Christian School. The contact was arranged via the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) project.

"Actually, I think with the thousands and thousands of universes that we can see," Whitson said, "and knowing that there are even thousands and thousand more that we can't, I think that on all those planets somewhere there probably is going to be life somewhere else--maybe not exactly like ours, but I imagine there's going to be some kind of life."

Whitson said one of the most "fun" things she does aboard the ISS is look out the window. "Seeing the earth from this vantage point of over 200 miles above the earth is really impressive. It's really a beautiful place that we live on, and I think we take it for granted sometimes, when we live there." She said she also enjoys exercise--a necessity for long-term spaceflight. "We obviously aren't exposed to the effects of gravity, so we have to work very hard to maintain our physical fitness," she said.

Life in microgravity leads to demineralization of bones, Whitson explained. When the Expedition 5 crew returns to Earth next month, she said, it will take months before their bones return to normal. The crew likely will recover much more quickly from the other aftereffects of several months in space, she added, such as the dizziness or lightheadedness experienced by some returning astronauts.

The ARISS QSO got off to an uncertain start when Whitson and ground control operator Nancy Rocheleau, WH6PN, in Hawaii, apparently got on

different frequencies. Initially, Rocheleau was able to copy NA1SS, but Whitson did not hear WH6PN. Once things got under way for real, the contact lasted a little more than seven minutes.

Remote audio between the school and the ISS via WH6PN in Hawaii was handled through a WorldCom teleconferencing circuit. Whitson, who is related to the wife of the school's principal, Seth Cohen, asked ARISS to arrange the Spruce Hill contact as a "crew pick." ARISS is an international project with US participation by NASA, ARRL and AMSAT.

==>TEXAS AMATEURS VOLUNTEER AS TORNADO STRIKES CORPUS CHRISTI

Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) volunteers activated October 24 as a tornado struck Corpus Christi, Texas. One person died after a wall at the library of Del Mar College collapsed. The twister also caused perhaps two dozen other injuries as well as considerable property damage. ARRL South Texas Section Manager Ray Taylor, N5NAV, said the Texas Department of Public Safety was unable to get helicopters in to rescue stranded people due to the storm's turbulence. Gov Rick Perry declared a state of disaster for Corpus Christi and Nueces County.

The American Red Cross, The Salvation Army and the Texas Men's Baptist Kitchen were among the responding organizations. According to the Texas Division of Emergency Management, feeding and shelter operations continue in the impacted areas.

SKYWARN volunteers and South Texas Amateur Repeater Club weather station N5CCW were activated in advance of the severe weather that hit Corpus Christi. ARRL South Texas District Emergency Coordinator Robert Lobaugh, W5JYJ, said rainwater runoff depth ranged from 18 inches to several feet, depending upon the location. He reported downed power lines and roads blocked by debris and water. ARES teams and individual amateurs assisted as needed, Taylor said.

The tornado swept through about three miles from the shop of Mark Mireles, AD5CA. "It was impressive," Mireles said of the tornado damage. "People here are not used to that type of thing." Mireles said the Corpus Christi emergency operations center was activated, and amateurs staffed the radio room from noon until 10 PM October 25 and from 8 AM until shortly before noon October 26. Anticipated severe weather from Hurricane Kenna failed to materialize, so emergency volunteers were able to stand down.

"We have been well-received by all the city officials, from the city manager to the police chief," Mireles said, "and I almost have the EMS director talked into becoming a ham." Amateurs made use of a networked repeater system to facilitate communication.

The Corpus Christi tornado was the most severe weather problem for the Lone Star State in a week that had included heavy rains and flooding elsewhere. According to Lobaugh, San Patricio County, some 30 miles north of Corpus Christi, suffered storm damage October 23. Roads were closed due to high water, and utility poles were downed. Power has since been

restored, he said. Taylor said wet weather earlier in the week caused some residents in Seguin and Gonzales near the Guadalupe River to be evacuated. "The people in New Braunfels along the same river had to leave while they were in process of rebuilding from storm damage earlier this year," he added.

By the end of the week, the remnants of Hurricane Kenna exacerbated the situation in some areas after the storm dumped additional precipitation that led to more flooding in Pearland and possibly elsewhere. Weather problems continued this week as tornado and thunderstorm watches were in effect for more than a dozen Texas counties. Taylor reports that another tornado October 29 in the Beaumont area caused one death by drowning and did some damage.

The Hurricane Watch Net conducted an abbreviated session October 25 to disseminate Hurricane Kenna advisories. The eastern Pacific storm, once a treacherous Category 5 hurricane, moved across Mexico toward southern Texas. Well-known Cuban amateur and International Amateur Radio Union Region 2 Area C Emergency Coordinator Arnie Coro, CO2KK, said Cuban amateurs monitored the Mexican emergency net on 7065 kHz during the storm.

==>ARRL RESURRECTS FREQUENCY MEASURING TEST

The Frequency Measuring Test (FMT)--an ARRL staple for nearly 50 years--will return in early November. A FMT transmission will replace the W1AW SSB bulletin on November 7, 0245 UTC (Wednesday, November 6, in US time zones). The resurrected FMT will kick off a series of measuring tests.

"These tests will exercise the capabilities of hams to measure important operating parameters, improve their understanding of complex radios and give them a better mental picture of their transmitted signals," Contributing Editor Ward Silver, N0AX, said in an October 2002 QST article describing the art and science of frequency measurement. "The goal is a more technically aware amateur confident of compliance with FCC regulations." Silver's article, "The ARRL Frequency Measuring Tests," appears on page 51 of the October issue.

Today's amateurs tend to take for granted the accuracy of their transceiver's frequency readout. But, as Silver notes in his article, relying simply on a transceiver's digital readouts could mean part of your signal is outside the band edge--in violation of FCC Part 97 rules. Transceiver or receiver readout accuracy "depends entirely on the quality of the receiver's master oscillator," he points out in QST.

Increasing technical quality of amateur gear was one of the primary reasons for the decline and fall of FMTs in 1980. In prior decades, however, thousands of amateurs took part in the FMTs, and participation was required of ARRL Official Observer and Official Relay System stations. The first FMT, held in October 1931, employed three transmitting stations--W1XP at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, W9XAN at Elgin Observatory in Illinois and W6XK at Don Lee Broadcasting System in Los

Angeles--and drew more than 200 measurement reports.

"Winners demonstrated better than 99.99% accuracy, and more than half received certificates for better than 99.90% accuracy," Silver reported--not too shabby for the state of the art back then.

The 2002 FMT will begin at the appointed time--0245 UTC November 7 (9:45 PM EST November 6)--with a general Morse code "QST" from W1AW on four amateur frequencies. The test itself will consist of 20 seconds of carrier followed by a series of CW dits followed by a station ID. The test will last about five minutes and will conclude with a series of Vs and another station ID. The approximate frequencies are 3580, 7047, 14,048 and 21,068 kHz.

FMT 2002 participants should include time of reception, measured frequency and signal report, as well as their name, call sign and location. Participants are encouraged to submit reports on more than one of the frequencies. A Certificate of Participation will be available to all who send in reports. Those who come closest to the measured frequency will be listed in the test report and will receive special recognition.

Send FMT 2002 entries postmarked by December 6, 2002, to W1AW/FMT, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. More information and background on the 2002 FMT is available on the ARRL Frequency Measuring Tests - Supplement page <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/fmt/>.

==>VANITY APPLICATION REMINDERS BEAR REPEATING

When applying for a vanity call sign, the application purpose on FCC Form 605 should always be "Modification" (MD). ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, advises that vanity applicants within their 90-day license renewal window should not attempt to do a "Renewal/Modification" (RM) when applying for a vanity call sign.

"I would recommend that you renew first," Jahnke said. "If vanity processing is delayed for some reason--as happened last fall and spring--your license could expire while awaiting processing, and your application would be dismissed."

The fee for a vanity call sign increased to $14.50 in September. Jahnke says it is possible for vanity applicants to register a name, address or contact information (eg, e-mail or telephone number) change with the FCC while also applying for a vanity call sign, since both actions can be dealt with as a Modification. Note, however, that if you're only changing such data as name, address or contact information and not applying for a new call sign, you should check "Administrative Update" (AU) as the application purpose--and, yes, this is confusing.

By the way, unlike a vanity application, which requires a fee and goes to the FCC's fiscal agent in Pittsburgh, an Administrative Update application requires no fee and goes directly to the FCC in Gettysburg.

Amateur applications may be filed electronically via the FCC's ULS Web site <http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/> or on paper (using FCC Form 605). The FCC says that anyone filing any application with the FCC--whether for a vanity, license renewal, upgrade or modification--first must be registered with the Commission Registration System (CORES) and have obtained an FCC Registration Number (FRN).

For more information on vanity filing, visit the Amateur Radio Vanity Call Signs page <http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/vanity.html> on the ARRL Web site.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL November Sweepstakes (CW), the IPA Contest (CW/SSB), the Ukrainian DX Contest, the North American Collegiate ARC Championship (CW), the ARCI Running of the QRP Bulls, the High Speed Club CW Contest and the DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest are the weekend of November 2-3. JUST AHEAD: The Japan International DX Contest (SSB), the WAE DX Contest (RTTY), the OK/OM DX Contest (CW) and the Anatolian ATA PSK31 Contest are the weekend of November 9-10. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* VY1JA to be on the air from Yukon Territory for both Sweepstakes weekends: J Allen, VY1JA, in Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, is in his new house and will be active for both November ARRL Sweepstakes weekends (CW and SSB) as his schedule permits to hand out that rare SS multiplier (Yukon Territory counts for the NWT multiplier). "I plan to put in a serious effort on each, but I take time for Tae Kwon Do and for church, so I miss some of the best time of the contest," he said. For the lower bands, he'll be running 500 W to a "V-beam" dipole (450 feet per leg); for the higher bands, he hopes to have a tribander up on his tower by contest time, if the weather cooperates. QRP ops take note: VY1JA does listen for SS participants in the QRP (5 W or less output) category every hour on the half hour. Other times, VY1JA has been active on 6 meters running low power. CW SS is November 2-4; SSB SS is November 16-18 (UTC). For more information on ARRL November Sweepstakes, visit the 2002 ARRL November Sweepstakes Rules page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2002/nov-sweeps-rules.html>.

* ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration opens Tuesday, November 5, at 4 PM Eastern Time (2100 UTC) for the Level I Emergency Communications course (EC-001). Registration remains open through the November 9-10 weekend or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, November 19. Thanks to the federal homeland security grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service, the $45 registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the course. During this registration period, approximately 200 seats are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Emergency

Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, dmiller@...;
860-594-0340.

* ARRL Diamond Club off to "a great start": Following announcement of the ARRL Diamond Club membership a month ago, 126 charter members have enrolled, including three at the top Director level. "Contributions total $28,131," reports ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH. "This is a great start, and we look forward to growing these numbers daily." Joining the Diamond Club is very easy. Membership is a one-year commitment and is renewable annually. Each year you select the contribution level that fits your budget and circumstances, and ARRL does the rest. Before your Diamond Club membership expires, we will notify you so that you can tell us what level of commitment you want to make for the coming year. Benefits include an extension of your ARRL membership (including QST, of course) for one calendar year as well as additional benefits at each Diamond Club contribution level. A Diamond Club membership is a great gift idea for someone who shares your commitment to the League. Diamond Club contributions are tax deductible to the extent permitted by law--as are all contributions to ARRL above and beyond basic membership. Those who become Diamond Club charter members before year's end will receive an extra thank-you gift. Diamond Club details <https://www.arrl.org/diamondclub/> are on the ARRL Web site. Members also can call (860-594-0397) or e-mail <mhobart@...> the ARRL Development Office for more information.

* New on-line edition of The ARRL Public Information Officer's Handbook debuts: The latest edition of The ARRL Public Information Officer's Handbook <www.arrl.org/pio/handbook> now is available the ARRL Web site. Formerly a hard-copy publication and then an Adobe PDF scan, the new PIO Handbook is now an updateable electronic document. It contains 12 chapters packed with helpful advice for anyone interested in promoting Amateur Radio. Over the past few months, the League's Public Relations Committee has been developing the new Web-based manual, based in part on a previous publication by Gene Pressler, W3ZXV. The PIO Handbook is perfect for ARRL Public Information Coordinators, Public Information Officers, club PIOs and anyone with the desire to help raise public awareness--predominantly via the media--about Amateur Radio in their communities. The PIO Handbook covers many of the basics, such as how to identify what is news and how to write a press release. Other topics include how to write for magazines, how to deal with major breaking stories, the how-tos of media interviews, getting ham radio into the public spotlight and much more. "Because this is a Web document, we'll easily be able to add information and keep the PIO Handbook timely," said ARRL Media Relations Manager Jennifer Hagy, N1TDY. "I hope our PR volunteers find this to be a useful tool in their efforts to provide a very important service for the League and also for Amateur Radio on the local level." ARRL thanks the members of the PR Committee who contributed to the PIO Handbook and also to Gene Pressler, who had the vision to create the original manual that served PR volunteers for a number of years.

* UK holding the line on additional 5 MHz experimenters: The Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) reports that the Radiocommunications Agency (RA) in the UK on October 31 put a temporary moratorium on applications from full Class A amateurs who wish to experiment in the 5 MHz band. Eligible amateurs in the UK have had to apply for a Notice of Variation (NoV) to experiment in the band using five spot frequencies. The RA says applications for 5 MHz NoVs exceeded its expectations; it now worries that the risk of congestion may be detrimental to the overall success of the experiment. The RA says it will monitor occupancy of the five channels and review its position. "It is likely that an announcement will be made later this year for action early in the new year," the RSGB said.--RSGB

* Indian pirates persist: Sahruddin, VU2SDN, the president of the Amateur Radio Society of India, reports a spate of pirate operations using call signs VU4A, VU7A and similar other call signs continues. These have all been pirates, he says. A blanket ban exists on operations from Andaman, Nicobar and Lakshadweep islands, so VU4 and VU7-prefix call signs have not being assigned for 10 years, although the brief 1993 VU2JPS from the Andaman Islands was valid. Sahruddin reported last April that India's QSL Bureau was receiving many QSL requests for contacts apparently made by bootleggers using VU call signs. Sahruddin has explained that call signs that begin with VU2 followed by two or three letters or with VU3 followed by three letters are the only valid call signs for India.--The Daily DX

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890. Annual Membership Fees

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-10-31 15:16:10 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 890 Message: 890

Dear Members,

Some members have not yet paid their fees for the year 2002-03. All such members are requested to pay their annual membership fees or convert to life membership by 15th November 2002, failing which their membership shall be discontinued.

Fees can be paid to the undersigned by cash or cheque. You may also courier your cheque to MARS registered office address.

Members who have already paid their fees should ignore this message.

Note: To become members again repayment of admission fees would be required.

Thnks,

Mehul Chovatia.
Treasurer - MARS.
9820444991.

891. Library books reminder & availability.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-01 05:04:00 UTC
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MARS wishes it founder member Jyotika Dalal [VU2 JYO] a very Happy Birthday.

893. Mumbai Amateur Radio Society, You have a Virtual Card!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-03 07:23:06 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 893 Message: 893

You've just received a virtual card from MSN India! To view your free card, simply click:

http://server1.msn.co.in/Greetings/diwali02/viewcard.asp?CID=83B2E0B4-5FDD-4338-82F6-E26AC5CDD108

We hope you enjoy our virtual card!
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894. Test massage

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-03 13:20:14 UTC
From: mukesh jaitley
Topic: 894 Message: 894

Hi!!!

this is a test message!!!

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Choose an Internet access plan right for you -- try MSN!
http://resourcecenter.msn.com/access/plans/default.asp

895. Diwali Greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-03 14:02:09 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 895 Message: 895

Dear Friends,
A very happy Diwali and a very happy and prosperous New Year.
Nafisa

896. Happy Diwali & a Prosperous New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-03 15:35:04 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 896 Message: 896
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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

73, de VU2NLF

897. From Parin J Gangar - Happy Diwali

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-04 14:43:45 UTC
From: paringangar@hotmail.com
Topic: 897 Message: 897

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Thanks!
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898. From Parin J Gangar - Happy Diwali

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-04 14:44:12 UTC
From: paringangar@hotmail.com
Topic: 897 Message: 898

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http://www.webshots.com/go?direct

899. Diwali

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-06 02:31:06 UTC
From: kailash_gupta
Topic: 899 Message: 899

Dear OM /YL,

Happy Diwali and New Year.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ
01/11, Parishram Park
Gorwa-Refinery Road
Baroda 390 016
Phone: 285343

900. Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-07 04:52:16 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 191 Message: 900
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Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The Monthly meeting for September will be held on Sunday 10th November 2002.

QTH : Bengalle Girls High School, Opp. USIS library, Churchgate, Mumbai at 10 am

The Agenda for the meeting is as under :-

Prospects for future Ham Radio Classes.
Scrammble Team Field Exercise in December
Fox Hunt in January 2003.

It has been noted that many of our members are not attending the Monthly Meeting, In fact only 5 licenced Hams attended the last meeting rest were all SWLs.

Monthly meetings are wonderful oppourtunites for having eyeball with rest of our Ham friends, members are therefore requested to attend the meeting and show some interest and participate in the Society's activities, after all we all are part of it.

All Scrammble Team members are requested to attend the meeting without fail.

Please also note that MARS maintains a good library with all the latest QST Magazine(including Oct 2002). kindly take the advantage and keep yourselves updated with the latest news and information. The magazines will be available at the monthly meeting.

Members are also requested to donate some books related to Ham Radio to the society library.

looking forward to having an eyeball with you

73
NLF

901. Re: [m_a_r_s] Diwali

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-07 06:12:24 UTC
From: George Philips
Topic: 899 Message: 901

Dear OM Kailash,

Thank you for the Diwali greetings. Let me wish you and your family belated greetings for Diwali and all the best for the New year.

George Philips, VU2GT.

902. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Diwali & a Prosperous New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-07 06:23:52 UTC
From: George Philips
Topic: 896 Message: 902

To all Martians,

A very Happy Diwali and all good wishes for the New Year.

George, VU2GT.

903. Library Books Reminder & Availability

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-08 10:45:58 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 903 Message: 903
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QST MAGAZINE - MAY 2002. JIGAR MEHTA 28/10/2002*
QST MAZAGINE - JUNE 2001. MOHD. BANATWALA 12/11/2002
QST MAZAGINE - JULY 2001. A.SIVMANICKAM 12/11/2002
QST MAGAZINE - SEPEMBER 2001. P.V.JAIPRAKASH 12/11/2002
QST MAGAZINE - NOVEMBER 2001 SAJJAD JIVANI. 12/11/2002
QST MAGAZINE - DECEMBER 2001. RAJEN KAVADIA - VU2RIG 12/11/2002
QST MAGAZINE - JANUARY 2002. SAILESH DESHMUKH. 12/11/2002
QST MAGAZINE - FEBUARY 2002. JOSEPH KINNY - VU3KNY 12/11/2002
QST MAGAZINE - MARCH 2002. DILIP BHANDARI 12/11/2002
PACKET : SPEED, MORE SPEED AND APPL SANDIP BABAN ADIWAREKAR 24/11/2002
THE ARRL HAND BOOK - 1988 EDITION PARIN JAYANT GANGAR 26/11/2002
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17 QST MAGAZINE - SEPTEMBER 2002. 7 DAYS
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23 ARRL HANDBOOK - 2001 - CD 30 DAYS
24 ARRL ANTENNA HAND BOOK VER.2.0 - CD 30 DAYS
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12 QST MAGAZINE - APRIL 2002. 30 DAYS
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904. JOTA DEBRIEFING

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-08 16:40:23 UTC
From: Huzefa
Topic: 904 Message: 904
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Hi

There will be a debriefing for Jota at 9.00 am before the monthly meeting , so all members who participated in Jota are requested to attend the same without fail

Huzefa Merchant

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Huzefa Merchant
WEBSITE: www.qsl.net/vu2hit
Ham Radio Call Sign: VU2HIT
E-mail: vuhit@...
ICQ#: 81941713
MSN: vu2hit@hotmail.com
Yahoo Messenger: vu2hit@...

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905. Library Books Reminder & Availability

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-10 09:22:50 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 903 Message: 905
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QST MAGAZINE - AUGUST 2002. DR. ANUKANTH MITTAL 17/11/02
PACKET : SPEED, MORE SPEED AND APPL SANDIP BABAN ADIWAREKAR 24/11/02
QST MAGAZINE - MAY 2002. A SIVAMANIKAM 25/11/02
THE ARRL HAND BOOK - 1988 EDITION PARIN JAYANT GANGAR 26/11/02
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QST MAGAZINE - OCTOBER 2001. ANANTA RAGHUNATH MORE. 10/12/02
QST MAGAZINE - JANUARY 2002. RAJESH SHETHIA 10/12/02
QST MAGAZINE - MARCH 2002. ISAAC SAMUEL 10/12/02
QST MAGAZINE - APRIL 2002. SHAILESH S DESMUKH 10/12/02
QST MAGAZINE - JULY 2002. RAJEN PURSHOTTAM KAVADIA. 10/12/02
THE ARRL SATELLITE ANTHOLOGY CHANDNI KAPIL 10/12/02
A.P.R.S. TRACKS, MAPS AND MOBILES. MUKESH GOPALKRISHNA JAITL 10/12/02
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906. Monthly meeting report.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-10 09:43:11 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 906 Message: 906
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Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The Monthly meeting for September was be held on Sunday 10th November 2002 at 10:00 am.

9 Hams & 13 SWLs attended the meeting. (22 Members).

VU2NLF reported the members about Ham Radio Presentations and demonstrations conducted at Atharva College of Engineering, Malad (Conducted by VU2NLF, VU2UGO and Jigar - SWL). on 22/10/2002. and at I.I.T, Powai (Conducted by VU3MBF, VU2NLF and VU2UGO) on 9/11/2002.

The next Ham Radio Classes was also discussed during the meeting but no fixed date or location was decided for the time being. MARS will be conducting a Ham Radio Presentations and demonstration at Hiranandani College, Powai very shortly, maybe then the Hiranandani College and I.I.T, Powai can be merged as one Batch.

Scrammble Team exercise (Field trip) to be conduct 7th / 8th December 2002. VU2NLF explained and discussed with the members and almost all present at the meeting will be participating in the exercise.

Fox Hunt to be conducted on 19th January 2003. VU2ZRS explained the fox hunt to all the members and took the head count of the members wanting to participate. Once again almost all present at the meeting will be participating for this event.

Library books were circulated after the meeting. Tea & Snacks were served as usual.

73
NLF.

907. Happy Birthday - Anusuya Jaiprakash

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-11 04:03:08 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 907 Message: 907
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Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its member Anusuya Jaiprakash a very Happy Birthday

908. Scrammble Team Exercise / Field Trip

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-11 04:17:56 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 908 Message: 908
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Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

MARS will be conducting a field exercise on 7th/8th December 2002. As usual many stations will be setup at various locations in Maharashtra. Teams will be lead by a permenant Scrammble Team Members.

It would be a wonderful oppourtunity for all the SWLs to get a first hand experience of Ham Radio during this exercise.

All licenced members are requested to take initative and participate in this exercise and help to train all the budding Hams (SWLs).

All SWLs are requested to take part in this exercise as you are likely to learn a lot about real time operations of Ham Radio.

Many of the members have already confirmed their participation with me, but those haven;t may confirm with me at the earliest because a lot of planning on my side will be required in order to make this a succesful exercise.

Please confirm directly to me vu2nlf@... or call 98205-47074 ASAP.

73
NLF

909. Reminder: Annual Membership Fees

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-13 11:16:40 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 909 Message: 909

Dear Members,

This is a reminder for members whose fees are yet to be paid. Pls be reminded that the deadline stands at 15th November.

Kindly clear your dues failing which the membership would be discontinued.

Members who have already paid their fees should ignore this message.

Thnks,

Mehul.

----- Original Message -----
From: Mehul Chovatia
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2002 8:46 PM
Subject: Annual Membership Fees

Dear Members,

Some members have not yet paid their fees for the year 2002-03. All such members are requested to pay their annual membership fees or convert to life membership by 15th November 2002, failing which their membership shall be discontinued.

Fees can be paid to the undersigned by cash or cheque. You may also courier your cheque to MARS registered office address.

Members who have already paid their fees should ignore this message.

Note: To become members again repayment of admission fees would be required.

Thnks,

Mehul Chovatia.
Treasurer - MARS.
9820444991.

910. VU2AUU - Udayan Desai goes Silent Key.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-13 15:18:04 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 910 Message: 910
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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

With much regret I inform you that our founder members Udayan Desai - VU2AUU died on 11th November 2002 of a Cardiac Arrest. He was on his way from Junagadh to Mumbai and passed away in the train.

He practically wrote our MARS Constitution and had put a lot of effort in launching our Society. We shall always feel his absence and he will stay alive in our memories.

May His Soul Rest in Peace.

911. Re: [m_a_r_s] VU2AUU - Udayan Desai goes Silent Key.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-14 06:05:42 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 910 Message: 911

Dear Friends,

We can never forget the efforts put by Udayan to get our constitution in place and during all our elections. A unique vaccuum created which cannot be filled in.

May his soul rest in peace.

Mehul.
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2002 8:48 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] VU2AUU - Udayan Desai goes Silent Key.

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912. Re: Scrammble Team Exercise / Field Trip

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-16 17:07:25 UTC
From: kailash_gupta
Topic: 908 Message: 912

I shall participate in the Field Trip on 8th or both on 7th and 8th Dec., Please inform the details.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ
C56 Sshastri Nagar
Opp. Tagore School
Jaipur 302 016
Phone: (0141)2306040

--- In m_a_r_s@y..., "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@b...> wrote:
> Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
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> Dear Friends,
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> Please confirm directly to me vu2nlf@b... or call 98205-47074 ASAP.
>
> 73
> NLF

913. Happy Birthday - VU2IIA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-17 09:07:01 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 913 Message: 913
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Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its Founder Member Mahesh Vhatkar - VU2 IIA a very Happy Birthday

914. IT Industry.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-25 19:03:34 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 914 Message: 914

What if the IT Industry started making films ?
Some future desi film titles will be like :----
1) Java wale job le jayenge
2) Aao chat kare
3) Programmer no.1
4) Mera naam developer
5) Meri disk tumhare paas hai
6) Hum aapke memory mein rahate hain
7) Do processor baarah terminal
8) Tera code chal gaya
9) Har Din jo mail Karega
10) Network Ke Us Paar
11) Debugging koi Khel nahi
12) Jis Desh mein Bill(gates) rahata Hai
13) Raju ban gaya MCSE..!
14) Client ek numbari, PROGRAMMER Dus Nambari
15) Login karo sajana
16) Naukar PC ka
17) DOWN to hona hi tha
18) Partition (Deewar)
19) 1942 - A Bug Story
20) Kaho Na Virus Hai
21) dot-Company Company
22) Program Instruction Aur Method (Pyar Ishq ...
23) Crash Se Crash Tak (QSQT)
24) Haan Meine Bhi Debug Kiya Hai
25) BugVadh
26) Logon (Lagaan)
27) Shaheed Hacker Singh
28) Hacker 420
29) Password De Ke Dekho
30) Terminal Apna Login Parayi
31) Mr Network Lal
32) Maine Debug Kiya
33) Terminal Sajake Rakhna
34) Debuggers ki Rani Hackers ka Raja
35) Kyonki Mein Debug Nahin Karta
36) Phir Teri Perl-Script Yaad Aayi
37) Crash To Hona Hi Tha.

Vijay VU2VVP

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915. Briefing meeting For Field trip on 7th/8th Dec 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-27 12:08:55 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 910 Message: 915

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The briefing meeting for scrammble team (Field Trip) will be held on 1st December 2002 (Sunday) at Bengalle Girls High School at 10:00 am sharp.

all participants are requested to attend the meeting without fail. This will help us in better co-ordination.

It is mandatory got all the Team Leaders (Licenced Hams) to attend the meeting, failing which they will not be allowed to participate in this event.

All participating HAMS and SWLs having Lap top computer may please contact me urgently on 98205-47074.

All HAMS and SWLs who have not confirmed their participation with me may contact me ASAP.

Looking forward to having an eye ball with you gus on Sunday.

73
NLF

916. Re: [m_a_r_s] Briefing meeting For Field trip on 7th/8th Dec 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-11-28 16:12:53 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 910 Message: 916

Dear Nilesh,

I have already confirmed my participation. I am at
Jaipur. Leave of absence may kindly be granted from
attending the Briefing Meeting.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ
--- vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
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917. Field Exercise

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-05 17:48:29 UTC
From: kailash_gupta
Topic: 917 Message: 917

Dear Nilesh,

Ref our talk. I have not received any information about the exercise. I shall be reaching by 2928 Vadodara Express in S5/4 at 4.20 Hrs at Borivali, 4.55 Hrs at Dadar and 5.25 Hrs at Mumbai Centre on Saturday the 7th December. Please advise where shall I get down and what to do afterwords. Please provide me all the documets and things which are due to me. Reply asap.

Regards,

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ

918. The ARRL Letter, Vol 21, No 46

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-09 05:53:19 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 918 Message: 918

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The ARRL Letter
Vol. 21, No. 46
November 22, 2002
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IN THIS EDITION:

* +WRC-03 Conference Preparatory Meeting in full swing
* +West Central Florida SM wins re-election by two votes
* +Adelstein fills fifth FCC slot
* +LA-area repeater problems repeat under new ownership
* +Hams slip into action following northeast ice storm
* +Former ARRL staff member Bob White, W1CW, SK
* +SKYWARN recognition day is December 7
* USTTI class of 2002 completes amateur administration course
* Solar Update
* IN BRIEF:
This weekend on the radio
ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration
Congress adjourns; HR 4720 expires without action
Daughter of ARRL co-founder dies
Transatlantic VHF contact a no-go
The ARRL Letter delivery problems

+Available on ARRL Audio News

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NOTE: Because of the Thanksgiving holiday, ARRL Headquarters will be
closed Friday, November 29. There will be no editions of The ARRL Letter
and ARRL Audio News next week, and W1AW will suspend its normal
transmission schedule Friday, November 29. The K7VVV Solar Update will be
posted early. ARRL Headquarters will reopen Monday, December 2. The ARRL
Letter and ARRL Audio News will resume Friday, December 6. We wish
everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday!--Rick Lindquist, N1RL
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==>WRC-03 CONFERENCE PREPARATORY MEETING UNDER WAY

The Conference Preparatory Meeting (CPM) for next year's World
Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-03) opened in Geneva, Switzerland
November 18. Some 1000 delegates are attending the worldwide gathering.

"The objective of the CPM is to approve a 500-page CPM Report to WRC-03
that will provide a technical basis for consideration of administrations'
proposals for changes in the international Radio Regulations," explained
ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ. Sumner is attending in
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his role as International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) secretary. He says 174 "input documents" to the CPM offer comments on the existing draft CPM Report text and propose additions, deletions, and changes.

Chairing the CPM is Germany's Eberhard George, DL7IH. At the day-long opening plenary, George and the chairpersons of the various working groups provided an overview of the meeting's structure and the major issues facing WRC-03.

"Several of the working group chairs were quite candid in their remarks," Sumner said. "Music to many ears including amateurs' was the assessment by New Zealand's Alan Jamieson regarding so-called little LEOs--mobile satellites operating below 1 GHz." According to Sumner, Jamieson said there was no congestion in their existing bands, and sharing studies had been unfavorable. Sumner predicted that the likely outcome at WRC-03 would be the suppression of an existing Resolution that invites sharing studies on the basis of an "urgent need" that no longer exists.

A thornier issue is 7-MHz "harmonization." The IARU backs a 300-kHz worldwide allocation in the vicinity of 7 MHz. "At this stage, we have six methods to address the agenda item," Sumner said--including no change in the status quo. The item is in Working Group 5 (WG5) "We can't say for sure that the six methods will be in the CPM Report until WG5 takes another pass at the revised draft text and it's approved in plenary." That's not supposed to happen until next week.

Substantive work of the CPM will be wrapped up November 28--Thanksgiving in the US, but just another work day in Geneva.

In addition to Sumner, those representing the IARU at the CPM include President Larry Price, W4RA, and Region 1 Executive Committee member Wojciech Nietyksza, SP5FM. IARU Vice President David Wardlaw, VK3ADW, is on the Australian delegation and ARRL Technical Relations Manager Paul Rinaldo, W4RI, is on the US delegation.

Several other amateurs are on their national delegations, either to represent the amateur services or in professional capacities.

==>A SQUEAKER IN WEST CENTRAL FLORIDA AS SECTION MANAGER BALLOTS ARE TALLIED

ARRL West Central Florida Section Manager Dave Armbrust, AE4MR, narrowly won re-election as ballots were counted in three contested races. Armbrust--the first and only person to serve as WCF SM--edged out Gerald Dee Turner, N2MNC, by just two votes--490 to 488. An ARRL Life Member, Armbrust was first appointed to the job in November 1999, when the new section was created. He was elected for a two-year term the following year.

Just last year in Tennessee, Terry Cox, KB4KA, eked out a victory over David Bower, K4PZT, 540 to 538, for the honor of succeeding outgoing SM O.D. Keaton, WA4GLS, who decided not to run for another term.

Results in two other ARRL sections were not nearly as close. In South Carolina, incumbent SM Patricia Hensley, N4ROS, lost out to James Boehner, N2ZZ, of Aiken, in her bid for a new term. Boehner, an ARRL Life Member and a physician, outpolled Hensley 431 to 239. He has said he wants to enhance Amateur Radio growth in his section and "guide the path of Amateur Radio in South Carolina into the 21st century."

In Western Pennsylvania, incumbent John Rodgers, N3MSE, won re-election 485 to 410 over David Leiser, K3NPX. Rodgers, a ham since 1992, was appointed SM in 2000, replacing Bill Edgar, N3LLR, who had acceded to Vice Director. He was elected to a full term later that same year.

ARRL Field and Educational Services staff members counted and verified all ballots November 19 at ARRL Headquarters.

Incumbent ARRL SMs in six other ARRL sections did not face opposition and have been declared elected for new two-year terms. They are Phil Temples, K9HI, Eastern Massachusetts; Dale Bagley, K0KY, Missouri; Bill McCollum, KE0XQ, Nebraska; George Tranos, N2GA, New York City-Long Island; Thomas Dick, KF2GC, Northern New York; and Jean Priestley, KA2YKN, Southern New Jersey.

Terms of office for all successful candidates begin January 1, 2003.

Kansas also will get a new SM on January 1. Orlan Cook, W0OYH, has announced his retirement from the Kansas Section Manager's position as of end of this year after serving for five years. ARRL Field and Educational Services Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, has appointed Ron Cowan, KB0DTI, of La Cygne to complete the year remaining in the present term of office.

Cowan has been an Assistant Section Manager since April, 2002, and has been the Kansas Section Traffic Manager for about two years.

==>JONATHAN ADELSTEIN SWORN IN AS FCC COMMISSIONER

FCC nominee Jonathan Adelstein was sworn in this week to fill the Commission's remaining open slot. The nomination of Adelstein, a Democrat and a protégé of South Dakota Sen Tom Daschle, had been held hostage for most of this year because of political wrangling over several judicial nominations. Adelstein will finish out the term of former Commissioner Gloria Tristani, which ends in June.

The only other Democrat on the FCC, Michael J. Copps, called it "a happy day" for himself and the FCC. Copps said Adelstein will make "an exceptionally fine new colleague" whose addition will bring the FCC up and running at full complement.

Okayed last summer by the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee, Adelstein was confirmed by the Senate November 14 in a procedural floor vote.

Earlier this year, Adelstein's FCC nomination appeared dead for the year as Senate Republicans and Democrats squabbled over judicial nominations, and some Republicans, placed anonymous holds on Adelstein's nomination.

The election and the change in Senate control obviated the issues involved, however.

The White House nominated Adelstein last February.

==>NEW OWNER, CALL SIGN, BUT LA-AREA REPEATER PROBLEMS PERSIST

The former W6NUT repeater in the Los Angeles area has a new owner and a new call sign, N6SAP. Nonetheless, complaints of the same sort of on-the-air behavior that inspired an FCC inquiry of the previous trustee more than a year ago have occurred under the new regime. The new owner says he's in the process of changing things for the better, however. A November 5 letter from FCC Special Counsel for Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth publicly put the machine's new trustee, Scott A. Press, N6SAP, on the spot because of allegations that some users had interfered with attempts to pass emergency traffic. Two users identified as having caused the interference also received inquiries from Hollingsworth.

"We view these allegations as extremely serious," Hollingsworth told Press--the repeater trustee--and those said to have been involved in the October 2 incident. He also cautioned those accused of perpetrating the problem against retaliating in any matter toward the complainants.

A League member, Press told ARRL this week that he's been working hard to turn around the repeater's past reputation but change will not happen overnight. "I knew what I was getting into when I bought the system and have made some strong progress with the exception of a few bad apples who have not seen the light yet," he said. "They are being shaken from the tree one by one."

Press purchased the former W6NUT repeater, once owned by Kathryn Tucker, AA6TK. According to FCC records, the trusteeship formally transferred September 3. At one point in 2001, the FCC terminated authority to operate the repeater under automatic control. An earlier FCC review into the repeater's operation followed allegations that the licensee or control operator failed to address incessant jamming, broadcasting, the playing of music and other potential violations.

An N6SAP repeater user, Anthony Cardenas, WA6IGJ, complained to the FCC that he was jammed October 2 after attempting to use the repeater to report a motorist stranded in the midst of freeway traffic. Cardenas alleged that Ledge Musselman, KC6NCN, and Anton Johnson, N6OAY, blocked his efforts to alert the California Highway Patrol to the potentially hazardous situation via ham radio. Hollingsworth included the allegations in essentially identical letters to Musselman and Johnson, also sent November 5.

Information from Press and others who monitored the incident indicated that Press did just that. He shut down the N6SAP repeater for 20 minutes after other operators were unsuccessful in efforts to convince the interfering stations to let Cardenas pass his traffic. Transcripts of the recordings indicate that the interference consisted mostly of disparaging

remarks, unmodulated carriers and singing. Cardenas says he was able to contact the police via another repeater.

Press has told the FCC that Cardenas' account of the incident was "accurate and true." He told ARRL that he'd been promptly in touch with the complainant and with an ARRL Official Observer who forwarded the complaint to the League.

According to the FCC, Press has told Johnson and Musselman to stay off the N6SAP repeater at least until the current dispute is resolved. "We expect that request to be honored," Hollingsworth said, "and if it is not, we will immediately institute license revocation proceedings," he wrote. Press has since also banned Cardenas from the N6SAP repeater.

Press said he's been working closely with the FCC to "clear up many things that are just out of my reach." Hollingsworth this week commended Press for "trying very hard to change what was a disgrace to Amateur Radio into a viable Amateur repeater" and said the FCC supports his efforts.

==>AMATEURS AID IN WAKE OF CONNECTICUT ICE STORM

Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) members got to work quickly the morning of Sunday, November 17, as an ice storm knocked out power to almost 130,000 Connecticut homes and businesses, mostly in the northwestern part of the state. The statewide alert--and the resulting ARES activation--lasted 48 hours. Connecticut Gov John Rowland toured the region and visited the ham station set up at the Torrington Emergency Operations Center.

Connecticut Section Emergency Coordinator Allen Pitts, W1AGP, said about 30 hams from all over The Nutmeg State headed into the affected area, mostly in northwestern Connecticut. He characterized ARES members' efforts as "wonderful." Pitts said Connecticut ARES had been drilling informally in conjunction with ARES teams in Eastern New York and New Hampshire, and the effort paid off. "The drills covered a very similar situation," he said. "The level of coordination and cooperation was incredible."

ARRL staffer Brennan Price, N4QX, was among those taking a turn as net control of the Connecticut Phone Net on 3965 kHz. "The good thing about this particular situation was with such a small part of the state hit, there were a lot of others in the state able to help out," he said. "It all came together quickly and was nicely pulled off."

West Hartford-Area EC Harry Abery, AB1ER, said most of the work hams did was in Torrington area shelters. That Litchfield County community was among the hardest hit.

Connecticut ARES linked 10 VHF and UHF repeaters in Torrington, Vernon, Naugatuck, Meriden, New Milford and Washington. Separate resource and tactical nets were run on other 2 meter repeaters.

Dutchess County, New York, EC Adam Nowik Jr, KC2DAA, said amateurs in Eastern New York activated their own net, and more than a half dozen New

Yorkers arrived in the Torrington area within three hours of the activation. "Our net was kept active in the event the Connecticut section had need for additional communications or had a complete communications breakdown," Nowik said. Frank Stone, KB2YUR, served as a liaison between Abery and the hams in Eastern New York for the duration of the incident.

After 27 hours, the Connecticut Phone Net's Emergency session on HF was able to stand down the afternoon of November 18, as temperatures rose into the 40s. But 20 minutes later, the net was back up after a trunk line from New York went down and more people lost power, Pitts said. Relief efforts by area radio amateurs continued into the evening of November 18, when the statewide ARES alert was terminated. "We did not shut down statewide until we were sure everyone was off the roads, home safe and checked in," Pitts said.

Pitts credited greater professionalism and proficiency over the past several months to the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications courses <http://www.arrl.org/cce/> offered on-line. "We're seeing a real difference, and the quality of operations is definitely up," he said. Thanks to a $33,000 grant from Hartford-based United Technologies Corporation, up to 250 Connecticut amateurs will be able to take the ARRL Level I Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course (EC-001) free of charge.

==>DXCC LEGEND BOB WHITE, W1CW, SK

Former ARRL Headquarters staff member Bob White, W1CW, died November 22 in Florida from complications arising from pneumonia. He was 83. White was an ARRL Life Member and had belonged to the League for 62 years.

Known to many as "Mr DXCC," White was the manager of the ARRL's DX Century Club program from 1952 until 1976, establishing the award--and its stringent standards--as Amateur Radio's premier DX achievement. White codified the rules for the DXCC program and oversaw the checking of some 250,000 QSL cards submitted yearly, often working as many as 90 hours a week to ensure that the job got done right. White also oversaw the ARRL QSL Service from 1976 until 1978.

"Dad was the guy who made DXCC what it was," said White's son, Jim White, K4OJ, in a posting to the CQ Contest reflector. "He didn't cut any corners--everyone was held to the same high standard--and this is what made holding DXCC meaningful."

Introduced to Amateur Radio in his youth by his stepfather, Gordon Brown, W6APG, White was first licensed in 1938. He served as a radio operator in the US Navy during World War II.

White was an avid DXer, contester and CW enthusiast whose fist was familiar to thousands of hams. Active in the First-Class CW Operators' Club, White was inducted into the CQ DX Hall of Fame in 1998. He also was a member of the A1 Operator Club.

Survivors include his wife Ellen, W1YL, and his son Jim, K4OJ, both former ARRL staff members.

Friends may send condolence messages via e-mail <w1cw@...m> or to 6607 Flicker Ct, Seffner, FL 33584. The family invites memorial donations to the W1CW Memorial Fund-Florida Contest Group, c/o Frederick M Perkins Jr, 3437 Lake Josephine Dr, Lake Placid FL 33852 USA. Per White's request, there will be no public service.

==>ANNUAL SKYWARN RECOGNITION DAY IS DECEMBER 7

The fourth annual SKYWARN Recognition Day (SRD) <http://hamradio.noaa.gov/>is December 7 (UTC). That's when Amateur Radio operators set up stations at National Weather Service (NWS) offices and contact other operators around the world. The event is sponsored by the ARRL and the National Weather Service.

"The purpose of the event is to recognize the vital public service contribution that Amateur Radio operators make during National Weather Service severe weather warning operations," said David Floyd, N5DBZ, warning coordination meteorologist, at the NWS Goodland, Kansas, office. "It also strengthens the bond between Amateur Radio operators and the local National Weather Service office."

For several decades now, hams have assisted the NWS by providing real-time reports of severe weather and storm evolution. The information radio operators locate near a storm can provide plays a key role in aiding forecasters. SKYWARN operators in several states activated to spot and track an outbreak of severe thunderstorms and tornadoes November 10.

Scott Mentzer, N0QE--the meteorologist-in-charge of the NWS office in Goodland, Kansas, and the creator and annual organizer of SRD--says more than 90 stations are registered to participate, up from 80 last year. Most participating NWS stations will operate on 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, and 2 meters using SSB and FM. Mentzer says a number of NWS offices will be equipped to support Internet Radio Linking Project (IRLP) stations.

All contacts will be made utilizing the General or Novice portion of the bands. Stations will exchange signal report, location and a one-word description of the current weather at their respective locations ("sunny," "partly cloudy," "windy," etc). This is not a contest, so no scoring will be computed.

SKYWARN Recognition Day will take place December 7 from 0000 UTC to 2400 UTC. Since SRD is being held on Pearl Harbor Day, each NWS office will transmit a special message from approximately 1800 to 1900 UTC--approximately the time of the Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, attack on December 7, 1941--to honor the World War II veterans.

The deadline to register an NWS site is December 1. Contact Mentzer to register: scott.mentzer@.... Complete information is available on the 2002 SKYWARN Recognition Day Web site <http://hamradio.noaa.gov/>.

==>USTTI CLASS OF 2002 LEARNS ABOUT AMATEUR RADIO

Six students from around the world recently attended the United States Telecommunications Training Institute (USTTI)/International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) course on Amateur Radio administration at ARRL Headquarters. The course was held November 4-8.

Coordinated by USTTI and presented jointly by IARU and ARRL staffers, the program covers--among other topics--the International Telecommunication Union and ITU regulations, the IARU, spectrum management, emergency communication, digital communication, satellites, electromagnetic interference, international licensing, and Amateur Radio testing and licensing in the US.

The trainees also constructed a simple 40-meter receiver in the ARRL Lab.

Attending this year's session were Ivannia Marcela Blanco of Costa Rica, Mabel Doku of Ghana, Antonio Edward Eba Padre of the Philippines, Nicolae Ghibu of Romania, Sung-Chul Chae of South Korea, and O'Connor Malambo of Zambia. All of the students are in occupations in their home countries that involve the use of telecommunications.

Teaching the majority of the Amateur Radio Administration Course were ARRL Technical Relations Specialists Jon Siverling, WB3ERA, and Walt Ireland, WB7CSL--both of the ARRL's Washington, DC, office. The staff of the ARRL Laboratory was on hand to help with the construction of the receiver.

ARRL staff member Lisa Kustosik, KA1UFZ, served as USTTI coordinator this year.

For more information on USTTI, visit the USTTI Web site <http://ustti.org/>.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar sage Tad "I'll Follow the Sun" Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Conditions very quiet, with mid-latitude A index for Friday through Sunday at a placid 8, 3 and 5, and the planetary A index at 11, 8 and 8. Mid-latitude K indices were zero over several periods on Saturday and Sunday.

Average daily sunspot numbers were down more than 62 points this week over last, and average solar flux was down nearly 5 points.

Sunspot 198, squarely aimed at Earth on November 21, has a potential for solar flares. The planetary K index rose to a very high value of 7, and planetary A index was 50.

For the CW weekend of the CQ Worldwide DX Contest <http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WW%20Rules%202002%20815.pdf> the predicted planetary A index is 35, 20 and 15. Solar flux is predicted to rise very gradually over the next few weeks to just below 200 before mid-December.

Sunspot numbers for November 14 through 20 were 185, 185, 162, 139, 119, 105 and 108, with a mean of 143.3. The-10.7 cm flux was 184.1, 197.5,

199.2, 184.7, 178.9, 168.2 and 159.1, with a mean of 181.7. Estimated planetary A indices were 9, 11, 8, 8, 12, 14 and 17, with a mean of 11.3.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The CQ Worldwide DX Contest (CW) and the ARRL International EME Contest are the weekend of November 23-24 (NOTE: The CQ WW CW event typically takes place the weekend after Thanksgiving, but Thanksgiving is late this year.) JUST AHEAD: The QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Sprint is December 1; the QRP ARCI Topband Sprint is December 4-5. The ARRL 160-Meter Contest, the PSK31 Death Match, the TARA RTTY Sprint, the TOPS Activity 80-Meter Contest are the weekend of December 7-8. The ARRL 10-Meter Contest and the Great Colorado Snowshoe Run are the weekend of December 14-15. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the ARRL Satellite Communications course (EC-007) opens Monday, November 25, 4 PM EST (2100 UTC). Registration remains open through Sunday, December 1. Classes begin Monday, December 2. Registration for the Level III Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-003) and the HF Digital Communications (EC-005) courses remains open through Sunday, November 24. A new service now allows those considering taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future to be advised via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. Send an e-mail to prereg@..., and include the course name or number (eg, EC-003) on the subject line as well as your name, call sign and month you wish to start the course in the body. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@....

* Congress adjourns; HR 4720 expires without action: The US House of Representatives officially adjourned for the year November 22 at 2:33 PM. The US Senate wrapped up its business earlier this week, so the 107th Congress is officially in the books. With adjournment go any hopes of passage of HR 4720, the CC&R bill introduced by New York Democrat Steve Israel earlier in the year. ARRL members are requested to wait until a new CC&R bill--with a new bill number--is introduced in the next session of Congress before seeking cosponsorship support from members of Congress.

* Daughter of ARRL co-founder dies: Percy Maxim Lee, the daughter of ARRL co-founder Hiram Percy Maxim, W1AW, died November 9. She was 96. "She was a remarkable woman, one more in a line of remarkable people," said ARRL Pacific Division Director Jim Maxwell, W6CF. Born July 4, 1906, Percy Maxim Lee led an active political and civic life, serving as president of the Connecticut League of Women Voters from 1941 to 1950 and four terms as president of the League of Women Voters of the United States from 1950 to

1958. She received national appointments to various councils and commissions from four presidents and was active in water and land-use issues in Connecticut. She also founded the Junior School (now Renbrook School) in West Hartford, Connecticut, served on the boards of several New England schools and was vice chairman of the board of trustees for Connecticut College. The family invites memorial contributions to Lawrence and Memorial Hospital, 365 Montauk Ave, New London, CT 06320 or to or the League of Women Voters of the United States, 1730 M St NW, Ste 1000, Washington, DC, 20036-4508.--some information from The Day of New London

* Transatlantic VHF contact a no-go: Groups of amateurs from Germany, Canada and Ireland had no luck in their attempt to make the first two-way transatlantic VHF contact in conjunction with this week's Leonid meteor shower. The effort was, in part, a quest for the Brendan Trophies <http://www.irts.ie/brendan.htm> offered by the Irish Radio Transmitters Society <http://www.irts.ie/>. One group was on the Irish coast, while the other operated from Society of Newfoundland Radio Amateurs (SONRA) <http://www.sonra.ca/> club station VO1AA, located at Signal Hill National Historic Site of Canada. That's the spot where Marconi received the first transatlantic signal almost 101 years ago. "It's been quite an adventure," said Paul Piercey, VO1HE, who was at the Newfoundland end. "We never made the contact because the meteor shower didn't seem as big as predicted, he said." The Brendan Trophies will go to each of the operators of the two Amateur Radio stations that first establish two-way communication between Europe and North or South America on 2 meters. The teams in Ireland and Newfoundland attempted to use the ionized meteor trails to reflect FSK441 signals across the Atlantic. A 1999 effort to complete a transatlantic 2-meter contact between Newfoundland and Scotland on CW also was unsuccessful. The group conceded that bridging the more than 1920-mile gap between Newfoundland and Ireland via meteor scatter probably would require "an unusual kind of propagation."--Paul Piercey, VO1HE

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==>WRC-03 CONFERENCE PREPARATORY MEETING EXPANDS 40-METER OPTIONS

Paul Simon sang of 50 ways to leave your lover, but participants at the
just-ended Conference Preparatory Meeting (CPM) for World
Radiocommunication Conference 2003 heard just five ways to fix 40 meters,
plus a sixth that would just leave things as they are.

"The five options for change all represent improvements in the amateur
band, although two fall short of fulfilling the 300-kHz worldwide
requirement," said ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ. He
attended the Geneva gathering in his role as International Amateur Radio
Union (IARU) secretary. "All six options maintain the existing 300-kHz
exclusive amateur allocation in Region 2."

The objective of the CPM was to complete work on a 700-plus page extensive
technical CPM Report, which outlines methods to address the more than
three dozen items that are on the WRC-03 agenda. As for amateur issues,
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Sumner says 7-MHz realignment or harmonization "is one of the most difficult issues facing WRC-03." As he explains the situation, three major interests--amateurs, shortwave broadcasters, and users, mainly military, of the fixed and mobile services--have a stake in the outcome.

The IARU is on record as supporting a 300-kHz worldwide amateur allocation in the vicinity of 7 MHz. Sumner said achieving this would require the fixed and mobile services to make room for broadcasters and for the broadcasters to change their operating frequencies. The five methods for change the CPM Report describes include a variety of transition schedules to ease the impact on these other services.

* Method A would shift Region 1 and 3 broadcasters up by 200 kHz to 7300-7550 kHz in two stages and would provide the same band for broadcasting in Region 2.

* Method B is similar but would have amateurs in Regions 1 and 3 sharing the upper 100 kHz of their newly expanded band with fixed and mobile.

* Method C would provide just 200 kHz for amateurs in Regions 1 and 3. Amateurs in Region 2 would continue to contend with broadcasting interference from Regions 1 and 3 in the 7200-7300 kHz segment.

* Method D, proposed by Canada at the CPM, would provide 300 kHz worldwide for amateurs by shifting broadcasters in Regions 1 and 3 up by 200 kHz but would not expand the Region 2 broadcasting allocation. This plan would minimize the impact on fixed and mobile services in Region 2.

* Method E, proposed by the Republic of Korea at the CPM, would provide amateurs in Regions 1 and 3 with an additional 100 kHz shared with fixed and mobile (7100-7200 kHz). As with Method C, however, Region 2 amateurs would continue to face broadcasting interference from Regions 1 and 3 in the 7200-7300 kHz segment.

* Method F, proposed by Australia at the CPM, would simply maintain the status quo. This plan reflects concerns about the impact of realignment on military and national security communications capabilities.

"There is no guarantee that proposals will be limited to the six methods described in the CPM Report," Sumner said.

Amateur Radio was well represented at the CPM. Chairing the CPM was Eberhard George, DL7IH, of Germany. A three-member IARU team was headed by President Larry Price, W4RA, and included Sumner and Wojciech Nietyksza, SP5FM. ARRL Technical Relations Manager Paul Rinaldo, W4RI, served as a member of the US delegation. He also was named to chair the ad hoc group that dealt with the substance of the 7-MHz text. Several other amateurs were on their national delegations, some of them specifically to represent Amateur Radio and others in professional capacities. IARU Vice President David Wardlaw, VK3ADW, was on the Australian delegation.

Sponsored by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), the CPM drew more than 1000 participants to Geneva during the last two weeks of

November. Over the next three months, regional telecommunications organizations and groups (CEPT, CITEL, and Asia-Pacific Telecommunity, the African Telecommunications Union, and Iran and the Arab States) as well as individual administrations will be developing their proposals for WRC-03, which takes place in Geneva next summer.

==>FIRST AMATEUR TRANSATLANTIC HF DIGITAL VOICE QSO REPORTED

Radio communication pioneers Ten-Tec and Thales have announced that they've used an Amateur Radio linkup to span the Atlantic on HF digital voice for the first time. Ten-Tec's Doug Smith, KF6DX, and Thales' Didier Chulot, F5MJN, successfully transmitted and received HF digital speech signals November 22 between Paris, France, and Ten-Tec's Sevierville, Tennessee, headquarters.

"We view this as a significant accomplishment," said Smith. "Amateur Radio has long been at the forefront of technological development. It's nice to be able to show that our legacy is alive and well." Tests are being conducted under the auspices of ARRL's Digital Voice Working Group, which Smith chairs. A written report on the tests is due in January.

Calling it "a major breakthrough," a Ten-Tec news release said the two amateur stations "demonstrated the advantages of digital audio during the conversation, including noise-free, FM-like reception and the potential for simultaneous voice and data." The feat was accomplished on 15 meters using Ten-Tec transceivers and Thales Communications Skywave 2000 digital audio software. Operating as F8KGG, Chulot spoke with Smith for several minutes over the HF digital link, operating within a 3-kHz bandwidth.

Smith said he and F5MJN used unmodified Ten-Tec transceivers in upper-sideband mode, although AM or FM mode also would work. No additional hardware was required beyond the cables connecting the transceiver and the microphone to the PC sound card. Smith said audio quality was roughly the same as a conventional telephone circuit. An Amateur Radio version of the Thales system is expected to appear on the market early next year. "At this stage, the system is experimental-only for ham radio, but it looks like it's going to take off," Smith predicted.

In terms of Amateur Radio, Alinco was the first manufacturer to come out with a digital voice option for some of its transceivers. ICOM debuted its D-Star digital "concept radio" system last May at the Dayton Hamvention--where Smith chaired the Digital Voice Forum--and demonstrated it at the ARRL-TAPR Digital Communications Conference in September. The unit, which operates on 1.2 GHz, was scheduled to hit the ham radio market this fall.

Technical details of the Thales system will appear in an article "International Digital Audio Broadcasting Standards: Voice Coding and Amateur Radio Applications" in the January/February issue of QEX, which he edits. The article is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/pdf/x0301049.pdf>. He also has authored two articles on digital voice in QST: "Digital Voice: The Next New Mode?"

<http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/pdf/0201028.pdf> in the January 2002 issue, and "Digital Voice: An Update and Forecast" <http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/pdf/0202038.pdf> in the February 2002 issue.

Additional images and background are available on the TAPR Web site <http://www.tapr.org>. Look for the Digital Voice Forum page and the presentation by Cédric Demeure.--Ten-Tec news release; Doug Smith, KF6DX

==>ALL-HAM, ALL-MALE CREW SETTLES IN ONBOARD INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION

With this week's departure of the space shuttle Endeavour from the International Space Station, one all-ham crew has replaced another onboard the ISS. This time around, however, no female voices will grace the amateur airwaves between the space outpost and Earth. The new crew is entirely male. The crew change also marks the first time since Expedition 3 that a US astronaut will serve as crew commander.

The Expedition 6 crew--Commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP; Flight Engineer Nikolai Budarin, RV3FB, and NASA ISS Science Officer Don Pettit, KD5MDT--lifted off November 23 on its four-month scientific mission. The team replaces the all-amateur Expedition 5 crew of Commander Valery Korzun, RK3FZ; Sergei Treschev, RK3FU, and Peggy Whitson, KC5ZTD. The Expedition 6 team is the third all-ham crew to serve aboard the ISS.

In space since June 5, Whitson, Korzun and Treschev ended up staying in space a bit longer than they'd expected. The launch of the Endeavour and the new ISS crew was delayed--first by an onboard oxygen leak and later by weather problems in possible emergency landing zones. Subsequently, inclement weather on Earth frustrated the Endeavour's efforts to return home. By week's end it appeared they might not be back home until December 6 or 7. The shuttle launch was the last one for the year 2002. In addition to the replacement crew, it also carried a truss segment for the ISS.

The next scheduled Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact is December 16 with students at Adler Planetarium and Astronomy Museum in Chicago. A light ARISS school contact schedule is planned over the next three weeks or so, however, as the crew settles in and takes care of initial duties, including a spacewalk this month by Bowersox and Budarin.

ARISS <http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov/> is an international project with US participation by NASA, ARRL and AMSAT.

==>NORTH KOREA ASKS P5/4L4FN TO QRT

The only Amateur Radio station active from North Korea has been ordered off the air. Ed Giorgadze, 4L4FN, had been operating for the past year as P5/4L4FN from Pyongyang. The ARRL subsequently accredited SSB and RTTY operation of P5/4L4FN for DXCC.

"This really hits the ham community hard," QSL manager Bruce Paige, KK5DO, said in a news release. "I, for one, was looking forward to a satellite contact on AO-40. I know that many of you were still awaiting your first

QSO."

Paige said that on Friday, November 22, Giorgadze was called into a meeting with the "Radio Regulation Board" without any explanation, and he was politely asked to quit all transmissions and pack all his radio equipment. "Saturday, he spent all day on the roof disassembling his antennas and packing boxes." Paige said North Korean government officials later came by and sealed all of the boxes. When Giorgadze leaves North Korea on December 10 for two weeks of vacation, "he is to take everything with him out of the country," Paige indicated.

Giorgadze had tried for more than two years to obtain permission to operate Amateur Radio in North Korea and finally was given the okay in 2001 to bring an ICOM IC-706MkIIG into the country. In the intervening months, he's been slowly upgrading his antenna system. He's made more than 16,000 contacts during his stint in North Korea, and earlier this year attained the first DXCC ever from that country.

Paige said the P5/4L4FN logs should be 100% complete on his Web site < http://www.amsatnet.com/ > (click on "P5 North Korea").

Giorgadze, who's from of the Republic of Georgia, had been operating on the basis of oral permission from North Korean authorities, but ARRL Membership Services Manager Wayne Mills, N7NG, said the League was satisfied on the basis of written information submitted that the P5/4L4FN operation conformed with DXCC rules and cards would continue be accepted for credit.

==>HERB SCHOENBOHM RETURNS TO HAM RADIO

After nearly two years off the air, Herb Schoenbohm, ex-KV4FZ, of Kingshill, Virgin Islands, has made good on his promise to one day return to the Amateur Radio ranks. The FCC on December 4 issued Schoenbohm a new call sign, NP2MJ, as a General-class licensee, and it acted December 5 on his subsequently filed Amateur Extra-class application.

In 1994, the FCC put Schoenbohm's renewal application for KV4FZ up for hearing following his 1992 felony conviction on federal fraud charges. The Commission finally turned down his renewal application in 1998, the US Appeals Court upheld the FCC's decision in 2000, and the US Supreme Court declined to hear the case later that same year. After losing his renewal bid, Schoenbohm applied for a new license in 2001, first passing the General and then the Extra exams. The FCC subsequently designated Schoenbohm's General application for hearing on the basis of character issues stemming from his 1992 conviction as well as his alleged lack of candor during subsequent FCC hearings on the matter.

Following a hearing last spring, Administrative Law Judge Arthur I. Steinberg in October cleared the way for Schoenbohm's return to ham radio by declaring that Schoenbohm appeared rehabilitated and qualified to again become a Commission licensee. Schoenbohm plans to apply for KV4FZ as a vanity call sign.

Schoenbohm was dubious about getting on the air for the ARRL 160-Meter Contest December 7-8. "I will try to get on, but the station is still dismantled," he told ARRL. "I don't have any antennas up either except for the 70-foot tower, which needs the beam on top to work properly on 160." His amp also is on the fritz, so if he does manage some Top Band operation during the contest, it will be at the 100-W level. "Since my license has been granted, I have not even made one contact on 2 meters!" Schoenbohm added.

==>NEW TECHNICIAN CLASS QUESTION POOL RELEASED

The Question Pool Committee (QPC) of the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators has released a revised and expanded Amateur Technician class (Element 2) question pool into the public domain. The new question pool becomes effective July 1, 2003, and must be used to generate all Technician written examinations administered on or after that date.

"The newly revised pool released this week by the QPC includes significant efforts to present the pool in a more friendly and understandable fashion for beginners while maintaining appropriate emphasis on safety, rules and operating procedures," said ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ. "The Technician syllabus was completely revised during 2002 to allow for the revamping of the new question pool."

The new Element 2 question pool contains 511 questions--up from 385 in the April 2000 release that occurred around the time of Amateur Radio restructuring.

The new question pool, available on the Amateur Exam Question Pools Web page <http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/pools.html>, includes all questions and answers as well as graphics related to the questions for Element 2.

The FCC rules (§97.523) require each question pool to contain at least 10 times the number of questions required to appear on any examination drawn from that pool. QPC Chairman Scotty Neustadter, W4WW, says the QPC has attempted to apply that same "10 times" principle to each subelement.

Neustadter said "insignificant changes" to the Element 2 syllabus were made as they became obvious, although they were not specifically highlighted in this week's release.

VECs have a certain amount of flexibility with the format of their examinations. Outside of the fact that questions, answers, distracters and related graphics must appear as they do in the question pool itself, "the manner of presentation is not interpreted to be of impact to Amateur Radio as long as clarity of presentation is preserved," Neustadter said.

On behalf of the QPC, he also thanked all amateurs who assisted in the effort to revise Element 2. In addition to Neustadter and Jahnke, members of the Question Pool Committee are Fred Maia, W5YI, and John Johnston, W3BE.

The Question Pool Committee now will turn its attention to developing an outline for the General class (Element 3) question pool, which will be

revised during the fall of 2003. The QPC has put out a call for input by January 31, 2003, to the Element 3 syllabus and question pool. Commenters may address specific Element 2 questions as well as inputs to the Element 3 syllabus and question pool to the Question Pool Committee via e-mail <qpc@...>.

==>ARRL INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD NOMINATIONS CLOSE DECEMBER 31

Nominations close December 31 for the 2002 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. The award is dedicated to an amateurs or amateur group devoted to promoting human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize Amateur Radio operators who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster.

The ARRL International Humanitarian Award recognizes the hobby's international communication role and that hams regularly help people in need throughout the world. Amateur Radio is one of the few telecommunication services that allow people throughout the world to meet and talk with each other and spread goodwill across political boundaries.

A committee appointed by the League's President recommends an award recipient to the ARRL Board of Directors, which makes the final decision. The committee now is accepting nominations from Amateur Radio, governmental or other organizations that have benefited from extraordinary service rendered by an Amateur Radio operator or group.

Nominations must include a summary of the nominee's actions that qualify the individual or group for this award plus verifying statements from at least two individuals having first-hand knowledge of the events warranting the nomination. These statements may be from an official of a group (eg, the American Red Cross, The Salvation Army, a local or state emergency management official) that benefited from the nominee's particular Amateur Radio contribution. Nominations should include names and addresses of all references.

All nominations and supporting materials for the 2002 award must be submitted in writing in English to ARRL International Humanitarian Award, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111 USA. The award winner receives an engraved plaque, and is profiled in QST and other ARRL venues.

The 2001 ARRL Humanitarian Award winner was Dr Jim C. Hirschman, K4TCV, of Miami, Florida.--Jean Wolfgang, WB3IOS

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Sun King Tad "The Sunny Side of the Street" Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Average sunspot numbers were up a bit this week, and average daily solar flux barely changed. Geomagnetic indices were quieter.

Now that December is here, let's review average daily solar flux and sunspot numbers for November, and compare them with previous months. Here are monthly averages for solar flux and sunspot numbers for this year.

>From January through November, 2002 the average daily sunspot number for each month was 189, 194.5, 154.3, 144.4, 146, 183.5, 191, 206.4, 153.9 and 159.8. Average daily solar flux for the same months was 227.3, 205, 179.2, 141.4, 148.7, 174.4, 183.9, 175.8, 167 and 168.7.

This weekend is the ARRL 160-Meter Contest. It would be good to have low geomagnetic activity for this contest. Right now the predicted planetary A index for Friday through Monday is 12, 15, 20 and 15. This indicates unsettled to active conditions on Saturday and Sunday due to coronal hole effects. There is a chance of moderate solar flare activity over the next few days. Solar activity is likely to be low. Predicted solar flux for the next few days is 160-175.

Sunspot numbers for November 28 through December 4 were 124, 107, 150, 97, 155, 135, and 144, with a mean of 130.3. The 10.7-cm flux was 139.7, 141.3, 146.2, 149.6, 146.1, 145.9 and 148.7, with a mean of 145.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 15, 14, 16, 16, 11, 11 and 12, with a mean of 13.6.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL 160-Meter Contest, the PSK31 Death Match, the TARA RTTY Sprint, the TOPS Activity 80-Meter Contest are the weekend of December 7-8. JUST AHEAD: The ARRL 10-Meter Contest and the Great Colorado Snowshoe Run are the weekend of December 14-15. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the ARRL Level II Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-002) and Antenna Modeling (EC-004) courses opens Monday, December 9, 4 PM EST (2100 UTC). Registration will remain open through Sunday, December 15. Classes begin Monday, December 16. Registration for the CNCS grant-funded ARRL Level I Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-001) remains open through Sunday, December 15, or until all seats are taken. A new service now allows those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future to receive notification via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. Send an e-mail to prereg@..., and include the course name or number (eg, EC-004) on the subject line. Include your name, call sign, and the month you want to start the course in the message body. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@....

* Correction: A report "Great Lakes Members Chose New Director; Incumbents Re-Elected Elsewhere" in The ARRL Letter, Vol 21, No 45 (Nov 15, 2002), failed to note that ARRL Atlantic Division Vice Director Bill Edgar,

N3LLR, was elected without opposition to a full, three-year term.

* Radio Club of America makes donation to "The Big Project": The Radio Club of America <http://www.radio-club-of-america.org/> has announced that it will give at least $6500 this year to the ARRL Education and Technology Program--"The Big Project." The club said it hopes to give even more next year. ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH, who attended the club's 93rd annual banquet November 22 in New York City, said she was thrilled with the gift. "This means that we'll be able to add three more schools to the project, serving up to 100 more children," she said. The Radio Club of America, officially founded in 1909 in New York City as "the world's first radio communications society," was involved with some of the earliest defenses of Amateur Radio before Congress. One of its early members, Paul Godley, was involved with the ARRL's 1921 Transatlantic Tests. The RCA's most famous member may have been Edwin H. Armstrong, the father of the regenerative circuit and frequency modulation. The ARRL Education and Technology Program is aimed at putting Amateur Radio in classrooms, enrichment programs and after-school activities. More information on "The Big Project" is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/tbp/>.

* Dave Hassler, K7CCC, joins ARRL Headquarters staff: Dave Hassler, K7CCC, has joined the ARRL Headquarters staff as an assistant news editor. Hassler, 36, came aboard November 18. A native of Portland, Oregon, Hassler will edit a new QST column, "ARRL in Action" as well as handle routine news and feature stories for the ARRL Web site and The ARRL Letter. Hassler has been licensed for two years and holds a General ticket. He has a long interest in all things scientific. "Both of my grandfathers were engineers (one was W7GER, SK), and they encouraged me to explore and helped me build things," he said. Sidetracked by high school activities, educational pursuits and careers as a guitar player, volleyball coach and sportswriter, Hassler took advantage of his recuperation from knee surgery a couple of years ago to study for his Amateur Radio license. Hassler holds a bachelor's in English and an associate's degree in journalism. He also has completed some graduate courses. Most recently, he served as editor-in-chief of The Chronicle in St Helens, Oregon. Hassler enjoys AM and SSB ragchewing and building simple radios and station accessories. He's also getting his feet wet with digital modes. Welcome aboard, Dave!

* 2003 Spectrum Defense Fund well under way: ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH, says the ARRL Spectrum Defense Fund has generated $190,000 in contributions from more than 4100 ARRL members. "If you have already sent your contribution, thank you," Hobart said. "But if you've not yet contributed to this vital ARRL program, please consider a generous contribution before December 31." The goal is to raise $500,000 to support ARRL's work to protect the frequencies amateurs use every day. Financial support from the amateur community funds representation in Washington and the work of the ARRL Lab to support advocacy efforts as well as representation for Amateur Radio at World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 next summer. Contributions can be mailed to ARRL

Headquarters or made via the secure ARRL 2003 Spectrum Defense Fund Web site <http://www.arrl.org/defense>.

* FCC seeks public comments on Spectrum Policy Task Force report: Public comments are due January 9, 2003, on the recently released report of the Spectrum Policy Task Force (ET Docket 02-135) <see http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2002/11/07/103/>. Reply comments are due February 10. The Task Force released its report to the FCC on November 15. The FCC notes that the Spectrum Policy Task Force Report was drafted by FCC staff and was neither voted upon nor approved by the Commission. "Accordingly, neither the Report nor any of the recommendations contained therein necessarily reflect the views of the Commission," the FCC added. The text of the Report and other Task Force documents are available on the Task Force Web site <http://www.fcc.gov/sptf/>. Parties are encouraged to file comments using the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>. Commenters should include full name, US Postal Service mailing address, and the docket number, ET Docket 02-135.

* RS-20 is newest Russian Amateur Radio satellite payload: On November 28, the Russian Space Agency launched the Algerian AlSat-1 satellite along with a new Russian bird known as Mozhayets--a navigational and scientific satellite. One of its experimental payloads is an Amateur Radio telemetry beacon that has been christened RS-20. Mozhayets orbits at an altitude of 720 km, completing a turn around Earth every 99 minutes. The Keplerian elements for RS-20 are: 1 27560U 02054B 02332.86497891 -.00019965 00000-0 -47472-2 0 37; 2 27560 98.2411 217.5728 0044302 75.5447 285.0613 14.53325574 86. RS-20 is transmitting CW telemetry on 145.818 and 435.319 MHz. According to information provided by Alexander Zaitzev, RW3DZ, each telemetry frame begins and ends with the beacon call sign, RS-20. E-mail reports are welcomed at plis@....

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920. Simulated Field Exercise

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-09 08:32:32 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 920 Message: 920

Hi VU2NLF - Nilesh,

Congratulations to you !!!

And thank you very much for conducting such a fantastic exercise!!!
and giving us an opportunity for :
- working on batteries (for VHF/HF rigs, Laptop, 12v bulb in night)
- Decoding CW (which really tested my CW speed)
- 80m QSO (which i saw for the first time!!)
- Digital Communication like PSK31 and SSTV (which the SWLs enjoyed a lot!!)
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- Mouse Hunt (congratulations to VU2KIZ)

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921. I.Card

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-09 13:13:07 UTC
From: admanek
Topic: 921 Message: 921

Dear VU2 NLF,
I sent you completed Meembership Application Form along with two passport size
photographs and Cheque of Rs.2750/- towards Entrance Fees and Life Membership Fees on July 3rd, 2002 by Maruti Courier. It is more than FIVE months since then
I am waiting for I.Card and Receipt for the payments made.
It is very much surprising to experience such delay in the world of Ham Radio.
I have sent you 5 reminder e mails to look into the matter.
You replied my first e mail, confirming the receipt of application and the payment,
and wrote that you will receive I.Card and Receipt shortly. After that there is no
replies to my remaining 4 e mails !
I understand you as a individual may be busy, but as a MARS you should allow
such delay !
I am interested to participate in the activities of MARS and avail facility of Library,
but I do not have my Membership I.Card !!!
You are requested to expedite the matter and issue I.Card and Receipt immediately
on receipt of this e mail.
Happy Landings.
73s,
VU2 ADW

922. Re: [m_a_r_s] Simulated Field Exercise

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-09 16:19:16 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 920 Message: 922

dear sandip,

Congratulations to you and all the participants. it is all the members when they come together and participate in these exercises that makes it possible for success.

A detailed report of the scrammble Team exercise will soon be prepared and posted by me and we also shall conduct the debriefing meeting soon.

Thank you once again for participating and making the exercise a great success.

73NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, December 09, 2002 2:02 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Simulated Field Exercise

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923. Re: [m_a_r_s] I.Card

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-09 16:20:22 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 921 Message: 923

dear ADW,

will look in to it ASAP.

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NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: admanek
To: Nilesh Rathod
Sent: Monday, December 09, 2002 6:43 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] I.Card

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924. Happy Birthday - VU2 V V P

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-09 16:21:51 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 924 Message: 924
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its member Vijay Motwane - VU2 V V P a very Happy Birthday

925. NEW VIRUS - BEWARE ! ! ! ! !

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-10 19:43:47 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 925 Message: 925

Subject : Fw: NEW VIRUS

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926. Thank You Mr. Parin

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-11 05:00:37 UTC
From: Rajesh
Topic: 926 Message: 926

Dear Mr.Parin
Thanks for Email for notifying abt New virus. The same virus was detected in my system and now it is deleted as described by you.

Thank you once again

VU2QIJ
(Rajesh Bagwe
----- Original Message -----
From: parin gangar
To: bhavna_kaul@... ; pankajgala@... ; jatt_moody@... ; kamalvora@... ; kiran_padiyar@... ; kt_vr@... ; m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com ; mars_classes@yahoogroups.com ; narayanan@... ; nidhisnidhi@... ; pankesh@... ; pankesh@... ; praju_deshpande@... ; praju_sdeshpande@rediffmail.com ; priyanka_2001@... ; priyanka_21_2001@... ; sweetu_22@... ; vasant.contractor@... ; vijaymotwane@hotmail.com ; vu2cbu@... ; vu2nlf@... ; vu2ugo@... ; xindrellina@...
Sent: Wednesday, December 11, 2002 1:13 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] NEW VIRUS - BEWARE ! ! ! ! !

Subject : Fw: NEW VIRUS

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927. Re: [m_a_r_s] NEW VIRUS - BEWARE ! ! ! ! !

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-05 05:01:46 UTC
From: firani
Topic: 927 Message: 927

Dear members
please note the foll link before you delete

http://www.symantec.com/avcenter/venc/data/jdbgmgr.exe.file.hoax.html
----- Original Message -----
From: parin gangar
To: Sent: Wednesday, December 11, 2002 1:13 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] NEW VIRUS - BEWARE ! ! ! ! !

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928. Re: [m_a_r_s] NEW VIRUS - BEWARE ! ! ! ! !

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-11 05:58:44 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 927 Message: 928

Hi Guys,

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FYI, Parin, this is just a hoax. Everyone has this file in their PC and this "Microsoft Debugger Registrar for Java". You can find more info about this hoax at http://securityresponse.symantec.com/avcenter/venc/data/jdbgmgr.exe.file.hoax.html

Hence please dont delete this file from your comp.

Thnks,

Mehul - VU3 MBF.
----- Original Message -----
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From: parin gangar
To: bhavna_kaul@... ; pankajgala@... ; jatt_moody@yahoo.com ; kamalvora@... ; kiran_padiyar@... ; kt_vr@... ; m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com ; mars_classes@yahoogroups.com ; narayanan@telenetsystems.com ; nidhisnidhi@... ; pankesh@... ; pankesh@vsnl.com ; praju_deshpande@... ; praju_sdeshpande@... ; priyanka_2001@... ; priyanka_21_2001@... ; sweetu_22@rediffmail.com ; vasant.contractor@... ; vijaymotwane@... ; vu2cbu@... ; vu2nlf@... ; vu2ugo@... ; xindrellina@yahoo.com
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929. Re: [mars_classes] NEW VIRUS - BEWARE ! ! ! ! !

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-11 05:58:58 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 929 Message: 929

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930. Re: [m_a_r_s] I.Card

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-12 09:20:57 UTC
From: admanek
Topic: 921 Message: 930

Dear VU2NLF,
Thank you.
73
ADW

vu2nlf wrote:

> dear ADW, will look in to it ASAP. 73NLF
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: admanek
> To: Nilesh Rathod
> Sent: Monday, December 09, 2002 6:43 PM
> Subject: [m_a_r_s] I.Card
> Dear VU2 NLF,
> I sent you completed Meembership Application Form along with
> two
> passport size
> photographs and Cheque of Rs.2750/- towards Entrance Fees
> and Life
> Membership Fees on July 3rd, 2002 by Maruti Courier. It is
> more than
> FIVE months since then
> I am waiting for I.Card and Receipt for the payments made.
> It is very much surprising to experience such delay in the
> world of Ham
> Radio.
> I have sent you 5 reminder e mails to look into the matter.
> You replied my first e mail, confirming the receipt of
> application and
> the payment,
> and wrote that you will receive I.Card and Receipt shortly.
> After that
> there is no
> replies to my remaining 4 e mails !
> I understand you as a individual may be busy, but as a MARS
> you should
> allow
> such delay !
> I am interested to participate in the activities of MARS and
> avail
> facility of Library,
> but I do not have my Membership I.Card !!!
> You are requested to expedite the matter and issue I.Card
> and Receipt

> immediately
> on receipt of this e mail.
> Happy Landings.
> 73s,
> VU2 ADW
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931. Library Books Reminder & Availability

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-12 11:09:26 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 903 Message: 931
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Clear Day==========================================================================
M U M B A I A M A T E U R R A D I O S O C I E T Y
REMINDER FOR LIBRARY BOOKS AS ON 12/12/02
==========================================================================
TITLE MEMBER DUE DATE
==========================================================================
QST MAGAZINE - MAY 2001. SARLA SHARMA 15/08/02 *
QST MAGAZINE - SEPEMBER 2001. P.V.JAIPRAKASH 12/11/02 *
QST MAGAZINE - FEBUARY 2002. JOSEPH KINNY - VU3KNY 12/11/02 *
QST MAGAZINE - AUGUST 2002. DR. ANUKANTH MITTAL 17/11/02 *
THE ARRL HAND BOOK - 1988 EDITION PARIN JAYANT GANGAR 26/11/02 *
QST MAZAGINE - JULY 2001. ABHAYA SHAH 10/12/02 *
QST MAGAZINE - OCTOBER 2001. ANANTA RAGHUNATH MORE. 10/12/02 *
QST MAGAZINE - JANUARY 2002. RAJESH SHETHIA 10/12/02 *
QST MAGAZINE - MARCH 2002. ISAAC SAMUEL 10/12/02 *
THE ARRL SATELLITE ANTHOLOGY CHANDNI KAPIL 10/12/02 *
QST MAGAZINE - NOVEMBER 2002 SANDIP BABAN ADIWAREKAR 13/12/02
ARRL HANDBOOK - 2001 - CD SANDESH KAMAT. 21/12/02
QST MAGAZINE - MAY 2002. SHAILESH S DESMUKH 31/12/02
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M U M B A I A M A T E U R R A D I O S O C I E T Y
LIST OF AVAILABLE LIBRARY BOOKS AS ON 12/12/02
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SR.NO TITLE AVAIL FOR DAYS
==========================================================================
2 QST MAZAGINE - JUNE 2001. 30 DAYS
7 QST MAGAZINE - NOVEMBER 2001 30 DAYS
8 QST MAGAZINE - DECEMBER 2001. 30 DAYS
12 QST MAGAZINE - APRIL 2002. 30 DAYS
14 QST MAGAZINE - JUNE 2002 15 DAYS
15 QST MAGAZINE - JULY 2002. 15 DAYS
18 QST MAGAZINE - OCTOBER 2002. 7 DAYS
17 QST MAGAZINE - SEPTEMBER 2002. 7 DAYS
20 PACKET : SPEED, MORE SPEED AND APPLICATIONS. 30 DAYS
21 A.P.R.S. TRACKS, MAPS AND MOBILES. 30 DAYS
24 ARRL ANTENNA HAND BOOK VER.2.0 - CD 30 DAYS
25 ARRL QST 2000. NEJ PERIODICALS, QEX - CD 30 DAYS
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DUE DATE IN "RED" = RS.50/- FINE. DUE DATE IN "MEGENTA" = WARNING

THIS IS A COMPUTER GENERATED STATEMENT ANY DISCREPENCY MAY BE REPORTED TO
NILESH - VU2NLF.
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932. Re: Re: [m_a_r_s] NEW VIRUS - BEWARE ! ! ! ! !

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-13 12:05:20 UTC
From: Srihari Krishnan
Topic: 927 Message: 932

Oms/Yls,
I have searced all drives and locations. No sign of the
jdbgmgr.exe. All the same u may check to be doubly sure. I have
configured my system throgh Norton Internet Security so that every
program, protocol, executable modules, if any attemp is made
inboundor outbound,it will be detected and reported and a log
maintained for reference. U may also do the same. - VU2 KQS

On Thu, 05 Dec 2002 firani wrote :
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>

933. New file uploaded to m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-15 17:58:51 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 58 Message: 933

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the m_a_r_s
group.

File : /ft857-external_photos.pdf
Uploaded by : vu2_2000 <vu2cbu@...>
Description : New Yaesu Rig FT-857

You can access this file at the URL

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files/ft857-external_photos.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit

http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

vu2_2000 <vu2cbu@...>

934. The ARRL Letter, Vol 21, No 48

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-16 06:09:09 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 934 Message: 934

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The ARRL Letter
Vol. 21, No. 48
December 13, 2002
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* +FCC closes out exam session inquiries
* +New Jersey ham antenna bill introduced
* Solar Update
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This weekend on the radio
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+FCC grants deadline extension on Spectrum Policy Task Force comments
Nevada getting new Section Manager
Vote on QST Cover Plaque Award
Hamvention 2003 to celebrate "Year of the Young"
Howard W. Wolfe, W2AGW, SK

+Available on ARRL Audio News

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==>ARRL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS IN TELECONFERENCE

The ARRL Executive Committee met December 5 in a rare telephone session to
discuss items of League business needing attention before the next Board
of Directors meeting in January. ARRL Chief Executive Officer David
Sumner, K1ZZ, said that, among other things, holding the meeting by
telephone helped to hold down expenses at a time when the Committee was
dealing with issues that did not warrant an in-person meeting. The
Executive Committee is required to meet twice yearly.

During the approximately 90-minute session, the EC reviewed suggestions
regarding possible changes to the League's standing committee structure
and responsibilities. The EC agreed to share its suggestions with the rest
of the Board for comment. The EC also authorized the ARRL to support an
AMSAT-NA petition to the FCC that seeks to eliminate a 27-month pre-launch
information filing requirement for the Amateur-Satellite service. The
requirement already is routinely waived.
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The committee also directed ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, to provide a "white paper" and to draft formal comments in response to the FCC's request for comments on the Spectrum Policy Task Force report in ET Docket 02-135. Comments are due at the FCC January 27. The committee also reviewed a recent FCC Notice of Proposed Rulemaking concerning the implementation of digital broadcasting and concluded that the proceeding revealed no implications for Amateur Radio. The EC also briefly discussed concerning the implications for the Amateur Radio Service of the Homeland Security Act of 2002.

Imlay also offered a status report on a comprehensive Board-ordered study of allocation and utilization policy for the amateur bands between 902 MHz and 24 GHz. Imlay, the ARRL Technical Relations Office and First VP Harrison are collaborating on the study, which has been delayed by other pressing obligations as well as by developments in the regulatory environment. The EC targeted the July ARRL Board meeting as a completion date for the study. Sumner also briefed the members on the recent Conference Preparatory Meeting for WRC-03 and the status of 7-MHz worldwide "harmonization" efforts.

On-line for the telephone conference in addition to Sumner--who serves as the EC's Secretary--and Imlay were committee members President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, who chaired the session; First Vice President Joel Harrison, W5ZN; and Directors Frank Butler, W4RH, of the Southeastern Division; Frank Fallon, N2FF, of the Hudson Division; Tom Frenaye, K1KI, of the New England Division; and Rick Roderick, K5UR, of the Delta Division. Minutes of the December 5 EC meeting are available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/announce/ec_minutes_470.html>.

==>ROCK STAR GIVES MAJOR DONATION TO "THE BIG PROJECT"

Hoping that his donation will spur others to contribute to "The Big Project," veteran rock star and well-known amateur Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, has given in a major way to ARRL's Education and Technology Fund. ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH, says the "significant gift" through the Joseph F. Walsh Foundation will fund an additional eight pilot schools in the ARRL Education and Technology Program.

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, expressed his gratitude for Walsh's dedication and support to The Big Project's goals and aims. "I am particularly pleased with Joe's donation, as it emphasizes his belief in our school project and more importantly, investing in the future of Amateur Radio," Haynie said. "The additional schools that will be brought into the program as a result of this donation represent a big step in increasing the number of students participating in the ARRL Science and Technology program."

Walsh, best-known as a guitarist, vocalist and songwriter with The Eagles and The James Gang, has been an active Amateur Radio operator for more than 37 years. He's also an avid collector of Collins Radio gear. The amount of his donation was not made public.

The Big Project--as the program is popularly known--highlights Amateur Radio as a significant resource for teachers in classrooms as well as for enrichment and after-school programs. The 40 pilot schools now in the program receive a complete Amateur Radio station, technical library and a curriculum that makes technology fun and relevant for the participating students.

Walsh's contribution was one of 3500 made by ARRL members, who--together--have raised more $225,000 to fund the Education & Technology Program in 2003.

==>CURRICULUM REVIEW IS NEXT ON "THE BIG PROJECT" AGENDA

With the addition of 14 new schools--13 pilot schools and one progress grant school--in December, the ARRL Education and Technology Program--"The Big Project"--is up to a total of 41 participating schools. That's more than double the number of schools involved since the program's launch in February.

Early in 2003, the 13 pilot schools will be receiving complete Amateur Radio station equipment, a curriculum and a technical library, said ARRL Education and Technology Program coordinator Jerry Hill, KH6HU. The 14th school, which already uses Amateur Radio in the classroom, will receive a $500 progress grant.

More than new schools is being added to the Education and Technology Program. Hill said that as the program nears its first full year in existence, an evaluation of the curriculum is now under way.

"We have a new draft of the curriculum, and we'll be testing it in all of the schools, asking them to add their lessons and activities and report back in June," Hill said. "Then we'll get a new one out for September and post it on the Web. The new curriculum will be out there for anyone to use." Hill says he does not expect Web posting until late next year, however.

Hill said that The Big Project will update the curriculum yearly, so the program can offer teachers and students a continually improved program. One of the first major efforts will be to split the text of the curriculum into two parts--elementary and secondary. That way, Hill said, the program can offer developmentally appropriate levels of instruction while still teaching similar concepts to all participants.

The program's first pilot school was DeGolyer Elementary School in Dallas, Texas. DeGolyer, which tested the program beginning in 2001, got major-market media exposure December 9 when its activities were featured in a Dallas Morning News article. Under the direction of teacher Sanlyn Kent, KD5LXO--who was not a ham when she began working with the youngsters at DeGolyer--the program has turned out 30 new young hams in fewer than two years.

==>AMATEURS RESPOND TO CAROLINA ICE STORM

Accompanied by the worst power outages since Hurricane Hugo in 1989, a severe snow-turned-ice storm swept along through the Carolinas early on December 5, prompting area Amateur Radio operators into action to aid their neighbors during the emergency.

"Sleet and snow began falling across the state the afternoon and evening of December 4, but overnight it turned to freezing rain," said ARRL North Carolina Section Public Information Coordinator Gary Pearce, KN4AQ. "SKYWARN nets operated overnight across the state, providing the National Weather Service with updated information on changing ground conditions."

More than 1.5 million customers in the Carolinas were left without power for much of the rest of the week and weekend. Power was not expected to be restored to many residents until after the this week. North Carolina Gov Mike Easley declared a state of emergency in the Tar Heel State. Four deaths in North Carolina were blamed on the storm; eight others died in Arkansas and Kentucky.

With a half-inch of ice coating practically everything, widespread power outages, tree-blocked roads and temperatures uncharacteristically in the 20s, a number of North Carolina ARES groups activated, and hams provided support at numerous shelters across the state. ARES in Guilford County supported four shelters, the Red Cross and the county's Emergency Operations Center (EOC). Alamance County hams provided damage assessments to county emergency management teams, Wake County ARES supported four shelters, ARES in Gaston County was at two shelters and the county EOC, Harnett County hams helped at five shelters and amateurs in Nash County provided almost all communications from the town of Rocky Mount, according to Pearce.

While a statewide ARES net was not activated December 5, the North Carolina state EOC in Raleigh was staffed with hams helping to pass traffic between there, county EOCs and the state's 25 open shelters.

The Tarheel Net--the statewide ARES Net--operated throughout the day December 7, while operators from many of the affected counties maintained watch, but no requests were received for ham radio assistance. ARES EC Liaison for North Carolina Emergency Management John Guerriero, KG4HDT, demonstrated the HF and VHF Amateur Radio operation to the National Guard coordinator at the EOC.

Over the weekend, Alamance County ARES operators also assisted with communications among the state EOC, the Red Cross and shelters. During a visit to the Alamance County EOC, Gov Easley thanked the volunteers and workers for their exceptional effort.

Hams also were able to help in other ways, Pearce pointed out. "In the Raleigh-Durham area, there were long lines at the few grocery stores and gas stations that were able to open," he said. "Many repeaters remained on the air with emergency power, and hams passed tips on where to find open stores, gas, batteries and other supplies." All ARES activity secured December 10.

==>FCC FOLLOWS UP ON ARRL VEC EXAM SESSION INQUIRIES

The FCC has completed its review of ARRL VEC Amateur Radio examination sessions held in 1999 and 2000 in Cookeville, Tennessee, and in Trumbull, Connecticut in 2001.

The Cookeville case involved exam sessions on December 14, 1999, and on March 11, 2000. In a November 18 letter to ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth recommended that the ARRL VEC no longer accept the volunteer examiner services of five amateurs involved with the sessions. He named James N. Keaton, W4SOH; Maria C. Droke, KC4FLW; George S. Droke, W5SD; Bobby A. Raymer, N2BR; and Steven G. Hunter, KF4FAV.

Hollingsworth said the FCC's decision was based on the fact that members of the VE team participated in the examination of applicants they knew--or should have known--to be related to certain VEs, contrary to §97.509(d) of the FCC rules. He further noted that the actual examination location and date of one of the tests--for a disabled person--were concealed and represented to be at a different location and date.

"Please emphasize to your VEs that every participating or administering VE shares responsibility for the administration, oversight and integrity of the test session," Hollingsworth told Jahnke, whom he also thanked for his cooperation in the matter. The FCC launched its probe after the ARRL VEC called apparent discrepancies at the Cookeville sessions to the Commission's attention.

In a separate letter November 20 to Gary E. Hunter, KG4FRN, the brother of former VE Stephen G. Hunter, KF4FAV, the FCC downgraded Gary Hunter's license from Amateur Extra to Technician--his previous license class prior to the Cookeville session administered in part by his brother. The wife of Bobby Raymer, Kathy J. Raymer, ex-KG4FWO, also had been credited with having passed exam elements at the session. Kathy Raymer agreed earlier this year to forfeit her Technician license.

FCC rule §97.509(d) prohibits a VE from administering an examination to a close relative. The list includes spouses, children, grandchildren, stepchildren, parents, grandparents, stepparents, siblings and stepsiblings, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and in-laws.

Regarding the Trumbull, Connecticut, review, Hollingsworth wrote Jahnke on November 14 that 9 of the 10 VEs administering the May 10, 2001, session "followed proper testing procedures" and that the FCC has no objection to their being reinstated as VEs. All 10 volunteer examiners had been suspended from the ARRL VEC program in 2001 for the duration of the FCC probe--standard procedure in such instances.

Jahnke says the nine VEs Hollingsworth named in his letter have been returned to the active list. Those reinstated were ARRL VEC VEs Kevin W. Cellini, N1GKM; Glenn J. Krieger, N1HAW; Allen H. Silberstein, N1RWE; Andres A. Rosado, KB1FKJ; Robert E. Moreland, KA1ZMF; Peter J. Keyes, N1GOJ; Donald W. Stowe, N1VNM; Arthur L. Cartier, III, N1VGT; and Kenneth

A. Frissora, N1JKA.

A 10th VE, Freddy Martin, W1BIQ (ex-KB1FKI), continues to be suspended from the roster of active ARRL VEC VEs, per his June 28, 2001, letter initiating the inquiry. Hollingsworth said he anticipates no further action in the case.

Hollingsworth initially cited Trumbull session documents that he'd said "reflect several alarming discrepancies in testing procedures." The ARRL VEC had referred the test documents to the FCC. The probe had focused on discrepancies in documents submitted on behalf of one applicant--Elvis Mendez, KB1GPY--who had attempted to upgrade to Extra at the May 10 session. It was believed that the candidate may have had access to the answer key used by VEs for grading Morse code examinations or that his answer sheet may have been completed prior to the examination. Mendez' Extra exam was invalidated as a result of the discrepancies.

==>NEW JERSEY LAWMAKER INTRODUCES PRB-1 BILL

New Jersey State Assemblyman Matt Ahearn (D-Fair Lawn) has introduced an Amateur Radio antenna bill, Assembly Bill 3065. Ahearn is KB2PNN and an ARRL member, If approved by New Jersey lawmakers, the measure, put into the legislative hopper December 9, essentially would codify the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 into the Garden State's statutes. The measure also would preclude regulation via any ordinance or regulation that effectively prohibits an antenna support structure of 70 feet or less above ground level--exclusive of any antenna upon the structure.

"This policy enhances the state's available pool of emergency communications volunteer operators and stations that can provide reliable emergency communications at no cost to the State or municipal governments," said Ahearn.

ARRL Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, said he was thrilled that there are now PRB-1 bills in both New Jersey and New York. "Our New Jersey PRB-1 Task force met over a number of months earlier this year to write a bill, and we thought we had a good one," he said. As it turned out. Ahearn put together his own bill, which he submitted. "His bill is actually better in some respects than what we came up with in that it gets the height of 70 feet into the bill in a less confrontational fashion," Fallon said.

Ahearn said his bill also would help to keep municipalities out of court. "By codifying PRB-1, the bill protects municipalities that might otherwise prohibit or unreasonably regulate such structures from the litigation that would occur because of the preemptive effect of PRB-1," he said in a statement.

Ahearn's bill would prohibit governing bodies from adopting a zoning ordinance or regulation that "prohibits or has the effect of prohibiting" the construction, maintenance or use of an Amateur Radio antenna and support structure. The measure would require municipal zoning ordinances

and regulations to "reasonably regulate the location and height of those antenna structures for the purposes of health, safety or aesthetics" provided that those ordinances and regulations "permit sufficient height of those antennas and support structures so as to reasonably accommodate Amateur Radio communications."

Restrictions on antennas and support structures "shall constitute the minimum practicable regulation necessary to accomplish the legitimate purposes of the governing body enacting that ordinance or regulation," the bill states.

So far, 16 states have incorporated the essence of PRB-1 into their statutes. Laws in four states--Alaska, Orgeon, Virginia and Wyoming--specify minimum regulatory heights for antenna structures, below which local governments in those states may not regulate.

The bill, A3065, has been referred to the Housing and Local Government Committee for further consideration. The text of the proposed legislation is available on the New Jersey Legislature Web site <http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/>. Search on "A3065" in the "Bill Search" engine. Interested New Jersey amateurs may contact Ahearn via e-mail <asmahearn@...>.

More information on PRB-1 is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/PRB-1_Pkg/index.html>.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Sun seeker Tad "I'll Follow the Sun" Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: This week conditions improved for HF, with slightly lower geomagnetic indices (daily average planetary A index down from 13.6 to 9.7) with solar flux and sunspot numbers up. Average daily sunspot numbers were up nearly 16 points, and average solar flux was up by nearly 8 points.

Conditions look good for the ARRL 10-Meter Contest this weekend with moderate geomagnetic conditions and a rising solar flux. Predicted solar flux values for Friday through Monday are 155, 160, 165 and 170.

Right now the days are very short, and they will keep getting shorter for the next week. Long nights are good for 40-meter propagation, but the higher frequencies close early. The winter solstice will come to North America on December 21, and after that we can watch the slow progression toward springtime propagation.

Sunspot numbers for December 5 through 11 were 153, 112, 106, 150, 189, 142, and 171, with a mean of 146.1. 10.7 cm flux was 148.7, 148.2, 151.1, 154.4, 156.3, 161.4, and 152.3, with a mean of 153.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 9, 10, 16, 12, 8, 7, and 6, with a mean of 9.7.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL 10-Meter Contest, the Great Colorado Snowshoe Run, and the Digital Prefix Contest are the weekend of December 14-15. JUST AHEAD: The AGB Party Contest, the OK DX RTTY Contest and the Croatian CW Contest are the weekend of December 21-22. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the ARRL Level III Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-003) and HF Digital Communications (EC-005) courses opens Monday, December 16, 4 PM EST (2100 UTC). Registration will remain open through Sunday, December 22. Classes begin Monday, December 23. Registration for the ARRL Level II Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-002) and Antenna Modeling (EC-004) courses remains open through Sunday, December 15. A new service now allows those who may be interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future to be advised via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. Send an e-mail to prereg@..., and include the course name or number (eg, EC-00#) on the subject line as well as your name, call sign, and the month you want to start the course in the body. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@.... [C-CE logo]

* FCC grants deadline extension on Spectrum Policy Task Force comments: Acting on two requests December 10, the FCC extended the deadline to receive comments on the recently released Spectrum Policy Task Force Report (ET Docket 02-135) <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2002/11/07/103/>. The FCC extended comment deadlines by 18 days in response to two petitions for a time extension. The new comment deadline is January 27, 2003, and the new reply comment deadline is February 28, 2003. The FCC noted that, because the Spectrum Policy Task Force Report was drafted by FCC staff and neither voted upon nor approved by the Commission, the Report nor any of its recommendations "necessarily reflect the views of the Commission." The text of the Report and other Task Force documents are available on the Task Force Web site <<http://www.fcc.gov/sptf/>>. Parties are encouraged to file comments using the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) <<http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>>. Commenters should include full name, US Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number--ET Docket 02-135.--FCC

* Nevada getting new Section Manager: The ARRL Nevada Section will get a new Section Manager on January 1, 2003. Jan Welsh, NK7N, is stepping down at the end of the year for personal reasons. She has served as SM since March 2000. Filling out the remaining six months of her term will be Dick Flanagan, W6OLD, of Minden. An Amateur Extra class operator and ARRL Life Member with 40 years of continuous membership, Flanagan was the recipient of the ARRL 2000 Excellence in Recruiting Award and was active in the successful effort to secure an Amateur Radio antenna (PRB-1) bill in Nevada. He has been serving as an assistant SM. He also holds field

appointments as an ARRL Official Observer, Official Emergency Station and ARRL VEC volunteer examiner. He also serves as an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Program mentor, instructor and examiner. Nevada members may contact Flanagan via e-mail at w6old@....

* Vote on QST Cover Plaque Award: The winners of the QST Cover Plaque Award for November were Stan Schretter, W4MQ; Brad Wyatt, K6WR, and Keith Lamonica, W7DXX, for their collaboration on the article "A Ham Radio Public Utility HF Station." Congratulations, Stan, Brad and Keith! The winner of the QST Cover Plaque award--given to the author--or authors--of the best article in each issue--is determined by a vote of ARRL members. Voting takes place each month on the Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/members-only/qstvote.html>. There's still time to cast a ballot for your favorite article in the December 2002 issue of QST. Voting ends December 31.

* Hamvention 2003 to celebrate "Year of the Young": Dayton Hamvention--the world's largest Amateur Radio gathering and trade show--celebrates its 51st year and its 52nd show, Friday, May 16, through Sunday, May 18, 2003. The focus in 2003 will be on the younger hams and attracting 12-to-18 year olds to Amateur Radio. Held at the Dayton, Ohio, Hara Arena complex, Hamvention includes forums; 500 inside exhibit spaces; and a 2500-plus space outdoor vendor area (a-k-a "the flea market"). Dayton Hamvention has become an Amateur Radio tradition for the 25,000 or so amateurs and visitors who attend each spring. More information is available on the Hamvention Web site <http://www.hamvention.org>.

* Howard W. Wolfe, W2AGW, SK: DXCC top Honor Roller Howard W. "Howie" Wolfe, W2AGW, of Harrington Park, New Jersey, died December 7. He was 95. "Howie was one of the 'true blue DXers!'" said QST "How's DX?" Editor Bernie McClenny, W3UR. Wolfe had worked every possible DXCC entity except Damao Diu (CR8)--which was deleted (he worked French Indo China, FI8, also now on the deleted list, but never got a QSL card). First licensed as 2AGW in Brooklyn, New York in 1926, Wolfe was a member of the ARRL and the North Jersey DX Association. A couple of years ago in QST, McClenny noted that Wolfe was "always the last man standing in the DXCC count up" at the Dayton DX dinner. CW was his favorite mode. Friends may post tributes to the NJDXA's W2AGW memorial page <http://njdxa.org/w2agw.shtml>.--information provided by Bernie McClenny, W3UR, The Daily DX, and Urb LeJeune, W2DEC

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935. Debriefing for Scramble Team Exercise held on 6th/7th Dec 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-16 10:23:39 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 935 Message: 935
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

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73
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936. Pune ham club info

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-16 15:35:11 UTC
From: ajay solanki
Topic: 936 Message: 936

Hi
Would anyone have the address/email/phone no of the
Pune HAM Club.
One of my friend from pune is interested in becoming a
ham.
Regards,
Ajay...

Do you Yahoo!?
Yahoo! Mail Plus - Powerful. Affordable. Sign up now.
http://mailplus.yahoo.com

937. Re: [m_a_r_s] New file uploaded to m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-17 01:30:19 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 937 Message: 937

Hi Madhu,

Hearing from you after a long period! Howdy?

BTW, the file is around 900kb...and hence not sent as attachment.Infact there are three pdf files related to the new radio...Yaesu FT-857. I am also posting this on the mars group for benefit of other members...

The files are available on FCC web site. You will find 3 of the PDF documents downloaded from the FCC web site (owner's manual, test report, and external photos) placed on another web page if some of you are having problems with the FCC site:

http://www.cirs.org/patrick/ft857/ (http://207.68.162.250/cgi-bin/linkrd?_lang=EN&lah=ec6849207830ee984a07f0e952f290bf&lat=1040087661&hm___action=http%3a%2f%2fwww%2ecirs%2eorg%2fpatrick%2fft857%2f)

Neat little radio. HF plus 6m, 2m, and 70cm just like the FT-817
and FT-897, 100W output on HF/6m, 50W on 2m, 20W on 70cm when
supplied with external 13.8V (20W when on a single FNB-78 NiMH pack,
except for 70cm where it's at 10W). The radio comes with the same
hand mic as the FT-817 and FT-897, a DC power cord, the owner's
manual, and a warranty card (no VHF/UHF antenna this time). There
are 2 SO239 connectors on the back of the radio for antennas, no
antenna connector on the front, uses the same filters and TCXO as
the 817 and 897, and of course a long list of options similar to
those for the other two radios (including the FC-30 antenna tuner
available for the FT-897, an ATBK-100 VHF/UHF antenna base and
counterpoise kit, among others - see page 4 of the owner's manual
PDF for the complete list).

The size of the radio - from the manual specs - is 200mm (7 7/8") x
80mm (3 1/8") x 262mm (10 5/16"), weighing in at 3.9kg (about 8 1/2
lbs) without battery, antenna, or microphone. Current consumption
is around 600mA when the receiver is squelched, 1A when not
squelched, and 22A on 100W transmit. The manual warns about using
the radio with a battery that has a sufficient charge, as the FT-857
apparently has a minimum operating voltage of 11.73V.

(Courtsey: Patrick WD9EWK/VA7EWK)

Hope it to be of some interest to members.

73' Prashant

Message: 8

>From: "madhu rajan"

>To: vu2cbu@...
>Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] New file uploaded to m_a_r_s
>Date: Mon, 16 Dec 2002 06:10:50 +0000
>
>hi prashant! how u doing ? we missed u at the scramble team
>exercise.
>can u mail me this "new file uploaded to MARS". i cant access the
>group page in yahoo. i think i've forgotten the username and
>password and its too complicated to register again!
>cheers!
>madhu
>

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938. Re: [m_a_r_s] Debriefing for Scramble Team Exercise held on 6th/7th Dec 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-17 09:29:56 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 935 Message: 938

Clear DayHi Scramble Team Leaders,

Please carry all your bills/details to claim the expenses incurred during the exercise. Vouchers will be available with me.

Thnks,

Mehul Chovatia - VU3 MBF
Treasurer - MARS

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars_classes
Sent: Monday, December 16, 2002 3:53 PM
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939. Worth a dekko ? You tell me.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-18 05:30:39 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 939 Message: 939

Dear OM/YL,

As a T-shirt, I once read an ad for, "I Tx therefore I 'am"

Enjoy this one.

http://www.qrp.pops.net/default.htm

73
VU2NHR
Nirav

940. Re: [m_a_r_s] Pune ham club info

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-18 07:02:36 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 936 Message: 940

Dear Ajay,

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----- Original Message -----
From: ajay solanki
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, December 16, 2002 9:05 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Pune ham club info

Hi
Would anyone have the address/email/phone no of the
Pune HAM Club.
One of my friend from pune is interested in becoming a
ham.
Regards,
Ajay...

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941. Re: Debriefing for Scramble Team Exercise held on 6th/7th Dec 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-18 14:14:21 UTC
From: kailash_gupta <kailash_gupta@yahoo.com>
Topic: 935 Message: 941

Dear Nilesh,

Thanks to you, MARS, all the participants of the Scramble Team Exercise and particularly my team members of B team, its leader and the hosts. I thoroughly enjoyed the exercise and learned a lot. I may kindly be granted leave of absence from attending the Debriefing session as I came for the exercise from Jaipur and am back at Jaipur (without deducting any marks). Kindly send me the "AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE" cap, my ID card, 1st Annual Report of MARS, constitution of MARS, Disaster Management Plan of Mumbai and other documents at below address asap.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ
C56, Shastri Nagar
Opp. Tagore School
Jaipur 302 016
Phone: (0141)2306040

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@b...> wrote:
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942. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Debriefing for Scramble Team Exercise held on 6th/7th Dec 2002

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-18 14:53:17 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 935 Message: 942

dear kailash,

thank you for participating and making this event successful, will do the rest ASAP.

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NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: kailash_gupta <kailash_gupta@...>
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, December 18, 2002 7:44 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Re: Debriefing for Scramble Team Exercise held on 6th/7th Dec 2002

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943. Debriefing Meeting Reminder.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-19 04:37:52 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 943 Message: 943
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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944. Re: [m_a_r_s] Debriefing Meeting Reminder.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-20 04:20:17 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 943 Message: 944

dear nilesh - please excuse me from joining the meeting this sunday. i have previous committments which cannot be reversed. i sincerely hope u will not deduct points from my team for this.

mbf - apologies in advance if this affects our team performance.

madhu

----Original Message Follows----
From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
CC: "mars_classes" <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Debriefing Meeting Reminder.
Date: Thu, 19 Dec 2002 10:07:52 +0530

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945. Fw: [CQ_VU] Diamond Antenna now available in India.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-23 14:42:28 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 945 Message: 945

----- Original Message -----
From: Sumit Chouhan
To: CQ_VU@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, December 23, 2002 1:59 PM
Subject: [CQ_VU] Diamond Antenna now available in India.

My Dear Friends,

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 2003! I would like to offer very good news to you all ham in India. I have taken up dealership of Diamond Antenna in India so that you don't have to spend hard money ($) or face irritating customs people. You can now buy Original Diamond Antenna Inc, Japan in India itself.

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With Warm Regards

Sumit Chouhan

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-22 03:37:48 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 946 Message: 946

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NOTE: ARRL Headquarters will be closed Christmas Day, Wednesday, December
25. We wish all our readers a safe and enjoyable holiday season!
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==>PARTNERSHIP PAYS OFF IN HUNDREDS OF HAM RADIO EMERGENCY TRAINEES

The $33,000 grant from Hartford, Connecticut-based United Technologies
Corporation (UTC) announced last spring has fueled a more than 20-fold
increase in the number of trained Amateur Radio emergency communicators in
Connecticut. In just six months, 258 Connecticut hams have completed the
ARRL Level-I Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course tuition-free,
thanks to the grant.

"UTC has helped us lay the groundwork for taking this training
nationwide," said ARRL Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller,
K3UFG. "The grant from UTC was worth far more than a dollar amount."

Before UTC offered its support last June, just a dozen Connecticut hams
had become certified via the Level I emergency communications course. The
number certified now stands at 270. "We've learned from the experience in
Connecticut and will be able to move ahead quickly and effectively to roll
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out the national program," Miller said.

Some of the Nutmeg State's newest trained ham radio communicators found themselves put to the test November 17, when an early ice storm clamped down on northwestern Connecticut. The ice storm cut off power to more than 130,000 residences and businesses. For Jim Ritterbusch, KD1YV, an ARRL emergency coordinator, the way hams handled themselves in their roles as emergency communicators during the storm was a direct result of the ARRL Amateur Radio emergency communications training subsidized by the UTC grant.

"The value of the training was apparent in many of the operators who had taken Level I," he said. "The nets ran more accurately and efficiently than we have seen in the past." As an example, he pointed out that during the ice storm, several specific-purpose nets were in operation rather than the single multi-purpose--and sometimes chaotic--nets of the past.

The partnership between UTC and ARRL has served as a model for dramatically expanding Amateur Radio emergency communications courses. So far, nearly 1700 amateurs nationwide have gone through at least one of the three emergency communications course levels since the program's inception in December 2000. ARRL offers three emergency communications courses--introductory, intermediate and advanced.

ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH, said the League hopes UTC now will approve a three-year grant to help fund further expansion of the Amateur Radio emergency communications course program to the national level. "A second grant from UTC for a national scale program will enable ARRL to certify 5000 radio amateurs in Level I, II or III of the emergency communications course, and have an even greater impact on homeland security and disaster relief efforts," she said.

More information on the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Program is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/cce/courses.html>.

==>MISSISSIPPI ARES TEAMS RESPOND IN TORNADO-STRICKEN COMMUNITY

Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) teams from Jackson and Meridian, Mississippi, have converged on the tiny community of Newton to provide emergency communication support following a devastating tornado December 19. ARRL Mississippi Section Manager Malcolm Keown, W5XX, said about a dozen amateurs from the Metro Jackson ARES and the Lauderdale County ARES groups were taking turns supporting relief agencies in Newton, which has no ARES organization of its own.

The mid-day twister struck a Wal-Mart filled with holiday shoppers, blowing out the front windows and collapsing part of the roof. The tornado also damaged a furniture factory. Newton is located roughly halfway between Jackson and Meridian in the Interstate 20 corridor. According to news accounts, some 70 people were hurt, but no one was killed. Property damage in the town was said to have been widespread, and Gov Ronnie

Musgrove has declared a state of emergency in Newton.

Keown said the ARES teams were helping the Red Cross with damage assessment and with shelter communication. In the tornado's immediate aftermath, telephone service and electrical power were out in much of the town of nearly 4000 and in surrounding Newton County, he said. The hams also have been assisting The Salvation Army and the Southern Baptist Men's Kitchen canteen operations as well as making themselves available to local emergency management officials.

Although some reports indicated the tornado hit without warning, Keown said SKYWARN teams had activated all along the I-20 corridor in anticipation of the severe weather, and the National Weather Service had issued tornado warnings.

"We were up all day long," he said of the SKYWARN activity. "The first damage estimates to the National Weather Service came from ham radio SKYWARN reports."

==>HAM RADIO HAS ROLE IN GUAM RELIEF, RECOVERY

After a supertyphoon struck the Pacific Territory of Guam earlier this month, an opportunity for hams to step in and provide emergency communications never materialized, mostly due to a lack of fuel on the stricken island. Nonetheless, ham radio is playing a role as Guam residents get back on their feet.

"Most of the guys are trying to get themselves back together," said Dick Manns, KH2G, "but one of the main problems immediately after the typhoon was fuel for generators, as the tank farm was burning and no fuel could be brought out and what little was available was being reserved for emergency vehicles." The Marianas Amateur Radio Club has discussed setting up emergency communications systems, he said, but insufficient funding has hampered the effort.

Supertyphoon Pongsona hammered Guam December 8. Manns says FEMA, the US military and the nongovernmental relief organizations have been helping a lot in the typhoon's aftermath. But, it would have been nice, he suggested, if local hams had been able to reciprocate with some communications help using portable repeaters and packet radio. Another problem: The storm pretty much devastated amateur antenna systems, he said.

Duncan Campbell, KF6ILA/KH2, was one of the few hams able to get on the air in the first few days after the storm hit, felling the island's lone 2-meter repeater tower in the process. Island hams used 2-meter FM simplex as a major means of communication, Campbell said. The repeater reportedly is back up. He was able to make several stateside HF to relay needs, but fuel to run emergency generators for radio use became scarce, and he had to shut down after December 10.

Manns said electrical power remains out for most residents and that only about a third of the electrically powered water wells on Guam were functional. Telephone service remains out "pretty much island-wide for varying amounts of time" due to the power outages, he said. It's expected to be several months until electrical power is fully restored on Guam.

At one point, despite an active listening campaign, Amateur Radio operators on the air from Guam were simply not to be found. "We have six amateurs engaged in this, almost our entire complement of HF operators," said ARRL District Emergency Coordinator for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Tim Hayes, NH0H, December 15. Amateurs on Saipan monitored the agreed-upon emergency frequency of 7085 kHz almost continuously for a week without hearing a single Guam signal, he said. The Pacific Inter-Island Net on 14,320 kHz also made a special effort to listen for Guam stations.

Meanwhile, the American Red Cross, The Salvation Army and 28 US Government agencies have combined to provide relief and recovery services. Reports say 1750 homes were destroyed or left uninhabitable by the typhoon.

The Salvation Army is operating 12 temporary shelters and housing an estimated 3000 residents left homeless. Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network (SATERN) Coordinator Pat McPherson, WW9E, said SATERN this week established contact between Guam and the SATERN national office in Chicago via an EchoLink connection--a marriage of Amateur Radio and the Internet. McPherson credited Al Paja, WH2Z, on Guam with helping to set up the EchoLink connection.

Campbell, Manns and others have been able to maintain communication to the outside world via the Internet after December 11. The fiber optic line between Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands survived the storm, and local Internet Service Providers were able to reconnect to the backbone. With semi-reliable cellular telephone service available, Campbell was able to post updates on local conditions to several Internet bulletin boards.

The Guam Pacific Daily News Web site <http://www.guampdn.com/> also has remained active and current. It continues to provide a major conduit for those outside the island to leave messages for friends and relatives on Guam.

Amateurs affiliated with the US Department of Health and Human Services' Office of Emergency Response flew to Guam. "We're very active here with disaster relief and have two sites operational on HF," said Steve "Sid" Caesar, NH7C, the team's communications officer. Others on that team include Satoshi Manabe, WH6CTO, and Jayson Kohama, WH6BXK. Caesar has been in regular contact with amateurs in Hawaii over the past week.

==>ARISS TEAM TALKS ABOUT FUTURE HAM-RADIO-IN-SPACE PROJECTS

Members of the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) International Team met December 5-8 at the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland. Delegates represented partner countries,

International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) member-societies and AMSAT organizations in Europe, Japan, Canada, Russia and the US.

"I was extremely impressed with the quality of the discussions at our meeting and the camaraderie of the international team," said ARISS International Chairman Frank Bauer, KA3HDO. "The ARISS Team really has come together to be a cohesive international team since we first met in 1996." Bauer also represented AMSAT-NA during the session, which was moderated by Roy Neal, K6DUE, a long-time advocate of Amateur Radio in space. ARRL Field and Educational Services Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, attended on behalf of the ARRL. AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, was on hand as a delegate for Canada.

The delegates heard progress reports on various ARISS equipment proposals, including timing for certification and future delivery. The ARISS Team will begin a review of new project proposals to determine their feasibility as well as their benefits to NASA and to ham radio operators. The ARISS Team must evaluate the work involved in bringing a particular project proposal to fruition and, perhaps equally important, determine if the developers have the required funding.

Among the more unusual Amateur Radio experiments the team plans to consider further are a plasma cloud experiment and another that would compare the performance of different solar arrays. Details were unavailable. ARISS Team members also expressed concerns about hardware proposals that had been initiated without ARISS knowledge or support, since NASA requires coordination of all ham radio activity via the ARISS Team.

Previously approved hardware projects are now being completed to make the most of the four Amateur Radio antennas now installed outside of the ISS Zvezda Service Module--the crew's living quarters. Operations on 70 cm could commence as early as next spring, and SSTV (SpaceCam) hardware could be launched later in 2003. Once it's in place, students will be able to see the astronauts via SSTV while in QSO with them. Future add-ons under consideration include enhanced digital 10-meter crossband operation using PSK-31 or full-duplex voice repeater operation.

Delegates re-elected Bauer as ARISS chairman, White as ARISS secretary-treasurer, and Gaston Bertels, ON4WF, as ARISS vice chairman. All will serve two-year terms.

ARISS is an international project, with US participation by ARRL, AMSAT and NASA.

==>FCC INITIATES REVIEW OF GEORGIA ARRL VEC EXAM SESSION

The FCC has initiated a review of a June 2000 ARRL VEC examination session in Pelham, Georgia. At that session, an examinee who had unsuccessfully attempted to pass Element 2 (Technician) seven times at other exam sessions got a perfect score on Element 2 and also passed the Element 3 (General) exam.

The applicant in question, Arthur Lee Clark, of Oxford, Georgia, subsequently was granted a General ticket as KG4IJV. It's not clear when or how Clark obtained credit for the Element 1 (Morse code) examination. The FCC called Clark in for retesting last spring and cancelled his license after he failed to appear.

FCC Special Counsel for Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth wrote volunteer examiners William K. Ferguson, W9UNH, Alice Childs, AF4HB, and Walter J. Childs, KQ4SF, on November 12 asking them to provide further information on the examination session at which Clark had qualified for General. In a separate letter November 12 to ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, Hollingsworth requested that the ARRL VEC not accept the services of the three VEs involved in the Pelham session at least until the FCC concludes its investigation. Suspension of volunteer examiners is standard procedure during such inquiries.

Among other things, Hollingsworth asked Ferguson and the Childses to describe any conversations they might have had with Clark as well as any documents or materials Clark may have had before, during or after the examination session. Hollingsworth also wanted the three VEs to tell where and how the test session was administered, "including the location of VEs during the examination and the names and addresses of anyone else present before and during the examination."

Records indicate that from January 1999 until March 2000, Clark took the Technician exam seven times under another VEC and never answered more than approximately half the questions correctly. At the ARRL VEC session on June 20, 2000, however, he was credited with obtaining a perfect score, then passing his General with only one wrong answer.

==>HAMS AID MARITIME RESCUE

Amateur Radio operators on a 40-meter net that's aimed at helping stations obtain the Worked All States award are getting at least partial credit for helping to save a ham-sailor and two companions whose boat was caught up in rough weather off the West Coast December 14. Steve Letendre, KE6FQ, said that during a late 40-meter session of the 3905 Century Club Net <http://www.3905ccn.com> on 7.233.5 MHz, an emergency break came on frequency.

"The man's boat was in high seas and taking water approximately 350 miles south of San Diego near Cedros Island," Letendre said. "High winds and waves mostly kept him from spending too much time giving us info." Letendre says he later learned from the Coast Guard that the boat was being exposed to 12-15 foot waves and 60 MPH winds.

Net Control Station John Milner, W6BUM, requested a hold on the net while Letendre and Joe Seibert, AL1F, in Alaska attempted to communicate with the vessel's skipper--whom Letendre identified as Walter Jorgenson, W6ULT. "I was on the phone with San Diego Coast Guard, while Joe copied info as the questions came from them," Letendre said. "We were unable to get too much other info due to the boat getting slapped around pretty good. I'm sure the skipper had his hands full holding the wheel and a mic at the

same time."

Somewhere in the excitement, Letendre said, the skipper fired a flare and a Mexican Naval vessel appeared and launched a raft. The passengers were taken aboard the naval vessel and the boat towed to safety. Letendre is modest about his net's role in the effort. "By the time we had good relays set up, he was rescued," he said.

The incident did provide an opportunity for Letendre to acquaint the US Coast Guard in his area with the net's existence. "The Coast Guard officer also thanked us and requested info on our group, so I gave him the home page," he explained.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar Maven Tad "Hey, Mister Sun" Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Once again geomagnetic indices were lower than the previous week's. November 28 through December 4 the average planetary A index was 13.6, the next week it was 9.7, and this week it was 7.7. This was good for HF conditions, along with a rising solar flux. Average solar flux for the same three weeks was 145.4, 153.2 and 188.7, and average daily sunspot numbers were 130.3, 146.1 and 206.1.

Quiet conditions came to an end December 19, when the planetary A index jumped to 21. This is due to a solar wind stream flowing from a coronal hole. Geomagnetic activity is expected to decline, and in a few days solar flux values should slip below 190.

The winter solstice arrives this weekend, so the long nights soon will turn gradually shorter. Currently the darkness favors the lower HF bands, but as the days lengthen in the Northern Hemisphere, higher frequency propagation will improve.

Sunspot numbers for December 12 through 18 were 129, 176, 214, 217, 194, 252 and 261, with a mean of 206.1. The 10.7 cm flux was 153.1, 166.9, 185.9, 203, 202.9, 212.5 and 196.9, with a mean of 188.7. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 7, 11, 9, 8, 6 and 6, with a mean of 7.7.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The AGB Party Contest, the OK DX RTTY Contest and the Croatian CW Contest are the weekend of December 21-22. JUST AHEAD: The DARC Christmas Contest, the RAC Winter Contest, the Stew Perry Topband Challenge and the Original QRP Contest (CW) are the weekend of December 28-29. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the ARRL Satellite Communications course (EC-007) opens Monday, December 23, at 4 PM EST (2100 UTC). Registration will remain open

through Sunday, December 29. Classes begin Monday, December 30. Registration for the Level III Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-003) and HF Digital Communications (EC-005) courses remains open through Sunday, December 22. A new service now allows those who may be interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future to be advised via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. Send an e-mail to prereg@..., and include the course name or number (eg, EC-00#) on the subject line as well as your name, call sign, and the month you want to start the course in the body. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@....

* League keeps eye on emerging RFI issues: ARRL Lab Supervisor Ed Hare, W1RFI, attended a November 12-14 meeting of the IEEE C63 "RFI" committee in Baltimore. Hare's visit was in response to a committee invitation for a presentation on the possible impact of Power Line Communications (PLC) on Amateur Radio. Hare also attended a very high bit-rate digital subscriber line (VDSL) standards meeting in Atlanta November 18-19. Hare says that both technologies present a potential to radiate signals that could raise the noise floor on nearby HF receivers by tens of dB. "What ham hasn't looked up at a power line and thought, 'Now there's a heck of a longwire antenna!'" Hare quipped. "The problem with PLC is that if a company wants to supply Internet service via PLC, it's going to happen at HF, and it will radiate." Following the presentation, the IEEE named Hare chairs its ad hoc working group on PLC. VDSL presents somewhat less of a challenge than PLC, Hare said, but for overhead telephone wiring, it's important that the industry include protections for Amateur Radio. Hare said the ARRL will continue to work these and other industry groups and build on the successes Amateur Radio has had recently with the HomePlug group and Home Phoneline Network Alliance in reducing interference to amateur HF bands.

* ARRL VEC praises retiring veteran FCC employee: On behalf of the League, ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, has lauded the work of a veteran FCC Wireless Telecommunications Bureau employee involved in Amateur Radio licensing. Darlene Reeder, who retired this month after some 40 years of service, was an industry analyst in WTB's Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Technical Analysis Section. "Seldom have I ever come across someone with the dedication and caring that Darlene has shown in serving the needs of the hundreds of thousands of Amateur Radio licensees in the Amateur Service," Jahnke said in remarks prepared for Reeder's retirement luncheon December 10. "My staff and I will deeply miss working with Darlene. We wish her the very best in her retirement." More than 150 attended Reeder's retirement fete in Gettysburg. Representatives of the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators presented Reeder with a gift certificate in appreciation for her years of service.

* Reginald Hoskin Sr, W7ROL, SK: Reggie Hoskin, W7ROL, of Four Lakes, Washington, died December 11. Hoskin's family says he turned 101 a couple

of days before his death. He enjoyed a nearly lifelong interest in radio and had been licensed for at least 75 years. Dennis Coykendall, AC7KA, called Hoskin "the grand old man of radio in the Northwest, maybe the country." Said Charlene Davis, KC7RQF, of the Kamiak Butte Amateur Repeater Association, "Reggie checked into our nets regularly and helped folks on the air right up until the last week he was here." Both said Hoskin would be missed. Born in England, Hoskin got into radio fairly early after coming to the US. He received instruction from his high school principal in Ironwood, Michigan--a World War I Navy radio operator--and built his first station, a spark gap transmitter and crystal receiver, in 1919. It appears from early call books that Hoskin was first licensed in 1927 or 1928 as 9EML. He became W7ROL in 1946 after moving to Washington, where he served as the first president of the Cascade Radio Club. His late wife, Ruby, was W7QME. Over the years, he worked as a miner, fireman and electrician. Hoskin was among the very oldest members of the ARRL and of the amateur fraternity. He also belonged to the Old Old Timers Club member and the Quarter Century Wireless Association.

* Former ARRL staffer Arline Bender, WA1VMC, SK: Former ARRL staff member Arline Bender, WA1VMC, died December 11. She was 84. The Hartford, Connecticut, native was a staff member at ARRL Headquarters in the 1970s and 1980s, first in the Communications Department, and later in the Field Services Department, from which she retired in 1986. While on staff she met and married former W1AW Station Manager Charles R. "Chuck" Bender, W1WPR, who survives her. "She was a very nice lady, very kind to everyone," said ARRL Field Organization/Public Service Team Leader Steve Ewald, WV1X, who worked with Bender. Prior to her tenure at ARRL HQ, she was employed by Travelers Insurance. She also was an avid bowler and a 50-year member of Elmwood Community Church in West Hartford. A daughter and a son also survive.

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947. Globalization....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-24 18:30:10 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 947 Message: 947

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Answer: Princess Diana's death

Question: How come?

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948. BE AMONG THE FIRST ONES TO GET THE RELIANCE INDIA MOBILE PHO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-30 05:59:55 UTC
From: Kunal Mashru
Topic: 948 Message: 948

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Date: 2002-12-30 06:43:44 UTC
From: vu2jpn@yahoo.com
Topic: 949 Message: 949

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950. Re: [m_a_r_s] BE AMONG THE FIRST ONES TO GET THE RELIANCE INDIA MOBILE PHO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-30 09:51:44 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 948 Message: 950

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Regards
madhu rajan

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
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NOTE: ARRL Headquarters will be closed and there will be no W1AW transmissions New Year's Day, January 1, 2003. ARRL Headquarters will reopen Thursday, January 2, 2003, at 8 AM. We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday and all the best in 2003!
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==>VIGILANCE, VOLUNTARY GIVING ARE YEAR 'ROUND NECESSITIES, ARRL PRESIDENT SAYS

With several important issues facing Amateur Radio, ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, says now is not the time to get complacent about ham radio's future. On the World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 agenda next summer, for example, are items that could change the face of 40 meters worldwide and compel amateurs to compete with interference from mapping satellites on 70 cm and from radio local area networks on microwave bands. Domestically, ham radio faces an array of threats from unlicensed Part 15 devices and the spectrum demands of new technologies (see <http://www.arrl.org/news/bandthreat/>).

"Amateur Radio is not safe," said Haynie, who's completing his third year as the League's top--and unpaid--official. "If we relax our energies--even for a day or a week--we can lose valuable ground."

Haynie has not let down his guard. He personally has devoted months of work on the road during 2002 on Amateur Radio's behalf. That includes time in Washington talking up ham radio with those who hold its future most directly in their hands.

Preserving the future of Amateur Radio is not cheap either. "When we talk about defense of frequencies and advocacy, what we really mean is the $1.2 million that the ARRL spent in staff costs, travel, laboratory work, legal filings and other professional assistance," he said.

ARRL membership dues cover just some of the costs associated with advocacy. So does income from investments and other revenue sources. But approximately 40 percent of the cost of the ARRL's efforts to preserve ham radio's future--the 2003 goal is $500,000--comes from voluntary donations from within the Amateur Radio community. ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH, says donations have dipped below expectations even as the ARRL has been successful in raising ham radio's visibility.

Hobart blames the slack in giving in part as a result of the economic downturn, but she also believes this year's campaign may be languishing due to apathy. "The enhanced visibility we now enjoy due to the efforts of our president and other volunteers may have led many of our members to erroneously conclude that Amateur Radio has arrived," Hobart speculates. "I hope that the average ARRL member understands what it means to represent Amateur Radio in Washington." She also says some hams may think there's not much going on because progress often must be measured in inches rather than miles.

Haynie believes 2002 has seen some notable successes, however. It included the introduction of HR 4720, a measure that for the first time asked congress to lead the way in eliminating the burden of private deed covenants, conditions and restrictions--CC&Rs--as they affect the ability of amateurs to erect outdoor antenna structures. The year also saw the FCC propose--at the behest of the ARRL--two new Amateur Radio bands and a status upgrade for the 2400-2402 MHz amateur allocation.

Hobart says that as the year draws to a close, every contribution counts as the ARRL works toward meeting its $500,000 goal. "We are hearing that some folks are really feeling the pinch of the current economic and stock market situation," she said, "but if every ARRL member would contribute $8 a year, we could fund our advocacy efforts for 2003 in total."

"During 2003, the ARRL Board, staff and I will be working hard for you and for the future of Amateur Radio," Haynie said. "Please support us."

The ARRL is an IRS 501(c)(3) organization, and contributions to the Spectrum Defense Fund are deductible to the extent permitted by law. Visit the secure FCC Web site <http://www.arrl.org/defense> for more information and to make a contribution.

==>SKYWARN, ARES ACTIVATE FOR ARKANSAS, MISSOURI STORMS

The same front that produced tornado activity in Mississippi on December 19 earlier touched Arkansas and Missouri with devastating and deadly effect. After nearly a year without any significant tornado activity, Arkansas was again at the heart of severe weather December 18. Tornadoes hit several counties in Missouri December 17 and 18. One person died in each state a direct result of the severe weather.

The National Weather Service (NWS) activated SKYWARN at approximately 2 PM in Arkansas, and participants remained active until after 11 PM. Little Rock Emergency Coordinator Dale Temple, W5RXU, reports that the NWS issued 48 warnings during the nine-hour net. Temple also is president of Arkansas SKYWARN.

Temple said NWS Warning Coordination Meteorologist John Robinson and Meteorologist-In-Charge Renee Fair praised the accuracy and dedication of the Arkansas SKYWARN volunteers.

In Arkansas, hail up to two inches in diameter, heavy rain up to six inches, damaging straight-line winds and tornadoes developed in Desha, Faulkner, Lincoln, Prairie, Saline, Woodruff, Jackson, Lonoke, White and Cross counties.

At the request of American Red Cross Arkansas State Disaster Director Roger Elliot, Richard Thompson, W5SUB, fired up the Amateur Radio station at Red Cross Headquarters to help coordinate the organization's efforts to provide needed services to about 85 families whose homes had been damaged or destroyed by the severe weather. "Mr Elliot credited ham radio operators in assisting the Red Cross to mobilize more quickly and accurately to needy victims," Temple said.

Arkansas SKYWARN, the Central Arkansas Radio Emergency Net, Pulaski County, Little Rock and North Little Rock ARES/RACES actively supported state and local emergency management agencies as well as the Red Cross, The Salvation Army and area hospitals.

In central and southern Missouri, several Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) teams activated the night of December 17 when severe weather struck. There were multiple instances of rainfall greater than one inch per hour, and hail was reported in several counties. Missouri SEC Don Moore, KM0R, said that in a couple of instances, the NWS issued severe thunderstorm warnings shortly after ARES reports came in.

Reports filed with the St Louis NWS Office included heavy rain, hail and damaging wind speeds. "There was a tornado reported in Laclede County that moved into Pulaski County, along with damaging wind speeds in excess of 75 MPH in another area during the early morning hours of December 18," Moore said. Tornado activity was also reported in Springfield and the surrounding area. Hams also worked with the Springfield NWS Office.

Linked repeater systems were used to pass information to the respective NWS offices and among local nets. Some five dozen hams involved in the

response in three ARES districts logged double-digit work hours. Several county emergency coordinators said they monitored the statewide HF frequency for the Missouri Emergency Services Net in case there was traffic to pass. They also kept in contact with local governments and other served agencies in case Amateur Radio volunteers were needed.

==>FCC SEEKS COMMENTS ON AMATEUR RADIO-RELATED PETITIONS

The FCC is inviting comments on two Amateur Radio-related petitions for rule making. Both have been put on public notice and are available for public review and comment. In his petition, designated RM-10620, Dale Reich, K8AD, has asked the Commission to automatically upgrade Novice and Advanced license holders to the "next" license class if the licensee has 20 or more years of operating experience. Reich has said such test-free upgrades would compensate for "the previous tougher exam that was past administered" and give credit for violation-free service records.

Among other proposed changes in his "merit and service upgrade" schedule, Reich asks that Novice phone privileges in the 2-meter band--rescinded in the 1970s--be reinstated for those still holding that license. In his petition, Reich asserts that Amateur Radio the proposed changes could augment public service abilities on the part of the affected licensees.

In another amateur-related petition, designated RM-10621, AMSAT-NA has asked the FCC to drop its presently required 27-month pre-space notification to the FCC's international branch for Amateur Satellite launches and substitute a pre-space notification within 30 days of a launch commitment.

The comment deadline for both petitions is January 17, 2003. Interested parties may view the Reich and AMSAT petitions and file comments via the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>. Commenters should include full name, US Postal Service mailing address and the applicable rulemaking number--RM-10620 or RM-10621.

==>K7IJ REPEATER SYSTEM ATTRACTS RENEWED FCC ATTENTION

The FCC has sent a Warning Notice to the owner of the K7IJ Grizzly Peak repeater system in California's San Francisco Bay area citing "numerous rule violations" on the machine since last April. In a November 26 letter, FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth reminded repeater owner Bruce Wachtell, K7IJ, of his responsibility to ensure proper control of his repeater. Almost four years ago, the FCC shut down the Grizzly Peak repeater after it determined the system was out of control of the licensee and his designated control operator.

"Since the repeater bears your call sign, it is important for you to understand that you are responsible for its proper operation," Hollingsworth told Wachtell, whose residence is in Carson City, Nevada. "The decision to operate a repeater is a totally voluntary one. Repeaters are a convenience in the Amateur Radio Service, not a necessity."

Hollingsworth said repeater control operators "must ensure immediate proper operation" of the system, regardless of the type of station control. If Wachtell cannot regain control of his repeater, then he must shut it down, Hollingsworth concluded.

Violations cited included failure of users to identify--or to identify correctly, intentional interference from "certain users," use of the repeater by unlicensed operators and "lengthy carriers and key-ups."

Hollingsworth told Wachtell that it's his responsibility to prevent recurring and deliberate violations. "If you are unwilling or unable to prevent violations on your K7IJ repeater, then your operator and station licenses will be subject to enforcement action by the Commission," warned Hollingsworth, who raised the specter of fines, suspension and license revocation.

In an unrelated repeater case, Hollingsworth sent a Warning Notice December 4 to Wayne Curley, WA6NRB, who operates a repeater in the Los Angeles area. Hollingsworth cited monitoring information that the repeater has been used by an unlicensed individual, Richard Burton, ex-WB6JAC. Burton spent three months in a federal jail last year after being convicted of unlicensed operation. Hollingsworth also reminded Curley that a repeater licensee is responsible for recurring violations and that enforcement action--fines, suspension or revocation--could result if he is unable to prevent violations on his repeater.

==>SPECIAL EVENT, SPACE CONTACT TO MARK MARCONI TRANSMISSION CENTENNIAL

Special event station KM1CC will be on the air January 11-19, 2003, to mark the 100th anniversary of Guglielmo Marconi's inaugural wireless transmission between the US and Great Britain January 18, 1903 (January 19 UTC). On that date, from the sandy Cape Cod cliffs overlooking the Atlantic, Marconi--using a powerful (35 kW) rotary spark transmitter coupled to a massive antenna system-- transmitted a 54-word greeting from President Theodore Roosevelt to England's King Edward VII. The monarch promptly acknowledged receipt of the message via land line and cable, literally igniting the spark of global communication.

The Marconi Radio Club, W1AA, and the Marconi Cape Cod Memorial Radio Club, KM1CC, are working in partnership with the National Park Service at Cape Cod National Seashore to organize the celebration. The special event will take place at the former Coast Guard station at Coast Guard Beach in Eastham, Massachusetts, which is near the original Marconi site. Operation will include several amateur modes, including SSB, CW, FM, digital and satellite.

Marconi Radio Club President Robert J. "Whitey" Doherty, K1VV, says operators will be on the air 24 hours a day from January 11 through January 19. "We have a half dozen operators who will live at the station for the full period," he said. The special event station will open to the public from 9 AM until 5 PM EST (1400-2200 UTC).

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact--the first of the new year with US students--is to be scheduled during the weeklong celebration. Doherty says that selected students from three Cape Cod high schools will speak via KM1CC with a member of the new Expedition 6 ISS crew. l.

Marconi's daughter, Princess Elettra Marconi, is scheduled to attend the a reenactment of the groundbreaking wireless transmission on January 18, when KM1CC will transmit the text of Roosevelt's original message to King Edward VII.

KM1CC QSL card requests from US amateurs (include a self-addressed, stamped envelope) go via Barbara Dougan, KB1GSO, Cape Cod National Seashore, 99 Marconi Site Rd, Wellfleet, MA 02667. DX stations are invited to QSL via the W1 QSL Bureau.

Additional details are on the Marconi Radio Club Web site <http://personal.tmlp.com/k1vv/w1aa/>.

==>KID'S DAY IS JANUARY 4!

The next Kid's Day is Saturday, January 4, 2003, from 1800-2400 UTC. The twice-annual event, held in January and June, is a chance for amateurs to invest in the future of Amateur Radio by participating in a simple, but rewarding, Amateur Radio event. Now entering its ninth year, Kid's Day typically attracts more than 1000 participants for each running.

Kid's Day is intended to encourage young people--licensed or not--to enjoy Amateur Radio. It gives youngsters on-the-air experience so they might develop an interest in pursuing a license in the future. It's also intended to give hams a chance to share their station with their children.

Activity for Kid's Day <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html> takes place on 20, 15 and 10 meters--and perhaps on local 2-meter repeaters. It's an opportunity to introduce youngsters to the magic of ham radio and perhaps spark a lifelong love for the hobby.

The suggested exchange for Kid's Day is first name, age, location and favorite color. You are encouraged to work the same station again if an operator has changed. Call "CQ Kid's Day." Suggested frequencies are 14,270 to 14,300, 21,380 to 21,400 and 28,350 to 28,400 kHz, and 2-meter repeater frequencies with permission from your area repeater sponsor.

All participants are eligible to receive a colorful certificate. Visit the ARRL Kid's Day Survey page <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kids-day-survey.html> to complete a short survey and post your comments. You will then have access to download the certificate page or send a 9x12 SASE to Boring Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 1357, Boring, OR 97009.

Originated by the Boring Amateur Radio Club, Kid's Day now is sponsored an d administered by the ARRL with the cooperation and assistance of the BARC.

==>RADIO ASTRONOMY PIONEER GROTE REBER, EX-W9GFZ, SK

Grote Reber, ex-W9GFZ, one of the earliest pioneers of radio astronomy, died December 20 in Tasmania, where he had been living since 1954. He was 90. Reber was the first person to build a radio telescope dedicated to astronomy, and his self-financed experiments laid the foundation for today's advanced radio astronomy facilities.

"All radio astronomers who have followed him owe Grote Reber a deep debt for his pioneering work," said National Radio Astronomy Observatory (NRAO) Director Fred Lo. Reber was the first to systematically study the sky by observing something other than visible light. "This gave astronomy a whole new view of the universe," Lo said.

As a radio engineer and avid Amateur Radio operator in Wheaton, Illinois, in the 1930s, Reber was inspired by Karl Jansky's 1932 discovery of natural radio emissions from outer space. The concept of viewing space via radio signals presented Reber--who had worked his share of terrestrial DX--with a whole new challenge that he attacked with vigor.

Reber concluded that what he needed was a parabolic dish antenna, and in 1937, using his own funds, he constructed a nine-meter (31.4 feet) dish antenna in his backyard. The strange contraption attracted the attention of curious neighbors and became somewhat of a minor tourist attraction, he later recalled.

Using electronics he designed and built that pushed the technical capabilities of the era, Reber succeeded in detecting "cosmic static" in 1939. In 1941, Reber produced the first radio map of the sky, based on a series of systematic observations.

Reber's research results were published in a number of prestigious technical journals. He also received numerous honors normally reserved for scientists professionally trained in astronomy. Ohio State University conferred an honorary doctorate on Reber on 1962.

In a 1977 paper, "Endless, Boundless, Stable Universe" <http://personal.nbnet.nb.ca/galaxy/G_Reber.html>, Reber concluded: "Time is merely a sequence of events. There is no beginning nor ending. The material universe extends beyond the greatest distances we can observe optically or by radio means. It is boundless."

Reber's amateur call sign, W9GFZ, now is held by the NRAO Amateur Radio Club in Socorro, New Mexico.--NRAO news release by Dave Finley, N1IRZ; Tom Crowley, KT4XN

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar wonk Tad "I Wear My Sunglasses At Night" Cook, K7VVV, in Seattle, Washington, reports: Geomagnetic activity was up quite a bit this week, but solar flux and sunspot numbers were down. Average daily planetary A index, an indicator of geomagnetic activity, was over double last week's average.

Average daily sunspot numbers were down by over 20 percent and average daily solar flux was down by over 10 percent, a drop of 41.7 and 19.6 points respectively. The most active days were Thursday, December 19, when the planetary A index was 21 and Monday, December 23 when it was 26. The mid-latitude numbers were more moderate, but Alaska's College A index was 39 and 40 on those two days.

Sunspot numbers dropped dramatically in the past few days. On Christmas Day the sunspot number was only 77, the lowest value in nearly a year and a half, when the sunspot numbers were 59 and 64 at the end of July, 2001. The day after Christmas the sunspot number dropped even lower, to 62.

Brian, W2BRI, writes about poor conditions on 80 meters recently. He checks a D-region absorption map (perhaps the one at http://www.sel.noaa.gov/rt_plots/dregion.html) when he notices poor conditions, and it always seems to correlate with an elevated X-ray level. He notices lots of fading and high angle attenuation with close-in stations inaudible but stations further away heard okay.

Over the next few days we should see continued geomagnetic activity. A coronal hole is spewing a solar wind stream that is expected to yield a Friday through Sunday planetary A index of 20, 25 and 20. Solar flux over those same days should drop to around 125, 120 and 115.

Next week's bulletin will have some end of year numbers. It won't be final until next week, but the average daily sunspot number for the calendar year so far is 178.3. This contrasts with 170.3 for 2001, 173 for 2000 and 136.3 for 1999, which is surprising, since the peak of the cycle was expected to be a couple of years ago.

Sunspot numbers for December 19 through 25 were 225, 203, 199, 168, 160, 119, and 77, with a mean of 164.4. 10.7 cm flux was 192.9, 196.6, 183.9, 172, 158.9, 147.3, and 131.9, with a mean of 169.1. Estimated planetary A indices were 21, 16, 18, 12, 26, 18, and 14, with a mean of 17.9.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The DARC Christmas Contest, the RAC Winter Contest, the Stew Perry Topband Challenge and the Original QRP Contest (CW) are the weekend of December 28-29. JUST AHEAD: ARRL Straight Key Night, the AGB NYSB Contest, the SARTG New Year RTTY Contest, and the AGCW Happy New Year Contest are January 1. The AGCW QRP Winter Contest, the ARRL RTTY Roundup and the EUCW 160-Meter Contest are the weekend of January 4-5. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* Spanish-language NCVEC question pools now available on the Web: For the first time, a National Committee of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC) question pool has been translated into Spanish and published on the Web to benefit of non-English speaking candidates in Puerto Rico. The

Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League (PRARL), which has prepared Spanish-language question pool translations for the last eight years, has agreed to make available its Element 2 (Technician) Spanish-language question pool and corresponding graphics to other VECs. "It is a very accurate translation of the original version using Puerto Rican Spanish with insertions of English words when translated words are confusing or non existing," said PRARL Secretary Victor Madera, KP4PQ--who also happens to be ARRL Puerto Rico Section Manager. The ARRL VEC Puerto Rico volunteer examiner team has offered Spanish-language tests at the Technician and General-class levels since 1994 and will now allow other VECs serving the Commonwealth to use its pool to generate their examinations. Exam-generating software is in the works and will be available on the Web as soon as it's ready, Madera said. The PRARL also has produced study guides in Spanish, and these are available through local clubs to all interested persons. Visit the PRARL exam Web site <http://prarl.org/servicios.html#Examen> for more information.

* German Amateur Radio payload reaches orbit: Oliver Amend, DG6BCE, and the German Amateur Radio Association report that the RUBIN-2 scientific satellite carrying the SAFIR-M Amateur Radio payload was successfully launched December 20 (1700 UTC) from Russia's Baikonur Cosmodrome. As of December 22, he had not yet established contact with the satellite. The call sign, DP0AIS, stands for "Amateur Radio in Schools." Designed as a store-and-forward system for APRS-based messages, SAFIR-M is a project of the Working Group for Amateur Radio and Telecommunications in Schools <http://www.aatis.de> and developed in cooperation with the University of Applied Sciences in Pforzheim, Germany. "The main purpose of the satellite is to give students easy access to space communications," Amend says. He notes the satellite will be operational only when RUBIN-2 is in sunlight, so usable passes over Europe will be during the early morning hours and only for up to about five minutes with very low antenna elevations. Now in an approximately 650-km orbit at 65 degree inclination, SAFIR-M has a 1200-baud packet uplink at 437.275 MHz and a 9600-baud packet downlink on 145.825 MHz. There's also an optional voice message beacon on 2 meters. Amend welcomes reports with date and time (UTC) and position (WGS-84 or grid square) via e-mail <dg6bce@...>. The correct NORAD identifier for two-line Keplerian elements appears to be 27607. More information is available in German on the SAFIR-M Web site <http://amend.gmxhome.de>.

* Ham Radio University 2003 set: Ham Radio University 2003 will take place Sunday, January 19, as part of the ARRL New York City-Long Island Section Convention in Oyster Bay, New York (East Woods School, 31 Yellow Cote Road). Billed as a day of education about Amateur Radio, this year's event will feature new forums--including sessions for nonhams as well as for experienced operators. The focus will be hands-on, with special event station W2V on the air and day-long demonstrations of digital communications, satellite communications, low-power operating, emergency communications and other modes and activities. Featured guest speaker and forum leader will be Gordon West, WB6NOA. HRU 2003 will include an Amateur Radio examination session. HRU 2003 is sponsored by the Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club and is a cooperative effort among more than 20 clubs

and organizations in the New York City-Long Island area. Admission is open to all ($2 donation), and refreshments will be available. Talk-in is on the W2VL 146.85 and 147.210 repeaters. For more information contact ARRL NYC-LI SM George Tranos, N2GA, n2ga@..., or visit the ARRL New York City-Long Island Web site <http://www.hudson.arrl.org/nli>.

* Nine-year-old makes Extra: Elizabeth Harper of Vinemont, Alabama, became one of the nation's youngest Amateur Extra-class licensees during the Montgomery Amateur Radio Club hamfest examination session November 9. Accompanying the nine-year-old on her upgrade journey were her parents, Anthony, NO2M, and Sondra Harper, KA4EIC. There was a lot of excitement as the volunteer examiners from the Montgomery CAVEC group graded her Element 4 answer sheet, then rechecked it twice more. A General licensee at the time of the session, Elizabeth also might hold the distinction of being the only youngster her age now working on her third ham radio call sign. When she sat for the Extra, she was KG4NAU. The FCC issued her a new sequential call sign, AG4WP, which she held for about three weeks until the FCC granted her vanity application. Elizabeth now is AK3H.--Steve Padgett, K4NM

* World Scout Jamboree to include Amateur Radio activity: The 20th World Scout Jamboree <http://www.worldscoutjamboree20.org> in Thailand from December 28, 2002, to January 7, 2003, will include Amateur Radio operation from E20AJ at the Jamboree site. E20AJ will use World Scout frequencies <http://www.home.zonnet.nl/worldscout/Jota/frequencies.htm>. The station will be operational for the duration of the Jamboree, 24 hours a day, on SSB, CW, SSTV and packet on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 2 meters. Three HF stations will be in operation. QSL E20AJ via HB9AOF or via the Thailand QSL bureau. GB2COS will be a special Scout station on the air from Chester, England, January 4-5. Activity will be on most HF bands, and GB2COS operators will attempt to contact E20AJ at the World Jamboree in Thailand. QSL GB2COS via G7BQY.--some info from The Daily DX

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Radio Club: Visit Mailing Lists@...
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listserver.)

952. Re: [m_a_r_s] Jaiprakash sent you a Yahoo! Greeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-30 12:20:46 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 949 Message: 952

Hi JPN,

Many thnks for the greetings. Wish you a prosperous new year ahead !!

Regards,

Mehul.
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2jpn@yahoo.com
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, December 30, 2002 12:13 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Jaiprakash sent you a Yahoo! Greeting

Surprise! You've just received a Yahoo! Greeting
from "Jaiprakash" (vu2jpn@yahoo.com)!

To view this greeting card, click on the following
Web address at anytime within the next 30 days.

http://view.greetings.yahoo.com/greet/view?86R5QP62TWAAU

If that doesn't work, go to http://view.greetings.yahoo.com/pickup and
copy and paste this code:

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953. MARS GOES COMMERCIAL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-30 12:31:07 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 953 Message: 953

I would love to advertise my products here because I think it is the best place (a MARS yahoogroup) to advertise sign films, specialised tapes etc.

If I am not allowed, can we infer that the group co-ordinator is one who has vested interest in the mobile phones being advertised here. Or is it something else...

So ladies and gentlemen, how many of you like HUUUUUUUUGE power point presentations on PVC products?

Nirav
(itching to bomb all your mailboxes with business proposals
and thoroughly dissenting the misuse of the send button as recently demonstrated)

954. Happy New Year from Jyotika

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: Unknown date
From: jyotika_dalal@hotmail.com
Topic: 954 Message: 954

Dear mars, Jyotika has sent you a greeting card from 123Greetings.com, a FREE service committed to keep people in touch. To see your greeting card, choose from any of the following options which works best for you. -------- Method 1 -------- Just click on the following Internet address (if that doesn't work for you, copy & paste the address onto your browser's address box.) http://www.123greetings.com/view/BS11230051816100 -------- Method 2 -------- Copy & paste your card number in the view card box at http://www.123greetings.com Your card number is BS11230051816100 -------- Method 3 -------- Click on the link below to view your card (Recommended for AOL Users) http://www.123greetings.com/view/BS11230051816100 (For your convenience, the greeting card will be available for the next 30 days) If you need any help, write to us at support@... Regards, Postmaster, 123Greetings.com http://www.123greetings.com ********** Meet your mate with an online personal ad! Matchmaking.ca is a large online dating service. Put your free personal ad on to the system and then start browsing the 1000's of profiles now listed. http://www.123greetings.com/cgi-bin/sprinks.pl?101 **********

955. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy New Year from Jyotika

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-31 04:17:36 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 954 Message: 955

hey jyotika - great to hear from you. wish you a happy and prosperous new year too. cheers! madhu ----Original Message Follows---- From: jyotika_dalal@... Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy New Year from Jyotika Date: Mon 30-Dec-2002 05:18:16 Dear mars, Jyotika has sent you a greeting card from 123Greetings.com, a FREE service committed to keep people in touch. To see your greeting card, choose from any of the following options which works best for you. -------- Method 1 -------- Just click on the following Internet address (if that doesn't work for you, copy & paste the address onto your browser's address box.) http://www.123greetings.com/view/BS11230051816100 -------- Method 2 -------- Copy & paste your card number in the view card box at http://www.123greetings.com Your card number is BS11230051816100 -------- Method 3 -------- Click on the link below to view your card (Recommended for AOL Users) http://www.123greetings.com/view/BS11230051816100 (For your convenience, the greeting card will be available for the next 30 days) If you need any help, write to us at support@... Regards, Postmaster, 123Greetings.com http://www.123greetings.com ********** Meet your mate with an online personal ad! Matchmaking.ca is a large online dating service. Put your free personal ad on to the system and then start browsing the 1000's of profiles now listed. http://www.123greetings.com/cgi-bin/sprinks.pl?101 ********** To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to: m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/ _____ MSN 8: advanced junk mail protection and 3 months FREE*. http://join.msn.com/?page=features/junkmail&xAPID=42&PS=47575&PI=7324&DI=7474&SU= http://www.hotmail.msn.com/cgi-bin/getmsg&HL=1216hotmailtaglines_advancedjmf_3mf

956. NO COMMMERCIAL MESSAGES PLEASE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-31 06:51:05 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 956 Message: 956
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear Day
MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

All members are requested NOT to post any commercial messages on this E- Group. This group is exclusively for Ham Radio related topics only.

Any member violating this will be REMOVED from the group, please be WARNED.

73
NLF
moderator.

957. Commericial Ads

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-31 11:04:54 UTC
From: Kunal Mashru
Topic: 957 Message: 957

Dear Group Members,

This has reference to my announcement for Reliance Mobiles availability. Obviously from the response it seems that a few members have taken it offensively to my placing the announcement through the yahoogroup. I would however like to put forth that
I was not aware that one is not allowed to put up any commercial announcements through the yahoogroup, so kindly accept my apologies alongwith an assurance that no similar incidents would be repeated in the future.

Regards,
Kunal Mashru

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958. Re: [m_a_r_s] Commericial Ads

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-31 13:27:08 UTC
From: THE SHARMAS
Topic: 957 Message: 958

Kunalji,
The fact that all the members didnt object to your business mail in
print doesnt mean they dont. I find it hard to beleive that you didnt
know.! I can only say that dont try dxing on commercial or armed forces
frequencies.!!Even if you tell them you didnt know, they will put you
behind bars!!!!!! I hope you get my drift.!!!!
Nevertheless, Happy New Year!
Sarla
VU2SWS

Kunal Mashru wrote:

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>To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
>m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
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>Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
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959. A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-31 14:06:53 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 959 Message: 959

Wishing everyone a very happy and prosperous New Year. May 2003 be a peaceful year and bring health, wealth and good luck to everyone.
With Best Wishes Nafisa

960. Happy New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-01 12:41:05 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 960 Message: 960

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

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961. Re: [m_a_r_s] Commericial Ads

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-01 14:46:45 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 957 Message: 961

Dear KUN,

No problem, No apologies required since you did not breach the protocol intentionally.

73
NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: "Kunal Mashru" <kmashru@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 31, 2002 4:34 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Commericial Ads

> Dear Group Members,
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> To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
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> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
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962. Re: [m_a_r_s] Commericial Ads

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-02 07:35:34 UTC
From: Kunal Mashru
Topic: 957 Message: 962

Sarlaji,

In reply to your mail dated 01.01.2003.

Yes, I do get your drift. But regret that you fail to understand that 'I didnt know', what was done was so unintentional and comparing that to Dxing on armed force frequencies is rather a not very good example. Please note that there is hardly a monetary gain by selling the Reliance Mobiles. My intentions were rather to let avail the facilities to my freinds and family which I guess we all(in general) are so excited about and probably in benfit to all people in India. Meaning which my mail was in interest of all our group members leaving alone my vested interest in selling them. Nontheless, I was always under the impression that the MARS Group ID was a way to reach all freinds/group members conveniently if it was to their benefit in any way and not a frequency to the armed forces.

Should the MARS code be so firm such as the armed forces and feel that an apology is not enough you may as well feel free to unsubscribe me from the MARS Yahoogroup, with no regrets.

I had expected all descripencies to have ended with my email of apology, however, it didnt happen that way. Nontheless, this I do expect to be my last word on this topic and expect no further communication, therefore please do not reply. Non receipt of MARS emails would be a clear indication by itself.

With due respect...

All in all I take the opportunity to wish the MARS Group Members and their families a Very Happy and a Prosperous New Year.

Best Regards,
Kunal Mashru

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963. Re: [m_a_r_s] Commericial Ads

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-02 07:38:41 UTC
From: Kunal Mashru
Topic: 957 Message: 963

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964. Re: [m_a_r_s] Commericial Ads

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-02 07:38:48 UTC
From: Kunal Mashru
Topic: 957 Message: 964

Sarlaji,

In reply to your mail dated 01.01.2003.

Yes, I do get your drift. But regret that you fail to understand that 'I didnt know', what was done was so unintentional and comparing that to Dxing on armed force frequencies is rather a not very good example. Please note that there is hardly a monetary gain by selling the Reliance Mobiles. My intentions were rather to let avail the facilities to my freinds and family which I guess we all(in general) are so excited about and probably in benfit to all people in India. Meaning which my mail was in interest of all our group members leaving alone my vested interest in selling them. Nontheless, I was always under the impression that the MARS Group ID was a way to reach all freinds/group members conveniently if it was to their benefit in any way and not a frequency to the armed forces.

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Kunal Mashru

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965. Re: [m_a_r_s] Commericial Ads

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-02 07:44:12 UTC
From: Kunal Mashru
Topic: 957 Message: 965

Dear NLF,

Glad you see in that light. I would have expected nothing less.

Thanks and regards,
Kunal

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966. Msg. for VU2SWS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-02 08:16:49 UTC
From: Kunal Mashru
Topic: 966 Message: 966

Dear Sarlaji,

Thoght you should know that I took your email in good spirit and I hope you took mine in a similar fashion. You being a senior member of the group, your adivce is valued and I meant no disregard. I only thought you should view my earlier act from my prospective.

Best regards,
Kunal

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967. Seasons Greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-02 09:26:06 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 20 Message: 967

Hi All,

Wish you and yours a very happy and prosperous new year 2003 !!

With warm regards,

Mehul Chovatia
VU3 MBF.

968. kunal mashru

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-02 14:09:55 UTC
From: THE SHARMAS
Topic: 968 Message: 968

Dear Kunal,
I have received 2 mails from you. One on the Mars e group and one on my own add. I am sorry kunal, I cannot strike you off this group as I am not the moderator!!!! Yes there are water tight compartments and I am afraid one cannot cross the line. I appreciate your doing the WLL business without monetary considerations. May your tribe increase.
In your private mail to me you have called me a senior member. Please kunalji,dont add any prefixes to my name. I am a member, period. I would also appreciate if you dont send any mail to my private add.
Thanks,
Sarla
VU2SWS

969. Fw: ARLD001 DX news

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-03 05:13:19 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 969 Message: 969

----- Original Message -----
From: "ARRL Web site" <memberlist@...>
To: <info@...>
Cc: <Subscribed ARRL Members:>
Sent: Friday, January 03, 2003 1:59 AM
Subject: ARLD001 DX news

> SB DX @ ARL $ARLD001
> ARLD001 DX news
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> ZCZC AE01
> QST de W1AW
> DX Bulletin 1 ARLD001
> >From ARRL Headquarters
> Newington CT January 2, 2003
> To all radio amateurs
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> SB DX ARL ARLD001
> ARLD001 DX news
>
> This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by
> Tedd, KB8NW, the OPDX Bulletin, 425DXnews, DXNL, The Daily DX,
> K4AVQ, WA7BNM and Contest Corral from QST. Thanks to all.
>
> GEORGIA, 4L. Toly, 4L1MA has been QRV on 40 meters CW around 2030
> to 2200z. QSL via ON4RU.
>
> DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF EAST TIMOR, 4W. Thor, 4W6MM has been QRV
> using RTTY on 20 meters around 1100 to 1200z. QSL via TF3MM.
>
> ANDORRA, C3. Peter, C31LJ has been QRV on 17 meters around 1400z
> and on 12 meters around 1500z. QSL via VE3GEJ.
>
> DOMINICA, J7. Kelly, J79BEY has been QRV on 20 meters around 0100z.
> QSL via G1SSL.
>
> OGASAWARA, JD1. Special event station 8N1OGA is QRV until January
> 12 to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Japan Amateur Radio
> League. Activity is usually from 0800 to 2200z. QSL via bureau.
>
> SOUTH ORKNEY ISLANDS. Jose, LU1ZA has been QRV on 15 meters around
> 2230z. QSL via LU4DXU.
>
> ARUBA, P4. Alan, K4AVQ will be QRV as P40AV from January 4 to 18.
> Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters. He may give special attention

> to 160 and 80 meters using CW. QSL to home call.
>
> NETHERLAND ANTILLES, PJ2. Chris, DL5NAM is QRV as PJ4/homecall from
> Bonaire, IOTA SA-006, until January 18. He is active using mainly
> RTTY as well as activity on 6 meters. QSL to home call.
>
> PALAU, T8. T88HA has been QRV using RTTY on 20 meters around 0300z.
> QSL via JK1FNN.
>
> CENTRAL AFRICA, TL. Charles, TL8CK has been QRV on 17 meters just
> after 0730z and then 10 meters around 0900z. QSL via F6EWM.
>
> TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, VP5. VP5/W6XK and VP5/N6EE are QRV on the
> lower bands, plus the newer ones, using CW, SSB and RTTY until
> January 7. QSL to home calls. They will also participate in the
> ARRL RTTY Roundup as VP5NN. QSL via NN6NN.
>
> CHAGOS ISLAND, VQ9. Larry, WD0HSP is QRV as VQ9LA on Diego Garcia,
> IOTA AF-006, and is here for about a year. He may be active on 80
> to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and FM. QSL via operator's
> instructions.
>
> ANTARCTICA. Anton, ZS7/ZS4AGA is staying at SANAE IV Base, IOTA
> AN-016, until the end of January. Because of his busy work schedule
> here, his operations will be limited. QSL via ZS4A.
>
> THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL RTTY Roundup, Kid's Day, The
> AGCW QRP Winter Contest and the EUCW 160-Meter Contest are all
> scheduled for this weekend. Please see January 2003 QST, page 97
> and the WA7BNM contest website for details.
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970. Fox Hunt details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-04 06:02:22 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 970 Message: 970

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971. F.B.I and SCOTLAND YARD approach MARS for help .important

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Date: 2003-01-04 06:05:52 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 971 Message: 971

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972. GEORGE B. and TONY B approach MARS for .....hunting a .....open

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-04 06:07:00 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 972 Message: 972

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973. put on your hunting shoes ... time for a FOX HUNT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-04 06:08:23 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 973 Message: 973

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Topic: 973 Message: 974

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975. FOX HUNT - SUPER SPECIAL.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-04 07:39:04 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 975 Message: 975
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Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

Further to the mail from VU2ZRS - Zyros Zend (Event Manager).

All the members are requested to make it a point to participate in this King of all the Events organized by MARS.

FOX HUNT is probably the most enjoyed event conducted in MARS and the participants of the last years Fox Hunt can confirm this. This event total FUN and no tension, especially the way Zyros organises it. First ofcourse there will be Treasure Hunt and then atleast 2 Fox Hunts. I am sure ZRS will provide you with all the details very soon.

Please do not miss out on this event at any cost because we conduct this event only once every year. This year it will be more exiting than the last year I can assure you because we are working on it to improvise.

I personally request all the founder Members to atleast participate this one event as many are not active at all in the other matters and activities of the society. Come on guys you have started the society atleast show some interest. Please don't go in the HISTORY BOOK while you are still alive.

I would also request all the other members to also take interest and join us in this Mega Mega FUN event, especially the SWLs. (you guys will really really freak out)

Please note that in any fox hunt around the world no society gives you the DFE (Direction Finding Equipment) for fox hunt, all the participants have to homebrew and get their own equipment. BUT here at MARS we are giving you the DFE simply to promote this wonderful sport so take advantage and make the most of it.

Since there is limited amount of DFE with us, They will be issued on first come first serve basis (meaning people who register early for the event - early bird gets the worm).

People willing to participate with their own DFE would also be highly appreciated. (I seriously hope some of you guys really try and do that).

REGISTER WITH VU2ZRS NOW WITHOUT ANY DELAY.

GOOD HUNTING....!!!

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NLF

976. The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 01

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-04 09:01:23 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 976 Message: 976

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The ARRL Letter
Vol. 22, No. 01
January 3, 2003
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==>ARRL CONCLUDES 5-MHz EXPERIMENTS, AWAITS FCC DECISION ON NEW BAND

Without fanfare, the ARRL allowed its WA2XSY 5-MHz experimental license to lapse January 1 rather than request renewal for another year. Last May, the FCC proposed going along with the ARRL's 2001 request for a new domestic (US-only), secondary HF allocation at 5.25 to 5.4 MHz. Discussions with various governmental agencies--including the Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee (IRAC) and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)--continue on how to accommodate amateur operation in the band, which is primary for several governmental agencies including the military. The NTIA regulates radio spectrum allocated to the federal government.

"At this point, we have every reason to believe the FCC will act on its proposal early this year," said ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ. "As to what the outcome will be as far as 5 MHz is concerned, we cannot predict."

In a December 24 letter, Sumner thanked the 15 Amateur Radio clubs and individual amateurs who took part in the 5-MHz experimental operation that began in January 1999 and largely concluded in 2002. "You assisted in providing an important part of the groundwork for our petition for a domestic allocation to the Amateur Radio Service in this frequency range by demonstrating the desirability and feasibility of a shared allocation," he wrote. "We hope it will not be long before amateurs throughout the country are able to enjoy the fruits of your efforts."

Sumner said the ARRL chose not to request another renewal of the WA2XSY license because it already had obtained sufficient information to justify its petition for the band.

Until surprise opposition surfaced last fall from the NTIA, the FCC had the League's request for a new 60-meter band on the proverbial fast track. In a letter filed with the FCC last August--after the comment deadline had passed--the NTIA recommended that the Commission not go forward with the 5-MHz proposal. The NTIA said several government agencies with allocations in the proposed spectrum had expressed reservations about allowing amateurs to use the band, even on a non-interference basis.

The ARRL has been working with the federal agencies involved to resolve the impasse the NTIA letter raised. The NTIA said critical federal agencies, including the Department of Justice, the US Coast Guard and the Department of Defense, were making extensive use of 5 MHz frequencies. The FCC's May 2002 Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) fails to adequately protect these "critical government operations" from harmful interference, the NTIA asserted.

The ARRL has called the 5 MHz allocation "an urgent priority of the Amateur Service." In its July 2001 petition, the League told the FCC that a new band at 5 MHz would aid emergency communication activities by filling a "propagation gap" between 80 and 40 meters.

Experimental operations on 5 MHz continue on a very limited basis in the United Kingdom and in Canada. In Newfoundland, the Marconi Radio Club's VO1MRC has been operating under experimental authority from Industry Canada and an endorsement from Radio Amateurs of Canada to conduct experiments on 5 MHz. On December 21, VO1MRC completed a cross-band (5 MHz/7 MHz) CW contact with VK7RO in Tasmania.

==>CHICAGO YOUNGSTERS ENJOY END-OF-YEAR ARISS QSO

Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school and educational contacts resumed in late December after a hiatus to change crews. Expedition 6 Crew Commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP, spoke December 29 via NA1SS with a dozen youngsters visiting Adler Planetarium and Astronomy Museum <http://www.adlerplanetarium.org/index.html> in Chicago. It marked the 81st ARISS contact and the first contact for Bowersox' crew with youngsters in the US. Expedition 6 crew members also conducted successful ARISS contacts on New Year's Eve with participants at the World Scout Jamboree in Thailand and with students in France.

"I'd say the most important thing that I have learned in space is that people are very, very strong and flexible, and we can adapt to all types of different environments," Bowersox told a youngster who had asked the space veteran to describe the most interesting or important thing he'd learned in space.

Other youngsters were curious about food and eating in space. Bowersox said he missed pizza most of all aboard the ISS. His favorite space food, he said, was bread pudding. "And I can just open a packet and eat straight out of the packet with a spoon," he said. Bowersox also explained that the human body still digests food very well in zero gravity. He also noted that the crew was trying to grow some tomatoes and herbs in space. "We're not sure how they'll turn out," he said, "but we're hoping they'll be very tasty."

An audience of some 200 people, including TV and newspaper reporters, were on hand to watch the youngsters interview Bowersox via Amateur Radio. Participating youngsters ranged between five and ten years old. Organizing the ARISS event were ARISS mentor Charlie Sufana, AJ9N, and the planetarium's Geri Smith.

Audio and video (Quicktime) clips of the Adler Planetarium ARISS contact are available via the Adler Planetarium Web site <http://www.adlerplanetarium.org/education/events/iss/>.

On December 31, 15 Scouts at the 20th World Scout Jamboree <http://www.worldscout.pacific.net.th/> in Thailand spoke with Expedition 6 crew member Don Pettit, KD5MDT, via special event station E20AJ. Among other questions, the Scouts asked Pettit if he wanted his own kids to grow up to become astronauts, how the crew members bathe in space, and how the lack of gravity affects the human body.

Also on December 31, Pettit spoke with students at the Rene Mure school in Commelle-Vernay, France. ARISS International Vice Chairman Gaston Bertels, ON4WF, said some 60 schoolchildren and their parents assisted in the contact. The French youngsters wanted to know if Pettit believed in extraterrestrial life, whether the crew could feel the speed of the ISS through space, and if microgravity made it difficult for crew members to find their way in the space station.

==>FCC POISED TO RENEW COMPUTER HACKER'S HAM TICKET

An FCC Administrative Law Judge has recommended that the FCC grant the Amateur Radio license renewal application of convicted computer hacker Kevin D. Mitnick, N6NHG. The Initial Decision <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-02D-02A1.pdf> by Chief Administrative Law Judge Richard L. Sippel released December 23 comes approximately one year after the FCC designated Mitnick's license renewal application for hearing.

"Right now, my goal in life is to live a productive life and to earn a living and try to make up for all the time that I lost and try to be a productive citizen," Mitnick told an FCC hearing last June 18. The

Commission had cited character issues stemming from Mitnick's history of illegal computer-related activity--which included several convictions and prison sentences and two years on the run.

Mitnick testified that he's decided to turn his life around and dedicate himself to a career in broadcast radio, public speaking, and writing to help government, businesses, and individuals minimize the risks associated with computer intrusions. Following his release from prison, Mitnick said, he has been law-abiding and has no desire to return to his former life.

In his Initial Decision, Sippel wrote, "There is reliable evidence that Mr. Mitnick has focused on becoming an honest, productive citizen and that he has the means to continue to do so." Sippel said that Mitnick has been on the amateur bands since his release from prison and there have been no complaints regarding his on-the-air behavior. "The evidence in its totality shows Mr. Mitnick to have an overall record of compliance with Commission rules," Sippel concluded.

Unless exceptions are raised within 30 days or the FCC reviews the ruling on its own motion, Sippel's decision becomes effective 50 days after its release.

First licensed in 1976, Mitnick, 39, filed with the FCC through his attorney to renew his General ticket not long after his US District Court conviction in August 1999. His ham license was due to expire in December 1999, but the FCC extended his operating authority while his renewal application was pending. Mitnick reportedly spent some $16,000 in legal fees to retain his ham ticket.

Following a similar hearing earlier this year on character issues, the FCC recently granted the Amateur Radio license application of Herbert Schoenbohm. Last month, Schoenbohm regained his previously held KV4FZ call sign via the vanity call sign system. Upon his return to ham radio after a nearly two-year absence, he initially was issued NP2MJ as a sequential call sign.

==>HAMS HELP OUT DURING OKLAHOMA TELEPHONE EMERGENCY

Hams responded to fill a communication gap December 23 after the town of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, experienced a city-wide telephone outage that left telephone customers unable to call outside their local exchange. Broken Arrow implemented its Telecommunications Failure Plan as a result. A request went out for amateurs to assist at the local emergency operations center (EOC) and at three area hospitals.

Several hams in and around the town of 75,000 residents responded to the call. Four Broken Arrow Amateur Radio Club members staffed positions at the Broken Arrow EOC and at three hospital emergency rooms. Tulsa Amateur Radio Emergency Service member Joe Iverson, KD5KKZ, reported to the City of Tulsa EOC.

"All in all, things went smoothly," said Broken Arrow ARC president Steve Bradley, KB5ZSD. "The city officials were again very impressed and appreciative with the amateur community's commitment to service and response to the emergency. It is times like these that such partnerships between local government and the local hams become invaluable."

The operation lasted about five hours. In addition to passing traffic between the EOC and the hospitals, lines of communication also were opened with the Oklahoma State Department of Civil Emergency Management in Oklahoma City via the EOC's HF amateur station.

The telephone system troubles were traced to the loss of a digital protocol needed for call routing.

==>NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR THE 2003 PHILIP J. MCGAN MEMORIAL SILVER ANTENNA AWARD

Nominations are open for the ARRL 2003 Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award. Throughout the year, ARRL PICs, PIOs and other PR volunteers in the ARRL field organization strive to keep Amateur Radio visible in their communities. Among other valuable activities, they publicize special events, write press releases, and maintain solid working relationships with their local media--radio, TV, newspapers.

"If you know someone who has achieved public relations success on behalf of Amateur Radio, nominating him or her for the McGan Award is the perfect way to bestow much deserved recognition," said ARRL Public Relations Manager Jennifer Hagy, N1TDY. "The 2003 McGan Award will go to a ham who has demonstrated success in Amateur Radio public relations and best exemplifies the volunteer spirit of Phil McGan, the award's namesake."

A journalist, Philip J. McGan, WA2MBQ (SK), served as the first chairman of the ARRL's Public Relations Committee, which helped reinvigorate the League's commitment to public relations. Hagy notes the award honors contributions in public relations, not in public service.

"Public relations activities for which the McGan Award is given include efforts specifically directed at bringing Amateur Radio to the public's attention--and most often the media's--in a positive light," she explained.

A committee of volunteers knowledgeable about Amateur Radio public relations will pick the winner, subject to approval by the ARRL Board of Directors. Information on nominating someone for this award is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2002/12/30/1/call-for-nominations.html>. To obtain an entry form, call ARRL HQ at (860) 594-0328 or e-mail Jennifer Hagy, N1TDY, jhagy@....

==>ARRL PROVIDING FCC LICENSE RENEWAL, ADDRESS CHANGES, MODS TO NONMEMBERS

The ARRL has announced that it's now providing FCC Amateur Radio license renewals, address changes and other license modification services to nonmembers. For a $12 fee, the League will renew a nonmember's Amateur

Radio ticket (the license must be within 90 days of expiration), file an application to change address or name or request issuance of a new sequential call sign. The ARRL Volunteer Examiner Coordinator is processing these applications.

"The $12 is in line with our calendar year 2003 exam application fee," said ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ. For several years, the ARRL has been handling renewals, address and name changes and modifications free of charge for members and has directed nonmembers to the FCC's free Internet or hard-copy application options or to other providers of such services.

Jahnke suggests that nonmembers who now choose to employ the League's application handling service also consider adding $27 (based on the current under-65 full term member rate of $39) for a full ARRL membership that includes free application handling and other services--not to mention QST.

Members or nonmembers taking advantage of this service should submit NCVEC Form 605 <http://www.arrl.org/fcc/forms.html> to ARRL VEC, 225 Main St, Newington CT 06111 USA for processing. Nonmembers should make the $12 fee payable to "ARRL." For more information, contact ARRL VEC, vec@....

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Wave bender Tad "Who can make the sun shine, on a cloudy day?" Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Last week we reported sunspot numbers dropping dramatically. This week it became a trend. Average daily sunspot numbers for the past three weeks were 206.1, 164.4 and 55.3. Average solar flux was 188.7, 169.1 and 117.1. The real shocker though was Monday, with a sunspot number of only 44! I thought it possible that the sunspot number had not been that low since the other side of the solar cycle (before the peak), but we actually saw lower values of 27 and 38 on September 11 and September 12, 2000. On September 26, 1999, it was also 44--and that was probably on the other side of the peak of the current cycle.

Last year was surprisingly good in terms of high sunspot activity. The average daily sunspot number for Calendar Year 2002 was actually slightly higher than any of the three previous years. Average daily sunspot numbers for the years 1997 through 2002 were 30.7, 88.7, 136.3, 173, 170.3 and 176.6. Note the 176.6 value is lower than the 178.3 reported in last week's bulletin as the average sunspot number for the first 359 days of the year. The drop in sunspot numbers over the past week was so dramatic that it actually dropped the yearly average by nearly two points! Average daily solar flux for the same six years was 81, 117.9, 153.7, 179.6, 181.6 and 179.5.

What is the trend? Let's look at quarterly averages.

Average daily sunspot numbers for the past eight quarters were 147.3, 164.8, 170.4, 198.1, 178.3, 165.3, 193.5 and 152.7. Average daily solar flux for those same quarters was 164.4, 166.7, 175.5, 219.1, 203.9, 156.4, 178.1 and 164.2. As you can see, there is quite a bit of variability in

the values. Solar cycles only appear smooth when looking backward and doing a moving average of the data.

Currently Earth is entering a solar wind from a small coronal hole on the sun. Conditions could be unsettled on Friday and Saturday. The projected planetary A index for Friday through Monday is 15, 15, 10 and 8. The projected solar flux for those same days is 120, 125, 125 and 130.

Sunspot numbers for December 26 through January 1 were 62, 63, 70, 51, 44, 50 and 47, with a mean of 55.3. The 10.7-cm flux was 127.4, 116.5, 116.9, 114.8, 113.8, 115.1 and 115, with a mean of 117.1. Estimated planetary A indices were 15, 37, 19, 13, 15, 11 and 10, with a mean of 17.1.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: Kid's Day, the AGCW QRP Winter Contest, the ARRL RTTY Roundup and the EUCW 160-Meter Contest are the weekend of January 4-5. JUST AHEAD: The North American QSO Party (CW), Hunting Lions in the Air, the East Asia 160/80 DX Contest, the Midwinter Contest (CW), the NRAU-Baltic Contest (CW and SSB are separate events), the Midwinter Contest (SSB) and the DARC 10-Meter Contest are the weekend of January 11-12. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration opens Monday, January 6, at 12:01 AM Eastern Time (0500 UTC) for the on-line Level I Emergency Communications course (EC-001). Registration remains open through the January 11-12 weekend or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. The class begins Tuesday, January 21. Thanks to the federal homeland security grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service, the $45 registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the course. During this registration period, approximately 200 seats are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, dmiller@...; 860-594-0340.

* ARRL to sponsor emergency communications course seminar in Mississippi: The ARRL will offer a free Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course (ARECC) seminar January 31, in conjunction with the 2003 Capital City Hamfest in Jackson, Mississippi. The seminar will not include the Level I course itself. This program is designed to explain in greater detail the duties of volunteer certification mentors, instructors and examiners of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications courses and provide additional information for those considering these volunteer positions. "With Level I emergency communications training being offered nationwide under the homeland security grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service, we hope to have all ARECC team players reading from the same page

to ensure success under the federal grant guidelines," said ARRL Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG. The seminar will be held Friday, January 31, 1 until 5 PM, at the Trade Mart Building, located on the Mississippi State Fairgrounds northeast of the coliseum. Seating may be limited. If you plan to attend or need more information, contact Dan Miller, K3UFG, k3ufg@...; 860-594-0340; fax 860-594-0259. For registered CMs, CIs and CEs who attend, mileage may be reimburseable up to a total of $35. Seminar attendance does not include admission to the hamfest, which is January 31-February 1. For more information on the 2003 Capital City Hamfest, visit the sponsoring Jackson Amateur Radio Club Web site <http://www.jxnarc.org/>.

* Correction: In the report "FCC Seeks Comments on Amateur Radio-Related Petitions" in The ARRL Letter, Vol 21, No 50 (Dec 27, 2002), we erred in attempting to synopsize the rule making petition designated RM-10620 offered by Dale Reich, K8AD. Reich notes that his proposal would require current veteran, rule-abiding Novice and Advanced ticket holders to apply for an upgrade in license class through a Volunteer Examiner Coordinator.

* Packet users requested to not send e-mail messages to ISS crew: Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) International Chairman Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, has requested that amateurs refrain from sending e-mail to the ISS crew via the onboard RS0ISS Personal Message System (PMS). "The crew is not answering the e-mail, and we really don't expect them to." he said. "If things change, we'll let you know." Reports have indicated that the ISS packet mailbox is filling up with unread messages, many of them greetings to the crew or holiday greetings. The all-ham Expedition 6 ISS crew consists of Crew Commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP, cosmonaut Nikolai Budarin, RV3FB, and astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT.

* ARRL QSL Service ends 2002 just shy of 2 million cards shipped: With sunspot numbers slowly starting to decline, it may be a while before the ARRL QSL Service <http://www.arrl.org/qsl/qslout.html> again sees the sort of activity it dealt with in 2002. During the past year, the service mailed out 1,963,165 cards from ARRL members to DX stations. That's up by 30,850 over 2001--or approximately 1.6 percent. The final day's QSL card shipment to exotic and rare entities--done every 90 days--was 148,050 cards alone. "Overall, it's been a pretty good year for the bureau," said ARRL QSL Service Manager Martin Cook, N1FOC. "We got the cards sorted on time with no backlog this year." Cook said most members have been sorting their cards properly before sending them to the ARRL QSL Service for shipping. "Unsorted cards really slow things down," he said.

* League volunteers help at public TV pledge drive: Amateur Radio got a bit of TV exposure December 30 as several ARRL Headquarters staffers represented the League during a Connecticut Public Television (CPTV) fund drive. ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH, who organized the group of HQ volunteers, said that with more than 300 public radio and television stations in the country, volunteering a ham radio club for a pledge drive phone bank is a tidy way to gain some visibility. "Just call the station's volunteer coordinator," Hobart suggested. "Several people

called in and said they were hams, or that their father was a ham, and donated because they saw our banner in the background." ARRL Electronic Publications Manager Jon Bloom, KE3Z, even helped a caller with an "out-of-sync" audio problem on her TV (the SAP channel was engaged)--something most volunteers probably could not do. The 17 HQ staffers and family members helped raise more than $45,000 for CPTV during a University of Connecticut women's basketball game and received high praise from the station's volunteer coordinator for their professionalism and above-average results during their segment.

* IARU presents Amateur Radio Administration Course in Kenya: The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) has announced the successful presentation of the Amateur Radio Administration Course (ARAC) in Nairobi, Kenya. The course, conducted jointly by IARU and the African Advanced Level Telecommunications Institute (AFRALTI), was taught December 9-13, 2002, to a class of 22 telecommunications officials from English-speaking African countries. Support for the course was provided by the International Telecommunication Union Telecommunication Development Bureau (ITU-D), the African Telecommunications Union (ATU) and the Communications Commission of Kenya (CCK). Students were from administrations and telecommunications operators from Ghana, Kenya, Sudan and Zambia. Presenters were Paul Rinaldo, W4RI, for IARU; Mohamed K. Noorani of AFRALTI; and Gideon Mwakatobe of ATU. AFRALTI Director Edward Mallango participated in the opening ceremony and ATU Secretary-General Jan Mutai officiated at the closing ceremony. Amateur Radio Society of Kenya (ARSK) Chairman E H M (Ted) Alleyne, 5Z4NU, set up an HF station at the training site. "The presentation of the course in Nairobi was made possible by a strong sense of partnership that exists between ITU, ATU, and IARU," said IARU Secretary David Sumner, K1ZZ. "IARU President Larry Price, W4RA, has assigned a high priority to the development of Amateur Radio in Africa. We are most gratified that ITU-D Director Hamadoun Touré as well as ATU Secretary General Mutai and his colleagues in Nairobi share our conviction that Amateur Radio can contribute to human resource development for the improvement of telecommunications in Africa." The course included instruction in subjects such as the ITU, Radio Regulations, spectrum management, the IARU, domestic and international regulations, Amateur Radio operations and technology, disaster communications and the Amateur-Satellite Service.

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977. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2002-12-05 13:09:51 UTC
From: firani
Topic: 977 Message: 977

Dear Zyros

please register me

Sincerely,
farokh

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From: "ZYROS ZEND" <zzend@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Cc: <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 04, 2003 11:32 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

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> Please note the F.B.I of United States of America and the SCOTLAND YARD of
> England has approached "MUMBAI AMATEUR RADO SOCIETY" for assistance.
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> The same countries that were able to successfully seek and hunt out all
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> elements from Iraq and Afghanistan in a matter of days have come to us for
> help.
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> I personally had a talk with GEORGE .B and TONY B on the phone after they
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Date: 2003-01-04 16:56:42 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 978 Message: 978

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979. Confirmation for Fox

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-05 08:12:51 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 979 Message: 979

Hello Zyros,
Plz count me in for the FoxHunt.
Also let me know when is the briefing for Fox.
73
Parin

Plz.. Note :-
Don't send the same mail 10 TIMES, I REPEAT 10 Times.
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980. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-06 04:40:53 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 977 Message: 980

count me in.

cheers!

----Original Message Follows----
From: "ZYROS ZEND"
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
CC: mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details
Date: Sat, 04 Jan 2003 06:02:22 +0000
MIME-Version: 1.0
X-Originating-IP: [219.65.14.232]
Received: from n11.grp.scd.yahoo.com ([66.218.66.66]) by mc7-f20.law1.hotmail.com with Microsoft SMTPSVC(5.0.2195.5600); Fri, 3 Jan 2003 22:02:32 -0800
Received: from [66.218.67.194] by n11.grp.scd.yahoo.com with NNFMP; 04 Jan 2003 06:02:25 -0000
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Received: (qmail 46518 invoked from network); 4 Jan 2003 06:02:22 -0000
Received: from unknown (66.218.66.216) by m12.grp.scd.yahoo.com with QMQP; 4 Jan 2003 06:02:22 -0000
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Received: from mail pickup service by hotmail.com with Microsoft SMTPSVC; Fri, 3 Jan 2003 22:02:22 -0800
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X-Sender: zzend@...
X-Apparently-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Message-ID:
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Mailing-List: list m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com; contact m_a_r_s-owner@yahoogroups.com
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List-Unsubscribe:
Return-Path: sentto-2082874-972-1041660145-madhurajan=hotmail.com@...

Dear hams and swl?s,

Please note the F.B.I of United States of America and the SCOTLAND YARD of England has approached ?MUMBAI AMATEUR RADO SOCIETY? for assistance.

The same countries that were able to successfully seek and hunt out all bad elements from Iraq and Afghanistan in a matter of days have come to us for help.

I personally had a talk with GEORGE .B and TONY B on the phone after they called my residence ; they both have failed in hunting down with their ?crack commando? teams and their ?green berets? a bad element agent who is roaming in mumbai city since the last few months creating a havoc.they want us to hunt down this agent who goes by the name of ??.
?Cunning SLY FOX?

I gave both of them total assurance that ?MUMBAI AMATEUR RADO SOCIETYIES team of expert ?FOX HUNTERS? who have gone through rigorous training programmes will find it a Cake Walk in hunting this ?Cunning SLY FOX? in our home town.

Before signing off GEORGE .B and TONY B both of them advised me that this ?Cunning SLY FOX? is no ordinary fox,as compared to the last one he seems to be very very cunning compared to the other foxes you may come across. They did also mention a reward for the head of this ?Cunning SLY FOX?. I thanked them for giving us this opportunity to serve them when their all means have failed.

Well dear hams and swl?s lets get to to serious talk.

Please read on carefully.(no jokes)

There is a Fox Hunt cum treasure hunt in mumbai city on the 19th of jan 2003 organised by MARS.

Before the fox hunt there will be a treasure hunt also.

The event will begin at 8.00 am sharp and will go on till late afternoon

There will be limited entries taken for this event on first come first bases due to limited foxhunt equipment

Preference will be given to entries accordingly

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4) hams / swl in person only

There will be prize money and prizes given for the treasure hunt as well as the foxhunts

There will be breakfast and lunch given to all the participants by M.A.R.S.

There will be a participation fee of Rs. 100/- only per person
Hams and swls that bring their vehicles will not have to pay participation fees

Confirm your entry by email of by phone 22875741 or at the earliest
Please remember first cum first basis will apply
Payment of participation fee during foxhunt briefing will confirm entry of

person.
Please note this is an initial mail on the event. Further updates,
information and any changes will follow by email .

thank you

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981. Confirnation for Fox Hunt

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-06 05:59:53 UTC
From: Kunal Mashru
Topic: 981 Message: 981

Dear ZRS,

Please count me in.

Best regards,
VU3KUN

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982. Confirnation for Fox Hunt

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-06 06:00:34 UTC
From: Kunal Mashru
Topic: 981 Message: 982

Dear ZRS,

Please count me in. Will have Handy & Vehicle.

Best regards,
VU3KUN

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983. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-06 14:19:39 UTC
From: Jayesh Kharwar
Topic: 977 Message: 983

Hi ZRS,

This is further to my verbal confirmation earlier today on my participation
for the FOX HUNT. My XYL and 2nd Harmonic would be joining me for the Hunt.

I have my own Handy and am mobile with a Four Wheeler.

Looking forward to the hunt.

73's

VU2ESP
Jayesh

----- Original Message -----
From: "ZYROS ZEND" <zzend@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Cc: <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 04, 2003 11:32 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

> Dear hams and swl's,
>
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> England has approached "MUMBAI AMATEUR RADO SOCIETY" for assistance.
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984. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-07 04:09:24 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 977 Message: 984

heeeeey! nice hearing from you after so long jayesh! does the ESP still work ?!!

see you at the event!

cheers!

----Original Message Follows----
From: "Jayesh Kharwar"
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To:
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details
Date: Mon, 6 Jan 2003 19:49:39 +0530

Hi ZRS,

This is further to my verbal confirmation earlier today on my participation
for the FOX HUNT. My XYL and 2nd Harmonic would be joining me for the Hunt.

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Looking forward to the hunt.

73's

VU2ESP
Jayesh

----- Original Message -----
From: "ZYROS ZEND"

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985. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-07 06:32:48 UTC
From: Jayesh Kharwar
Topic: 977 Message: 985

Hi Madhu,

Glad to see that 'out of sight out of mind' is not the case. ESP still exists - alive and kicking - however I need to clear the cobwebs from both my rigs.

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73's

ESP
----- Original Message -----
From: madhu rajan
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2003 9:39 AM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

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986. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-07 08:03:57 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 977 Message: 986

dear jayesh,

Good to know that you are going to clear all the cobwebs. pls also clear one pending issue by sending me your photograph. (or ofcourse I will click your picture during foxhunt).

73
NLF

----- Original Message -----
From: Jayesh Kharwar
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2003 12:02 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

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73's

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----- Original Message -----
From: madhu rajan
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2003 9:39 AM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

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987. New members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-07 08:07:53 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 987 Message: 987
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

MARS welcomes 7 new members in our society

ABHAYCHANDRA VINAYAK SAWANT
SELWYN CHRISTI ROZARIO
SUBHASH ARUN DESAI.
SHIVANAND MALLESH MANTHALKAR
FATEMA SHIVANAND MANTHALKAR
UMMEAIMAN HUZEFA MERCHANT
YUSUF ABBAS BOOKWALA
We started off with 25 founder members and in 2 years we now have 157 members in our society

73

NLF

988. Membership numbers

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-07 08:12:55 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 988 Message: 988
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Dear Friends,

Listed below are the membership numbers of all our members.

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4 MINOO HOMI CONTRACTOR.
5 PANKAJ RAVJI PASAD.
6 NAFISA H.SHIKARI.
7 NIRAV HASMUKH SANGHAVI
8 P.V.JAIPRAKASH.
9 SARLA N.R.SHARMA.
10 UDAYAN C.DESAI.
11 ZARIR BOMI VESUNA.
12 ARUN SINGH RAWAT.
13 HUZEFA H.MERCHANT.
14 SANDESH KAMAT.
15 RATNESH NEELARATNA JAVERI.
16 JYOTIKA D.DALAL.
17 JAYESH KHARWAR.
18 MADHU S.RAJAN.
19 RAJEN PURSHOTTAM KAVADIA.
20 DR. SUDHIR GOPALKRISHNA SHENOY.
21 MAHESH SHIVRAM VHATKAR
22 PRASHANT BARDINATH KOLI
23 MUKESH GOPALKRISHNA JAITLEY
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26 KIRAN PADIYAR
27 DINESH SARDARBHAI PATEL.
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29 KARRI GANESHWARA RAO
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53 KIRTI BHAILAL DOSHI.
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62 VISPI JEHANGIR MIRZA
63 GEORGE PHILLIPS
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66 A SIVAMANIKAM
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141 SAJJAD JIVANI
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146 TIRANDAZ IRANI
147 UDAY SANKAR ROY
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989. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-07 08:40:11 UTC
From: Jayesh Kharwar
Topic: 977 Message: 989

Hi Nilesh,

Thanks for reminding me. As it may happen, I am carrying my photographs with me and so if you could provide me the snail mail address to which I need to despatch it, I will arrange to courier the same today. This will hopefully !! do away with the last of the problems that you face with me.
----- Original Message -----
From: MARS
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2003 1:33 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

dear jayesh,

Good to know that you are going to clear all the cobwebs. pls also clear one pending issue by sending me your photograph. (or ofcourse I will click your picture during foxhunt).

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----- Original Message -----
From: Jayesh Kharwar
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2003 12:02 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

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Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2003 9:39 AM
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990. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-07 15:27:54 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 977 Message: 990

dear esp,

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY.
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278, TARDEO ROAD,
MUMBAI - 400007.

73
nlf
----- Original Message -----
From: Jayesh Kharwar
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2003 2:10 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

Hi Nilesh,

Thanks for reminding me. As it may happen, I am carrying my photographs with me and so if you could provide me the snail mail address to which I need to despatch it, I will arrange to courier the same today. This will hopefully !! do away with the last of the problems that you face with me.
----- Original Message -----
From: MARS
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2003 1:33 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

dear jayesh,

Good to know that you are going to clear all the cobwebs. pls also clear one pending issue by sending me your photograph. (or ofcourse I will click your picture during foxhunt).

73
NLF

----- Original Message -----
From: Jayesh Kharwar
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2003 12:02 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

Hi Madhu,

Glad to see that 'out of sight out of mind' is not the case. ESP still exists - alive and kicking - however I need to clear the cobwebs from both my rigs.

Looking forward to seeing you at the event.

73's

ESP
----- Original Message -----
From: madhu rajan
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2003 9:39 AM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details

heeeeey! nice hearing from you after so long jayesh! does the ESP still work ?!!

see you at the event!

cheers!

----Original Message Follows----
From: "Jayesh Kharwar"
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To:
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt details
Date: Mon, 6 Jan 2003 19:49:39 +0530
Hi ZRS,
This is further to my verbal confirmation earlier today on my participation
for the FOX HUNT. My XYL and 2nd Harmonic would be joining me for the Hunt.
I have my own Handy and am mobile with a Four Wheeler.
Looking forward to the hunt.
73's
VU2ESP
Jayesh
----- Original Message -----
From: "ZYROS ZEND"

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991. Briefing for Fox Hunt & Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-08 06:03:18 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 991 Message: 991
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear Day
MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The monthly meeting of January will be conducted on 12th January 2003 at 10:00 am at B.S.Bengelle Girls High School.

The Agenda for the meeting is as under :-

1. Mars Classes Results.
2. Briefing for Fox Hunt.
3. Planning for Ham Radio Awareness Drive (Demo & Power point Presentation)
4. Planning for Next ham Radio Classes.

All members wishing to participate for the FOX HUNT "MUST" attend the briefing meeting without fail.

Looking forward to having an eyeball with you.

73
NLF

992. FW: Participation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-08 16:52:14 UTC
From: Rajen Kavadia
Topic: 992 Message: 992

Dear Zyros
For some reason (due to my outlook settings) my earlier attempt bounced.
I hope now you receive it OK.

Further to our telecon, I confirm my participation for the Treasure / Fox Hunt.
I have a Handy + 4 wheeler.
My wife ~ VU2EVE + my 2 Kids will accompany.
Can accommodate 1 more HAM / SWL in the car.

73
Rajen ~ VU2 Radio Is Great

993. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-09 05:32:50 UTC
From: janix@vsnl.com
Topic: 993 Message: 993

Dear NLF

Please correct spelling mistake of my father name

54 Gautam Shivshankar Jani

thanking you

Gautam Jani

994. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-09 05:33:21 UTC
From: janix@vsnl.com
Topic: 994 Message: 994

Dear NLF

Please correct spelling mistake of my father name

54 Gautam Shivshankar Jani

thanking you

Gautam Jani

995. Re: [m_a_r_s] (unknown)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-09 14:31:02 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 995 Message: 995

dear gautam,

will do the needful

thanks
nlf
----- Original Message -----
From: janix@...
To: M_A_R_S@...
Sent: Thursday, January 09, 2003 11:02 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] (unknown)

Dear NLF

Please correct spelling mistake of my father name

54 Gautam Shivshankar Jani

thanking you

Gautam Jani

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996. The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 02

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-11 19:12:21 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 996 Message: 996

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==>ARRL BOARD TO TAKE STRATEGIC TACK AT JANUARY MEETING

The ARRL Board of Directors will mull options for the next cycle of League
activities and deal with fiscal issues when it gathers January 17-18 in
Windsor, Connecticut. With ARRL and International Amateur Radio Union
(IARU) positions established for most pending FCC and legislative issues
and for the upcoming 2003 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-03),
the Board is poised to tackle strategic planning for the next three to
five years as one of its top agenda topics.

"We need to look at our basic assumptions," said ARRL Chief Executive
Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ. "We will do what we have to do to ensure that
Amateur Radio and the ARRL will be healthy 20 years from now." At the
January meeting, the Board will consider recommendations regarding how
strategic planning should be conducted later this year.

Sumner said ARRL Board members also are interested in how the ARRL can
stimulate the entry of prospective amateurs from among the adult
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population. Board members also want to explore ways to entice previously licensed individuals who have left the hobby to return to Amateur Radio. "There are a lot of new things out there, like PSK-31 and Internet linking that didn't exist a few years ago," he said. "We want to find a way to effectively get the word out to those who don't know that there are 28 flavors of Amateur Radio now, not just vanilla, chocolate and strawberry."

He pointed out that the ARRL Education and Technology Program--"The Big Project"--and the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program emphasize radio and science instruction for schoolchildren. Both activities are designed to yield long-term benefits for Amateur Radio from within the younger generation.

The Board also will be asked to ratify the ARRL budget for 2003, which is expected to be the last year in a three-year period of planned deficit spending. With the League's Development Office firmly established and tapping into nontraditional revenue sources, the plan for 2003 is to greatly reduce the deficit compared to 2002 and to look toward again presenting a balanced budget in 2004, Sumner said.

The Board also will hear from invited guests, including IARU President Larry Price, W4RA, and Radio Amateurs of Canada President Bill Gillis, VE1WG. In addition to reports from ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, other ARRL officers and standing committees, the Board is expected to hear from technical, ad hoc and advisory committees.

Prior to the Board meeting, newly elected Great Lakes Division Director Jim Weaver, K8JE, and Vice Director Dick Mondro, W8FQT, will be at ARRL Headquarters January 14-15 for an orientation program.

==>FCC THREATENS NEW YORK AMATEUR WITH HEARING

The FCC has told a Technician-class operator from New York to stay off 20 meters or risk having to defend his license at a hearing. FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth wrote Alexander Sandbrand, N2NNU, of Yonkers December 12 notifying him that the FCC plans to designate his ham ticket for revocation and suspension proceedings if it learns of additional incidents of out-of-band operation.

"This serves as notice that if you engage in any additional incident of out-of band operation, the Enforcement Bureau intends to designate your Amateur station license N2NNU for a revocation hearing before an Administrative Law Judge," Hollingsworth wrote, "and, further, that we intend to designate your Technician-class operator license for suspension for the remainder of the license term, August 26, 2011."

An initial Warning Notice regarding alleged operation on the 20-meter phone band went out to Sandbrand in August 2001, but the FCC has reports that Sandbrand has operated on HF phone since then.

"Information before the Commission indicates that on at least nine occasions subsequent to receipt of that warning letter, you operated out

of band," Hollingsworth wrote. He cited reports that N2NNU had operated at various times on 20, 17, 15 and 10 meters between September 2001 and June 2002.

Hollingsworth told ARRL that after the first Warning Notice, Sandbrand called him to complain that it wasn't fair that he had to pass additional examination elements to operate on HF phone. "I told him if he wants to operate on HF, he has to take the test like everybody else," Hollingsworth said.

In the latest Warning Notice, Hollingsworth informed Sandbrand that the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau will not process any upgrade applications from him until the matter is resolved. He said this week that he has not heard anything further from Sandbrand.

==>FRENCH STUDENTS RENDEZVOUS WITH ASTRONAUT VIA HAM RADIO

Students at the Immaculate Conception Elementary School in Brest, France, spoke January 8 via Amateur Radio with US astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT. A member of the Expedition 6 crew, Pettit is the chief science officer on board the International Space Station. The contact was arranged by the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program.

Some 30 schoolchildren, their teachers and parents gathered in the room where the local Amateur Radio club had set up the satellite station. Once contact was established between NA1SS and ground station F6KPF and season's greetings exchanged, Pettit began answering questions, which included one asking if the crew celebrated Christmas in space. Other youngsters wanted to know about how the ISS was supplied with food and where the crew's drinking water came from. Pettit and his fellow crew members commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP, and Nikolai Budarin, RV3FB, will remain in space until March.

"The signal was strong, and Don's voice sounded as if he was addressing the audience from the floor," said ARISS Vice Chairman Gaston Bertels, ON4WF. By the end of the pass, 18 questions had been asked and answered. Those on hand for the early-morning contact included the mayor of Brest. The event received radio, TV and print media coverage.

Bertels reports that the 10 and 11-year-old pupils--students of Anne Jaouen--have been studying radio telecommunications throughout the school year with support from the Brest Amateur Radio Club. "Hands-on experience consisted of building a crystal radio set, and the children also have communicated from their classroom with French Amateur Radio stations," Bertels said.

The youngsters also were actively involved in preparing the questions for the ARISS contact. "They studied some basics of astronomy, made models of the solar system, showing lunar phases, the sky, the sun and the earth," Bertels explained. "They also saw pictures taken on board the ISS and transmitted on television."

In addition to the scientific side of space study, the children wrote poems on the theme and illustrated these with paintings--now decorating the walls of the school--that represent the adventure of space exploration and the planets, Bertels said.

ARISS is an international program with support from ARRL, NASA and AMSAT.

==>NEW JERSEY LEGISLATURE HONORS AMATEUR RADIO'S 9/11 ROLE

The New Jersey Legislature has honored the role of Amateur Radio operators in the aftermath of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. On hand in Trenton to witness a joint proclamation December 12 were ARRL Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, Hudson Division Vice Director Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML, Northern New Jersey Section Manager Bill Hudzik, W2UDT, and Bergen County District Emergency Coordinator Mike Adams, WA2MWT, who's also a member of the New Jersey PRB-1 Task Force.

"I would like to take this opportunity to commend you for your hard work and efforts," said Assembly Speaker Albio Sires. "During times of disaster, your group has displayed superior service and dedication to the safety of our citizens. I applaud the efforts of the independent radio operators and thank you for your selfless actions on September 11, 2001. Allow me to express my sincere gratitude for your participation with the New Jersey General Assembly on this day, December 12, 2002."

On behalf of the amateur contingent, Hudzik thanked the 80 members of the Assembly. Among the cosponsors of the resolution was Assemblyman Matthew Ahearn, KB2PNN, a Democrat from Fair Lawn and sponsor of an Amateur Radio antenna bill, Assembly Bill 3065, in the Garden State.

While in the state capital, the ham radio delegation took the opportunity to promote A3065, "The Amateur Radio Antenna Bill." The measure would codify the limited preemption known as PRB-1 into New Jersey's statutes. In addition, it would preclude local ordinances or regulations that effectively prohibit an antenna support structure of 70 feet or less above ground level exclusive of any antenna upon the structure. The measure has been assigned to the Housing and Local Government Committee chaired by Assemblyman Jerry Green (D-Plainfield). The text of the proposed legislation <http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/> is available on the New Jersey Legislature Web site. Search on "A3065" in the "Bill Search" engine.

Ahearn will be seeking cosponsors in the New Jersey General Assembly and Senate. Interested New Jersey amateurs may contact him via e-mail <asmahearn@...>. Amateurs may contact their state lawmakers to express their opinions on the bill or to urge their cosponsorship. Visit the New Jersey Legislature page <http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/> and look under "Members--Find Your Legislator."--Michael Adams, WA2MWT

==>PETTIT TO SUB FOR BUDARIN DURING SPACEWALK

International Space Station astronaut and Science Officer Don Pettit, KD5MDT, will fill in for Russian cosmonaut and Flight Engineer Nikolai Budarin, RV3FB, on a January 15 spacewalk or extra-vehicular

activity--EVA. Pettit and Expedition 6 mission commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP, will spend more than six hours in space working on the ISS.

"Pettit replaced Budarin because on-orbit medical data raised concerns among US flight surgeons responsible for medical certification of spacewalk activity," NASA said this week in a statement. "This decision does not affect Budarin's other on-orbit duties. Both NASA and the Russian Aviation and Space Agency have agreed to the personnel change for the EVA." NASA said that because of privacy concerns, no further information would be made public. Associated Press has quoted Russian space officials as saying that Budarin failed to meet US standards in tests on a stationary bicycle. Budarin, 49, is a veteran of eight spacewalks.

AP quoted Russian officials as saying that they were aware of the "peculiarities" of Budarin's cardiovascular system and that he is healthy enough to do the spacewalk. Until US flight surgeons delayed it, the EVA was scheduled to take place last month.

Pettit, 47, himself was a last-minute fill-in for Don Thomas, KC5FVF, who was pulled from the Expedition 6 crew because flight surgeons worried about his exposure to radiation in space. During the EVA, Bowersox and Pettit will continue outfitting the newly delivered Port One truss segment. Expedition 6 was launched aboard space shuttle Endeavour last November 23. The crew will remain aboard the ISS until March.

The Expedition 6 crew also will be the first to not host any guests--either from Soyuz taxi missions or the space shuttle. Pettit has been filling some of his free time conducting casual QSOs from NA1SS on 2 meters.

==>NEW SAUDISAT GETS OSCAR DESIGNATION

A third satellite in the SaudiSat series has earned an OSCAR designation from AMSAT. SaudiSat-1C now will be known as SO-50. The Amateur Radio payload was successfully placed into orbit December 20 from Russia's Baikonur Cosmodrome by a modified Soviet-era ICBM. The German-made SAFIR-M Amateur Radio payload <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2002/12/24/3/#German> went into orbit during the same launch, as part of the RUBIN-2 scientific satellite. SAFIR-M has been designated as AO-49. SaudiSat-1C is a project of the Space Research Institute of the King Abdulaziz City for Science and Technology (KACST) <http://saudisat.kacst.edu.sa/>, an independent scientific organization of the Saudi Arabian government.

"On behalf of AMSAT-NA I wish to congratulate you and your associates at Space Research Institute of KACST on the successful culmination of this project and hope that amateurs all over the world will have an opportunity to use SO-50," said AMSAT-NA Board Chairman Bill Tynan, W3XO, in making the announcement this week.

SaudiSat-1C follows by a little more than two years the launch of SaudiSats 1A and 1B. Now in a 650-km (400 miles) orbit, SaudiSat-1C

carries several experiments, including a new Mode J FM amateur repeater. The downlink frequency is 436.775 MHz. The uplink frequency is 145.850 MHz. A 67.0-Hz CTCSS tone is required for on-demand access to the satellite, which shares the same frequencies as AO-27 and SaudiSat-1A.

Space Research Institute Director Turki Al Saud reports that the SaudiSat-1C repeater was activated and tested this past week. Its receiving antenna is a quarter-wave whip atop the spacecraft. The 250-mW UHF transmitter is coupled to a quarter-wave antenna on the bottom of the spacecraft. He said the repeater will be available to amateurs worldwide as power permits.

AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, has pointed out that SaudiSat-1C will require activation on each pass by a designated control operator. "A worldwide network of designated control operators is now being developed so that radio amateurs may begin using the satellite immediately," he said.

For tracking, the NORAD identifier for two-line Keplerian elements is 27607.

According to a report in Arab News <http://www.arabnews.com/Article.asp?ID=21335>, the new satellite is equipped with capabilities to provide "vital data" concerning weather conditions and oil exploration as well as to monitor the movement of vehicles in remote regions of Saudi Arabia.

Turki Al Saud told AMSAT-NA that SaudiSat-1A (SO-41) recently has been used to conduct some tests and will return to service soon. SO-41 has been configured for FM voice repeater operation. SaudiSat-1B (SO-42) still is being used to conduct some experiments but could be made available for amateur use in the future.--AMSAT News Service; King Abdulaziz City for Science and Technology

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Heliophile Tad "You Might As Well Be Walkin' on the Sun" Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: After last week's big drop in activity, sunspots are back. The average sunspot number for this week was more than twice what it was last week, and average daily solar flux was up by more than 32 points. Solar flux is expected to rise over the next few days to 190 on Saturday and 195 on Sunday, peaking on Monday around 200. But helioseismic images show no major spots on the sun's far side.

Right now we are inside a weak solar wind, and geomagnetic indices have been quiet since last Friday and Saturday. The planetary A index has been in the single digits, but is expected to rise slightly to 15 on Friday, and then drop back again.

The recent variation in solar activity shows that there is still life in this sunspot cycle, although over time we should expect a downward trend. We have passed the longest night of the year, and this is a good season

for lowband work on 160 and 80 meters, particularly when K and A index values are low. As the days get longer, the higher bands will improve as we head toward the spring equinox.

Sunspot numbers for January 2 through 8 were 74, 108, 117, 128, 141, 199 and 198, with a mean of 137.9. The 10.7-cm flux was 118.3, 137.6, 143, 148.1, 162.1, 163.2 and 173.7, with a mean of 149.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 8, 13, 13, 9, 7, 9 and 7, with a mean of 9.4.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The North American QSO Party (CW), Hunting Lions in the Air, the East Asia 160/80 DX Contest, the Midwinter Contest (CW), the NRAU-Baltic Contest (CW and SSB are separate events), the Midwinter Contest (SSB) and the DARC 10-Meter Contest are the weekend of January 11-12. JUST AHEAD: The North American QSO Party (SSB), the ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes, the LZ Open Contest (CW), the Michigan QRP January CW Contest, and the Hungarian DX Contest are the weekend of January 18-19. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the ARRL Level II Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-002) and Antenna Modeling (EC-004) courses opens Monday, January 13, 12:01 AM Eastern Standard Time (0501 UTC). Registration will remain open through Sunday, January 19. Classes begin Monday, January 20. A new service now allows those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future to be advised via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. To be included, send an e-mail to prereg@.... On the subject line, include the course name or number (eg, EC-00#) you'd like to take. In the message body, provide your name and call sign and the month you want to start the course. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@.... [C-CE logo]

* ARRL seeks Repeater Directory listings from coordinators: The deadline for repeater coordinating entities to submit repeater listing information for the 2003 edition of The ARRL Repeater Directory is Friday, February 7. According to League policy, the ARRL only accepts repeater listings from recognized frequency-coordinating bodies. "All information on repeaters intended for The ARRL Repeater Directory must come through a recognized repeater coordinating body," said Brennan Price, N4QX, who compiles and edits the annual publication for the League. "With the exception of the Pacific Insular Territories, the Canadian Territories, and Nunavut, there is currently a coordinator serving all parts of the US and Canada." Price urges repeater owners to provide their coordinators with updated information as soon as possible for inclusion in the 2003 edition. For

more information, contact Brennan Price, N4QX, n4qx@....

* Special event from former WCC to celebrate Marconi centennial: Special event station WA1WCC will be on the air during "Marconi Week," January 11-19, from the former WCC Marconi-RCA-MCI shore station operations center in Chatham, Massachusetts, on Cape Cod. Look for WA1WCC on or about 7.040 and 14.040 MHz on CW and 7.260 and 14.285 MHz SSB. The event, sponsored by the WCC Amateur Radio Association, marks the 100th anniversary of Guglielmo Marconi's first successful wireless transmission between the US and Europe. A message was sent by the Marconi station in Wellfleet, Massachusetts, on January 18, 1903. By 1914, Marconi had built a new safer and more up to date station in nearby Chatham. The former WCC facility will be open to the public from 9 AM until 5 PM Eastern Time. Plans are under way for Marconi's daughter, Princess Elettra Marconi, to visit Chatham January 16. She is scheduled to visit another special event, KM1CC, at the former Eastham Coast Guard station on January 18. At one time, WCC was described as the busiest ship-to-shore station on the US eastern seaboard. The Chatham Marconi Maritime Center is sponsoring a series of educational events for the public during Marconi Week.--Chatham Marconi Maritime Center Inc newsletter

* FCC to hold open commission meeting: The FCC will hold an open meeting Wednesday, January 15, at 9:30 AM in Washington, DC. The Meeting will focus on presentations by senior agency officials regarding implementations of the agency's strategic plan and a comprehensive review of FCC policies and procedures. Presentations will be made in four panels: Panel One consisting of the managing director. Panel Two consisting of the chiefs of the Enforcement and Consumer and Governmental Affairs bureaus. Panel Three consisting of the chiefs of the Office of Engineering and Technology, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and the International Bureau. Panel Four consisting of the chiefs of the Wireline Competition and the Media bureaus. The audio portion of the meeting will be broadcast live on the Internet via the FCC's Internet audio broadcast page at <http://www.fcc.gov/realaudio/>.--FCC

* California RACES team responds to gas leak: The Huntington Beach, California, Fire Department called upon the Huntington Beach Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) group <http://www.hbraces.org> December 11 after a natural gas leak occurred. Nine fire companies responded to the alarm. The Huntington Beach RACES team established a controlled net and initiated the RACES incident command system. Twenty RACES members responded to the incident command center at the scene of the leak, to the Huntington Beach emergency operations center and to a care and reception center for displaced residents. Tim Sawyer, WD6AWP, served as net control operator. Huntington Beach RACES Chief Radio Officer Steven Graboff, W6GOS--a physician--responded to the care and reception center and provided cellular, Amateur Radio, American Red Cross and fire department radio communication. RACES communications were utilized exclusively throughout the event, since as the city's cell phone system was not functioning. "Between the RACES communicators and the CERT [Community Emergency Response Team] shelter team, no additional city or Red Cross

personnel were needed, and the incident was handled very well," said Huntington Beach Fire Department Emergency Services Coordinator Glorria Morrison, KE6ATG. "This is an example of how volunteers can be utilized to provide emergency services to the City of Huntington Beach at no cost and no drain to city resources." Other RACES members maintained radio watch on the net and prepared for a 12-hour deployment. Within 90 minutes, the fire department advised RACES that the problem was under control and the emergency was over, and residents were allowed to return to their homes. No injuries were reported. The Huntington Beach Fire Department Emergency Services Office administers the RACES team.

* Maritime Mobile Service Network celebrates 35th anniversary: The Maritime Mobile Serice Network (MMSN) marked its 35th anniversary on January 3. The net now operates on 14.300 MHz. According to Bobby Graves, KB5HAV, the net's original purpose was to assist those serving in the US military during the Vietnam War. In its early years, the MMSN saw a lot of phone patch traffic. "Our primary purpose now is that of handling legal third-party traffic from maritime mobiles, both pleasure and commercial, and overseas deployed military personnel," said Graves, who serves as the nets schedule coordinator and Webmaster. He said the net also helps missionaries in foreign countries. The MMSN has grown from its original nine founding members to nearly 60 net control stations and relief operators. It's recognized by the US Coast Guard and has been instrumental in handling hundreds of incidents involving vessels in distress. During severe weather, the net also acts as a weather beacon for ships and relays weather warnings and bulletins from the National Weather Service and the National Hurricane Center. "The Maritime Mobile Service Network has a legacy of serving people and will continue to do so," Graves said.

* K6ZT elected president of engineering honor society: ARRL Life Member Tom Rothwell, K6ZT, of Los Alamitos, California, has been elected president of Eta Kappa Nu <http://www.hkn.org/>, the national honor society for electrical and computer engineering. Rothwell was elected to membership in 1953 while attending the University of Southern California. He is a retired Hughes Aircraft Company group vice president and division manager. First licensed in early 1947, he spent three years in the US Air Force, much of it in postwar Japan, where he held the call signs J5AAL, J2AAL and JA3AA. (He won the CQ World Wide DX CW contest for Japan in 1948 and the ARRL International DX Contest--Phone and CW--for Japan in 1949.) An Extra class licensee, Rothwell still enjoys chasing DX on CW. Founded in 1904, Eta Kappa Nu has some 100,000 members and chapters at more than 200 colleges with accredited curricula in electrical or computer engineering.

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997. ASOC Results

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-13 05:58:50 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 997 Message: 997
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Dear Friends,

The results of the ASOC Exams are as under :-

LIST OF STUDENTS WITH GRADES – I ---- TOTAL = 47

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NAME GRADE

ABHAYA SHAH I

ABHIJIT BANERJEE I

ANISH KORDE I

ASHOK R PARAB I

BHAVNA KAUL I

BRIJESH RAGHAVAN I

CHANDNI KAPIL I

DEEPAK PATHAK I

DR. ANUKANTH MITTAL I

DR. PARESH KARIA I

FAROKH IRANI I

FEROZE PATEL I

G M ZALKE I

GAUTAM KEDIA I

HARDEEP SINGH KHALSA I

HARSHA KALLUR I

J T D'SOUZA I

JIGAR MEHTA I

KAUSHIK JAIMALANI I

LABHESH V MORE I

MANDA R PAWAR I

MILIND KORDE I

MILIND PARALIKAR I

MINAL MADIGERI I

MOHAMMED BHANVADVALA I

MRITYUNJAY HIREMATH I

MUKUND GUBBI I

MUSTAFA BHANVADVALA I

P V HARIDAS I

PRABODH DOSHI I

RAHUL SANKAR ROY I

RAJESH SHETHIA I

SACHIN SURENDRAN I

SACHIN TUPE I

SAJJAD JIVANI I

SANJAY G KADAM I

SANJAY SHINDE I

SANTOSH VEDANTE I

SHAILESH S DESMUKH I

SHYAM KAPADIA I

SUPRIYA TUPE I

TIRANDAZ IRANI I

UDAY SANKAR ROY I

V M VAIDYA I

VILAS MORE I

ZARTHUN ZEND I

ZORBEN ZEND I

LIST OF STUDENTS WITH GRADES - II TOTAL = 8

==========

NAME GRADE

DILIP BHANDARI II

DINESH CHAUDHARY II

ISAAC SAMUEL II

JESAL DOSHI II

MURUGAN GOUNDER II

SHIRISH DHURU II

SURESH R PITALE II

VAIBHAV PALANDE II

LIST OF STUDENTS WITH GRADES - RESTRICTED TOTAL = 5

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NAME GRADE

A SIVAMANIKAM REST

SALIAN HARSHA REST

SANJEEVKUMAR KADAM REST

SHABBIR LOKHANDWALA REST

ZOHAR ATTARI REST

LIST OF STUDENTS WHICH FAILED

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NAME GRADE TOTAL = 9

ANDREWS KARIYATTIL FAIL

BHARAT C.SHAH FAIL

CHANDER H BHATIA FAIL

DEEPA GANESAN FAIL

DILEEP PRABHAKARAN FAIL

HARSHAD SURVE FAIL

R K BHATIA FAIL

RAHUL S MORE FAIL

S S INAMDAR FAIL

The Official presentation ceremony will be held on 1st Febuary 2003

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NLF

998. Result Distribution Ceremony

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-13 13:46:38 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 998 Message: 998

Hi All hard worked comrades,

To felicitate and celebrate the results of the classes, MARS has organised Result Distribution Ceremony for the students.

MARS invites all the students to be present at the event and collect your results along with your ID Cards, Caps and so on.

Where and When

S.S.Hall. Garware Club House.
Wankhede Stadium, 'D' Road,
Churchgate, Mumbai - 20
Time: 4 to 7 pm.

More information will be posted on the mail soon.... and make it a point to attend the ceremony.

Please courier your latest photograph to the following address to be affixed on your ID Cards. All the students irrespective of passing grade will be issued ID Cards. Failed students also need to send their photographs.

Mehul Chovatia
Karnataka House, 2nd Floor,
Dadi Santuk Lane, Chira Bazar,
Mumbai - 400002. Ph: 22065383

Guidelines and next-steps shall also be in the air for people who have failed or have passed in Grade II or restricted category.

All the best.

73s,

Mehul Chovatia.
Event Manager - MARS.

999. Re: [m_a_r_s] Result Distribution Ceremony

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-13 18:42:16 UTC
From: Jayesh Kharwar
Topic: 998 Message: 999

WHEN ??? I SEE THE TIME BUT NOT THE DATE !!!

VU2ESP
----- Original Message -----
From: Mehul Chovatia
To: mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Cc: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2003 7:16 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Result Distribution Ceremony

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1000. Re: [m_a_r_s] Result Distribution Ceremony

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-13 18:31:26 UTC
From: Jayesh Kharwar
Topic: 998 Message: 1000

WHEN ?????

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1001. fox hunt , fox hunt , fox hunt , fox hunt ...open

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-14 11:36:39 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1001 Message: 1001

dear hunters
i was nice to see all of you on sunday and congratulations on your results .
it was also nice to see a good response from all of you for the fox hunt

please note

TEAMS HAVE ALMOST BEEN COMPLETED (WE ARE JUST WAITING TO SEE WEITHER ANY
MORE ENTRIES ARE COMING IN OR NOT TILL THURSDAY 9 PM .)
PLEASE OPEN MAIL ON FRIDAY MORNING TO SEE YOUR TEAM DETAILS

DONT FORGET TO PRACTICE MORSE AND JUST GO THROUGH YOUR BOOKS/ NOTES JUST
ONCE

WELL KEEP OPENING YOUR MAIL EVERY DAY

ANY HUNTERS WHO CAN BRING A CAR OR A BIKE ALONG ON THE 19 TH PLEASE INFORM
(THOSE WHO HAVE NOT GIVEN ME THERE NAMES ONLY)

THANK YOU
VU2ZRS/VU2NLF

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1002. Results Distributions Ceremony

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-15 04:39:13 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1002 Message: 1002
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Dear Friends,

Further to the info provided by Mehul Chovatia - VU3MBF (Event Manager)

The Function is to be held on 1st Febuary 2003 (Saturday) at 4pm at the QTH is

S.S.Hall. Garware Club House.
Wankhede Stadium, 'D' Road,
Churchgate, Mumbai - 20

All the Students are reqested to be present on that to collect their results sheet.

I request all the other members also to attend this function to have an eyeball with all the SWLs awaiting their tickets.

I am sure Mehul will provide further details soon.

73
NLF

1003. Fox Hunt Team. Please open to see your teams for the 19 th

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-17 10:23:01 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1003 Message: 1003

dear hunters
please have a good look at the teams you are in .
any inquiry on the event call me on my cell 9821025289

please note .
team leaders please co-ordinate with your teams.
please be present at bengalli high girls school at 7.45 am

thank you

TREASUE HUNT / FOX HUNT TEAMS

TEAM 1

PANKAJ RAVJI PASAD. (team leader) - HANDY
NAPOLEON DILIPKUMAR MODY. - BIKE

TEAM 2
SANDIP BABAN ADIWAREKAR (team leader) - HANDY
RAHUL SANKAR ROY - CAR

TEAM 3
ARUN SINGH RAWAT. (team leader)
FAROKH IRANI. - BIKE

TEAM 4
KINNY JOSEPH ALEX (team leader - HANDY
MOHAMMED BHANVADVALA - BIKE

TEAM 5
PANCHAL PRAVINKUMAR PURSHOMTTAMDAS (team leader)
TIRANDAZ IRANI - BIKE

TEAM 6
HUZEFA H.MERCHANT. (team leader) - BIKE / HANDY
JIGAR MEHTA

TEAM 7
NAFISA H.SHIKARI. (team leader)
UDAY SANKAR ROY - CAR
MINAL MADIGERI
MANDA R PAWAR

TEAM 8
MADHU S.RAJAN. (team leader)
SACHIN TUPE - CAR
SUPRIYA TUPE
DEEPA GANESAN

TEAM 9
KUNAL RAJENDRA MASHRU (team leader) - CAR / HANDY
HARDEEP SINGH KHALSA
SHYAM KAPADIA

TEAM 10
P.V.JAIPRAKASH. (team leader) - HANDY
SHIRISH DHURU - CAR
ANDREWS KARIYATTIL
A SIVAMANIKAM

TEAM 11
ANANTA RAGHUNATH MORE. (team leader)
RAJESH SHETHIA - CAR
MRS. SHETHIA

TEAM 12
JAGDISH GATULAL MUKHTYAR. (team leader) - CAR / HANDY
NISHANT VARSANI
CHARLES BARBOZA
BHARAT P. MEHTA

TEAM 13
DHAVAL MARKAND PATEL. (team leader)
DR. ANUKANTH MITTAL - BIKE

TEAM 14
MILIND KORDE (team leader) - CAR
SANTOSH VEDANTE
LABHESH V MORE

TEAM 15
ZORBEN ZEND (team leader)
FEROZE PATEL - CAR
KAUSHIK JAIMALANI

TEAM 16
ABHAYA SHAH (team leader) - CAR
ABHAYA'S PAL
JESAL DOSHI

TEAM 17
ANISH KORDE (team leader) - BIKE
RAHUL S MORE

TEAM 18
SANJAY G KADAM (team leader) - CAR
SHAILESH S DESMUKH

TEAM 19
CHANDNI KAPIL (team leader) - CAR
DINESH CHAUDHARY
VAIBHAV PALANDE

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1004. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt Team. Please open to see your teams for the 19 th

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-17 12:33:27 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1003 Message: 1004

zyros - can you mail me the contact numbers of my team. I'm afraid i dont have the numbers for anybody from the new batch. i need the numbers of supriya tupe and deepa.
cheers!
madhu

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1005. fox hunters urgent news .open details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-17 17:22:01 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1005 Message: 1005

dear hunters and team leaders here are the telephone numbers of all the students and participants.
please do call all your team members and coordinate with them for the transport arrangements

please note all team leaders who do not have vhf radios direction finding antennas and attenuators and vhf rubber ducky antennas for the fox hunt . we MARS are arranging in giving you the vhf radios direction finding antennas and attenuators and vhf rubber ducky antennas for use during the fox hunt event only.

read carefully you as a team leader are totally and fully responsible for it through out the day (19th jan 2003).
any loss or damage of the vhf handies and vhf antenna you will have to pay for it .

please note all hunters are suppose to carry :-

= amateur radio license (valid)
= W.P.C permission for conducting fox hunt
= letter from the society for the event
= driving license
= car documents and all vehicle papers required
= insurance in case of death by been shot by another hunter
= caps and ample drinking water
= MARS id cards
= appitite to digest at breakfast - bun butter , cream roll , xmas plum cake and frooti , and lunch veg biryani and raita with fortune cookies
= please all those who have not paid participation fees come forward and pay me with out me asking .for rs 100/-
= please avoid mobile phones
=

please\\\\\\ open mail once again in the day for any more info on the event

please call me on 9821025289 or nilesh 9820547074 for any inquiry on the event

thank you zyros

please go through the list of names and telephone numbers

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MINOO HOMI CONTRACTOR. 492 0898 98211-94242

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NIRAV HASMUKH SANGHAVI 495 1736 289 8812
P.V.JAIPRAKASH. 524 4784
SARLA N.R.SHARMA. 567 3390
UDAYAN C.DESAI. 387 2245
ZARIR BOMI VESUNA. 387 9248
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-18 07:45:12 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1006 Message: 1006

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==>HIGH SPEED MULTIMEDIA HAMMING COULD BE THE NEXT BIG THING

High-speed multimedia hamming via the "Hinternet" could be the next big
thing for Amateur Radio. That's the hope of the ARRL High Speed Multimedia
(HSMM) Working Group, which is adapting the highly popular IEEE 802.11b
Part 15 wireless Internet protocol to Part 97 amateur operating.

"We expect it to be nothing less than revolutionary!" says John Champa,
K8OCL, who chairs the ARRL HSMM Working Group--a subset of the League's
Technology Task Force. The Working Group's new "High-Speed Digital
Networks and Multimedia" page <http://www.arrl.org/hsmm/> recently
premiered on the ARRL Web site.

Champa's team is calling the specific techniques, software and hardware
involved "the ARRL 802.11b protocol" to distinguish it from the
unlicensed, commercial protocol. Systems employ direct-sequence spread
spectrum techniques and operate in the 2.4 GHz range. The term "Hinternet"
(ham + Internet), Champa says, is a user-friendly way to refer to the
development of high-speed Radio Local Area Networks (RLANs) capable of
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simultaneously carrying audio, video and data signals.

"The development of the ARRL 802.11b protocol will significantly enhance Amateur Radio, especially with respect to emergency communication and support of public service activities," Champa predicted. He and his HSMM Working Group colleagues also expect that it will attract many technically oriented users of the Internet and wireless LANs to get their amateur tickets.

In addition to emergency communication, Hinternet applications could include two-way streaming video, full-duplex streaming audio, Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) applications such as eQSO, EchoLink, iLink and IRLP, and digital voice. As on the wired Internet, communication can be point-to-point, point-to-multipoint and multicast at high bandwidth.

"An emergency volunteer equipped with a laptop or a wireless PDA (personal digital assistant) with a microphone and a small video camera now has the tools to be a mobile set of eyes and ears in the midst of a communications emergency," says Working Group member Kris Mraz, N5KM.

In Michigan, the Livingston County HSMM Experimenters Team already has three HSMM access points--called "APs" in the commercial world--and about a dozen stations on the air centered on 2437 MHz. Another group of Amateur Radio 802.11b enthusiasts has recently organized in the San Antonio, Texas, area.

Although other amateur allocations also would be appropriate for Hinternet operation, the use of 2.4 GHz was an easy choice, since Part 15 WiFi (wireless fidelity) devices already operate in that part of the spectrum, and inexpensive commercial equipment is widely available. Acting on an ARRL petition, the FCC has proposed elevating amateurs to primary at 2400 to 2402 MHz.

The ARRL publications catalog now includes the book 802.11 Wireless Networks: The Definitive Guide <http://www.arrl.org/catalog/?category=&words=802.11> by Matthew S. Gast. The book covers the topics of creating and administering wireless networks.

Champa says that taken in a nationwide context, the meaning of the term Hinternet goes deeper than just an amalgamation of words. "In nautical terms the word hinterland is 'the land beyond the coast,'" he said. "And so it is with us. 'The Hinternet' is the radio net beyond the Internet."

==>2002 A GROWTH YEAR FOR ARRL CONTESTS

The year 2002 was a banner year for ARRL's Contesting Branch. Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, reports a record number of total entries for ARRL-sponsored operating events.

"The total of 18,817 beats 2001's 18,505, a nearly 1.7 percent increase!" Henderson said. Despite the downward slope of Cycle 23, the 2002 ARRL 10-Meter Contest saw a more than 18 percent jump in log submissions over

the previous year, he added, even as logs continued to arrive.

"Activity is up across the board for almost all contests, and I think we would have seen more than 19,000 logs returned," Henderson said, "but the World Radiosport Team Championships (WRTC 2002) in Finland last July affected numbers for the IARU HF World Championships, as several hundred of the world's top contest operators were there." Henderson notes that since WRTC 2002 used slightly different rules, the logs from those operators could not be entered in the IARU event, which ARRL administers.

The 2002 ARRL 10-Meter Contest, proved to be record-setter in several ways. According to Henderson, not only was the December 14-15, 2002, operating event the most active 10-meter contest on record, it had the single highest number of participants returning logs of any single contest in League history. As of January 16, the Contest Branch had logged 3051 entries and was still counting. "That's the very first time a single-weekend ARRL contest has topped the 3000 mark in entries," Henderson said.

Other ARRL operating events that also saw increased numbers of logs over 2001 were Straight Key Night, up 22 percent; the ARRL 160-Meter Contest--a CW event--up 19 percent; the ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest, up 11 percent; and ARRL Field Day, up by one-half of one percent. For the first time ever, the 160-meter event topped 900 entries.

ARRL November Sweepstakes entries jumped between two and three percent for the CW and SSB weekends in 2002, Henderson said. Entries received for the ARRL international DX Contest remained approximately level for each mode last year as did submissions for the ARRL's four major VHF-UHF-SHF events in 2002.

Henderson said the move to require Cabrillo-format electronic logs has proved a major boon to the Contest Branch. The elimination of most manual log entry has moved up the posting of contest results by about a month, he said. He said he expected the Contest Branch would be fine tuning electronic log-processing during 2003.

Rules for all ARRL-sponsored operating events are available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/contests/calendar.html>.

==>MONTANA ARISS CONTACT "A GRAND SUCCESS"

Youngsters at Sacajawea Middle School in Bozeman, Montana, conversed via ham radio on January 8 with International Space Station resident Don Pettit, KD5MDT. The contact between NA1SS and the school club station's K7BZN was the first Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) QSO this year with a US school.

"I am happy to say that it was a grand success," said Vivian Linden, K7CUB, a retired science teacher who continues to serve as advisor to the school's Amateur Radio club. "The contact was crystal clear, the kids did a great job with their questions, and the adult ham club--the Gallatin Ham

Radio Club--put it all together."

Some young radio amateurs were among the student questioners. Arianna Haines, KD7RHA, wanted to know if Pettit had any radio experience before becoming an astronaut and if it influenced his decision to become one. Pettit explained that he became a ham only after joining the astronaut corps.

Jeff Nickelson, KD7TQL, asked Pettit how he was chosen to be an ISS crew member. "You get chosen for the ISS program partly based on interest and partly based on who they happen to need for the mission involved," Pettit replied. "So they look at background, and they look at interest."

Nickelson later expressed a desire to become an astronaut and asked Pettit's advice on what he should do now. "What you need to do is to follow what you want to do in your heart," Pettit responded. He also advised the youngsters to do their best in school and to keep up their grades.

Food is never far from the minds of most youngsters, and so it was with the kids at Sacajawea Middle School. One student wanted to know how the crew ate and how the food was cooked. Pettit explained that it's not that much different from pre-packaged food on Earth. "We eat with spoons, just like you eat with spoons on Earth," said Pettit. Most of the crew's food is freeze-dried. You add hot water and mix, then "just dig in with your spoon," Pettit said.

Pettit also told the youngsters that the crew doesn't have too much time for "fun" activities. "There's really not much spare time up here," he said. "We're always working." But, he added, the crew does get enjoyment out of the work it does, which sometimes includes just observing Earth through one of the ISS portholes.

Some 50 youngsters, teachers and a handful of reporters were on hand for the contact. Linden said audio was piped throughout the school. "I was told later that the school was in a buzz the rest of the day," she said. Students from Morning Star Elementary School also attended.

ARISS is an international project with support from ARRL, NASA and AMSAT. For more information, visit the ARISS Web site <http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov>.

==>NEW LEAGUE BROCHURE TARGETS KIDS

A colorful, new, kid-tested ham radio brochure is available from ARRL Headquarters. "Leap into Amateur Radio" aims at an elementary school audience and introduces youngsters to the hobby.

"Amateur Radio is an exciting hobby that lets you meet new people of all ages--and have a great time!" the full-color, tri-fold flier emphasizes. "Getting started is easy!"

Field and Educational Support Team Leader Mary Lau, N1VH, headed the team that produced the flier. She cited two objectives in its design. "There was a desire to specifically target 8 to 11 year olds," she said, "as well as the need to supply a youth-oriented handout to replace the Archie's Ham Radio Adventure comic book that is no longer published."

The brochure is comprised of colorful graphics, photos of kids operating and several boxes of basic text explaining what Amateur Radio is and does. There's also space on the back for local clubs or organizations to affix their contact information, so that children and their families can get more information about the hobby. The back panel also includes a blurb about ARRL and gives its e-mail address.

On the "What is Amateur Radio" page right inside the tri-fold brochure is a brief explanation of what Amateur Radio is. "Anyone can be a ham--no matter what age, sex or physical ability," the flier points out. Accompanying the text are photos of youngsters--a boy and a girl--on the air. Fully open, the flier presents four capsules of information about Amateur Radio:

* How ham radio and wireless technologies fit into lives that include cell phones and the Internet.

* The several modes hams use to communicate with each other--including voice, computer, and even telegraph key.

* The various types of operating activities available--including public service and the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program.

* How simple it is to get started in Amateur Radio and whom to contact.

Assisting the in the project were ARRL Educational Program Coordinator Jean Wolfgang, WB3IOS; Educational Correspondent Marjorie Bourgoin, KB1DCO, and Field and Educational Services Assistant Linda Mullally, KB1HSV.

After assembling the material for the flier and putting together a prototype, Lau and her staff got the brochure into the hands of a number of area youngsters for some product testing. The children offered a few ideas to make the handout even more appealing, she said. Arizona-based graphic artist Cameo Hill did the final layout and design.

"Leap into Amateur Radio" will become available in mid-February--free of charge and in limited quantities of up to 25 fliers--to any Amateur Radio operator or amateur club. Lau said the only cost will be for shipping. The brochure is now available as an Acrobat PDF file via the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/materials/Leap-into-AR.pdf>.

To order copies of the brochure, interested clubs or individuals should contact Linda Mullally, KB1HSV, lmullally@...; 860-594-0292.

==>ARRL INSTRUCTOR, EDUCATOR, RECRUITING AWARD NOMINATION DEADLINE LOOMS

Nominations close Friday, January 31, for ARRL awards that recognize excellence in teaching Amateur Radio classes, using Amateur Radio in the classroom, and recruiting others to Amateur Radio. Completed nominations forms must be sent to your ARRL Section Manager <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/smlist.html> in time for the SM to meet the nomination deadline.

The ARRL Herb S. Brier Instructor of the Year Award goes each year to a volunteer Amateur Radio instructor. The ARRL Professional Educator of the Year Award goes to a professional teacher who has incorporated Amateur Radio into his or her class curriculum. The ARRL Professional Instructor of the Year Award is presented to a paid, non state-certified ham radio instructor--such as those teaching classes offered through adult education programs. The ARRL Excellence in Recruiting Award goes to a ham who exemplifies outstanding recruiting enthusiasm and technique and has gone the extra mile to introduce others to Amateur Radio.

All winners receive engraved plaques and $100 gift certificates redeemable for ARRL publications. Full information and nomination forms are available on the ARRL Educational Awards page <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/award/>. For more information, contact Jean Wolfgang, WB3IOS, jwolfgang@arrl.org.

==>AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING ON TARGET

The ARRL's Amateur Radio Emergency Communications training effort is right on target. Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, says that as of January 17, 661 students had completed the Level I emergency communications on-line course (EC-001) under the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) federal grant. Enrollment for the grant-funded classes stands at 1277.

"We're pleased with the success of the program to date and with how far we've come," Miller said. "We're right where we should be under the federal grant guidelines."

The nearly $182,000 federal grant, announced last July, will subsidize online training for up to 1700 amateur licensees during its first year. The CNCS grant permits students successfully completing the Level I program to be reimbursed for the cost of tuition.

Miller says another 200 students registered this month and will begin classes January 21. "Interest in the on-line classes remains high," Miller said. "Registration for this month's classes filled within the first few hours, leaving many potential students frustrated."

The good news, Miller says, is that there's still plenty of room in future classes to allow interested amateurs to take advantage of the program. Senior hams are encouraged to enroll in these classes.

The ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> has additional information.

==>FCC SEEKS COMMENTS ON WRC-03 DRAFT PROPOSALS

The FCC is seeking comments on draft recommendations that the World Radiocommunication Conference Advisory Committee (WRC-03 Advisory Committee) adopted January 8. The FCC established the WRC-03 Advisory Committee in January 2001 to assist the agency in developing WRC-03 proposals.

"Based upon our initial review of the recommendations forwarded to the Commission," the FCC said this week in a Public Notice, "the International Bureau, in coordination with other Commission Bureaus and Offices, tentatively concludes that we can generally support the proposals recommended by the WRC-03 Advisory Committee."

The FCC said the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) has submitted letters to the FCC containing draft proposals developed by Executive Branch agencies, and the FCC requests comment on those draft proposals as well. The FCC will consider the draft proposals and comments during upcoming consultations with the US Department of State and NTIA in the development of US proposals to WRC-03. Once agreed to by these agencies, proposals will be used by US delegations at bilateral, regional and international meetings.

"The draft proposals attached to this Public Notice may evolve as we approach WRC-03 and during the course of interagency discussions," the FCC said. "Therefore, they do not constitute the final national position on these issues."

The Public Notice includes proposals concerning WRC-03 agenda items 1.35, 7.1, 7.2, 2.16, 1.8.2, 1.13, 1.20, 1.22 and 1.36. Agenda item 1.20 concerns the so-called "Little LEOs." Item 1.36 involves examining the adequacy of the frequency allocations for HF broadcasting in the vicinity of 4-10 MHz. Complete texts of draft proposals are available via the FCC's WRC-03 Web site <http://www.fcc.gov/wrc-03>.

Interested parties may file comments via e-mail to wrc03@.... Commenters also may submit an original and one copy of comments to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554. Provide a courtesy copy to FCC WRC-03 Director Alex Roytblat, Room 6-A738. Comments should refer to specific proposals by document number. The deadline for comments on draft proposals and NTIA letters is January 31, 2003. WRC-03 takes place in Geneva, Switzerland, from June 9 until July 4, 2003.

==>FCC LAUNCHES "CONSUMER-FRIENDLY" ELECTRONIC COMMENT FILING SYSTEM

The FCC has launched "ECFS Express," an updated electronic system that the Commission says will make it easier for at least some members of the public to file comments on FCC proceedings. ECFS Express is a simplified version of the popular Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), but it is not available for all FCC proceedings.

ECFS Express is accessible from the FCC home page <http://www.fcc.gov>. Users just click on the "File Comments" logo--which is on the left-hand side of the page about one-third of the way down under the words "Filing

Public Comments." To comment, users click on a topic, fill in their personal information, write their comments and hit "SEND."

"ECFS Express will highlight the proceedings most likely to generate consumer interest," the FCC said this week in a Public Notice. "The topics will change periodically as new issues emerge."

The downside is that if the particular issue you want to comment upon is not listed among the ECFS Express topics, you'll have to use the "expert version" of ECFS to comment, the FCC said. At the moment, the EFCS Express list includes no Amateur Radio-related petitions. The FCC says the original Electronic Comment Filing System--which includes all docketed FCC proceedings--will remain accessible on its Web site <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar-powered Tad "You Are the Sunshine of My Life" Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Solar flux and sunspot numbers peaked early in the week and are headed downward again. Average daily solar flux rose to 173.6 this week from 149.4 last, and sunspot number averages went from 137.9 to 200.9. Activity should continue declining, with Friday through Monday values of 140, 135, 135 and 125, reaching a minimum around 115 from January 25-28. Geomagnetic activity for the near term is predicted to be quiet to unsettled.

You can see the general downward trend in activity in the charts on the Web site of Mark Downing, WM7D <http://www.wm7d.net/hamradio/solar/past_cycle.shtml>. There is tremendous variability, but the overall trend is pretty clear. Over the next few years we'll see a dramatic drop. Current projections from NOAA show the minimum solar flux between September 2006 and April, 2007, and sunspot minimum around December 2006 to January 2007.

Sunspot numbers for January 9 through 15 were 206, 199, 238, 232, 182, 176 and 173, with a mean of 200.9. The 10.7-cm flux was 182.9, 184.7, 188.8, 173.4, 171.8, 164 and 149.9, with a mean of 173.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 10, 10, 11, 8, 10 and 8, with a mean of 9.1.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The North American QSO Party (SSB), the ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes, the LZ Open Contest (CW), the Michigan QRP January CW Contest, and the Hungarian DX Contest are the weekend of January 18-19. JUST AHEAD: The CQ 160-Meter Contest (CW), the REF Contest (CW), the BARTG RTTY Sprint and the UBA DX Contest (SSB) are the weekend of January 25-26. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the ARRL Level III Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-003) and HF Digital Communications (EC-005) courses opens Monday, January 20, 12:01 AM Eastern Standard Time (0501 UTC). Registration will remain open through Sunday, January 26. Classes begin Monday, January 27. No seats remain in the January registration period for the ARRL Level II Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-002). Registration for the Antenna Modeling (EC-004) course remains open through Sunday, January 19. A new service now allows those who may be interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future to be advised via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. Send an e-mail to prereg@..., and include the course name or number (eg, EC-00#) on the subject line as well as your name, call sign, email address, and the month you want to start the course in the body. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@....

* ARRL Foundation scholarship deadline looms: The deadline is fast approaching to apply for ARRL Foundation-sponsored scholarships. Individual awards range from $500 to $5000. Don't delay! Send scholarship applications with academic transcripts to The ARRL Foundation, 225 Main St, Newington CT 06111. The February 1, 2003, postmark deadline is firm--there are no exceptions! The annual application window opens October 1 and closes the following February 1. For an application and additional information, visit the ARRL Foundation Scholarship Programs Web site <http://www.arrl.org/arrlf/scholgen.html>.

* Second Ducie DXpedition set for March: The second DXpedition to the newest DXCC entity, Ducie Island, is expected to take place in March, according to an announcement this week. Ducie Island DXpedition leader Yuichi Yoshida, JR2KDN, reports he will depart from Narita, Japan, on March 3 heading for Tahiti, French Polynesia, and then on to Gambier Island. Presumably this is where the vessel Braveheart will meet up with the DXpedition team members. They expect to arrive at Pitcairn Island to pick up the remaining team members on March 5 and then head for Ducie Island. Plans are to begin operations March 8 from VP6DI2 (yes, that's a "2" at the end of that call sign) and continue about a week. The operator list includes Dieter, DJ9ON; Hans, DK9KX; Philippe, FO3BM; Hiro, JA1SLS; Yuichi, JR2KDN; Doug, N6TQS; Dave, VP6DB; Mike, VP6AZ; and Meralda, VP6MW. Activity is being planned for 6 through 160 meters on CW, SSB, RTTY and AO-40. QSL via JR2KDN (bureau or direct). Pilot stations for this DXpedition are JE2EHP, DJ8NK and WA2MOE. The initial Ducie Island DXpedition in March of 2002 racked up some 50,000 contacts. A 2.5-square-mile Pacific atoll, Ducie was approved for DXCC credit in November 2001.--The Daily DX <http://www.dailydx.com>

* Poptronics ceases publication: Poptronics magazine--which evolved from the former Popular Electronics and Electronics Now magazines--ceased publication with the January 2003 edition (Vol 4, No 1). "After 94 years of publishing electronics magazines Gernsback Publications is no longer in

operation," said Larry Steckler, Poptronics' editor in chief and publisher. "Negotiations are under way to provide an alternative publication to Poptronics subscribers." Steckler says a new on-line edition of Poptronics will soon be available. Poptronics Interactive, a separate on-line, paid subscription site announced in the October issue of Poptronics, also is scheduled to return soon, Steckler said. The company plans to post the latest information on its Web site <http://www.Poptronics.com>. The site has been undergoing "remodeling," but Steckler said it should be back in operation by the end of January. Many veteran amateurs may recall the "Carl and Jerry" stories by John T. Frye, W9EGV (SK), which appeared in Popular Electronics in the 1950s and 1960s. The tales involved the ham radio-related exploits of a couple of teenaged hams.

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* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio Club: Visit Mailing Lists@... <http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/letter-list>. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)

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Topic: 1007 Message: 1007

Now in the MARS Library!!!

QST - Dec'2002 Contents :-
a.. Build the 'No Excuses' QRP Transceiver - With this simple 40M transmitter-receiver combo, your dream of operating a "build-it-yourself" ham station will finally become a reality. No exotic parts are required - so warm up your soldering iron! - By Dan Metzger, K8JWR......

b.. Digital Dimension - Will D-STAR be the Next Big Star in the Digital Dimension?

ICOM introduced the system at the Dayton Hamvention in May and showed it again at the Digital Communications Conference in September.

D-STAR is a 1.2GHz system for the transmission and reception of digitally modulated voice/data and access to high speed via the Amateur Radio airwaves. ICOM developed the system in collaboration with JARL (Japan Amateur Radio League) and is field-testing the system no. For example, a pair of D-STAR transceivers are with TAPR (Tuscon Amateur Packet Radio) now for on-the-air trials (see www.tapr.org for news about the trials).

ICOM's D-STAR ID-1 digital transceiver digitally modulates voice at 8 kbit/s and data at 128 kbit/s using GMSK (Gaussian Minimum Shift Keying). The ID-1 also supports analog voice using FM. USB and Ethernet connections to a computer permit full operation from the computer's keyboard. In addition to the transceiver, ICOM also designed a 10-GHz 10-Mbit/s digital repeater as an integral part of the D-STAR system (the repeaters handle both digital and analog voice).

D-STAR is off-the-shelf, plug-and-play, high-speed digital mode operation - a combination that has been unavailable to the radio amateur until now. ICOM proffers that "the resulting system seamlessly transmits high-speed IP (Internet Protocol) compliant data and digital voice. Amateur Radio operators now have a system that will allow them to explore he benefits of wireless high-speed integrated digital connections. Potential applications are only limited by your imagination, but certainly emergency services and amateur digital TV quickly come to mind".

That is a lot to absorb, but once you realize that D-STAR just may be the next big thing in the ham digital dimension. How big depends on what applications we develop to take best advantage of the system.

c.. Amateur Radio - A Powerful Voice in Education - Nearly 3500 ARRL members have contributed more than $205,000 to fund the Amateur Radio Education & Technology Program to inspire a new generation of radio amateurs. The goal is to have 300 schools participating in the program by 2006. This is a $1,000,000 multiphase program based on partnership between educators and radio amateurs......

d.. OSCAR 40 on 24 GHz - Most satellite enthusiasts are using OSCAR 40 on Mode U/S - 435 MHz up and 2.4 GHz down. There are a few, however, who are already taking the next step to Mode U/K - 435MHz up and 24 GHz down!......

AO-40 Status - Solar angles were worsening for big bird, so the orientation has been adjusted to provide good illumination for the solar panels and to protect the cameras from being exposed to direct sunlight. For Oscar40 operators this translates to relatively poor squint angles for much of the orbit and reduced passband availability. The good news is that this situation is temporary. We should be back to good conditions by late November.

The next big step for Oscar-40 is to test 3-axis stabilization. At the moment the satellite is stabilized by spinning, which will eliminate spin fading on downlink signals, among other things. The trick is to run the test in such a way that the satellite can return to spin stabilization if the test fails. Only when the command team is certain that the 3-axis system is working properly will they open Oscar-40's wing-like solar panels.

e.. Linked Repeater Systems : The Missing Links - The extensive reach and utility of state and region-wide linked repeater systems is just beginning to be exploited.......

Partial List of Open Linked Repeater System -
Alabama InterCity Network, Alabama
Zia Connection, Arizona
Condor Connection, California
Colorado Connection, Colorado
SouthEast Iowa Technical Society, Iowa
Tall Pine Intertie, Georgia
Independent Repeater Assn, Michigan
MegaLink, New Mexico
SuperLink, North Dakota
South Dakota Linked System, South Dakota
Intermountain Intertie, Utah
Ham Talk, West Virginia
Saskatchewan Link Network
HERC, Wyoming

f.. The Gamma Match - An Overview - The gamma match is used to transform a Yagi Antenna's feedpoint impedance to match that of coaxial cable. How does it do that?.......

g.. The EQ5+ Microphone Equalizer - If you's like to enhance the quality of your transmitted audio without spending a lot for commercial gear, the EQ5+ is designed for you. The project reflects the traditional ham radio approach - build it yourself and don't spend a ton of money!.......

h.. Try Copper for 2 Meter - The Cu Loop - Want a rugged antenna with decent bandwidth for 2 meters? Try this "plumber's delight". This antenna has facilitated operations through many distant FM repeaters with gratifying results, while it was supported on a 20 foot test stand. It has also been used to make both CW and SSB contacts. The radiation pattern possesses a sharp null along a line drawn through the antenna's two sides. This characteristics, together with its small size and robust structure, makes it attractive for direction finding activities, in addition to general station use........

i.. Panel Layout with Microsoft PowerPoint - Labelling headache? Cure it with a common software program........

j.. Public Service - Amateur Radio and Hayman Fire.......

k.. Product Review - Yaesu FT-8900R Quadband FM Transceiver ($449.95),
RadioShack HTX-420 Dual-Band Handheld Transceiver ($269.99)
MFJ-890 DX Beacon Monitor ($99.95)

l.. Software - VHF Propagation Software - BeamFinder for MAC......

m.. Regular Features - Correspondence, Workbench, Hints & Kinks, Technical Correspondence, How's DX?, The World above 50MHz, Old Radio, Amateur Satellites, QRP Power, OP-ED, 75-50 & 25 Years Ago, Special Events, Contest Corral, Strays, Hamfest Calendar, Coming Conventions, ARRL Buyer's Guide.

n.. New Advertisements -
ALINCO - DR-620T - First Amateur Twin Band Mobile to support optional Digital Voice Communication

SCAN-A-MIX BX1 Audio Combiner from B&D

RIGBLASTER PRO - The complete computer interface for your radio - Everything you can possibly do with a computer and a radio.

DSP-4100/2K HF DSP Modem - From HAL Communications Corp. - With its Clover-2000 voice-bandwidth (2KHz) adaptive waveform, delivers high-speed HF radio data communications performance in the worst of signal conditions.

The ARRL Image Communications Handbook ($25.95) - by Dr.Ralph E.Taggart - WB8DQT

The ARRL Handbook - 2003 (80th Edition - Softcover $34.95 - Hardcover $49.95)

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Hi All,

Firstly, let me apologize for missing the date of the ceremony. It is 1st Feb, 2003 - Saturday evening, which makes it very much possible for all of you to attend. For party timers and pubbers south mumbai is THE PLACE.... So you guys can proceed for the same and can get some handy tips from Zyros, Mukesh, myself, etc on the party venues. We have some SWLs who also are serious party timers. They can be of help too...

Coming to business, I have recd photographs from few of SWLs only. Let me repeat that we are going to issue Id Cards for all of you irrespective of pass grade or fail and hence please send your photographs to me on the below mentioned address.

Tips will be given for Grade II/restricted SWLs aspiring to upgrade themselves and also to people who could not pass. Of course the tips for pubs and happening places will also be in the air.... After all its a matter of celebration !!

Detailed agenda of the ceremony will be out soon. But the trailor says that we will be having a highly influential chief guest, brief presentation and some games too.

More information will continue to be mailed and suggestions if any are welcome.

Thnks N Regds,

73s,

Mehul Chovatia.
Event Manager - MARS.

----- Original Message -----
From: Mehul Chovatia
To: mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Cc: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2003 7:16 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Result Distribution Ceremony

Hi All hard worked comrades,

To felicitate and celebrate the results of the classes, MARS has organised Result Distribution Ceremony for the students.

MARS invites all the students to be present at the event and collect your results along with your ID Cards, Caps and so on.

Where and When

S.S.Hall. Garware Club House.
Wankhede Stadium, 'D' Road,
Churchgate, Mumbai - 20

Time: 4 to 7 pm.

More information will be posted on the mail soon.... and make it a point to attend the ceremony.

Please courier your latest photograph to the following address to be affixed on your ID Cards. All the students irrespective of passing grade will be issued ID Cards. Failed students also need to send their photographs.

Mehul Chovatia
Karnataka House, 2nd Floor,
Dadi Santuk Lane, Chira Bazar,
Mumbai - 400002. Ph: 22065383

Guidelines and next-steps shall also be in the air for people who have failed or have passed in Grade II or restricted category.

All the best.

73s,

Mehul Chovatia.
Event Manager - MARS.

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1009. Happy Birthday - Rajesh Shethia

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-24 05:13:52 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1009 Message: 1009
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes Rajesh Shethia a very Happy Birthday

1010. Re: [mars_classes] Happy Birthday - Rajesh Shethia

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-24 10:16:31 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1010 Message: 1010

Clear DaySo we have a birthday boy !!!

Rajesh - Wish you many many happy returns of the day...

Regds,

Mehul.
MARS.
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars_classes
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2003 10:43 AM
Subject: [mars_classes] Happy Birthday - Rajesh Shethia

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From: MARS
Topic: 1011 Message: 1011

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==>ARRL BOARD DISCUSSES STRATEGIC PLANNING, WRC-03

Establishing a timeline for future strategic planning, increasing ARRL
membership and raising the level of awareness of Amateur Radio issues at
World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 (WRC-03) were the primary topics
as the ARRL Board of Directors met January 17-18 in Connecticut. Chief
Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, cited a cooperative spirit and said
the session's overall mood was upbeat. As a result of action taken at the
meeting, the Board plans to convene a leadership seminar in July and a
two-day strategic planning retreat in September.

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, said strategic planning--especially
aimed at embracing new technologies--is vital for the League's health.
"We're interested in planning for the League on a long-term basis to
ensure that we're on the right track 5 to 10 years from now," he said. "We
have to keep up with emerging technology." Haynie said he's excited with
what the High-Speed Multimedia Working Group <http://www.arrl.org/hsmm/>
and the Digital and Software Defined Radio committees have come up so far.
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The Board also created a new ad hoc committee, chaired by ARRL International Affairs Vice President Rod Stafford, W6ROD, to focus on recruiting and retaining members. "This committee is for the near term to explore ways to entice people to join the organization," Haynie said. The panel also will look at what the League can do to make the ARRL more attractive to potential members.

The Board also discussed strategy for protecting Amateur Radio's interests at WRC-03 <www.fcc.gov/wrc-03/>, to be held in Geneva from June 9 to July 4. The hottest ham radio topic is 7 MHz and the objective of a worldwide 300 kHz harmonized amateur allocation. Sumner said the immediate need is to get the US Government to support a realignment of allocations for amateurs and broadcasters in ITU Regions 1 and 3. "The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA, which oversees the federal government's use of radio spectrum) thinks that Region 1 and 3 administrators should take the leadership role on this issue and that we in Region 2 should make no proposal," Sumner said. "We're trying to change that view."

Sumner says the US has a responsibility to represent the interests of amateur licensees whose 40-meter operation is severely impacted by high-power broadcasting stations elsewhere in the world. "The US did so in 1979 and 1992 and should do so again in 2003," he said.

The Board also updated the League's legislative positions for the 108th Congress. ARRL will work for a re-introduction of The Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Consistency Act <http://www.arrl.org/govrelations/hr4720/>. Known last session as HR 4720, the bill deals with deed covenants, conditions and restrictions. Also set to be reintroduced is the Spectrum Protection Act.

In other business, the Board adopted a 2003 budget; resolved to honor the Hospital Disaster Support Communications System <members.aol.com/emcom4hosp/> (HDSCS) of Orange County, California, with the ARRL National Certificate of Merit; and elected Tod Olson, K0TO, and John Kanode, N4MM, as honorary vice presidents.

==>ARRL ANNOUNCES "AMATEUR RADIO TODAY" CD-ROM PRESENTATION

The ARRL soon will make available a new video presentation, Amateur Radio Today, that tells Amateur Radio's public service story to nonhams. Directed by Dave Bell, W6AQ, and narrated by former CBS news anchorman Walter Cronkite, KB2GSD, the presentation runs approximately six minutes.

"We wanted to have something for people to take to nonhams and civic clubs," said ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP. Haynie also anticipates that the CD-ROM production will come in handy during his visits to Capitol Hill. Haynie recently wowed those attending the January ARRL Board meeting by playing--and distributing--draft copies of the disk. A slightly revised, final version is expected to be ready for distribution in early February.

The presentation focuses on Amateur Radio's role in emergency communications. Copyrighted by ARRL, the presentation is intended for personal, noncommercial use as a tool to showcase Amateur Radio in a manner that nonhams can relate to.

"Dozens of radio amateurs helped the police and fire departments and other emergency services maintain communications in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington, DC," narrator Cronkite intones in reference to ham radio's response on September 11, 2001. "Their country asked, and they responded without reservation." Amateur Radio Today also highlights ham radio's part in helping various agencies respond to wildfires in the Western US during 2002 and mentions ham radio in space.

Haynie said he and Bell discussed the project, and Bell agreed to take it on. Alan Kaul, W6RCL, authored the script, and Keith Glispie, WA6TFD, edited the production. Haynie said Bell, Kaul and Glispie donated a lot of their own time and effort in making the the video presentation a reality.

Amateur Radio "really is the best back-up communications system in the world," Cronkite says in his concluding remarks, adding, "and that's the way it is." That phrase was the one Cronkite always used to close out his nightly newscasts during his tenure with CBS.

Individuals may order a copy of the Amateur Radio Today CD-ROM (approximately 70 MB) from the ARRL on-line catalog <https://www.arrl.org/catalog/?item=8861>. Plans are under way to also make Amateur Radio Today available in other video formats if there is sufficient demand. ARRL will make the presentation available for downloading from its Web site as soon as the final version is available. All that's needed to show the presentation to a group is a laptop computer with a CD drive plus a large monitor or a video projector and screen.

Bell, a Hollywood TV producer, is a past chairman of the ARRL Public Relations Committee. Kaul is an NBC Television producer. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, of Amateur Radio Newsline also assisted in the presentation's production.

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==>AMATEUR RADIO BOOSTS MARCONI CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATION INTO ORBIT

The magic touch of a princess helped to put Amateur Radio center stage January 18 on Cape Cod, Massachusetts, during events marking the 100th anniversary of the first transatlantic wireless message transmitted by Guglielmo Marconi. For the occasion, Marconi's youngest daughter--Princess Elettra Marconi--launched greetings into space via an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) hookup to ISS crew commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP.

"One hundred years ago today, my father, Guglielmo Marconi, sent the first wireless message across the Atlantic Ocean from Cape Cod," Princess Elettra said from a packed auditorium at the Cape Cod National Seashore Salt Pond Visitor Center in Eastham. "In this same spirit of his achievement and also from Cape Cod I send this wireless greeting to you in space. Cordial greetings, good wishes and God bless you"

Replied Bowersox from NA1SS, "It's wonderful to hear your voice across the radio waves. It's amazing how far our societies and radio communication have come in the past 100 years."

On January 18, 1903, Marconi sent wireless greetings on behalf of President Theodore Roosevelt to Great Britain's King Edward VII. Events throughout the week leading up to the ARISS contact included two Amateur Radio special event stations. KM1CC operated from a National Seashore site not far from Marconi's original Cape Cod radio station, transmitting a commemorative message from President George W. Bush and retransmitting Marconi's original 1903 text. Another special event station, WA1WCC, was on the air from the former WCC shore station in Chatham, where Marconi had relocated operations after the ocean threatened to claim the antenna support towers of his original station. Princess Elettra also visited the WA1WCC special event site.

Following Princess Elettra's introductory remarks, eight students from three Cape Cod high schools took turns firing a total of 18 questions at Bowersox as hundreds of visitors and some two dozen news media representatives looked on. Serving as mentor for the noontime Cape Cod contact was ARISS International Chair Frank Bauer, KA3HDO. The students' curiosity ranged from research goals to whether Bowersox had any desire to undertake a trip deeper into space--perhaps to Mars.

Bowersox said his wife has forbidden him to go to Mars--a comment that drew a chuckle from the audience--but said he'd volunteer for a deep-space mission if he could bring his family along.

"I think someday we're going to leave Earth," Bowersox predicted in response to one of the students' questions. "We're going to move on out of our solar system out to the stars, and we're just taking the baby steps now. Your generation will take us a lot farther, I hope."

Handling earth-station duties for the ARISS contact was Nancy Rocheleau, WH6PN, in Honolulu. A WorldCom teleconferencing arrangement made two-way audio available on Cape Cod. Students selected were from Provincetown High School, Cape Cod Technical and Vocational School and Nauset Regional High School.

"The ARISS contact at the Marconi centennial event was a tremendous success," said Bauer. "I must say that this contact was one of the more impressive and awe-inspiring ARISS contacts we have accomplished." ARISS <http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov> is an international effort with support from ARRL, NASA and AMSAT.

==>LIMITED "LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD" TESTING IS A HIT

The long-anticipated "Logbook of the World" (LoTW)--the ARRL's secure electronic contact-confirmation system--took a major leap toward public release this month with several weeks of limited--or "alpha"--testing. Dozens of Amateur Radio operators checked out a preliminary version of the LoTW software, which is still under development. Once it's ready, LoTW will provide a means for participants to qualify for awards such as DXCC or WAS without having to first collect hard-copy QSL cards.

"This is cool!" exclaimed one alpha tester. "Slick!" declared another tester. "It's pretty neat so far. This looks like a good start."

ARRL staffer Dave Patton, NT1N, said the limited test run was extremely helpful. "One of the main things that will come out of this phase of testing is a good package that will be ready to give to logging program developers to incorporate into their software," he said.

ARRL Web and Software Development Manager Jon Bloom, KE3Z, explained that the League hopes that logging software vendors will choose to add value to their products by integrating LoTW client-side functions. "But the software we provide to individual amateurs will be sufficient for basic use of LoTW," he added. ARRL will not be releasing the LoTW server code, however.

Linked via e-mail, the LoTW testers spent two weeks registering their call signs, uploading logs and attempting to push the system to extremes. One tester was amazed at its robust nature after he uploaded a complete station log of about 320,000 QSOs. "I sent this blob expecting it to croak the server, but it didn't!" he said.

Logbook of the World Project Leader Wayne Mills, N7NG, says LoTW won't spell the end of QSL cards. Instead, he says, it will provide an avenue for increased speed and accuracy for hams chasing awards, as well as remove some chances for human error that can occur in the traditional process.

"This is really a system to offer credits for awards," said Mills, who is also ARRL's Membership Services manager. Mills said LoTW will minimize opportunities to "game the system" or otherwise cheat--something that's not always possible to detect even with paper QSLs. He emphasized that the League has no plans to do away with accepting traditional QSL cards as it's been doing all along. "We're not replacing the whole paper QSL scheme with Logbook of the World," he said.

Unlike electronic QSLing systems now in use, LoTW is not set up to exchange QSL "cards" via the Internet. The main idea is that ARRL will maintain a secure log database that will be constantly updated by DXers, contesters, DXpeditions and thousands of individual amateurs. Registering and uploading electronic logs cost nothing; the only time a user will incur a charge is when applying accumulated contact credits toward an award.

LoTW beta testing for the general Amateur Radio public is expected to begin soon. The ARRL has not announced a specific inauguration date for

Logbook of the World.

==>G3YWX WINS 2002 BILL ORR, W6SAI, TECHNICAL WRITING AWARD

Ian Poole, G3YWX, is the winner of the 2002 Bill Orr, W6SAI, Technical Writing Award, which is sponsored and administered by the ARRL Foundation. Poole was chosen as the award's first recipient on the basis of his article "Understanding Solar Indices," which appeared in September 2002 QST. The award's namesake, Bill Orr was an engineer, educator and communicator of extraordinary ability and a frequent contributor to QST and other ham radio magazines from the 1940s through the 1980s.

"I was extremely delighted to be told I had won the award, and I feel that it is a great honor, especially as the award is named after such a great name in Amateur Radio," Poole said. "I also feel really privileged to have articles accepted by QST, because the magazine has a tremendous reputation." He will receive an engraved plaque and a check for $250, thanks to a fund established by Steve Cornell, K4AHA.

"Understanding Solar Indices" looks at the three main solar indexes--10.7-cm solar flux, Ap and Kp--and shows how all hams interested in DX can use these numbers to their advantage. Poole's winning article is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/pdf/0209038.pdf>.

QST Editor Steve Ford, WB8IMY, pointed out that the award criteria mandate that the winning article must exemplify the writing philosophy of Orr, who died two years ago. "The article should tell a technical story that appeals to a broad audience extending beyond those individuals who have a particular interest in the topic," Ford said. "In the opinion of the QST editorial department, 'Understanding Solar Indices' was a top choice."

An engineer, Poole has been a ham for more than 30 years and spends much of his time on HF SSB and CW. In addition to having written several books on propagation, VHF antennas and other topics, he has published more than 400 radio and electronics magazine articles. He's a long-time Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) member.

==>VIRGINIA AMATEUR GROUP SETS NEW 145 GHz DX RECORD

Four amateurs from the Lynchburg, Virginia, area celebrated the new year January 12 by breaking their own distance record on 145 GHz and by confirming a fifth grid for VUCC <http://www.arrl.org/awards/vucc/> on yet another microwave band. Brian Justin, WA1ZMS; Pete Lascell, W4WWQ; Hal DeVuyst, KA4YNO; and G. P. "Geep" Howell, WA4RTS, spanned a nearly 80-km path to set a new North American and world DX record.

"This claim should be the very first VUCC for that band, and it took two years of hard work to make it happen," said Justin. Both stations exchanged contact information using FSK-CW. All participants are members of the Lynchburg Amateur Radio Club (K4CQ), of which Justin is president. The group already has earned the first-issued VUCC awards on the 47 and 76

GHz bands.

Justin, who designed and built all of the equipment, set up his station in grid square EM96wx in Southwest Virginia. On the other end of the circuit was the W2SZ/4 station, with Howell, Lascell and De Vuyst. W2SZ/4 was at approximately 4000 feet above sea level in Virginia's Bedford County in grid square FM07fm. Lascell said while the team was setting up, he was able to snag a 20-meter contact with KM1CC, the Marconi special event station on Cape Cod. "A neat way to tie the bottom of the spectrum and the beginning of radio to a new frontier 100 years later," he said.

Weather conditions were just right for the QSO to take place with little wind and an extremely low dew point and no haze. Both stations ran about 4 mW of power and used one-foot dish antennas, which must be precisely aimed.

Additional information is available on the Mt Greylock Expeditionary Force Web site <http://www.mgef.org>.

==>BILL LEONARD, W2SKE, PROFESSIONAL MEDIA AWARD WINNERS NAMED

The ARRL 2002 Bill Leonard, W2SKE, Professional Media Award honors a group project. The winners are Assistant News Director Jill Valley and News Director Greg Schieferstein of KPAX-TV in Missoula, Montana. The Leonard award is given annually to a professional journalist (or group) for outstanding coverage of Amateur Radio in TV, radio, print or multimedia. The winners will receive an engraved plaque and a check for $500.

KPAX-TV's winning submission was a news segment featuring Jenna Rettenmayer, KD7MAD, a Missoula high school senior on the air making a moonbounce (EME) contact. Rettenmayer decided to get her Amateur Radio license as her senior project.

Members of the ARRL's Public Relations Committee, who judge the nominations each year, said they were especially impressed with the KPAX-TV piece. Not only did it feature a young woman who is interested in Amateur Radio, it captured a moonbounce contact--a communication mode that's outside the mainstream of typical hamming. The ARRL Board of Directors ratified the PR Committee's decision this week.

In Amateur Radio circles, Bill Leonard is perhaps best remembered for his 1958 contribution to Sports Illustrated, "The Battle of the Hams," which describes the "sport of DXing." In November of 1996, Leonard was inducted into the Broadcasting and Cable Hall of Fame. Leonard died in 1994.

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2003 Professional Media Award. For more information, including rules for entry and nomination forms, contact ARRL Media Relations Manager Jennifer Hagy, jhagy@arrl.org; 860-594-0328.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar seer Tad "That Lucky Ol' Sun" Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Daily sunspot numbers and solar flux were down again this week. Average daily sunspot numbers for the week were down by more than 43 points, and average daily solar flux dropped by more than 37 points. Current geomagnetic conditions are unsettled to active, with planetary A index for the past four days of the reporting period (through January 22) at 16, 17, 17 and 17. On Thursday it rose to 19, and it should stay unsettled for a few more days. Planetary A index for Friday through Monday is predicted at 20, 15, 20 and 15.

Solar flux should decline for a few more days. Flux values predicted for Friday through Monday are 135, 130, 125 and 125. Sunday and Monday should have the minimum solar flux, and sunspot numbers for the near term then are expected to rise to a short-term peak around February 6 or 7.

Sunspot numbers for January 16 through 22 were 135, 150, 148, 168, 184, 167 and 152, with a mean of 157.7. The 10.7-cm flux was 144.6, 141.7, 137.4, 130.2, 138, 133.6 and 129.5, with a mean of 136.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 8, 12, 16, 17, 17 and 17, with a mean of 13.4.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The CQ 160-Meter Contest (CW), the REF Contest (CW), the BARTG RTTY Sprint and the UBA DX Contest (SSB) are the weekend of January 25-26. JUST AHEAD: The North American Sprint (SSB), the 10-10 International Winter Contest (SSB), the Delaware and Minnesota QSO parties, the FYBO Winter QRP Field Day and the Mexico RTTY International Contest are the weekend of February 1-2. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the first class in Radio Frequency Interference (EC-006) <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2002/11/26/2/> and for the Satellite Communications (EC-007) course opens Monday, January 27, 12:01 AM Eastern Standard Time (0501 UTC). Registration will remain open through Sunday, February 2. Classes begin Monday, February 3. Registration for the ARRL Level III Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-003) and HF Digital Communications (EC-005) courses remains open through Sunday, January 26. A new service now allows those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course to be advised via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. Send an e-mail to prereg@arrl.org. On the subject line of your message, include the course name or number (eg, EC-00#) in which you're interested. In the message body, include your name, call sign, e-mail address and the month you want to start the course. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@....

* FCC says power line communications technology shows promise: According to an Associated Press report, the FCC's Office of Engineering and Technology has found that power line communications (PLC), which can enable high-speed Internet access over electric power lines, shows promise. The OET has said that PLC is "beginning to look like a viable alternative to cable and DSL connections to the Internet," AP reported. At present, no regulations prevent the use of electric power lines to provide Internet connections. The FCC wants to ensure that the technology does not cause interference problems with other services, however. Some PLC devices use digital signals that occupy spectrum into the upper HF range. These signals can be radiated efficiently by some electrical wiring, so there can be a significant potential impact on Amateur Radio. ARRL Lab Supervisor Ed Hare, W1RFI, chairs an IEEE C63 "RFI" ad hoc working group on the topic. "The problem with PLC is that if a company wants to supply Internet service via PLC, it's going to happen at HF, and it will radiate," Hare said. Last fall, the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) Administrative Council noted the growing use of PLC for high-speed data and expressed concerns that PLC radiation could interfere with Amateur Radio reception. As a result of strong opposition from the Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL), Japan's government said last summer that it was too soon to allow PLC devices in that country between 2 MHz and 30 MHz, due to its interference potential to other HF users. AP says two utilities, PPL of Allentown, Pennsylvania, and Ameren of St Louis, Missouri, are working with consumers to test Internet access over power lines. PLC devices use overhead power lines and/or residential electrical wiring to communicate digital signals--for networking within a home or to provide Internet services to entire neighborhoods.

* President Haynie to visit Tropical Hamboree: ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, will head the contingent of ARRL officers and staffers heading south to sunny Florida February 1-2 for the 43rd annual Tropical Hamboree in Miami. Haynie will hold an Amateur Radio forum at the event, held in conjunction with the ARRL Florida State Convention. ARRL International Affairs Vice President Rod Stafford, W6ROD, will be on hand to discuss ham radio on the international level--including this summer's World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-03). RFI will be a hot topic as well. ARRL Lab staffer Mike Gruber, W1MG, will talk to Hamboree attendees about the causes and cures of RFI. ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, will attend the South Florida DX Association forum and be available for questions. Sponsored by the Dade Radio Club of Miami, the Hamboree is one of the largest regional Amateur Radio gatherings in North America. It kicks off Saturday, February 1 at 9 AM at the Fair-Expo Center in Miami and continues through the next day. Complete information is available on the Hamboree Web site <http://www.hamboree.org>, which also has contact information for Spanish-speaking attendees.

* Contributing editor needed: The ARRL seeks a contributing editor with a strong interest in and dedication to Amateur Radio and youth to produce a monthly Web-based column on that topic consisting of text and photographs. The individual selected will be compensated on a per-column basis. Candidates should hold an Amateur Radio license, be active on the air and be familiar with ham radio activities, programs and projects that appeal

to youthful amateurs or prospective amateurs. The preferred individual is a younger amateur who possesses PC word processing skills, demonstrates a flair for written expression, understands grammar and style requirements and can regularly meet monthly deadlines. Contact Rick Lindquist, N1RL, n1rl@...; 860-594-0222, for additional information.

* Official WRTC 2002 video now available: The official video of World Radiosport Team Championship 2002 (WRTC 2002) held in Finland now is available in DVD and VHS formats. Three camera crews covered as many teams and events as they could during the actual 24 hour competition. An ESPN announcer narrates the video, which is said to have been produced from "a sports perspective." Running time is 60 minutes. Information on how to obtain a copy is available on the DX & Contest Videos by 9V1YC Web site <http://home1.pacific.net.sg/~jamesb/>.

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From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1013 Message: 1013

Hi JPN,

You can ask her to visit the report on our site www.mumbai-hams.org/gujarat.htm

She shud also get our report on http://www.qsl.net/vu2hit/disasterreport.htm along with a lot of pics at http://www.qsl.net/vu2hit/bhujpics.htm

Thnks,

Mehul.

----- Original Message -----
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, January 25, 2003 9:11 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Fwd:

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1014. Fw: [m_a_r_s] Result Distribution Ceremony - No charges/damages

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-26 09:18:13 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1014 Message: 1014

Hi All,

Further to our earlier communication, please note that there are no damages/charges for this event. But please confirm your presence by mail or phone to enable us to do the logistics smoothly. In case you can not make it then please let us know.

Also note that since we have a upper limit on the capacity of the Hall, only members and SWLs are invited. Please bear with us for not being able to include non-member spouses and children.

This formal function will have to be well-timed and to be attended with punctuality as we need to hand over the hall back by 7.15 pm latest.

Once again requesting all the SWLs to send their photos. All SWLs who have sent their photos, can ignore this line.

Thnks,

Mehul Chovatia.
Event Manager - MARS.

----- Original Message -----
From: Mehul Chovatia
To: mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Cc: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2003 6:53 PM
Subject: Fw: [m_a_r_s] Result Distribution Ceremony

Hi All,

Firstly, let me apologize for missing the date of the ceremony. It is 1st Feb, 2003 - Saturday evening, which makes it very much possible for all of you to attend. For party timers and pubbers south mumbai is THE PLACE.... So you guys can proceed for the same and can get some handy tips from Zyros, Mukesh, myself, etc on the party venues. We have some SWLs who also are serious party timers. They can be of help too...

Coming to business, I have recd photographs from few of SWLs only. Let me repeat that we are going to issue Id Cards for all of you irrespective of pass grade or fail and hence please send your photographs to me on the below mentioned address.

Tips will be given for Grade II/restricted SWLs aspiring to upgrade themselves and also to people who could not pass. Of course the tips for pubs and happening places will also be in the air.... After all its a matter of celebration !!

Detailed agenda of the ceremony will be out soon. But the trailor says that we will be having a highly influential chief guest, brief presentation and some games too.

More information will continue to be mailed and suggestions if any are welcome.

Thnks N Regds,

73s,

Mehul Chovatia.
Event Manager - MARS.

----- Original Message -----
From: Mehul Chovatia
To: mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Cc: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2003 7:16 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Result Distribution Ceremony

Hi All hard worked comrades,

To felicitate and celebrate the results of the classes, MARS has organised Result Distribution Ceremony for the students.

MARS invites all the students to be present at the event and collect your results along with your ID Cards, Caps and so on.

Where and When

S.S.Hall. Garware Club House.
Wankhede Stadium, 'D' Road,
Churchgate, Mumbai - 20
Time: 4 to 7 pm.

More information will be posted on the mail soon.... and make it a point to attend the ceremony.

Please courier your latest photograph to the following address to be affixed on your ID Cards. All the students irrespective of passing grade will be issued ID Cards. Failed students also need to send their photographs.

Mehul Chovatia
Karnataka House, 2nd Floor,
Dadi Santuk Lane, Chira Bazar,
Mumbai - 400002. Ph: 22065383

Guidelines and next-steps shall also be in the air for people who have failed or have passed in Grade II or restricted category.

All the best.

73s,

Mehul Chovatia.
Event Manager - MARS.

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1015. Re: [m_a_r_s] Result Distribution Ceremony - No charges/damages

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-26 15:56:03 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 1015 Message: 1015

Hi Pals,

Plz confirm my presence to the Ceremony.

Best Regards.

73

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1016. Re: Fw: [m_a_r_s] Result Distribution Ceremony - No charges/damages

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-01-29 12:36:04 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1014 Message: 1016

Mehul - Tho i'd confirmed on sunday, I wont be able to make it on 1st.
Please accept very sincere apologies.
Reg
Madhu

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http://clinic.mcafee.com/clinic/ibuy/campaign.asp?cid=3963

1017. The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 05

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-02 11:55:51 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1017 Message: 1017

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==>ARRL EXPRESSES MIXED FEELINGS ON SPECTRUM POLICY TASK FORCE REPORT

The ARRL has registered some mixed feelings about the FCC's Spectrum
Policy Task Force Report issued late last November. In comments to the FCC
this week, the League called the report "a positive first step" in
developing a comprehensive national spectrum management approach. At the
same time, the ARRL said, the SPTF Report "fails to address the needs and
goals" of the Amateur Service and urged the FCC to not abandon
longstanding allocation policies based on engineering.

"Overall, ARRL asks that the Commission not adopt the SPTF Report in toto,
but rather use it as a basis for future planning on an ongoing basis," the
League said January 27 in its comments in ET Docket 02-135. "Spectrum
policy reform should be viewed as an ongoing process, not as a wholesale
paradigm shift to be accomplished in half a year." The ARRL said the
report's orientation toward commercial services makes it not wholly
applicable to the Amateur Service. Among other factors, the League said,
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services such as public safety and Amateur Radio cannot pay for spectrum access.

Cautioning the FCC to not continue an apparent "rush to judgment," the ARRL said there's not been enough time to study the report's recommendations thoroughly, much less deploy them immediately. The League also warned against basing allocation policy on anticipated advances in technology.

The ARRL again called on the FCC to consider greater use of "negotiated rulemaking" to expedite allocation decisions. "Instead of acting as the judge and jury, the Commission could act as more of a facilitator among competitors for spectrum," the League said.

In terms of sharing schemes, the ARRL said it supports "to a limited extent" the concept of "interference temperature" calculations and measurements. But, it pointed to the 2400-2450 MHz band as "an example of a failing attempt at inter-service sharing" that some predictive calculations might have alleviated. The ARRL said the explosion of Part 15 devices coupled with relaxed rules on power, antenna gain and duty cycles of high-powered unlicensed devices "has rendered the band unusable in some areas."

Once again asserting that the FCC "has pushed the Part 15 concept beyond the point that it works," the ARRL took advantage of the comment opportunity to again express its view that unlicensed devices "cannot be authorized by the Commission under current statutes" without first determining that they do not pose a significant interference potential to licensed radio services.

The ARRL's comments on the FCC's Spectrum Policy Task Force Report in ET Docket 02-135 are available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/announce/regulatory/et02-135/arrl-comments.html>. The report itself is available from the FCC Web site <http://www.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2002/db1115/DOC-228542A1.doc>

==>$1 MILLION GIFT FUNDS NEW SCHOLARSHIP

The ARRL Foundation <http://www.arrl.org/arrlf/> has announced the Goldfarb Memorial Scholarship, a full, four-year undergraduate scholarship that will go to a meritorious young Amateur Radio operator about to graduate from high school. The new award is the result of a generous endowment from the late William Goldfarb, N2ITP.

ARRL Foundation Secretary Mary Lau, N1VH, said the Goldfarb scholarship marks the first Foundation scholarship that funds a complete undergraduate education. Before his death in 1997, Goldfarb set up a scholarship endowment of close to $1 million in memory of his parents, Albert and Dorothy Goldfarb, Lau explained.

Each year, to the extent of the funds available, the Foundation will select a deserving young Amateur Radio operator to receive a "full ride" for his or her undergraduate studies at an accredited baccalaureate degree-granting institution. The successful applicant must major in computers, engineering, the sciences, medical/nursing or a business-related area. Also, financial need must be demonstrated via submission of a copy of the applicant's Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>. The grant will cover all conventional educational expenses--including tuition, room and board and textbooks.

A close friend of Goldfarb's--Richard Goldstein--characterized Goldfarb as "a wonderful person" who was genuinely interested in other people. "He placed a high value on education, and he saw this scholarship as a way to perpetuate the memory of his parents," he said. Goldfarb grew up in Brooklyn, and his parents died while he was a teenager. After a stint in the US Air Force, he worked for the New York City Department of Finance.

An on-line application for the Goldfarb Memorial Scholarship is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/arrlf/Goldappl.html>. The application deadline for the 2003 Goldfarb Scholarship is March 15. For additional information, contact Mary Lau, N1VH, n1vh@....

==>"HYBRID" AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CLASSES BEST OF ALL WORLDS

You've heard of hybrid tomatoes and hybrid ham radios. Now, some "hybrid" ARRL Level I Amateur Radio emergency communications (EC-001) classes offer a mix of on-line and on-campus instruction.

"This marriage of teaching has been absolutely perfect," said ARRL Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG. "Previously, these classes were either all on-line or anything but on-line. The implementation of hybrid classes offers the best of all available worlds."

Miller says each Level I hybrid course is a little different, as instructors take advantage of their particular strengths, access to varying materials and local interests.

Since the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) grant-sponsored Amateur Radio emergency communications classes began last September, 1277 students have signed up for the Level I course. To date, 723 have graduated and been reimbursed for their tuition. Miller hopes the hybrid classes will help to boost graduation rates.

Under the first year of the nearly $182,000 CNCS grant, students can be reimbursed for the $45 registration fee after they successfully complete the course. "When each student has a financial stake in completing the course, each dollar of the grant will have maximum impact," Miller explained.

The ARRL is strongly encouraging older amateurs to take advantage of the emergency communications training since they're a target of the CNCS

grant. "Senior hams bring a wide variety of experience and knowledge to the program," Miller said. "When they become active participants, they add more insight which then yields a better learning experience."

Miller said successful implementation of the grant-funded training program already has had some positive effects, including an increased awareness of Amateur Radio as a resource by government; the formation of new ARES/RACES groups; stronger ties between existing amateur emergency communication groups and local emergency operations centers; and an influx of new hams to emergency communication teams.

To learn more about the Amateur Radio emergency communications courses and other ARRL Certification and Continuing Education classes, visit the C-CE Course Listing Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce/courses.html>.

==>WISCONSIN UTILITY MAKES AWARD TO ARES/RACES GROUPS

We Energies, a Wisconsin gas and electric utility, has given ARES/RACES organizations <http://wi-aresraces.org> in 17 Wisconsin counties a total of $39,000 to enhance their emergency communication capabilities. A ceremonial check presentation was held January 21.

"We are excited about this timely award, which will bring needed equipment to several of our counties," said Wisconsin Section Emergency Coordinator Dr Stan Kaplan, WB9RQR, who also serves as RACES Chief Radio Officer in the Badger State. "We thank We Energies for their forethought and generosity."

Kaplan said the grant would help to build an effective statewide packet network for use during emergencies. He also said he hopes the idea will "snowball" and inspire other companies to follow suit.

Last November, PA Consulting Group--the energy industry's largest management consulting firm--honored We Energies by presenting the ReliabilityOne Award for superior electric system reliability in the Midwest during 2001.

"In planning how we wanted to celebrate this award, including what we could give to our employees as recognition, we decided that we could put these dollars to better use," said Charles Cole, We senior vice president of distribution operations. "We are proud that we were able to take this award, take it one step further, and share it with a worthwhile organization such as ARES."

EC Resources, a 501(c)3 group established 10 years to fund Outagamie County ARES, will accept the donation from We, solicit written requests from each county's EC for equipment and disburse the funds to buy the needed gear.

Counties picked to receive funds were those with at least 5000 We customers, and funds were apportioned according to the number of customers it serves in county. The top grant of $9000 went to Milwaukee County, while Waukesha County got $6000 and Racine County $3000. ARES/RACES

organizations in 14 other Wisconsin counties plus one We-served county in Michigan got $1500 each.

==>FCC WARNS UNLICENSED OPS, RESCINDS REPEATER'S AUTOMATIC CONTROL AUTHORITY

The FCC has sent warning notices to 10 individuals--eight of them Amateur Radio licensees--for operating without a license in the 11-meter band. All but one of the operators live in the Greater New York City area.

"Such operation will subject you to fine or imprisonment, as well as an in rem seizure of radio transmitting equipment, in cooperation with the United States Attorney for your jurisdiction," FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth wrote January 15. He cited "monitoring information before the Commission" indicating that the individuals were transmitting on 26.540 and/or 26.555 MHz, frequencies allocated for government use. Fines for unlicensed operation can run as high as $10,000.

In other enforcement actions, the FCC rescinded the automatic control authority of a repeater operated by Daniel Granda, KA6VHC, of Whittier, California. The action means a control operator must be present at all times at the control point of the KA6VHC repeater. FCC Los Angeles District Director Catherine Deaton wrote Granda January 13 to say the action was being taken because Granda's repeater was under review by the Enforcement Bureau for apparent violations of the FCC's rules. Alleged violations include obscene and indecent communications, inadequate station control and deliberate interference.

Deaton told Granda that--under threat of fines and revocation proceedings--he may not operate his repeater under automatic control until the enforcement allegations are cleared up.

Last October, the FCC dismissed Granda's complaint against the KD6ZLZ and WA6NJJ repeaters on 223.82 and 223.84 MHz. The FCC told Granda that his 16-year-old coordination document "was insufficient to establish coordination" and that he bears primary responsibility for preventing interference to the two repeaters because he cannot show current coordination. Granda has told the FCC that he's been using the two frequencies "continuously for over 25 years." Hollingsworth told Granda, however, that, even if he were properly coordinated 16 years ago, "coordination is not a lifetime grant" nor a de facto frequency assignment.

The FCC said it continues to receive complaints about deliberate interference from Granda's station to the two repeaters as well as allegations of obscene and/or indecent speech. It's asked Granda to respond to the complainants. In addition, the Commission wants Granda to provide "a detailed plan" to prevent interference to the KD6ZLZ and WA6NJJ repeaters or risk enforcement action. Noting that Granda's license expires next November 9, Hollingsworth said the FCC would not act upon a renewal application until the enforcement issues were resolved.

The FCC also wrote a Florida amateur, John S. Gregory, W3ATE, letting him know that the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau had set aside his General-class upgrade on December 4. As a result, Gregory reverts to a Tech Plus licensee. The action, the FCC said, was based on complaints that Gregory--on more than one occasion in 2002--had operated his station on 20 meters while still licensed as a Technician. The FCC issued Warning Notices to Gregory last May and June but said both were returned as "unclaimed."

The FCC gave Gregory 20 days to explain the alleged operation. "Failure to respond will result in the dismissal of your application," Hollingsworth concluded.

==>FCC INVITES COMMENTS ON AMATEUR-RELATED PETITION

Comments are due February 28 on another Petition for Rulemaking filed by Dale Reich, K8AD, of Seville, Ohio.

Reich has petitioned the FCC to require sellers of two-way voice or data equipment to keep on file a buyer's name, address, telephone number and "any future information when selling a radio that required licensing under the current FCC rules." Information collected would remain private, available only to the FCC or law enforcement. Reich said in his petition that, under his proposal, any retail vendor would be able to ask local police to investigate if the retailer suspected that the radios were not going to be used in compliance with the law.

A separate petition would require "ownership and license tagging" for gear operating under Parts 5, 15, 18, 74, 80, 90, 95 and 97, including call sign, owner's name and address and any FCC file number. It would include CB, Family Radio Service, Multi-Use Radio Service and General Mobile Radio Service gear. In his petition, Reich said such tagging used to be an FCC requirement and that his proposed change was long overdue as a needed tool for local law enforcement.

The FCC has lumped both petitions into one, designated as RM-10641. The full text of Reich's petitions is available on the FCC Web site <http://gullfoss2.fcc.gov/prod/ecfs/retrieve.cgi?native_or_pdf=pdf&id_document=6513398853>.

In an earlier petition, designated RM-10620, Reich had asked the Commission to upgrade Novice and Advanced license holders to the "next" license class if the licensee has 20 or more years of operating experience. Reich said such test-free upgrades would compensate for "the previous tougher exam that was past administered" and give credit for violation-free service records. Before the comment window for Reich's earlier petition closed January 17, it attracted more than 150 comments from the amateur community.

==>UTAH AMATEUR RADIO ANTENNA BILL PASSES HOUSE

Utah's Amateur Radio antenna bill appears to be on the fast track. Just 11 days after its introduction, the bill made it through the Utah House of

Representatives. The vote January 31 was 65 to 8 (with two members not voting). ARRL Utah Section Manager Mel Parkes, AC7CP, has been encouraging Utah amateurs to get behind the new measure, House Bill 79, which was introduced January 20.

Sponsored by Rep Neal B. Hendrickson, HB 79, "Regulation of Amateur Radio Antennas," received a favorable recommendation from the House standing committee on political subdivisions earlier this month. HB 79 would prohibit municipalities and counties in Utah from enacting ordinances that fail to comply with the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1.

The measure would require that local ordinances involving placement, screening or height of an Amateur Radio antenna that are based on health, safety or aesthetics "reasonably accommodate amateur radio communications" and "represent the minimal practicable regulation to accomplish the municipality's purpose."

The bill now moves to the Utah Senate. A copy of the proposed legislation is available on the Utah State Legislature Web site <http://www.le.state.ut.us/~2003/bills/hbillint/hb0079.htm>.

So far, 16 states have incorporated the essence of PRB-1 into their statutes. Bills are pending in several other states.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar guru Tad "Sunshine Superman" Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Again this week the solar numbers were lower, with average daily solar flux down more than 9 points and average daily sunspot numbers down more than 25. Solar flux has probably reached a minimum for the short term at about 125, and it should slowly rise over the next 10 days. There aren't any large clusters of sunspots visible, but a holographic image of the sun's far side shows a complex of spots which eventually will rotate into view.

Over the past week the quietest geomagnetic day was January 27, when K and A indices at all latitudes were quiet low. Other than January 27, conditions have generally been unsettled to active, indicating higher absorption on higher latitude paths. The latest prediction is for unsettled to active conditions on Friday, with a planetary A index around 20, then a drop back to quieter conditions on Saturday, followed by active geomagnetic conditions on Sunday and Monday.

For more information about propagation and an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see the ARRL Web site Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/propagation.html>.

Sunspot numbers for January 23 through 29 were 123, 129, 103, 133, 134, 133 and 173, with a mean of 132.6. The 10.7-cm flux was 135.9, 129.8, 128.9, 125, 121.3, 125.6 and 124.4, with a mean of 127.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 19, 15, 28, 17, 8, 12 and 14, with a mean of 16.1.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The North American Sprint (SSB), the 10-10 International Winter Contest (SSB), the Delaware and Minnesota QSO parties, the FYBO Winter QRP Field Day and the Mexico RTTY International Contest are the weekend of February 1-2. JUST AHEAD: The North American Sprint (CW), the Six Club Winter Contest, the CQ/RJ WW RTTY WPX Contest, the Asia-Pacific Sprint (CW), the Dutch PACC Contest, the YL-OM Contest (CW), the FISTS Winter Sprint, the OMISS QSO Party, the RSGB 1.8 MHz Contest (CW) and the QRP ARCI Winter Fireside SSB Sprint are the weekend of February 8-9. The ARRL School Club Roundup is February 10-15. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration opens Monday, February 3, at 12:01 AM Eastern Time (0500 UTC) for the on-line Level I Emergency Communications course (EC-001). Registration remains open through the February 8-9 weekend or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, February 18. Thanks to the federal homeland security grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service, the $45 registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the course. During this registration period, approximately 200 seats are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. Senior amateurs are strongly encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, dmiller@...; 860-594-0340.

* Kathy Capodicasa named ARRL Customer Service Manager: Kathy Capodicasa, N1GZO, has been promoted to ARRL Customer Service/Circulation Manager, overseeing the distribution of QST, QEX and NCJ. She takes over the reins from Debra Jahnke, who was named ARRL Sales Manager several months ago but has continued to oversee the Circulation Department. "As manager, I want to maintain the high standards of the department and the excellent record of customer service the staff has had over the years," Capodicasa said. "I want to continue that tradition." The Circulation Department is integrating a new computer system to help manage distribution of the three publications. She's also getting acquainted with the large number of forms and tracking statistics it takes to make sure members get their periodicals in the most efficient and timely manner. An ARRL HQ employee since 1987, Capodicasa most recently served as Senior Fulfillment Supervisor and Circulation Supervisor. A Connecticut native, she holds a bachelor's degree in management from Central Connecticut State University.

* Position opening at ARRL Headquarters: ARRL seeks a state-certified teacher with classroom experience--preferably several years at the middle-school level--to coordinate ARRL's Amateur Radio Education and

Technology Project, "The Big Project," and handle other duties as needed. The candidate should be an Amateur Radio operator, preferably with experience in a wide range of ham activities. The position is at ARRL Headquarters in Connecticut. For information on skills required and job responsibilities, contact ARRL Field and Educational Services Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, rwhite@..., ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. Please, no telephone calls. The ARRL is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

* ARRL supports AMSAT-NA petition: The ARRL has commented in favor of an AMSAT-NA Petition for Rulemaking that seeks to change an FCC rule regarding pre-space notifications for Amateur Satellite Service stations. AMSAT-NA wants the rule changed to require a single, written pre-space notification (or information document) within 30 days after receiving a launch commitment. The current rule, §97.207(g), requires two pre-space notifications--the first at 27 months before initiating space station transmissions and the second at five months prior, even if no information has changed. The ARRL said that because finding affordable launch opportunities can be difficult and often involves last-minute decisions, "the 27-month notice requirement imposes an unreasonable and practically impossible compliance burden." AMSAT must seek a waiver of the requirement for essentially every launch, and the FCC has routinely granted such waivers, the ARRL noted. The change to a 30-day requirement (with updates also required if any information changes) "reflects the realities of the Amateur Satellite Service, which is a model of the type of scientific accomplishment, educational opportunity and self-regulation that is a hallmark of the Amateur Radio Service," the League commented. AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, expressed his appreciation to ARRL for its support of its petition.

* Hams provide assistance following plane crash: After two small planes collided and crashed January 24 over Denver's West Highland neighborhood, Amateur Radio operators were among those on hand to assist. Five persons onboard the two aircraft were killed, and seven on the ground were treated for minor injuries. One plane came down near an apartment complex occupied mostly by retired older adults. The other landed in a backyard. The Salvation Army's Emergency Disaster Services (EDS) Metro Denver team was called in to provide canteen services. Metro Denver EDS Supervisor Mike Gelski, KB0PVD, contacted team volunteers to prepare two canteens. Gelski reports that during the response, nine members of the Denver Radio Club provided Amateur Radio communication between two feeding stations as well as with the Denver command post and the Salvation Army command post. Canteen services were concluded the following evening after aircraft debris was removed from both crash locations.

* Prompt action by Amateur Radio operators helps save lives: As ARRL member Joe Giraudo, N7JEH, was on his long, daily commute to his office at a mining corporation outside Elko, Nevada, he came upon a car that had skidded on "black ice" and rolled over a number of times in isolated valley north of Carlin. A bus carrying emergency medical technicians to the mine had already arrived, and the EMTs were mobilizing to treat the

three accident victims. Giraudo immediately called up the autopatch on the W7LKO 146.85 repeater to notify the Nevada Highway Patrol and the Carlin police and fire departments. He again used the autopatch so EMTs could relay situation reports to the responding emergency units. When the emergency units started arriving, they found they were unable to communicate using their own radios because of the local terrain. Again, the autopatch under Giraudo's control allowed them to communicate with their central dispatcher to coordinate other responding units, warn them of the black ice and request helicopter support. At one point the W7LKO autopatch went down, but Gene D'Asto, WA7BWF, immediately came up on the repeater and began relaying information via landline. After a 30 minute extraction effort, all three victims were taken by ambulance to the Elko Regional Medical Center.--Dick Flanagan W6OLD/Carson Valley Radio Club Carson Currents.

* AA6JR appointed to head PR Committee: ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, has appointed Jeff Reinhardt, AA6JR, of Agoura Hills, California, as the 2003 chairman of the League's Public Relations Committee. A veteran committee member, Reinhardt, is also Public Information Coordinator for the ARRL Santa Barbara Section and Public Information Officer for his local club. He said his first order of business would be to schedule a committee conference call to discuss the group's priorities for 2003. Committee members provide advice and counsel to the League's media relations manager and handle other tasks as determined by the media relations manager or the ARRL Board. Reinhardt is a partner in Reinhardt & Reinhardt Advertising. In addition to a long list of accomplishments and community activities, he serves on the Agoura Hills City Council and was recently elected as mayor.

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1018. Happy Birthday - VU2 ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-02 12:02:51 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1018 Message: 1018
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Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its FIRST FOUNDER MEMBER SHRI ZYROS ZEND- [VU2 ZRS] a very Happy Birthday

1019. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2 ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-03 04:33:50 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1018 Message: 1019

Dear Zyros

A little late is better than never! Wish you a very happy birthday!

Some Birthday bread for the birthday boy....

Birthday Beer Bread

by Kara Gardner

Ingredients

- 1 twelve-oz. can of beer
- 2 cups of self-rising flour
- 3 tablespoons of sugar

Mix ingredients together, pour into a bread pan and bake at 375 for half an hour.

Cheers!

Madhu

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1020. Happy Birthday to ZZEND & Kudos to VU3MBF + team

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-03 05:07:47 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1020 Message: 1020

Oh yes GREAT BIRTHDAY WISHES TO OM ZYROS!!

I was thrilled to see Mehul and the team arrange the wonderful welcome and related result distribution ceremony for the fresh new MARS hams. A warm welcome to them and kudos to Mehul and the gang.

73
Nirav
<reminded of the all Mumbai hams dinner attended in the early 90s>

Date: Sun, 2 Feb 2003 17:32:51 +0530
From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
Subject: Happy Birthday - VU2 ZRS

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1021. Happy Birthday VU2 ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-03 10:53:45 UTC
From: Srihari Krishnan
Topic: 1021 Message: 1021
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1022. Happy Birthday VU2 ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-03 10:54:54 UTC
From: Srihari Krishnan
Topic: 1021 Message: 1022
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1023. Fw: [CQ_VU] Hams on Board - Columbia

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-03 14:18:33 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1023 Message: 1023
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

----- Original Message -----
From: Sunil.U.K [vu2ukr]
To: cqvu
Cc: vuhams
Sent: Monday, February 03, 2003 2:19 PM
Subject: [CQ_VU] Hams on Board - Columbia

Sunil.U.K VU2UKR

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1024. Finally they have it..!!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-04 07:29:48 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1024 Message: 1024
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Dear Friends,

After a long long wait they have got their ticket..!!!

M.A.R.S congratulates the following :-

SELVIN CHRISTI ROZARIO - VU2 OSR - GRADE - I
NATEN STEVEN BAPTISTA - VU2 NQS - GRADE - I
SUBHASH ARUN DESAI - VU2 LSD - GRADE - I
NEHA PAWASKAR - VU2 NEH - GRADE - I
ROHIT GADA - VU2 PYG - GRADE - I
YUSUF BOOKWALA - VU2 YAB - GRADE - I
PALLAVI MEHTA - VU2 PYM - GRADE - I
MIHIR MEHTA - VU2 MYP - GRADE - I
AIMAN MERCHANT - VU2 VAH - GRADE - I
KUNAL MASHRU - VU2 KWE - GRADE - I (Ex VU3 KUN)
SUMEET BAL - VU2 UZI - GRADE - I
IVOR PEREIRA - VU2 IVO - GRADE - I
YOGESH MEHTA - VU2 YJM - GRADE - I
PHIROZA TAFTI - VU2 FZI - GRADE - I
NIKITA MORE - VU3 NIK - GRADE - II
ASHLEY BAPTISTA - VU3 AXB - GRADE - II
ZUBIN TAFTI - VU3 ZJT - GRADE - II
TRUPTI NAIK - VU3 SWL - GRADE - II - REST

I sincerely hope that all of them become active hams.

73
NLF

1025. Fw: ARLB012 Texas amateurs aid in shuttle debris recovery, cataloging

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-04 07:41:10 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1025 Message: 1025

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----- Original Message -----
From: "ARRL Web site" <memberlist@...>
To: <info@...>
Cc: <Subscribed ARRL Members:>
Sent: Tuesday, February 04, 2003 3:42 AM
Subject: ARLB012 Texas amateurs aid in shuttle debris recovery, cataloging

> SB QST @ ARL $ARLB012
> ARLB012 Texas amateurs aid in shuttle debris recovery, cataloging
>
> ZCZC AG12
> QST de W1AW
> ARRL Bulletin 12 ARLB012
> >From ARRL Headquarters
> Newington CT February 3, 2003
> To all radio amateurs
>
> SB QST ARL ARLB012
> ARLB012 Texas amateurs aid in shuttle debris recovery, cataloging
>
> Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) and SKYWARN volunteers in
> Nacogdoches, Texas, have been assisting local emergency management
> officials and NASA to locate and catalog debris from the Columbia
> shuttle. The shuttle and its crew of seven, including three hams,
> were lost over Texas February 1.
>
> ARES and SKYWARN volunteers from the Nacogdoches Amateur Radio Club
> have been surveying the area in and around Nacogdoches looking for
> shuttle debris. Public Information Officer Tim Lewallen, KD5ING, of
> the Nacogdoches Amateur Radio Club said amateurs have been
> accompanying officials from both NASA and the EPA to expedite the
> search and clean up of area schools. Texas officials have cancelled
> school in most of East Texas because of fears that shuttle debris
> could pose a health hazard.
>
> ''Usually we just get the coordinates, take a photo and move on to
> the next site,'' Lewallen said, ''and someone from NASA will come
> along and pick up the piece later.''
>
> He said the club had additional volunteers lined up for duty over
> the next few days, with amateurs coming from East Texas, Houston and
> Dallas. The ARES and SKYWARN volunteers have been working with
> emergency officials from Nacogdoches County, Texas Rangers, NASA,
> Texas Department of Public Safety, EPA and the National Guard.
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> The ARES and SKYWARN volunteers also were following up on
> NASA-provided telemetry and radar information that indicates where
> debris might be found, Lewallen said. The search area includes
> densely forested areas. NASA has requested that those encountering
> debris avoid any contact with it and cautioned that persons found
> with stolen accident debris will be prosecuted to the full extent of
> the law.
>
> The Columbia crew, headed by Commander Rick Husband, included Pilot
> Willie McCool and Mission Specialists Kalpana ''KC'' Chawla, KD5ESI;
> David Brown, KC5ZTC; Laurel Clark, KC5ZSU, Michael Anderson, and
> Payload Specialist Ilan Ramon.
> NNNN
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1026. Happy Birthday - VU2 NNF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-07 07:01:48 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1026 Message: 1026
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Dear Friends,

The Monthly meeting of February 2003 will be held on 9th Feb 2003 at 10:00 hours at B.S.Bengelle Girls High School.

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:-

1. Debriefing of Fox Hunt.
2. Distribution of pending results sheets.
3. Distribution of new licences.
4. Finalizing the list of bulk import of Radio sets (HF & VHF)
5. Proposal for the starting of next batch of Ham Radio classes.
6. Announcements of special schemes for life memberships for families and handicaps.

All members are requested to kindly attend the meeting on time.

73
NLF

1027. Monthly meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-07 07:02:51 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 116 Message: 1027
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NLF

1028. 2M News!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-08 03:37:55 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 1028 Message: 1028

Hi!!

The propagation conditions were very good on 2M this morning. I had a contact with CPV(GandhiNagar) and EHY(Ahmedabad) at 8.15am.

Another news is that the repeater is up in Gandhinagar having 145.70 MHz -600 shift (it is there on one of the Govt Building in Gandhinagar)(it was down today because of the QRM but will be up again from evening/tomorrow). If the propagation conditions are favourable, there are chances of triggering the repeater from Mumbai and to have many more contacts with Gujarat Hams.

See you on 2M!!

73s,
Sandip - VU2UGO

1029. Happy Birthday - VU2 RIG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-10 08:11:13 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1029 Message: 1029
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MARS wishes its Founder Member Rajen Kavadia - VU2 RIG a very Happy Birthday

1030. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2 RIG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-10 11:42:40 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1029 Message: 1030

Happy Birthday Big Brother.

regards and wishes and a cup of tea and cake when ever in fort at my bakery

from

ZYROS ZEND
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1031. Birds

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-10 12:00:20 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1031 Message: 1031

Hi OMs / YLs!!!

Last week I tried to track the satellites with my basic VHF setup (IC-2100 transceiver & Stacked 5/8 antenna and WXtrack Software). The HAM Satellites which have downlink in 2M (144-146 MHz) are ISS (145.800) & NO-44 (144.390 & 145.827). I was able to hear packet burst when they passed over Mumbai.

The next thing i'm trying is to decode the ISS packet signals with the help of MixW2 software.
(refer - http://www.ne.jp/asahi/hamradio/je9pel/mix2-iss.htm) and will also try UISS Program.

By the way MixW supports: SSB, AM, FM, CW, BPSK31, QPSK31, FSK31, RTTY, Packet (HF/VHF), Pactor (RX only), AMTOR (FEC), MFSK, Hellschreiber, Throb, Fax (RX only), SSTV, MT63. MixW does not require a TNC. The only requirement is that you must have a computer running Windows 9x, ME, NT4, 2000 or XP operating system, and a compatible soundcard.
(For Amateur Radio Soundblaster Software Collection visit - http://www.muenster.de/~welp/sb.htm)

Members having VHF/UHF gear can try FM repeater Satellites like AO-27 or UO-14 in the beginning.

Another interesting thing while tracking the HAM SATs was tracking the Wx SATs like NOAA-12, 15 & 17 which has downlink of 137.50 & 137.62 (thankfully my IC-2100 supports these frequencies). One can easily decode the APT (Automatic Picture Transmission) on these frequencies with the help of programs like Satsignal & WXtoming using PC's soundcard.
The another requirement is RHCP (right hand circular polarisation) antenna and receiver with 50KHz bandwidth. Unfortunately the bandwidth of my IC-2100 is 30KHz. I am searching internet for radio MOD on this or for any other alternative like RigSAT RX-2. About the antenna there are many simple to make designs available on the internet e.g. QFH Antenna.

Those who are interested in Weather Satellite Imaging and how to receive them, with home made equipment, pls visit - http://ozon.homepage.dk/engelsk.htm and Remote Imaging Group.

Expecting more info, feedback, discussions, your experiences,
about the 'BIRDS' on the egroup.

Please see more interesting URLs at the end of this message.

73s,
de VU2UGO
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Remember Amateur Radio is not just a hobby, it's an obsession!
Tom, K9WLF/4
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vu2ugo@...

Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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HAM SAT URLs
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AMSAT - What is AMSAT - http://www.amsat.org/amsat/amsat-na/press/amfact1.html
FAQ & Intros - http://www.amsat.org/amsat/intro/faqs.html
Weekly Satellite Status Report - http://www.amsat.org/amsat/news/wsr.html
Downloadable Software - http://www.amsat.org/amsat/ftpsoft.html
AMSAT.ORG Mailing List - http://www.amsat.org/amsat/listserv/lists.html
ISS Fan Club - http://www.issfanclub.com/

Some more URLs at -
http://users.skynet.be/on1cau/
http://dmoz.org/Recreation/Radio/Amateur/Satellite_Tracking/
http://www.ac6v.com/satellites.htm
http://www.mindspring.com/~n2wwd/

WX SAT URLs
==========
Weather Satellite FAQ - http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/hffax/satfaq.htm
David & Cecilia Taylor's Web pages - http://www.satsignal.net/
http://www.hffax.de/WX_Satellite/wxsatellite.html
http://www.hffax.de/WX_Satellite/WXSat/hauptteil_wxsat.html
Remote Imaging Group - http://www.rig.org.uk/newsite/mainpage.htm

1032. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2 RIG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-12 04:53:12 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1029 Message: 1032

hey RIG! belated birthday wishes to you!!

cheers!

madhu

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1033. Happy Birthday - Shivanand Manthalkar

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-12 05:45:34 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1033 Message: 1033
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MARS wishes its Member Shivanand Manthalkar a very Happy Birthday

1034. FT 857

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-12 13:08:02 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1034 Message: 1034

(http://www.universal-radio.com/index.html)
Yaesu FT-857
160-6M +2M +440 MHz
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Front Panel (http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamhf/0857frt.html) | Front Panel Removed (http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamhf/0857frtr.html) | Rear Panel (http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamhf/0857rear.html)

The Yaesu FT-857 is the worlds's smallest HF/VHF/UHF multimode amateur transceiver. But don't let the diminutive size fool you. The FT-857 is loaded with features, high power output and a receiver that blends the renowned performance of the FT-897 and FT-1000 Mark V. It provides coverage of the 160 to 6 meter bands plus the 144 MHz and 430 MHz bands! And look at the receive coverage: 0.1-76, 108-174 and 420-512 MHz. The front panel (http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamhf/0857frt.html) is removable and it is remotable with the optional YSK-857 separation kit. Refinements include: spectrum display, 32 color display, beacon mode, keyer, 200 alphanumeric memories and CTCSS.
The FT-857 rear panel (http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamhf/0857rear.html) features an SO239 input for your HF/6M antenna, and an SO-239 input for your 2M/440 MHz antenna. Includes MH31A8J hand mic, mounting bracket, DC power cord, spare ATC fuses.
The FT-857 came into stock on February 10, 2003.

Features

- 160-2 meters +440
- Electronic Keyer
- 200 Alpha Memories
- DSP Option

- 100 Watts HF Output
- 50 Watts 2 Meter Output
- 20 Watts 440 MHz Output
- Spectrum Display

Options | Options With Photos (http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamhf/0857ops.html)

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Item

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Order

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ATAS-120

Active tuning motorized mobile antenna.

$360.00

$339.95

(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=4547)

#3804

ATBK-100

VHF-UHF antenna base/counterpoise kit for ATAS-120.

$ 89.00

$ 79.95

(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=3804)

#0379

CT-39

Packet cable.

$ 9.00

$ 8.95

(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=0379)

#3821

CT-58

Band data cable.

$ 29.00

$ 26.95

(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=3821)

#3822

CT-62

CAT Computer interface cable.

$ 29.00

$ 26.95

(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=3822)

#4187

DSP2

DSP bandpass filter, auto notch, NR & mic equalizer. INFO
(http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamhf/41870857.html)

$ 60.00

$ 52.95

(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=4187)

#4540

FC-30

Automatic antenna tuner. MORE INFO
(http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamhf/45400857.html)

$258.00

$219.95

(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=4540)

#3631

FP-1023

Switching power supply 23 amp. 120/240 VAC.

$169.00

$159.95

(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=3631)

#3640

FP-1030A

Linear power supply 30 amp.

$269.00

$239.95

(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=3640)

#0420

MH-36E8J

DTMF Hand mic

$ 60.00

$ 54.95

(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=0420)

#4414

MH-59A8J

DTMF remote hand mic. VIEW (http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamhf/4414info.jpg)

$ 82.00

$ 63.95

(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=4414)

#2187

TCXO-9

High stability option (? 0.5 PPM).

$ 99.00

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YF-122C

Collins 500 Hz CW filter.

$173.00

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(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=1255)

#4188

YF-122CN

Collins 300 Hz CW narrow filter.

$222.00

$159.95

(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=4188)

#0803

YF-122S

Collins 2.3 kHz SSB filter.

$173.00

$159.95

(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=0803)

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1035. Family & Physically Impaired Life Memberships

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-12 15:14:57 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1035 Message: 1035

Hi All,

As discussed earlier Family & Physically Impaired Life Membership Fees are revised as follows:

Family Life Membership
==========
First Member - Rs.2500
Spouse - Rs.2000
Harmonics - Rs.1500

Life Membership for Physically Impaired Members - Rs.1000
==========

Kindly take the opportunity to become life members. Please forward all the chqs or cash to registered office address or my residence by courier.

Thnks,

Mehul Chovatia
Treasurer - MARS
9820444991

1036. Hams help with Columbia recovery

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-14 04:31:42 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1036 Message: 1036
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear Day
Date: Wed, 12 Feb 2003 20:40:52 -0800 (PST)
From: sasi nayar <vu3snm@...>
Subject: Hams help with Columbia recovery

A nice article highlighting the role of radio amateurs
in recovering shuttle debris. Time we did this in
India and counter the negative publicity we got from
the commercial minded rally organisers! ;-)
http://www.msnbc.com/news/869906.asp

1037. The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 07

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-15 14:24:34 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1037 Message: 1037

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IN THIS EDITION:

* +UTC announces nationwide emergency communications training grant
* +ISS crew digs in for longer stay in space
* +Texas amateurs wind down support for Columbia debris search
* +CITEL countries support harmonized 7-MHz allocation
* +Hollingsworth advocates courtesy, common sense
* +Utah amateur antenna bill headed for governor's desk
* +Revised Amateur Radio Today video now available for downloading
* Solar Update
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This weekend on the radio
ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration
Indiana amateur antenna bill advances
Atlantic Division seeks nominees for annual awards
ARISS chair begs patience regarding RS0ISS packet system

+Available on ARRL Audio News

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NOTE: ARRL Headquarters closed on Presidents' Day: ARRL Headquarters will
be closed Monday, February 17, for the Presidents' Day holiday, and there
will be no W1AW bulletin or code practice transmissions on that day. ARRL
Headquarters will reopen at 8 AM EST Tuesday, February 18.
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==>UTC EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS NATIONAL TRAINING GRANT TO COVER ALL
LEVELS

A generous grant from ARRL corporate partner United Technologies
Corporation (UTC) <http://www.utc.com> will expand reimbursed Amateur
Radio Emergency Communications Course (ARECC) training to all three
training levels and put the UTC grant program on a national level. The
three-year, $150,000 grant will reimburse the cost of tuition to students
anywhere in the US who successfully complete ARRL's Level I, II and III
Amateur Radio emergency communication courses. An earlier UTC grant
covered Level I and II ARECC training for more than 280 Connecticut
amateurs.

"This grant plays perfectly into the overall plan and scope of emergency
communication for local communities and our nation as a whole," said ARRL
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Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG. "This will allow us to increase the number of seats offered each month for reimbursable courses." Miller praised UTC's foresight and proactive approach to community involvement.

ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH, said UTC clearly recognizes the importance of emergency communication. "With this new grant, UTC has taken a giant step and renewed its commitment to Amateur Radio, emergency communication and homeland security," she said.

Including the earlier UTC grant and a three-year federal Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) award of some $543,000, the ARRL now has secured $726,000 for emergency communication training. That training, Hobart predicted, "will have an impact on every state in the union."

Students successfully completing any level of the on-line Amateur Radio Emergency Communications classes under the new UTC grant will be eligible for reimbursement of their $45 registration fee.

==>ISS CREW COMMENTS PUBLICLY ON COLUMBIA, DIGS IN FOR POSSIBLE LONG STAY

The members of the all-ham crew onboard the International Space Station said this week that while they grieve the loss of the shuttle Columbia crew, human space exploration must continue and they're ready to spend up to a year in space if necessary. The ISS crew made its first public comments since the February 1 shuttle disaster in two news conferences this week.

"My first reaction was pure shock," Expedition 6 crew commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP, told reporters February 11, when asked about how he felt when he heard the news that Columbia and her crew were lost. "I was numb and could not believe that it was happening." During serial briefings February 12 with CNN, ABC, CBS and NBC, Bowersox and his crew reiterated their resolve to stay the course, remaining in space for up to a year if necessary.

Bowersox said that once it became unlikely that there were any survivors from the Columbia catastrophe, "we discussed all of the different options for how it would affect us." He said he was confident that the crew would have a way to get home. "We've got a Soyuz vehicle parked right outside," he said.

Pettit--who had played chess via radio and e-mail with Columbia pilot Willie McCool during the Columbia STS-107 science mission--said he's hoped the crew somehow had made it safely to the ground. He said the magnitude of the tragedy hit him when the ISS crew realized that there were no survivors. "I'm the type that likes to grieve quietly and in private," he said February 12.

Budarin said he's comfortable with staying in orbit as long as necessary, now that NASA has indefinitely grounded the shuttle fleet. The Russian cosmonaut told a CBS reporter that he has experienced seven months in

orbit before aboard Mir, and that he's hoping for a good landing back on Earth--whether via the US space shuttle or the Russian Soyuz escape vehicle that's attached to the space station.

Bowersox said the crew was happy to stay aboard the ISS. "We like it aboard space station," he said. "We're going to enjoy however many months we have to stay on orbit." Bowersox said February 12 the crew did not feel isolated and had plenty of contact with family and friends and that, while not operating at peak efficiency, the crew members would continue to move forward with the "serious tasks" ahead of them. "We'll be working through that grieving process for the rest of the time we're here, I think."

Pettit, the Expedition 6 science officer, said the crew's work schedule has suffered from the effects of the Columbia tragedy. "But now, it looks like we'll have plenty of time to finish all that we have remaining on our task list." he added.

Pettit said that cutting the crew size would hurt scientific research because the crew would spend a lot more of its time just maintaining the ISS. But, he pointed out, research into how humans cope physiologically in space would continue and would make the risk of human spaceflight worthwhile. "This is a matter where you can decide as a society can decide to lead the way, step aside or follow," Pettit told NBC News anchorman Tom Brokaw. Space exploration is "an investment in your future, and, as such, you can't let a setback stop your exploration activities."

The Expedition 6 crew has been aboard the ISS since November and was scheduled to return to Earth aboard the shuttle Atlantis in March. Unmanned Progress cargo rockets, including one that docked February 4, are providing fuel and supplies. On February 11, the crew used the Progress to boost the stations' orbit by about six miles (the ISS is approximately 250 miles above Earth). The crew reportedly has sufficient provisions to last at least until June. A Soyuz taxi crew is scheduled to visit the ISS in April to drop off a new Soyuz capsule and return the one now attached to the ISS.

The crew has not used the NA1SS onboard ham station since the last Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact in January. The next scheduled ARISS contact is set for February 21, with students at Oregon State University.

==>TEXAS AMATEURS STAND DOWN IN COLUMBIA DEBRIS SEARCH

Ham radio support for the shuttle Columbia debris search and recovery effort in Nacogdoches and San Augustine counties in Texas wrapped up February 12. US Forest Service personnel were scheduled to assume the support role hams had filled in East Texas for nearly two weeks.

"I must say the amateurs were very professional and very dedicated to assist in any manner," said South Texas Section Emergency Coordinator Bob Ehrhardt, W5ZX. "Even after a day in the bush, they would come back in to the ops center and say they were ready for another day."

Ehrhardt said the weather often was rainy and cold with some sleet. "The brambles and briars in the forest did not help," he added. "The agencies that they worked with were very surprised and pleased with Amateur Radio. I know that we changed several minds that we could get the job done."

Jim Lawyer, AA5QX, a Dallas-area amateur who'd helped to organize Amateur Radio search-and-recovery support in Nacogdoches County also expressed his appreciation. "To all who offered to assist and for those who were able to serve, thank you for being part of the solution!" he said. In addition to communication support, hams used GPS and computer mapping software to pin down and report the locations of debris items as they were sighted.

Nacogdoches County ARES Emergency Coordinator Kenneth Hughes, KK5BE, said he was "very proud" of the local ARES members who responded to the call for volunteers. "Twelve days of operation is hard to keep all things going well," he said.

Kevin Anderson, KD5CCH, of Nacogdoches he was proud of the support East Texas amateurs were able to provide. "This has been a rather large team effort," he said. "Under the extremely complicated and sensitive circumstances in which we have operated, we came together and pulled off a rather huge task based on the scope of the operations in which we were called upon to participate and the type of services we were asked to provide."

Lawyer says that preliminary numbers reported February 13 during a debriefing net in Nacogdoches indicated that 198 amateurs logged in at one time or another in Nacogdoches County and 148 in San Augustine County. Lawyer says an estimated 80 percent of the participating amateurs were from outside the two counties. "It took all of us to make it happen, and without all of us, it wouldn't have been the success that it was," Lawyer said. "You have reason to be proud that you are 'amateurs'--those who do it for the love of it."

==>HARMONIZED 7 MHz ALLOCATION GAINS SUPPORT IN THE AMERICAS

A dozen countries in the Americas have agreed to support a proposal for a "harmonized" 300-kHz amateur band in the vicinity of 7 MHz. The issue of a uniform worldwide 40-meter allocation is on the agenda of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 (WRC-03), set to be held in Geneva this June and July. The US has so far taken no position on the issue.

"It is possible that other countries will sign on when this proposal is circulated among all 34 member-states of the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission (CITEL)," said ARRL Technical Relations Specialist Jon Siverling, WB3ERA. "It takes at least six countries of the Organization of American States to make an Inter-American Proposal (IAP). If more countries sign on, the IAP will have greater weight at WRC-03."

Argentina, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru and Venezuela agreed to the Canadian-sponsored IAP for a 300-kHz amateur band--from 7 to 7.3 MHz--in all three ITU radio regions. That position is in line with what the

International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) has been calling for.

The support came during a meeting of CITEL's Permanent Consultative Committee for Radiocommunications (PCC.II-RADIO) Working Group, which is preparing Inter-American Proposals for WRC-03. PCC.II-Radio met February 3-7 in Orlando, Florida. Fourteen CITEL member states attended the Orlando session.

Siverling has been chair of so-called Chapter 5 issues for CITEL, leading up to WRC-03, which he will also attend. Chapter 5 issues include the Maritime Mobile, Amateur and Amateur-Satellite and Broadcasting services in the MF and HF bands.

Another matter on the WRC-03 agenda is possible changes to Articles 25, 19 and 1 to the international Radio Regulations. Fifteen countries--Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, the US, Uruguay and Venezuela--signed an IAP favorable to the Amateur Service. The US signed the IAP but withheld support on two of the 18 specific provisions.

Siverling explained that the IAP approved at Orlando conforms with IARU positions on the three articles. Article 25 covers technical requirements and operator qualifications, including Morse code proficiency--which could be left up to individual administrations to require following WRC-03; Article 19 covers call sign configurations, and Article 1 deals with issues consequent to any changes to Article 25.

Twelve CITEL countries agreed in Orlando on an IAP to propose a "footnote allocation" of 135.7-137.8 kHz to amateurs in Region 2. This band is already available to amateurs in some CEPT countries.

The 136-kHz issue came up as a Canadian proposal to create a secondary allocation, but the issue is not on the WRC-03 agenda. According to Siverling, International Telecommunication Union (ITU) member-states want to eliminate or minimize footnotes in the Radio Regulations. The IAP for a "footnote allocation" at 136 kHz, however, was seen as a way to get the issue on the WRC-03 agenda "on an exception basis," he said.

Siverling explained that the CITEL IAP leading to a possible allocation in Region 2 of the 136-kHz band at WRC-03 has been handled separately from the pending US amateur LF allocation. Acting on an ARRL request, the FCC has proposed a domestic (US-only) allocation at 136 kHz on a non-interference basis. "At some point, the twain will meet," Siverling said.

==>HOLLINGSWORTH PREACHES COURTESY, COMMON SENSE

FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth told those attending his forum at the Richmond, Virginia, Frostfest February 9 that Amateur Radio enforcement still has a long way to go, but that amateurs can do a lot through peer pressure to head off problems before they become enforcement

issues.

"Enforcement is no substitute for courtesy and common sense," Hollingsworth declared. "More courtesy would go a long way. Hollingsworth again suggested that amateurs "operate so that listeners will be impressed with Amateur Radio," not offended or turned off by it. He said awareness of Amateur Radio is on the rise in the wake of media attention since September 11, 2001, and, more recently, with ham radio assistance in the search for debris from the shuttle Columbia. He pointed to 20 and 75 meters as the current enforcement hot spots as well as the bands where the least courteous operating practices are found--some of which he described as "a disgrace" to the Amateur Service.

Off-the-air peer pressure, he said, is an effective tool to provide guidance to amateurs who may be unaware of how they sound to others on the air. The reactions of some hams when they confront interference--or perceived interference--can be worse than the original interference--whether or not it's deliberate. "Don't overreact," Hollingsworth advised. "The best reaction is no reaction whatsoever."

"You have to always be aware of your image and be willing to protect it," he told those gathered in the packed forum. "You can't shoot yourself in the foot." More than 1000 attended the Richmond Frostfest, sponsored by the Richmond Amateur Telecommunications Society <http://www.rats.net/>.

The use of new technology and on-the-air experimentation also sometimes brings controversy to the amateur bands, Hollingsworth said, and may prompt an occasion for the FCC to revisit its current Part 97 Amateur Service rules. Hollingsworth pointed to the use of so-called "enhanced SSB," where experimenters have been attempting to achieve full-carrier AM-like high-fidelity audio in that mode. Hollingsworth said the presence of the enhanced SSB experimenters has led to complaints to the FCC--as many as 20 per week--that these signals are taking up excessive bandwidth.

Hollingsworth told his Richmond audience that deliberately operating a wideband mode in a crowded spectrum is "shortsighted and rude," may be ignoring the "minimum bandwidth necessary" rule. If its use isn't accompanied by courtesy and common sense, he said, it will lead to pressure on the FCC to revise the Amateur Service rules.

The "Emission Standards" section of Part 97--specifically §97.307(a) and (b)--requires amateur transmissions to not occupy "more bandwidth than necessary for the information rate and emission type being transmitted, in accordance with good amateur practice" and to "not cause splatter" on adjacent frequencies.

Hollingsworth said the bandwidth of a given signal is not easily determined by the average amateur transceiver--even one equipped with a band scope of some sort. He pointed out that the problems with apparent splatter can be aggravated by the use of a noise blanker on the receiving end. "Just because it sounds wide doesn't mean it is wide," he said, adding that he'd prefer the amateur community come up a way to accommodate

such experimentation, because "a government solution will be worse than the problem."

==>UTAH AMATEUR RADIO ANTENNA BILL ON ITS WAY TO GOVERNOR'S DESK

Less than a month after its introduction, Utah's Amateur Radio antenna bill is on its way to the desk of Gov Michael Leavitt. The bill unanimously passed the Utah Senate February 13, 26-0. The measure, HB 79, was introduced January 20. It earlier passed the Utah House, 65-8.

"I would like to express appreciation to the many Amateur Radio clubs and individual Amateur Radio operators throughout Utah who spent many hours publicizing this bill and ensuring Utah representatives and senators were contacted about the importance of this bill," said ARRL Utah Section Manager Mel Parkes, AC7CP. "Once the bill is signed Utah will be come the 17th state to enact PRB-1 legislation."

Sponsored by Rep Neal B. Hendrickson, HB 79, "Regulation of Amateur Radio Antennas," made it through the house 11 days after getting a favorable committee recommendation. The Utah Senate Business and Labor Committee unanimously approved HB 79 and sent it to the Senate floor February 6. HB 79 would prohibit municipalities and counties in Utah from enacting ordinances that fail to comply with the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1.

The measure would require that local ordinances involving placement, screening or height of an Amateur Radio antenna that are based on health, safety or aesthetics "reasonably accommodate amateur radio communications" and "represent the minimal practicable regulation to accomplish the municipality's purpose."

Parkes has credited Mike Davis, KD7FQD, and John Hanson, KI7AR, for developing the bill and getting Hendrickson to sponsor it.

A copy of the proposed legislation is available on the Utah State Legislature Web site <http://www.le.state.ut.us/~2003/bills/hbillint/hb0079.htm>.

==>AMATEUR RADIO'S PUBLIC SERVICE STORY IS NOW AVAILABLE ON VIDEO!

An updated Amateur Radio Today video now is available for free downloading from the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/ARToday/>. The MPEG-format file is 70 Mbytes.

Narrated by former CBS News anchorman Walter Cronkite, KB2GSD, Amateur Radio Today showcases the public service contributions made by hams throughout the country. Highlights include ham radio's response on September 11, 2001, ham radio's part in helping various agencies respond to last year's wildfires in the Western US, and ham radio-in-space educational initiatives. Directed by Dave Bell, W6AQ, Amateur Radio Today was written by Alan Kaul, W6RCL. The production team included Bell and Kaul as well as Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, and Bill Baker, W1BKR. The editor was Keith Glispie, WA6TFD.

Amateur Radio Today is an ideal presentation for clubs, government meetings, civic organizations and any other venue where you want to vividly illustrate what Amateur Radio has to offer the public. The video runs just six minutes and is available in several formats. The digital version of Amateur Radio Today is available in MPEG video format, which can be played by Windows Media Player, Apple QuickTime or RealPlayer software. It can be run from the CD or copied to your hard drive (not included).

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==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar sage Tad "Staring at the Sun" Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: Solar flux and sunspot numbers rose this week over last. Average daily sunspot numbers were up nearly 70 points, and average daily solar flux rose by more than 11 points. Neither number was rising over the past few days, and both are expected to continue to decline.

The predicted solar flux for Friday through Monday is 130, 130, 125 and 125. Solar flux is expected to reach a short-term minimum near 115 around February 21-22, and then reach another peak roughly around March 5-9. Don't expect high values as in the past few years though. For example, during this same week last year, the average daily solar flux was nearly 62 points higher--201.8.

For the ARRL International DX Contest (CW) this weekend we could see some unsettled or perhaps active geomagnetic conditions. The earth should be inside a solar wind stream flowing from a coronal hole on Friday and Saturday. But the current prediction is for a planetary A index of only 15 over the weekend. No doubt higher latitude A indices could be higher.

Sunspot numbers for February 6 through 12 were 135, 153, 162, 194, 163, 134 and 119, with a mean of 151.4. The 10.7-cm flux was 149.5, 147.3, 139.2, 141.4, 136.2, 134.9 and 131.6, with a mean of 140. Estimated planetary A indices were 16, 13, 13, 15, 16, 12 and 12, with a mean of 13.9.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL International DX Contest (CW) and the YL-OM Contest (SSB) are the weekend of February 15-16. JUST AHEAD: The CQ 160-Meter Contest (SSB), the REF Contest (SSB), the UBA DX Contest (CW), the FYBO Winter QRP Field Day, the North American QSO Party (RTTY), the Russian PSK WW Contest, the High Speed Club CW Contest, the North Carolina QSO Party and the CQC Winter QSO Party are the weekend of February 22-23. See the ARRL Contest Branch page

<http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Thanks to a new grant from ARRL's corporate partner, United Technologies Corporation, students successfully completing Level II and Level III on-line Amateur Radio Emergency Communications classes now are eligible for reimbursement of their $45 registration fee. Registration for the grant-sponsored ARRL Level III Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-003) and for the unsponsored HF Digital Communications (EC-005) courses opens Monday, February 17, 12:01 AM Eastern Standard Time (0501 UTC). Senior amateurs are especially encouraged to take advantage of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications classes. Registration will remain open through Sunday, February 23 or until all seats have been filled. Classes begin Monday, February 24. No seats remain in the February registration period for the ARRL Level II Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (EC-002). Registration for the Antenna Modeling (EC-004) course remains open through Sunday, February 16. A new service now allows those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future to receive advance word of registration opportunities via e-mail. To take advantage, send an e-mail to prereg@.... On the subject line, include the course name or number (eg, EC-00#). In the message body, include your name, call sign, e-mail address, and the month you want to start the course. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@....

* Indiana amateur antenna bill advances: The latest effort to get an Amateur Radio antenna bill on the books in the State of Indiana took another step forward this week. Senate Bill 109 received a "do pass" recommendation following a hearing and a 5-3 vote February 12 by members of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee. The measure now goes to the full Senate. In addition to incorporating the essence of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 into state statutes, the measure would prohibit localities from restricting the height of an Amateur Radio antenna to less than 75 feet above ground level. "I expect opposition on this bill from the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns, and the Indiana Historical Preservation Society," said ARRL Indiana Section Manager Jim Sellers, K9ZBM. Sellers was among those speaking in favor of SB109 at the committee hearing. He told the panel that there is a patchwork of ordinances across the state regulating various allowable antenna heights, some of them too low to provide effective communication. SB109 would provide a uniform standard.

* Atlantic Division seeks nominees for annual awards: The ARRL Atlantic Division is seeking nominees for its 2003 awards for Amateur of the Year and Technical Achievement. The Amateur of the Year Award recognizes a ham in the division whose record merits recognition for outstanding contributions to the Amateur Radio Service. The Technical Achievement

Award honors amateurs who contribute to the advancement of the radio art and whose attitude exemplifies the highest dedication to service to others and to science, rather than self. Groups of two or more Amateurs may be nominated for a joint award in this category. All nominations must be received by March 15, 2003. Visit the Atlantic Division Web site <http://www.bfdin.net/atldiv/AtlAwards.htm> to obtain an award nomination form and additional details. For more information, contact Atlantic Division Vice Director Bill Edgar, N3LLR, n3llr@..., or write him at 22 Jackson Ave, Bradford, PA 16701.

* ARISS chair begs patience regarding RS0ISS packet system: The chairman of the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station international team, Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, is asking hams to be patient regarding resumption of the ISS packet operation. "Over the past few weeks the ARISS team has received numerous queries as to when the packet system will be turned back on," Bauer said. "We want to thank you all for your concern in getting this important capability up and running again." Bauer said ARISS has been working with NASA and Russian space officials to get the system operational again, but that the ISS crew has other priorities--especially in the wake of the Columbia tragedy. Bauer said that given the busy crew schedule, amateurs should not be surprised if the RS0ISS packet system is off the air for a bit longer. Once it's operational, he advised amateurs not to post messages to the crew since the crew has not had the opportunity to read the mail.

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1038. Fw: ARLS005 ARISS contact delayed

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-15 14:28:46 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1038 Message: 1038

----- Original Message -----
From: "ARRL Web site" <memberlist@...>
To: <info@...>
Cc: <Subscribed ARRL Members:>
Sent: Saturday, February 08, 2003 2:12 AM
Subject: ARLS005 ARISS contact delayed

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> ARLS005 ARISS contact delayed
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> ZCZC AS05
> QST de W1AW
> Space Bulletin 005 ARLS005
> >From ARRL Headquarters
> Newington, CT February 7, 2003
> To all radio amateurs
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> SB SPACE ARL ARLS005
> ARLS005 ARISS contact delayed
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> An ARISS contact set for February 6 with students at a high school
> in Germany was postponed, although the contact schedule is expected
> to resume later this month.
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> "The German school QSO was postponed because of the Columbia
> accident and the re-planning taking place for ISS," said ARISS
> International Chairman Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, "and because of the crew
> unloading a ton of equipment from the (Russian) Progress rocket."
> Bauer said he was expecting further clarification from NASA
> regarding future ARISS school QSOs.
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> The all-ham ISS Expedition 6 crew of Commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP,
> Don Pettit, KD5MDT, and Nikolai Budarin, RV3FB, will have an
> extended stay aboard the ISS. Under normal circumstances, a shuttle
> mission next month would have brought a fresh crew to the ISS and
> returned Bowersox and his crewmates to Earth. With a Russian
> Progress 10 cargo rocket delivery February 4, the Expedition 6 team
> now has sufficient supplies to sustain the crew until late June or
> early July.
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> In other amateur space news, A. R. "Pop" Kumar, VU2POP, of
> AMSAT-India, has announced that a geostationary weather satellite
> launched by India last September will be named Kalpana-1 in memory
> of Columbia Mission Specialist Kalpana "KC" Chawla, KD5ESI.
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1039. Propagation Prediction Graph

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-17 12:42:41 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1039 Message: 1039
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1040. Is Your Rig 'Inferior Grade'?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-17 14:48:43 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1040 Message: 1040

Is Your Rig 'Inferior Grade'?
from Phil Brazzell KU4AB on February 17, 2003
View comments about this article! (http://www.eham.net/articles/4618#comments)

Why do so many ads for used ham equipment have the line: "never run mobile" when its a mobile rig being sold? Why do you see so many Ham HTs at the hamfest or on eBay that look great but don't work?
Are we being sold "inferior grade" equipment?
Recently a ham friend handed me his new HT and said, "check this out"... I noticed right off that it was "built like a brick" I plucked my 6month old Alinco off my hip and WOW it felt like a toy compared to his new Vertex VX-150, yet it cost much more. I admired it and handed it back almost wishing I'd waited to buy a HT.
I went home and as I worked around the shack I looked at the broken Ham rigs on the shelves that I'd acquired to "fix". I turned to the old MOTOROLA Mocom 70 sitting in the rack that we use for a repeater transmitter, still faithful after 30 years? I reflected on a Icom HT I had bought new yet, even though it had never been dropped, had to have the antenna connector re-soldered twice within a year just from swapping antennas. I thought of another ham's nice Kenwood HT. The clip that holds the battery in place broke shortly after he'd bought it... Another ham had the belt clip break off his new Alinco. I thought back at how many times I'd seen a construction worker walking around with a Motorola on his hip so scarred up that you could hardly tell who manufactured it, yet it still worked great. What a difference!
Doesn't it seem that we are being sold "inferior grade" rigs?
I went to the phone and ordered two of the VERTEX rigs... Thanks VERTEX! It's about time! Icom, Kenwood, Alinco are you listening? I'm tired of light duty equipment. I'd rather have it built "commercial grade" and have it still be working next year! I'd even pay more for it!
Build it we'll buy them...
73's Phil

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Is Your Rig 'Inferior Grade'?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/18723)

by WA2JJH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA2JJH) on February 17, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=18723)

mOTOROLA did have the GP-68. It was a commercial UHF
Handheld. It would provide TX-RX very well at 70cm.
If one did a MOD it would be keypad programmable.
I do not know if it is type accepted by the FCC.
Do a google seach on it. People were selling them at Dayton about 6 years ago for $400 or less.

Motorola also makes an HF RIG. I think it is commercial only. It looks like no other HF radio I have ever seen. Again check it out on Google.
I am sure it is ultra expensive!

Motorola had a policy they will not produce a VHF/UHF handheld. They feel it would not live up to commercial standards.

For ham use, I always liked Kenwoods. The service is horribe. There is an aurthorised Kenwood/icom repair center in Texas. The guy is a ham. He is much better then kenwood at repairs.

RE: Is Your Rig 'Inferior Grade'?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/18724)

by K9KJM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K9KJM) on February 17, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=18724)

"They" DO build commercial grade radios. WE don't like
to pay the big price for them..... Then again,
I have had my little Icom Q7a HT since they first came
out, Dropped it countless times from over four feet
directly to a concrete floor, left it out in the rain,
and generally beat it up. AND IT STILL WORKS PERFECT!
Yaesu also has a few recent models that are really
tough. The little Icom ICQ7A now sells for just over
100 bucks. What a deal! Electronic equipment, Including
radios, are just getting better (More reliable) and
cheaper as time goes on. Every manufacturer has the
great tough models, and also the "bad" equipment
everyone would rather forget about.
I don't know what the goal of this thread is, But
do NOT attempt to steer the market in to only one type
of product!
I would rather have a good choice of equipment that I decide what to buy from, Than have "someone" decide what is inferior or not. Let the MARKET decide.

Is Your Rig 'Inferior Grade'?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/18725)

by WB9YCJ (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WB9YCJ) on February 17, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=18725)

Hams tend to be economy minded (cheap?).
You get what you pay for.
Considering that I really like HF Ham Radio (a lot), I decided to invest (for the long haul) in the FT-1000D and IC-781 - both "Battleship" quality. Its is rumored that the Major ham Mfgs will not roll out radios in the $3500 or higher area since few would sell today. We can demand higher quality gear by demonstrating our willingness to spend more for it. Otherwise, we will continue to see a trend of "Fisher Price" like "Warranty Challengers".

Is Your Rig 'Inferior Grade'?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/18729)

by W5EI (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W5EI) on February 17, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=18729)

If the "not run mobile" label is attached to a used rig ad, it is often as not an attempt to indicate the radio is in good shape cosmetically as well as electrically. It may or may not be indicative of a problem with the operation of the radio itself. As far as today's radios being "inferior", that is pretty subjective judgement. I have had no problems with a FT1000D and FT900CAT, both radios purchased new. A used IC746 has worked well for me. My 10 year old Alinco DJ-560 HT still functions just fine. A guy related in a QST article that he dropped a VX-5R off a motorcycle going 70 mph, and when he retrieved the HT, it worked great; I've dropped my VX-5R on concrete more times that I care to admit, and it works like new. I haven't had much experience with Kenwood rigs, but I suspect they are about the same as Yaesu, Alinco, and Icom in terms of quality and durability. If all else fails, build your own rig. My K2 is put together like a tank, and if I ever do have any problem with it, I can fix it myself.

Is Your Rig 'Inferior Grade'?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/18730)

by N0FPE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N0FPE) on February 17, 2003

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My only comment is...I have 3 older Icom handhelds.. IC2at,IC3AT, IC4AT I bought all three brand new, have used them everyday for years. They look pretty bad now days, have been dropped, run over, left sitting in the sun, dropped in water ect. The cases are cracked and glued with super glue many many times over. BUT they still work perfectly! To me that speaks of pretty good construction. I almost hate to buy a new HT because the older ones I have are still working even if the dont have all the bells and whistles.

Fancy is NOT always better..

Dan

RE: Is Your Rig 'Inferior Grade'?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/18731)

by KE4MOB (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KE4MOB) on February 17, 2003

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I think that "built like a brick" went right out the door as soon as the "KISS" principle left.

As we want more and more features in increasing smaller packages, thermal effects and physical shock/stress begin taking their toll. Apart from my HF (which is 7 years old) all of my VHF equipment is early 80's vintage--before SMD was the norm. And it works beautifully.

I'll be honest, I don't think today's VHF equipment is "inferior" per se...."disposable" would be a better term. It will usually cost more to fix it than it's worth.

As far as HF goes, it seems most people are satisfied with the radios of today. I have a theory as to why this is...maybe it's because the manufacturers spend more time designing a $1500 HF than a $350 VHF mobile. Sometimes I really think the manufacturers underestimate the knowledge of the first time radio buyer and push a product that is less than robust.

Steve, KE4MOB

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1041. QST - January' 2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-18 04:16:31 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 1041 Message: 1041

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k.. New Advertisements -
ON4UN's Low Band Dxing (3rd Edition - $36 including shipping)
Antennas, Equipment and Techniques for DXcitement on 160, 80 and 40 Meters.

1042. VU2ROH's harmonic is now VU3ROH

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-18 05:00:23 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1042 Message: 1042
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

I am very pleased to inform you that Rohit Pardeshi - VU2ROH son Rohan Pardeshi is now VU3ROH. He cleared his Grade - I, but since he was 12 years old when he appeared he has a Grade - II ticket. He is probably the youngest HAM in Mumbai.

73
nlf

1043. Life Membership Fees

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-20 16:05:45 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1043 Message: 1043

Hi All,

As discussed earlier Family & Physically Impaired Life Membership Fees are revised as follows:

Family Life Membership
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First Member - Rs.2500
Spouse - Rs.2000
Harmonics - Rs.1500

Life Membership for Physically Impaired Members - Rs.1000
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Also note that 80-G certificate is available for all Life Memberships.

Kindly take the opportunity to become life members. Please forward all the chqs or cash to registered office address or my residence by courier.

Thnks,

Mehul Chovatia
Treasurer - MARS
9820444991

1044. Happy Birthday - VU2QIJ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-21 03:59:36 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1044 Message: 1044
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear Day
MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its First Life Member Rajesh Bagwe - VU2QIJ & Dinesh Chowdhary - SWL Very Happy Birthday

1045. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2QIJ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-22 04:36:23 UTC
From: Rajesh Bagwe
Topic: 1044 Message: 1045
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayDear Mr. Nilesh

Thank you very much !

Rajesh Bagwe
(VU2QIJ)

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@...m
Cc: mars_classes
Sent: Friday, February 21, 2003 9:29 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2QIJ

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==>AMATEUR RADIO SPECTRUM PROTECTION ACT REINTRODUCED IN US HOUSE

The Amateur Radio Spectrum Protection Act has again been introduced in the
US House of Representatives. The measure is an ARRL legislative
initiative. Florida Rep Michael Bilirakis put the latest version of the
bill, HR 713, into the legislative hopper on February 12. It has been
referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. When last
introduced in 2001, the measure was known as HR 817.

The House bill already has two cosponsors, Reps John Boozman, Arkansas,
and Patrick Tiberi, Ohio. Both cosponsored last year's bill.

HR 713 is aimed at ensuring the availability of spectrum to Amateur Radio
operators. It would protect existing Amateur Radio spectrum against
reallocations to or sharing with other services unless the FCC provides
"equivalent replacement spectrum" elsewhere. Bilirakis, a Florida
Republican, has twice before sponsored similar legislation at the League's
recommendation. A Senate version of the bill is pending.
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The measure would amend the Communications Act to require the FCC to provide "equivalent replacement spectrum" to Amateur Radio and the Amateur-Satellite Service in the event of a reallocation of primary amateur allocations, any reduction in secondary amateur allocations, or "additional allocations within such bands that would substantially reduce the utility thereof" to amateurs.

The 2001 version of the measure attracted 53 cosponsors in the House but last spring became one of many pieces of legislation caught up in the so-called "Enron logjam," during which the Internet and Telecommunications Subcommittee did not meet, although its full committee, Energy and Commerce, held numerous hearings concerning Enron.

The ARRL is urging members of the Amateur Radio community to contact their representatives in Congress and request that they cosponsor HR 713. Experience has shown that, while most members of Congress understand and appreciate the benefits of Amateur Radio, some may be reluctant to sign onto a technical piece of legislation without some indication of support from their own constituents. A sample letter is available on the ARRL Web site.

The text of HR 713 is available via the Thomas Web site <http://thomas.loc.gov/>. Enter "HR713" in the "Bill Number" window. ARRL asks that members soliciting their members of Congress to cosponsor this legislation to copy their correspondence to the League via e-mail to specbill03@....

==>N6AJO APPOINTED PACIFIC DIVISION VICE DIRECTOR

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, has appointed East Bay Section Manager Andy Oppel, N6AJO, to become Pacific Division Vice Director. The appointment February 20 fills the vacancy in the Pacific Division leadership created when former Vice Director Bob Vallio, W6RGG, acceded to Pacific Division Director upon the death of Director Jim Maxwell, W6CF, on February 6. Oppel's appointment is for the balance of Vallio's term, which expires January 1, 2005.

"I've been working with Bob Vallio for more than 20 years," said Oppel, who lives in Alameda and took over the East Bay Section Manager's position from Vallio in January 2000. Prior to that, he was an Assistant SM in East Bay for eight years under Vallio's section leadership. Oppel said their long-term working relationship would definitely be an asset as he and Vallio take on their new leadership roles in the Pacific Division.

A ham since 1977 and a General-class licensee, Oppel, 50, said his interest in emergency communications work is what helped to get him into ham radio. He serves as a mentor for the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level I course.

ARRL Field and Educational Services Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, has appointed Dennis Franklin, K6DF, of Fremont to take over the reins from Oppel as East Bay SM.

As the new Pacific Division Director, Vallio greeted Oppel's appointment enthusiastically and said he planned to continue the agenda he and Jim Maxwell had begun together three years ago. "Jim wasn't done with the things that he wanted to do, and I wasn't done trying to help him do them," Vallio said. Before becoming a Vice Director, he had served for more than two decades as East Bay Section Communications Manager and Section Manager. As a Vice Director, he served on the ARRL Board of Directors' Membership Services Committee.

First licensed as a Novice in 1952, Vallio says he's been active on HF, VHF and UHF for almost his entire 51-year tenure as an amateur licensee. He also serves as a director and secretary of the Yasme Foundation and is a member of the Northern California DX and Northern California Contest clubs as well as of the Alameda County Sheriff's Communications Team (Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service--RACES). He is retired from Pacific Bell.

Franklin, a retired federal employee, was first licensed in 1965. An ARRL Life Member, he's is an Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course mentor and a volunteer examiner.

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==>ARISS CONTACT WITH JAPANESE SCHOOL FIRST SINCE COLUMBIA TRAGEDY

Pupils at an elementary school in Japan have been the first youngsters to speak to the astronauts aboard the International Space Station since the shuttle Columbia tragedy. The contact took place February 18 between 8N3HES at the Hirano Elementary School and astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT, at the controls of NA1SS. The direct 2-meter contact was arranged by the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program, which has been on hold since the shuttle catastrophe.

No one asked any questions about the Columbia tragedy during the approximately 10-minute contact that was marred by some communication difficulty. An audience of approximately 180 people--essentially the entire school plus several reporters--was on hand for the ARISS contact. Pettit managed to answer eight of the nine questions put to him by the fifth and sixth graders

One student wanted to know what Pettit would bring with him if he had to live in space for the rest of his life. "I would hope to bring my whole family," Pettit responded. "I would bring my wife and my children and we would live in space together."

Because of the Columbia disaster, the mission of the Expedition 6 crew members already has been extended until at least June. It had been scheduled to end next month.

Other students asked questions relating to everyday life aboard the space station, including how the crew gets rid of its trash. Pettit explained that after putting the trash into airtight bags, it's loaded on an empty

Progress cargo supply rocket and sent back into Earth's atmosphere. "It's the ultimate means of recycling your garbage," he said.

Pettit told the youngsters that it's "nice and warm" aboard the space station--about 22 degrees Centigrade--but that the crew could set the temperature to whatever they desired.

One student asked what the crew would do if someone became ill. "Fortunately no one has become sick on our mission, so we haven't had to worry about that," Pettit replied. He said that in the case of sickness among the crew, the crew would contact flight surgeons on Earth to get advice. He also explained that the crew has a medical kit on board for those kinds of situation.

ARISS is an international project with participation by ARRL, AMSAT and NASA.

==>HAMS TAKE ON SNOWSTORM, FLOOD DUTY IN EASTERN US

Amateurs in the Eastern US this week responded after heavy snow in some regions and icy conditions and flooding in others knocked out and disrupted communications in several states.

In Kentucky, Section Emergency Coordinator Ron Dodson, KA4MAP, reported that northern and central Kentucky was under ice and snow February 17 as a result of precipitation over the weekend. Dodson said the City of Lexington and Fayette County were hardest hit. At one point, some 65,000 customers were reported without power after ice-laden tree branches felled utility lines. At week's end, Dodson reported that work was continuing on power restoration in Lexington and Fayette County, where about 30,000 remained without power.

Lexington-Fayette County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) teams activated February 16 to provide communication support for road crews, power crews and at four shelters set up at American Red Cross and Salvation Army offices for those without heat due to the power outages. Dodson said Amateur Radio was providing links on VHF and UHF between all field operations and the local Emergency Operations Center in Lexington as well as with the state EOC in Frankfort, Kentucky's capital.

"We have flooding occurring in southern and eastern portions of the state where all the precipitation fell as rain," Dodson said earlier this week. Many area highways were closed due to high water.

Paintsville-Johnson County Emergency Coordinator John Hager, N4KJU, reported that ARES activated February 16 after meeting with local emergency managers. Fifteen ARES members responded, and activation on VHF provided communication for the fire department and rescue squad when commercial power was interrupted for about five hours. Hams were deployed at all 10 county fire departments and at the EOC.

Dodson said the ARES response gave the Lexington Fayette Urban County Government "an up-close-and-personal look at Amateur Radio and how they

can benefit from it." Dodson praised amateurs who participated despite having troubles of their own at home that included no power, frozen pipes and trees covered with ice.

In the Washington, DC, area--which received more than two feet of unwelcome and unusual snowfall--virtually all travel was reported paralyzed. Prince George's County, Maryland, Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) was activated to assist in picking up and delivering dialysis patients to and from local facilities as well as providing other needed transportation assistance. Murray Green, K3BEQ, reports that the county EOC was activated, and Deputy Radio Officer, Frank Scott, K3HDM, took the reins as net control station. Primary communication was via VHF repeaters.

In Northern New Jersey, ARES and SKYWARN activated 15 SKYWARN nets that garnered 173 checkins during the storm, said Section Emergency Coordinator Steve Ostrove, K2SO. In all, reports were logged from nine New Jersey counties as well as two in New York and one in Pennsylvania. Hams put in nearly 70 work-hours.

In Ohio, Section Manager Joe Phillips, K8QOE, reports that hams responded to weather emergencies throughout the day February 16. Phillips said the Ohio Single Side Band Net (OSSBN) was called into an emergency session by Assistant Section Manager Connie Hamilton, N8IO, and Ohio Section Emergency Coordinator Larry Rain, WD8IHP.

"Icy streets and falling snow clogged roads and ice covered trees striking power lines caused power outages throughout Ohio," Phillips said. "The OSSBN moved emergency traffic and kept Ohio hams in constant contact with the Ohio Emergency Management Agency." He said in the Dayton area, Amateur Radio operators with four-wheel drive vehicles stood by to transport essential personal such as medical personnel to their jobs.

In New England, which is much more used to heavy snowfalls, the newly formed Worcester Emergency Communications Team (WECT) in central Massachusetts activated a net at the request of Worcester emergency management officials. The net ran most of Presidents' Day--when the majority of the snow fell in the region. "The activation gave us a chance to test our capabilities and explore both our strengths and weaknesses in terms of emergency communications," said Worcester ARES EC and City RACES Officer Mark Rubin, WB1ARZ.

Rubin said the team set up a VHF station at the Worcester EOC. At one point, he and another WECT member were atop the EOC roof in blizzard conditions setting up a 5/8-wave antenna. More than two feet of snow fell in some parts of Southern New England.

==>NEW ARRL SECTION MANAGERS ELECTED IN FOUR SECTIONS

Roy Rabey, AD5KZ, will become the new North Texas Section Manager this spring after he topped a field of three candidates that included the incumbent. Rabey, who lives in Bedford, outpolled first-term North Texas

SM Larry Melby, KA5TXL, and Glenn Warnstaff, K5CPD. Rabey received 576 votes to Melby's 499 and Warnstaff's 303. New SMs also will be taking office in Montana, Wyoming and Oklahoma. Incumbents were re-elected without opposition in five other ARRL sections. Votes cast in all contested races were counted February 18 at ARRL Headquarters.

In Montana, Doug R. Dunn, K7YD, defeated James Fuller, N7VMR, 234 to 73 votes. Dunn will take over the reins from current Montana SM Darrell Thomas, N7KOR, a 10-year veteran who decided not to run for another term.

In Oklahoma, John Thomason, WB5SYT, of Edmond, topped Melvin Miller, K5KXL, 520 to 148 votes for the section's top job. Thomason will take over the job being relinquished by Charlie Calhoun, K5TTT, who decided not run again. Calhoun has been Oklahoma SM since 1999.

In Wyoming, Jay E Ostrem, W7CW, of Gillette, was unopposed for election and was declared elected. Ostrem will succeed outgoing Wyoming SM Bob Williams, N7LKH, who did not run for another term. Williams has served as SM since 1997.

Incumbent ARRL SMs in five other sections were unopposed for re-election to new two-year terms and were declared elected. They are John Meyers, NB4K, Kentucky; Cliff Hauser, KD6XH, Arizona; Malcolm Keown, W5XX, Mississippi; Joe Brown, W6UBQ, Orange; and Jim Lasley, N0JL, Iowa.

All new terms of office begin on April 1.

==>FCC PROPOSES FINE FOR HAM ACCUSED OF INTENTIONAL INTERFERENCE

The FCC has proposed fining a Nebraska Technician-class Amateur Radio operator, Scott E. Kamm, N0UGN, of Waterbury, $12,000 for alleged willful and repeated interference, broadcasting of music and failing to identify with his call sign. The FCC's Kansas City office released the Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture (NAL) on January 24.

Responding to complaints of continuing interference on the input of a 2-meter repeater, FCC agents monitored the frequency last December 9. They observed "very strong signals on the frequency 146.31 MHz consisting of music, sound effects and unmodulated carriers" and no station ID. The FCC said the transmissions were "interfering with existing communications in progress" between other amateur stations.

The FCC said it used direction-finding techniques to determine that the source of the signals was Kamm's residence in Waterbury. The next day, an FCC agent monitored the same sorts of transmissions, tracked the source to Kamm's residence, and inspected Kamm's amateur station.

"The agent found an amateur radio transceiver capable of operating on 146.31 MHz," the FCC said. Kamm claimed no transmissions were made from his station and that he used the unit to receive only.

Based on its evidence, however, the FCC Kansas City office determined that Kamm "willfully and repeatedly" violated FCC Part 97 rules "by causing

intentional interference, broadcasting music and failing to identify with his station call sign." The FCC determined that the appropriate fine was $12,000 and ordered Kamm to pay the fine within 30 days unless Kamm seeks a reduction or appeals the proposed forfeiture.

Kamm already has come to the attention of the FCC's Enforcement Bureau. He was the target of several letters and an FCC Warning Notice from Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth during 2002. Last fall, the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau set aside Kamm's amateur license based upon complaints about the operation of his station and questions regarding his qualifications to be a licensee. Kamm's license expired last September, and his renewal application has reverted to a pending status while the matter was referred to the Enforcement Bureau.

==>NEW YORK REINTRODUCES HAM RADIO ANTENNA BILLS

For the third year in a row, Amateur Radio antenna legislation has again been introduced in the New York Legislature. ARRL Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, says the text for the bills--one in the General Assembly and the other in the Senate--is identical to previous measures. Last year's bill passed in the State Senate but died in the Assembly's Rules Committee.

"We are off and running again with our tower bills," Fallon said this week. The bills, A2662 and S63, were introduced in late January with most of the same sponsors. Fallon said he expects the fact that the Senate passed an identical bill last year will be "a big advantage" to the 2003 efforts. Both bill have been referred to the respective Local Government committees.

S63 is sponsored by Sen Dale Volker while A2662 is sponsored by Assemblymen Ron Tocci and Paul Tonko. In memoranda of support attached to their bills, Volker and Tocci said that Amateur Radio operators, "provide an emergency communications network that is disaster-tested and robust" free of charge to the citizens of New York. "A key element of a radio amateur's capability to communicate is a small radio tower that is high enough to ensure effective communication," they added.

If the legislation is approved by the legislature and signed by Gov George Pataki, a former Amateur Radio operator, it would prevent passage of any political subdivision zoning ordinance by-law, rule, regulation, order or other local law or ordinance that would "prohibit or effectively prohibit the construction or use of an antenna support structure by a federally licensed Amateur Radio operator."

The legislation also would require municipalities to adhere to the provisions of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1, and their wording mirrors that preemption. Municipal ordinances impacting the placement, screening or height of antenna support structures "must reasonably accommodate effective operation of amateur radio antennas and shall impose the minimum regulation necessary to accomplish the political subdivision's legitimate purpose," the bills' texts read.

But the New York bills go beyond simply incorporating PRB-1 into state law. They would prohibit municipalities from passing laws or ordinances to "restrict antenna support structure height to less than 95 feet above ground level or restrict the number of antenna support structures."

More information on the New York antenna bills is available on the New York State Legislature Web site <http://public.leginfo.state.ny.us/menuf.cgi>.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar soulman Tad "You Give me Fever" Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports:Sunspot numbers were lower this week, into the double-digits below 100. The average daily number was about 54 percent lower than the previous week, and daily average solar flux was off by nearly 20 points, or about 14 percent.

Earth has been affected by a high-speed solar wind since February 15, and this hurt conditions during the ARRL International DX Contest last weekend, at least in the higher latitudes. Both mid-latitude and planetary K indices were as high as 4 on Saturday and Sunday, and Alaska's high-latitude College K index was up to 6 on both days. This was especially detrimental to signals traveling over polar paths. But in a few days conditions improved, and on Wednesday evening during a visit to K7SS I had good signal reports into Kuwait running 100 W beaming over the pole using his new three-element continuously tunable Yagi.

Geomagnetic conditions are expected to be unsettled on Friday, with a planetary A index around 20. Solar flux should rise, with predicted values of 120 for Friday and Saturday and 125 for Sunday and Monday. Current projections show solar flux peaking around 150 from March 6-8.

Sunspot numbers for February 13 through 19 were 113, 113, 96, 41, 16, 51 and 57, with a mean of 69.6. The 10.7-cm flux was 130.6, 131.4, 123.6, 118.5, 112.1, 109.9, and 116.3, with a mean of 120.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 8, 19, 18, 15, 11, 17, and 12, with a mean of 14.3.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The CQ 160-Meter Contest (SSB), the REF Contest (SSB), the UBA DX Contest (CW), the FYBO Winter QRP Field Day, the North American QSO Party (RTTY), the Russian PSK WW Contest, the High Speed Club CW Contest, the North Carolina QSO Party and the CQC Winter QSO Party are the weekend of February 22-23. JUST AHEAD: The ARRL International DX Contest (SSB), the Open Ukraine RTTY Championship and the DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest are the weekend of March 1-2. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the Radio Frequency Interference (EC-006) and Satellite Communications (EC-007) courses opens Monday, February 24, 12:01 AM

Eastern Standard Time (0501 UTC). Registration will remain open through Sunday, March 2. Classes begin Monday, March 3. No seats remain during this registration period for the ARRL Level III Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course (EC-003). Registration for the HF Digital Communications course (EC-005) remains open through Sunday, February 23. A new service now allows those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course to be advised via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. Send an e-mail to prereg@.... On the subject line of your message, include the name or number (eg, EC-00#) of the course you'd like to take. In the message body, include your name, call sign, e-mail address and the month you want to start the course. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@....

* Correction: The story "Utah Amateur Radio Antenna Bill on its Way to Governor's Desk," in The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 07, contained some incorrect information on the Senate vote. The bill unanimously passed a third reading in the Utah Senate February 14 on a 23-0 vote. More information on this legislation is available on the Utah Amateur Radio Club's "News About UARC and Ham Radio in Utah" Web site <http://www.xmission.com/~uarc/anounce1.html#prb1bill>.--some information from Gordon Smith, K7HFV.

* Indiana amateur antenna bill passes Senate: Indiana's Amateur Radio antenna legislation, Senate Bill 109, passed the Indiana Senate with a vote of 41-8. SB 109, The Regulation of Amateur Radio Antennas, would incorporates the essence of PRB-1 into the state's laws and prohibit any county or municipality from restricting the height of amateur radio antennas to less than 75 feet above ground. "This legislation would not likely have passed without the efforts of many Indiana amateurs who contacted their state senators and urged passage of SB 109," said ARRL Indiana Section Manager Jim Sellers, K9ZBM. "My thanks to every Indiana amateur who took the time to contact their state senators and urged passage of this Legislation." Sellers also thanked State Government Liaison David Spoelstra, N9KT, as well as the bill's author and sponsor State Sen Rose Ann Antich. The bill next goes to the Indiana House of Representatives. ARRL Central Division Director Dick Isely, W9GIG, congratulated Sellers and "all the Indiana amateurs that have been working long and hard to get the provisions of PRB-1 embedded into Indiana law."

* ARRL to sponsor emergency communications course seminar: The ARRL will offer a free Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course (ARECC) seminar March 8, in conjunction with the 2003 Roanoke Division Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina. The seminar will not include the Level I course itself. This program is designed to explain in greater detail the duties of volunteer certification mentors, instructors and examiners of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications courses and provide additional information for those considering these volunteer positions. "With Level I emergency communications training being offered nationwide under the

homeland security grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service, we hope to have all ARECC team players reading from the same page to ensure success under the federal grant guidelines," said ARRL Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG. The seminar will be held Saturday, March 8, at the Charlotte Merchandise Mart, Independence and Freedom Halls, 2500 E Independence Blvd. Seating may be limited. Contact Dan Miller, K3UFG, k3ufg@...; 860-594-0340; fax 860-594-0259, at ARRL HQ if you plan to attend. For registered CMs, CIs and CEs who attend, mileage may be reimbursable up to a total of $35. Seminar attendance does not include admission to the convention, which is March 8 and 9. For more information on the 2003 Roanoke Division Convention, visit the sponsoring Mecklenburg Amateur Radio society Web site. <http://www.w4bfb.org/hamfest2003/hamfest.html>.

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1047. Sunset from columbia

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-25 15:18:27 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1047 Message: 1047
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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This photograph was taken via satellite, on a cloudless day .The picture is of Europe and Africa when the sun is setting. Half of the picture is in night.

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Note that the Sahara is huge and can be seen clearly both during daytime and night time

To the left, on top, is Greenland, totally frozen... Fantastic photograph!

1048. Re: [m_a_r_s] Sunset from columbia

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-02-26 05:53:09 UTC
From: admanek
Topic: 1047 Message: 1048

Dear Mehul,
It's a great picture.
Thank you for sending the picture.
Keep it up.
Happy Landings !!!!!
Capt.A.D.Manek
Pilot Instructor
The Skyline Aviation Club
VU2ADW

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-04 05:08:00 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1049 Message: 1049

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==>ISS CREW TO RETURN TO EARTH VIA RUSSIAN SOYUZ CAPSULE

The all-ham crew aboard the International Space Station will return to
Earth in early May via the Russian Soyuz escape vehicle. Appearing before
the US House Science Committee February 27, NASA Chief Sean O'Keefe said
that the 16 ISS partner countries have agreed to use the Russian capsule
to ferry a new two-person crew to the station--one American and one
Russian--and to bring the current three-man crew home. The shuttle fleet
remains grounded in the wake of the Columbia tragedy.

"There are no threats to the ISS or its crew in the near term, and we are
working options to be able to sustain both over the long term," O'Keefe
said in remarks prepared for delivery to the lawmakers. O'Keefe noted that
the ISS would run short of potable water by June and that the Soyuz 5S
vehicle now attached to the ISS will reach its lifetime limit in late
April or early May and need to be returned. The fresh crew would remain in
space until October, when a new crew would be sent up.
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Additional unmanned Russian Progress cargo rocket flights will be scheduled to keep the ISS supplied--the next arriving shortly after the new crew in June. That Russian Progress supply mission will carry enough food, water, fuel and other provisions to sustain the two-person crew in space at least through October.

The implications of a two-person crew on the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program are not yet fully clear. A successful ARISS school contact with Hochwald Gymnasium in Wadern, Germany, was completed via DL0WR on February 27.

"Things continue to be very dynamic as the Columbia accident investigation unfolds," ARISS International Chairman Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, said February 27 in reaction to O'Keefe's announcement. "Despite the reduction in crew size, the ARISS team has been told that we will continue to perform one to two ARISS school group contacts a week." Bauer said since less scientific work will happen while the shuttle program is on hold, opportunities for school contacts will remain the same.

Crew member Don Pettit, KD5MDT, also was reported on the air this week seeking random contacts from NA1SS. Stan Vandiver, W4SV, in Indiana, reports he worked NA1SS February 27, but added that he'd heard that Pettit has been on the air on other occasions as well. The ISS downlink frequency is 145.800 MHz.

But the substitution of the Russian Progress rockets for the shuttle as a transportation system between Earth and the ISS will strictly limit the amount and type of supplies and equipment carried to the space station. The priorities will be food and water. This means that the ARISS hardware--including SSTV and all-mode HF/VHF/UHF gear that was planned to be flown this year--probably will be delayed, Bauer said.

O'Keefe meanwhile said that the ISS partnership was "committed to maintaining crew on-orbit." He told the House Science Committee that the new, two-person crew was training on Soyuz systems at Russia's Star City cosmonaut training center.

Now onboard the ISS are Expedition 6 Commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP, NASA ISS Science Officer Don Pettit, KD5MDT, and Flight Engineer Nikolai Budarin, RV3FB. The crew this week resumed a full schedule of maintenance and research work on the space outpost. The Expedition 6 team will mark 100 days in orbit on March 3.

NASA has not yet revealed who the two new ISS crew members will be. Originally set to replace the current crew next month was the Expedition 7 team of Commander Yuri Malenchenko, ISS Science Officer Ed Lu, KC5WKJ, and Flight Engineer Alexander Kaleri, U8MIR. The back-up Expedition 7 crew member is Mike Foale, KB5UAC. All four are now training in Russia.

Bauer said he considers the option to fly Lu and Malenchenko on Expedition 7 "the highest probable scenario, in my opinion. But is not definite yet." Pedro Duque, KC5RGG, who planned to use the ARISS equipment on the upcoming Soyuz flight, will probably fly in the fall, Bauer speculated.

Malenchenko and Lu have worked together in space before. During a shuttle Atlantis mission in 2000, the Russian and the American conducted a more-than-six-hour space walk to install equipment on the then-unoccupied ISS. That same shuttle flight also delivered the initial ARISS VHF and UHF hand-held transceivers, a packet TNC and other ham gear.

==>ARRL EXPRESSES CONCERNS ABOUT HAM RADIO IMPACT OF 70-CM CHANGES

The ARRL says two FCC-proposed actions could negatively affect Amateur Radio. One would substantially expand the geographical area in the US subject to power limitations on 70 cm. The other would deploy National Weather Service wind-profiler radars in the 448-450 MHz segment.

"The Commission has proposed two actions that have a potentially substantial adverse impact on a large number of Amateur Radio operators in this proceeding," the ARRL said in comments filed this month in ET Docket 02-305. "In each case, the Commission can minimize that impact."

In a Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) late last fall, the FCC proposed on behalf of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) to--among other things--more than double the size of the geographical area in New Mexico and Texas where amateurs in the 420-450 MHz band would be limited in power to protect military radiolocation service operations. Amateur transmitters in certain geographical areas already are limited to 50 W PEP "unless expressly authorized by the FCC after mutual agreement, on a case-by-case basis" between the FCC district director and the applicable military frequency coordinator--§97.313(f). The NPRM also reflects action by NTIA specifying the operation of federal government wind profilers in the band 448-450 MHz.

Acknowledging that the Amateur Service is secondary to government services in the band, the ARRL nonetheless asked the FCC to ensure that the affected zone in Texas and New Mexico "is minimized as much as possible, consistent with protection of military facilities." The ARRL also requested the FCC to create "a streamlined procedure for case-by-case exemptions" from the power restrictions.

"It is difficult for ARRL to address the contention of the Army that amateur power in excess of 50 W PEP in the additional protected areas requested by the Army would cause interference to military radiolocation facilities involved in missile tracking," the League said in its comments, "because the claim made by the Army is not substantiated by any technical information." The proposed area would include all of New Mexico and all of Texas west of 104 degrees W longitude. The ARRL said it was "not intuitively obvious" that such a large restricted area was necessary.

The ARRL concluded that a 50-W power restriction was "not a substantial burden" on many FM repeater users but that it could mean lowering the outputs of some critical repeaters used for emergency and public service work or taking them off the air altogether. It also could affect so-called weak-signal, experimental and Earth-Moon-Earth operations, the ARRL said. More than five dozen repeaters in the affected region could be affected,

the League estimated.

Concerning the wind profilers, the League said it had understood that the National Weather Service--which operates the radars--would notify ARRL of their locations as selected. "Ideally," the League said, "since the amateur repeaters are incumbent in the band now, the National Weather Service should select sites that minimize the effect on those repeaters."

The complete text of the ARRL's comments, the FCC NPRM and other documents are available via the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) site <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>. Click on "Search for Filed Comments" and enter "02-305" in the "Proceeding" field.

==>HAMS AID COLUMBIA DEBRIS SEARCH IN WESTERN STATES

Amateur Radio operators continued their involvement with efforts to locate space shuttle Columbia debris, as NASA's search shifted focus to include points west of Texas. According to NASA, the search for parts is running along the shuttle's re-entry path--basically 60 miles north or south of a line from San Francisco, California, to Lafayette, Louisiana.

New Mexico amateurs were among those helping to check in the Albuquerque area. "Based on a number of sources and analysis, NASA had reason to believe that debris from the shuttle Columbia may have impacted in Embudito Canyon," read a statement on the New Mexico Search and Rescue Support Team Web site <http://www.nmsarsupport.org/>. The team includes a number of hams in its ranks.

NASA wanted to follow up on both radar and eyewitness reports of possible shuttle debris in Embudito Canyon--in the Sandia Mountains east of Albuquerque. Authorities asked the NM SAR Support Team to provide communication and incident base support February 15 for a massive search involving more than 150 searchers. Although several small objects were found in the rugged terrain, none were attributed to the Columbia.

Keith Hayes, KC5KH, of the NM SAR Support Team estimates that more than 40 Amateur Radio operators participated in the effort, serving as incident command staff, providing communications for tactical and logistics support, and as members of field search teams.

"In addition to providing tactical and logistical support with its specialized communications trailer, 14 ham radio members of the New Mexico SAR Support Team provided additional APRS tracker and field team GPS track data collection," Hayes said. "Bernalillo County ARES Search and Rescue provided additional off-site logistical communications."

On February 24 near Caliente, Nevada, investigators continued to look for possible debris from Columbia that was tracked by air traffic control radar. Materials have been found in the area, but so far none have been confirmed to be from Columbia, NASA said.

NASA has asked anyone in Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, and Utah for help in locating any material that may have fallen from Columbia as it was

re-entering Earth's atmosphere. "Everyone is asked to be on the lookout for possible shuttle material 60 miles north or south of the re-entry track," NASA said in a news release.

==>MICHIGAN PIRATE BROADCASTER BANNED FROM HAM RADIO FOR FIVE YEARS

The FCC has canceled the license of a Michigan Amateur Radio operator and told him he may not apply for another ham ticket until 2007. The Commission took the action against Thomas A. Brothers, ex-KI8BE, of Berkley, because he'd been the operator of an unlicensed FM "pirate" radio station.

FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth wrote Brothers February 14 to confirm receipt of his amateur license--which Brothers had agreed to surrender. The FCC also had imposed a $10,000 fine against Brothers, who's in his early 20s, but rescinded the forfeiture last December because of Brothers' demonstrated inability to pay. Brothers' Advanced class ticket was cancelled December 5, 2002. He had been licensed since 1997 and formerly held the call sign KC8CRI. Hollingsworth said he requested the five-year reapplication hiatus.

FCC sources say the Commission's Detroit Field Office became aware as early as 1998 that Brothers was operating an FM pirate radio station on 88.3 MHz from his home. On multiple occasions, an FCC agent used direction-finding gear to track the signal to Brothers' residence and sent Brothers Warning Notices ordering him off the air. Brothers ceased the pirate broadcasting in 1998, but by 2000 he was back on the air, and an agent from the Detroit Field Office again traced the broadcast signal to Brothers' home at least twice in 2000 and 2001, following up with Warning Notices.

In January 2002, the FCC issued Brothers a Notice of Apparent Liability for $10,000 for repeatedly violating Section 301 of the Communications Act by operating an FM station without a license. In a subsequent Petition for Reconsideration, Brothers did not dispute that he willfully and repeatedly has violated Section 301, but he asked the FCC to cancel the fine because--among other factors--of his inability to pay. The Detroit Field Office turned the case over to Hollingsworth late last year to consider sanctions against Brothers' Amateur Radio license.

==>AMATEUR RADIO HURRICANE CONFERENCE LOOKS AHEAD TO STORMY WEATHER

The upcoming 2003 hurricane season was the focus earlier this month as Amateur Radio volunteers, the National Hurricane Center's W4EHW Amateur Radio Group, representatives of the Hurricane Watch Net and emergency officials gathered for the eighth annual Amateur Radio Hurricane Conference. Among the approximately 50 attendees February 1 at the National Hurricane Center (NHC) <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/> in Miami were representatives from the US as well as from throughout the Caribbean.

"The presentations, post-season analysis and discussions are very helpful in preparing for the coming hurricane season," said Julio Ripoll, WD4JR,

the NHC's assistant Amateur Radio coordinator.

ARRL Public Service Team Leader Steve Ewald, WV1X, highlighted the latest news in emergency communication training from ARRL through the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications courses <http://www.arrl.org/cce/courses.html>. He also explained how the federal Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) grant was expanding opportunities for hams nationwide to take the Level I Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course. Ewald also discussed how the ARRL Field Organization serves as a ready resource during emergencies.

National Hurricane Center Amateur Radio Coordinator John McHugh, KU4GY, and Ripoll organized and led the annual event. Among other things, they brought attendees up to date on the latest news and activities of the 36-member team of Amateur Radio Station W4EHW. The station will adopt a new call sign, WX4NHC, on June 1 at the start of the new hurricane season. Ripoll said the new call sign would give "better on-the-air recognition, as WX is understood to mean weather, and NHC is well-known for National Hurricane Center."

W4EHW celebrates its 23rd year of continuous service this year. Calling upon a staff of trained volunteers, the NHC's amateur station activates during tropical storms or hurricanes and gathers and disseminates real-time, surface-level weather data from hams and other volunteer observers. NHC forecasters use the data and information to develop their forecasts. During the 2002 hurricane season, W4EHW was on the air for more than 140 total hours, gathering over 300 reports via 20 meters (14.325 MHz) and, for the first time, via the Internet Radio Linking Project (IRLP) VHF/UHF repeater network. Hurricane Watch Net Manager Mike Pilgrim, K5MP, told the conference that he expects the HWN to explore the possibility of accepting hurricane reports via EchoLink in the coming season.

Hurricane Hunter aircraft pilot Capt Dave Tennesen, NL7MT, told the conference that he's never without ham radio onboard, and he's been known to occasionally check into the Hurricane Watch Net during his Hurricane Hunter flights. "Ham radio serves as a vital backup link to NHC if other means of communications fail," he said.--information from Julio Ripoll, WD4JR, and Steve Ewald, WV1X

==>CONCERT PIANIST-HAM'S RUN TO BENEFIT CANCER RESEARCH

Combining music, athletics and Amateur Radio to raise funds and awareness for cancer research, Martin Berkofsky, KC3RE, is set to run from Tulsa, Oklahoma, to Arlington Heights, Illinois, this spring and summer. An internationally known concert pianist and music scholar, Berkofsky plans to celebrate his 60th birthday and his recovery from cancer with the 700-mile "Celebrate Life Run." Along the way, he hopes to contact as many hams as possible on VHF and UHF as he navigates the back roads of the Midwest.

"The plan is to cover 10 miles a day, six days a week," Berkofsky said. "Of course, there will be days of bad weather and stubbed toes, but there is more than sufficient time allowed."

The run starts on his birthday, April 9, at the Cancer Treatment Centers of America Hospital in Tulsa, where he was treated. Berkofsky expects to reach his destination--the headquarters of the Cancer Treatment Research Foundation in Illinois--in late August. He plans to kick off his run with a free piano concert in Tulsa.

Berkofsky said he's obtained a copy of ARRL's TravelPlus for Repeaters CD-ROM to determine the locations of repeaters along his route. He'll raise funds through donations at his three performances and through per-mile sponsorships from groups and individuals. All proceeds from the events go to the Cancer Treatment Research Foundation.

Berkofsky suggested those interested should check the Web site of his Cristofori Foundation < http://cristoforifund.tripod.com/>. Once the run is under way, Cancer Treatment Centers of America plans to track Berkofsky's progress on its Web site.

Throughout his life, Berkofsky has enjoyed a parallel fascination with electronics and music. A child prodigy at the piano, he was licensed in 1957 at age 14, first as KN3HDW, later K3HDW. Berkofsky has performed, taught and operated from more than 25 countries and is renowned in the music world for his Liszt performances and scholarship.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar sage Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, fills in this week for Tad "Sunshine, Sunset" Cook, K7VVV: Solar activity during the reporting period, Friday, February 21, through Thursday February 27, was very low to low. The largest X-ray flare was a C5 event on Saturday. There were no radio blackouts (R in the WWV announcement) or proton events (S in the WWV announcement) during the period.

Geophysical activity was quiet to active from Friday through Wednesday and ranged from unsettled to minor storm on Thursday. There were no significant geomagnetic storms (G in the WWV announcement) during the period. The minor storminess on Thursday only lasted about nine hours.

Solar Cycle 23 continues its descent. Cycle 23 peaked in April 2000 with a smoothed sunspot number of 121. A second peak occurred in November 2001 at a smoothed sunspot number of 116, which gave 6-meter aficionados worldwide F2 propagation. Cycle 23 is predicted to reach its minimum in the 2006-2007 timeframe.

This weekend is the ARRL International DX Contest (SSB). For the contest period, solar activity is expected to be low, and the geomagnetic field is expected to be unsettled. This translates to generally decent propagation. Cycle 23's decline will take its toll on 10 meters, however. The East Coast should still have decent 10-meter openings into Europe, and the West Coast should still have decent 10-meter openings into Asia. But 10-meter

openings from the East Coast to Asia and from the West Coast to Europe, along with openings to Europe and Asia from the Midwest, could be tough. So enjoy 10 while you can. This contest is also a good opportunity to work new countries for your DXCC award.

Sunspot numbers for February 20 through 26 were 66, 87, 53, 41, 44, 48 and 45, with a mean of 54.9. The 10.7 cm flux was 118.3, 119.6, 106.6, 104, 102, 101.6 and 109.4, with a mean of 108.8. Estimated planetary A indices were 16, 13, 11, 11, 6, 5 and 16, with a mean of 11.1.

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* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL International DX Contest (SSB), the Open Ukraine RTTY Championship and the DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest are the weekend of March 1-2. JUST AHEAD: The South African Radio League (SARL) Field Day Contest, the RSGB Commonwealth Contest (CW), the North American Sprint (RTTY), the UBA Spring Contest (CW), the NSARA Contest and the Wisconsin QSO Party are the weekend of March 9-10. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration opens Monday, March 3, 12:01 AM Eastern Time (0500 UTC), for the on-line Level I Emergency Communications course (EC-001). Registration remains open through the March 8-9 weekend or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, March 18. Thanks to the federal homeland security grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service, the $45 registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the course. During this registration period, approximately 200 seats are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. Senior amateurs are strongly encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity. A new service now allows those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course to be advised via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. Send an e-mail to prereg@arrl.org. On the subject line of your message, include the name or number (eg, EC-00#) of the course you'd like to take. In the message body, include your name, call sign, e-mail address and the month you want to start the course. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, dmiller@...; 860-594-0340.

* Seats still available for ARRL RFI course: Seats remain available for the Radio Frequency Interference (EC-006) and Satellite Communications (EC-007) courses <http://www.arrl.org/cce/courses.html>. Registration will remain open through Sunday, March 2. Classes begin Monday, March 3. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program

Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@....

* 4L4FN leaving North Korea: Ed Giorgadze, 4L4FN, the first amateur to operate extensively from North Korea and to earn DXCC from that entity, will leave for his next duty assignment March 1. Last fall, after about one year of operation, Giorgadze--an employee of the United Nations World Food Program who had been operating as P5/4L4FN from Pyongyang--was ordered off the air by North Korean authorities. The ARRL accredited SSB and RTTY operation of P5/4L4FN for DXCC, and Giorgadze himself earned a mixed DXCC Award during his stay. As of the end of his operation last November 22, P5/4L4FN had logged a total of 16,194 QSOs (12,170 unique call signs) that included 167 DXCC entities worked. More information on P5/4L4FN is available on the AMSAT Net Web site <http://www.amsatnet.com> of QSL Manager Bruce Paige, KK5DO. Click on "P5 North Korea."

* Kentucky ARES teams have busy month: Amateur Radio Emergency Service members stood ready to help February 20 after an insulation factory exploded near Corbin in southern Kentucky. The blast killed one worker and injured 43 others. With the area still reeling from an ice storm and flooding earlier in the month, commercial communication and power system delivery were spotty. Kentucky Section Emergency Coordinator Ron Dodson, KA4MAP, said there were initial reports that burn victims from the factory fire also possibly suffered cyanide exposure. He said Kentucky ARRL Official Emergency Station Ron Nutter, KA4KYI, was instructed by Lexington Emergency Management to help with getting vital chemical information from the affected area to treating hospitals, so doctors would be prepared for the injured and implement decontamination procedures. Nutter contacted two other Lexington hams--William DeVore, N4DIT, and Joseph Leitner, WD4EJA, both of whom still had power at their residences--to call into Corbin-area repeaters and ask for information on the chemicals. It was determined subsequently that there was no chemical contamination of the injured. The factory disaster apparently began near a furnace, where raw fiberglass is mixed with a resin. The blaze sent black smoke billowing through residential areas, forcing hundreds of people to temporarily evacuate. On February 24, operations ceased for amateurs involved Lexington-Fayette County ARES in response to the weather emergency. ARES members were on duty for more than a week.

* Pioneer 10 spacecraft sends last signal: Talk about weak-signal DX! NASA says that after more than 30 years, it appears the venerable Pioneer 10 spacecraft has sent its last signal to Earth. Pioneer's last, very weak signal was received on January 22. NASA engineers report Pioneer 10's radioisotope power source has decayed, and it may not have enough power to send additional transmissions to Earth. NASA's Deep Space Network (DSN) did not detect a signal during the last contact attempt February 7. The previous three contacts, including the January 22 signal, were very faint with no telemetry received. The last time a Pioneer 10 contact returned telemetry data was last April 27. NASA plans no additional contact attempts for Pioneer 10, which is 7.6 billion miles from Earth. At that distance, it takes more than 11 hours 20 minutes for the radio signal to reach Earth. More information is available on the Pioneer 10 Web page

<http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/nmc/tmp/1972-012A.html>.

* Summits on the Air (SOTA) encourages portable hilltop operation: Richard Newstead, G3CWI, is encouraging participation by US amateurs in the Summits on the Air (SOTA) program, which promotes portable, hilltop operation. "It started about a year ago, and, so far, seven countries have schemes running," Newstead told ARRL. "The scheme is based on a core set of rules, and each country adds its list of summits to enable it to participate." Newstead says the list of summits need not be comprehensive but must include a mix of easy and difficult peaks. He says there are awards for both activators and chasers. Details are available on the SOTA Web site <http://www.sota.org.uk> or by contacting SOTA General Manager John Linford, G3WGV, <g3wgv@...>.

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1050. Monthly Meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-04 10:55:43 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 22 Message: 1050
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The Monthly meeting of March 2003 will be held on 9th march 2003 at 10:00 hours at B.S.Bengelle Girls High School.

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:-

1. Briefing for the VHF field Exercise to be held on 16th March 2003.
2. Preparations for A.G.M.
3. Display of RCL - VHF base Station (30 Watts).
4. Finalizing the list of bulk import of Radio sets (HF & VHF)
5. Proposal for the starting of next batch of Ham Radio classes.
6. Distribution of pending I.D Cards and caps. (Especially New Callsigns Holders)
7. Collections of fees for 2003 -2004 & life membership fees.

All members are requested to kindly attend the meeting on time.

73
NLF

1051. VHF Field Exercise.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-04 11:08:43 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1051 Message: 1051
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

You are aware that MARS is planning to put up 2 VHF repeaters in Mumbai. The first location is going to be in Andheri (Lokhandwala Complex) which will give us full VHF connectivity in Mumbai.

The Second repeater is likely to be placed on the Mumbra Hill near Thane, which will give us connectivity with Nasik, Pune ,Gujrat etc...The priminery site inspection is already conducted by VU2GT, VU2NLF, Milind Korde & Anish Korde.

In order to finalize the above mentioned location, a field survery will be conducted by MARS, Many teams will head in different different directions from Mumbai such as One team will head for Pune other to Nasik & other to Dahanu and so on....

All the teams will try to establish contact with the base team on Mumbra Hills (Thane) from their field location. This will give us the idea of the Coverage of our proposed repeater.

The above exercise will be conducted on 16th March 2003 (Sunday). Some teams will be leaving for their locations on Saturday and have a 2 days outing. (Optional).

The briefing for this exercise will be conducted during the monthly meeting on 9th March 2003 at 10:00 am. (Sunday). All members wishing to participate for this VHF Exercise are required to attend the Briefing meeting.

Please note members not attending the briefing meeting will not be allowed to participate for the Field Exercise. (Discipline is a must in order for a succesful exercise and planning).

Looking forward to having a eyeball with on sunday.

73
NLF

1052. Scrammble Team Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-04 11:29:09 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1052 Message: 1052
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Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

A special meeting for the Disaster Communications Team (Scramble Team) will be conducted on Sunday 9th March 2003 at 09:00 am (Before the monthly meeting). A final list of the Scramble team members will be prepared during this meeting.

All the permenant members of the team and the SWLs desiring to join the team are required to attend the meeting without fail.

Scramble Team members will be required to sign a declaration (Undertaking) to join and be a permenant member of this elite team.

In Future only the permanant members of this team will be allowed to participate in the field exercises for Special Training. hence you have to decide now that weather you are IN or OUT.

The Rules and Dicipline will be very strict and you would be required to move out at short notice of 12 hours even during simulation exercises. So therefore please understand this is not for any tom,dick and harry. only the serious members will total commitment will be in this team.

Please do not confuse between field exercise and Scramble Team Exercise, (Field exercise is for simple training where as Scramble Team is Advance Training of field Operation and Survival Training).

Members not joining the team are requested NOT to attend this meeting (As they will not be allowed anyway) and come only at 10:00 am for the monthly meeting.

Members failing to attend this meeting will not be allowed to be on the team. SO MAKE SURE YOU ARE THERE.

73
VU2NLF
Scramble Team Leader.

1053. Picture from Space

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-05 08:06:55 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1053 Message: 1053

Hi all on frequency!

Further to the picture in question (Sunset from Space) here is something I found disputing it. May be one can tell us whether the argument is justified. Don't miss the (proposed) conclusion.

73
VU2NHR
(Nirav)

QUOTE
This picture could be taken by Columbia but definitely not during last mission. The last mission of Columbia was during winter in Northern Hemisphere. Which means sun sets earlier in the higher latitudes (northern parts) than at lower latitudes (near equator). So for the same longitude the northern parts should go in darkness earlier than the southern parts. If you notice the eastern part of Britain is still in sunlight (which is longitude of 2 deg. east from Greenwich). At the same time the eastern coast of Norway(longitude 5 deg. east) is also in sunlight. Whereas, very small northern portion of France is still in sunlight and in Africa the sun is just setting over Liberia (longitude 5 deg. west) Which indicates that sun is setting later near the north than near the equator. Take a look at map and mark the location of line separating sunlight from dark and it will be clear to you. This picture has to be taken in the summer. Last time Columbia was launched in summer was on July 23, 1999. (Mission STS-93). So if this photograph is from Columbia, it's from their 1999 mission but definitely not from their last mission.

One other problem I have with this picture is that "Celtic Shelf" (Low depth sea around Britain)and "Atlantic Ridge" (the fracture lines in the earth's crust under the ocean (also known as trench lines) which push continents away from each other are visible in the picture (just as they would in a map). These trench lines are more than 10000 feet deep in the ocean and no matter how clear the water is, they are never visible from outer space. "Celtic shelf" itself is few thousand feet deep and it's unlikely that it would be seen through outer space. So my guess is that someone superimposed the map of earth on NASA's picture and created this composite. That's why the color of the land appears to be similar to the colors which you normally see in a map. (otherwise Sahara desert does not extend continuously to the eastern coast of Africa).

In conclusion, this is definitely not a photograph and it's definitely not from the last mission of Columbia. However, I must admit that this picture is spectacular.

UNQUOTE

1054. Morse Code

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-05 12:15:30 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1054 Message: 1054

Hello YL/OM,

Here is some Morse code for characters that may be all of us did not learn (including me though we were quite good at the time of the exam in both speed and accuracy for non-radio-officer standards). Are there any characters that have been missed and should be in this list?

73
de VU2NHR
(Nirav)

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1055. Re: [m_a_r_s] Monthly Meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-05 20:26:55 UTC
From: admanek
Topic: 22 Message: 1055
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear Nilesh,
Thanks for this e mail for collection of Pending I.D.Card & Cap.
Since I am pre-occupied, I'll not be able to attend the meeting and
collect
I.D.Card & cap personally. You are requested to send same by courier.
73
ADW

vu2nlf wrote:

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1056. Happy Birthday - VU2RIO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-07 07:48:14 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1056 Message: 1056
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its Active Founder Member Pankaj Pasad - VU2RIO a very Happy Birthday

1057. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2RIO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-08 08:03:50 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1056 Message: 1057

not so active founder member sends ACTIVE founder member belated wishes for
a very haappy birthday!
Happy birthday Pankaj!!!
cheers!
Madhu

Cricket World Cup 2003- News, Views and Match Reports.
http://server1.msn.co.in/msnspecials/worldcup03/

1058. `Newcomer'

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-08 09:01:23 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1058 Message: 1058

My Perspective as a Newcomer
Don (AE6AT) (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AE6AT)on March 5, 2003
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The Ham Community is amazing! I have been a Ham for only a little over a year and had almost no contact with Ham Radio before that. What I have experienced in that year as a Ham has caused me to have great regard, respect and admiration for Hams, and a sense of pride being one.
At first I listened a lot on the HF bands and heard the professional sounding way Hams talk to each other. Call signs, answering with information about their location and equipment, always courteous and considerate. I heard people who didn't want to have a long conversation continue talking and politely answer questions. I heard people make mistakes and be embarrassed but be politely excused with friendliness. I heard people helping people and talking about their problems with a sympathetic ear. I heard a Ham using a Braille machine get patience and understanding.
I read Ham magazines and was astonished at the level of technical expertise and detail I saw. Astonished at the wide variety of Ham activities; Casual operating, kit building, contesting, Morse code, Amateur TV, satellites, repeaters, antennas, mountain topping, Dxpeditions, collecting counties, states, countries, QSL cards, public service, experimentation, clubs, Hamventions, Hamfests. The list goes on and on and on with each individual Ham choosing his favorites. I expect to be able to explore and enjoy the Ham experience the rest of my life.
So far I have principally operated on HF phone with only one simplex VHF contact since my location is in a rural mountain valley and is not very good for VHF. Although I can hear a number of repeaters I think repeaters are to be used for purposeful communications such as calling specific Hams, asking directions, talking to people you know or emergencies, so I don't use them.
I am working on my code speed and have great respect for the time and effort it takes to get to 20 words per minute. Being a new Extra Class I feel guilty and not genuine at only having to pass the 5 word per minute code test and have vowed to get to 20 words per minute. I can't imagine how anyone can do 30 or 40 or faster. Amazing, unfathomable.
I have read that Ham behavior on the air is representative of the behavior of the general populace. I don't believe so. From what I have seen and heard the Ham community is much better than that and I aspire to be a contributing and positive part of it.
When I am driving on the freeway and some one cuts me off and my temper goes past the legal limit, I remind myself I am Ham and what that means to me and it is easy to let it go.
I thank the Ham community for giving me this perspective and feeling of pride.
Respectfully from one operator to another,
Don

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19267)

by WA9SVD (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA9SVD) on March 5, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19267)

Don,
Congratulations on getting your Extra. Do NOT feel you are NOT a real ham, and do not let anyone tell you that! You have passed the exam, and you have every right to be proud of that fact.
You will meet a few "grouchies" here and elsewhere, who will say that if you didn't "hike 25 miles in 6 feet of snow when it's 20 below zero" just to take your exam, you had it too easy. Just Ignore them, and consider the source.

The important thing is be as courteous an operator as you can be, be helpful to those around you, respect other operators, and have fun! I hope to meet you on the air sometime soon!
73,
Larry WA9SVD

P.S. You will eventually recognize the callsigns of the "grumpies" an be able to filter out or ignore their negative comments. And remember, they are a minority.

My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19270)

by KC0PED (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC0PED) on March 5, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19270)

I just got my Technician license on Feb. 17. I've been reading all I can in magazines and online. I just purchased a VHF/UHF radio, my first (Kenwood TM-D700A). I've been listening to conversations and have yet to make a QSO because, honestly, I don't want to screw up and violate any sort of norm or embarrass myself on my first attempt to contact someone.

I have a computer background and am fascinated at what can be done with packet radio and even with what is being done with Echolink and ARPS.

I live in Minnesota and most of the conversations I've listened to are on a repeater I found on (or near, I'm not sure. I think the St Paul club runs it, but am not positive yet) 146.850. I was amazed at the number of hams that checked in on Sunday night.

Passing the test was easy. Learning how things really work is much more difficult. I'll probably keep lurking in the background listening in and gathering information till I feel more comfortable with my radio and more secure in what I'm doing. In the mean time, I'll keep getting ready for the next test.

My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19271)

by KE2IV (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KE2IV) on March 5, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19271)

Don,

Bravo! And welcome to the wide, wonderful and (sometimes) crazy world of ham radio.

As to your Extra - look at it this way. I was first licensed in 1964 but didn't get my Extra until 2000 when they first dropped the 20 WPM requirement.

It's a long story about "stolen" frequencies due to "Incentive Licensing" etc. But never let anyone tell you that you are not a true ham! If you like CW then enjoy it - - it not - - that's great too! These days we have a multitude of modes and bands and only a few old codgers still believe that being a "real" ham requires mastery of a antiquated skill originally used to communicate messages between railroad stations!

Enjoy ham radio with two caveats:

1) Minimize your time on these websites - they eat up "on the air" time and they tend to be habituated by cranky old, unhappy (usually white) men.

2) Stay away from 75M phone for the same reasons!!!

73,
George*
KE2IV

*and yes, I am white, and yes I am getting old(er), but hopefully not too cranky and I only work DX in the window on 75M!!

My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19273)

by N6AJR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N6AJR) on March 5, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19273)

Congrats on your new found hobby. I was a 2 meter tech from 1978 (I never was a novice) untill a couple years ago. It was always the code holding me back. I kept my license current but basically went inactive untill feb of 2001 when I bought a vx5r. What a neat little rig, when my last one was a new ft 101 ee!!

I decided to study for my general, and found I could be grandfathered in as a general as I had already passed the (then) general test and the 5 wpm in 1978. so I upgraded and a week an a day later I passed my extra. It was always the code holding me back. (I don't do well on foriegn languages either), any ways I had the knowledge thanks to 8 years in the Air Force in classified electronics, and I'm glad I am an Extra now.

Remember that you passed the test they gave at the time you upgraded, that is decided by the FCC not you. I am an extra lite with a quarter century of dues paid so where do I fit, ??? Any where I want.

Get on the repeaters and make frends, its just one more way to be aham. My buddies and I spot interesting DX now and then and tell each other on the repeater, amoung other things.

There are so many things to do as a ham, from antennas to satilites to tv to teaching others to helping with disasters and so on. I'm proud to be a ham, and at age 54 I am thinking about finally going after a private pilot license, if I pass the physical. why not, after all I made my extra and it only took 20 something years .. enjoy ... 73 tom

N6AJR

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19277)

by K5PSO (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K5PSO) on March 5, 2003

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RE: My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19278)

by KG4RUL (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KG4RUL) on March 5, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19278)

As far as repeaters:

If we do not use them, we will lose them! More accurately, we will lose the spectrum they are operating in.

Dennis - KG4RUL

My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19279)

by KB0ZUC (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KB0ZUC) on March 5, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19279)

Nicest piece of writing from a HAM (I have ever read).

RE: My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19280)

by NI0C (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/NI0C) on March 5, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19280)

Great thoughts. May your enthusiasm for this wonderfully diverse hobby never wane. Your code speed will improve by listening to lots of good code at speeds just slightly faster than you are comfortable with, and by enjoying lots of conversations on CW. Thanks for your write-up-- it is a breath of fresh air.

73 de Chuck NI0C

My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19282)

by KC8RXE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC8RXE) on March 5, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19282)

Congratulations!
I too am a recent Extra, and I can appreciate your perspective. It took me about a year after getting my tech license to get enough courage to get on 2 meters and actually TALK to someone. I've been an Extra for 8 months, and just last week made my first HF QSO via PSK31. When I took the 5 WPM General test I felt anxious knowing most of the VE's had taken the 20 wpm, but they were genuinely nice and made me feel like I had accomplished something when I passed. I've had some bad experiences with hams on websites like this, but most of the hams I've talked to "on the air" have been very helpful. I still feel like I'm somewhere between being a Tech and a "Paper Extra", but I'm learning quickly and more importantly having a blast.
So have fun, and maybe I'll hear you on airwaves sometime.

Regards,

James Rice KC8RXE

My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19283)

by W0HFG (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W0HFG) on March 5, 2003

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I hope you never wake up from that dream.. What a GREAT attitude....

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19287)

by K9WLF (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K9WLF) on March 5, 2003

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Don, congratulations on not only being a new ham, but an Extra also. We need to have more operators with as positive and an uplifting attitude as you. I, too, am an "Extra Lite", being licensed in 1999 and made Extra in 2000. In my short time as a Ham, I have seen both the good and the bad of Amateur Radio, but I love the hobby as much as you do. I love working HF mobile and psk31, and doing public service--especially the Ft Lauderdale Winterfest Boat Parade. Keep up the great attitude, help the hobby grow and become even better than it is. Remember, it is not just a hobby, it's an obsession!

73, Tom, K9WLF/4

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19289)

by K8AG (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K8AG) on March 5, 2003

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From a ham who had to do 20 wpm to get his Extra, don't feel guilty! You have earned your Extra ticket and that is that.

Sometimes reading the flames that go on on the postings here and on qrz.com makes me wonder if hams are really as polite and positive as you say. Then I get on the air with an op who becomes a friend and I realize that these boards do not represent hams as a whole.
Great to have you aboard.
BTW: When I got my Extra, they had just recinded the 5 years as a ham requirement to get an Extra. I didn't feel guilty then either.

73

RE: My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19290)

by K2GW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K2GW) on March 5, 2003

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Excellent article. Although I've been licensed for nearly thirty years, I've recently relived the thrill of a new amateur as my wife and my daughter both obtained their first Amateur licenses within the past six months.

As has been mentioned in this thread, some new hams have a bit of trepidation about actually getting on the air. One suggestion is to get a copy of ARRL's "The Radio Amatuers Operating Manual". As you explore the wonderful variety of Amateur Radio activities, you can read the appropriate chapter in it to get you familar with the pecularities of a given mode/activiity before you actually try it. Having that knowledge greatly increases your confidence!

That goes for us older hams who still have the wonder of talking through the air and want to try something different!

73

Gary, K2GW

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19291)

by KC0ODY (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC0ODY) on March 5, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19291)

Great article! I concur with your fascination with this hobby. I am a newcomer too (just upgraded to General 1/03) and I'm going to start studying for the Extra soon. KE2IV is right- stay mostly away from the discussion type forums and newsgroups, because the whiners and cranks tend to hang out there and there's no reasoning with these people. There is some good info to be had too, such as product reviews and homebrew advice, but you really need to separate the wheat from the chaff. I find it's better to talk with local hams and attend club meetings for good advice.

The good news is that there are lots of interesting, knowledgeable people out there to learn from and make friends with, so if you haven't already joined a radio club, I encourage this if there is one in your area. Hams are very helpful people and like to share

with they know with newbies.

KC0PED- I noticed that you're local to me- the 146.985 repeater belongs to WB0OND, is located in Inver Grove Heights and gets a lot of use. I belong to the St. Paul Radio Club, they are meeting this coming Friday at the Red Cross Building in downtown St. Paul, Robert & Plato Streets (basement level). I just joined and it seems like a fun group.

Here's to RF (radio fun)!

Jackie KC0ODY

My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19292)

by K1FOO (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K1FOO) on March 5, 2003

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Wow! Don, you have expressed exactly what I have experienced in the year since I too got my ticket. I have found ALL the hams I have met to be friendly, helpful, technically informed, and totally willing to answer my dumb questions and not give me a hard time when I mess up. I have begun studying for Amateur Extra, aand also have vowed to get to at least 20wpm.
Good Luck, great article!
Chris K1FOO

RE: My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19296)

by W0FM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W0FM) on March 5, 2003

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Holy cow, Don! Nicely said. It is very refreshing to hear someone new to the hobby express the same enthusiasm most of us had as newbies. I was first licensed in 1962 as a Novice and didn't have the time (or desire) to crank up the code speed until 1996. I practiced for a couple of weeks, then decided to take the Extra written to get it "out of the way". The VEC talked me into taking the Extra code portion of the exam as long as I was there. I was more surprised than anyone when I passed it....but that was the same way I had felt when I passed 5WPM and 13WPM. It's all relative.

Welcome to the greatest hobby on earth! Learn all you can and share it with others. Please continue to share your wonderful attitude too! It's so nice to hear.

73,

Terry, W?FM

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19298)

by N2XE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N2XE) on March 5, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19298)

Don,

Please don't feel guilty about being a 5 WPM Extra. You are 100% pure ham Extra. FYI, the code test way back in early last century was 5 WPM and those guys are regarded as gods.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19300)

by WA9PWP (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA9PWP) on March 5, 2003

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Don,

Welcome! As Riley Hollingsworth likes to say, talk on the air as if the world is listening, (you are the voice of the USA), because they are listening! Keep it up, I hope to work you on HF CW soon!

73, Paul

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19302)

by K3UOD (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K3UOD) on March 5, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19302)

Quite a few new hams on this thread. That sure cheers me up. We need new blood for sure.

Congratulations to all of you.

I was licensed as a novice in 1962 and passed the general exam at the FCC field office in 1963. I didn't go for extra until 3 years ago, sweated over a hot computer until I could copy 25wpm, passed the test, and I've only had 2 CW QSOs since. I like CW, it's just that I love to rag chew and I can say/hear a lot more in a given time on phone.

Listen for a topic on your local repeater that you know something about. When you feel that you have something to contribute, pipe up with your call sign and join in the conversation.

As for 75 meters, there are a few groups of grumps, but many more great people there. Just listen, you'll find them. (Try 3768 in the evening)

I too have always felt a sense of pride in being a ham. There is a lot of good stuff going on on all modes and on all frequencies. COMERCIAL BREAK...Consider getting involved in ARES and RACES...END OF COMERCIAL.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19305)

by W4CNG (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W4CNG) on March 5, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19305)

Thanks for a great Positive article Don. Find out who is active in ARES/RACES in your area, they can always use additional motivated supporters. Yes, ignore the negative, and keep on the positive Fun side of Ham Radio. Hope to work you soon in or around one of the various pileups on HF!

Steve W4CNG

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19306)

by K0RGR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K0RGR) on March 5, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19306)

Welcome to all the newcomers here, and what a refreshing change to hear that you are all happy!

By all means, be 'radio active'. Try as many different things as your time and budget will allow, and keep working to improve you station. If you can contribute to the development of the new technologies that keep exploding all around us, please do. If not, be supportive of those that can!

Get involved with your local radio club (St. Paul is a good one!) and maybe try some public service events, do Field Day, and go see what your local ham neighbors demo at their meetings.

I don't know what an Extra Lite is - are those of us who took the Extra back in the 70's 'Extra Heavies'?
I resemble that remark! Work on getting your code speed up so you can get bigger scores in the contests and actually enjoy using the mode...

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19309)

by W4WNT (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W4WNT) on March 5, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19309)

Congratulations and welcome to ham radio. I concur with all the comments to concentrate on the positive. Ham radio has lots of activities going on. Find a club, DX, VHF/UHF, general interest or whatever and get involved. Learn what can be found at hamfests, look for antennas in fleamarkets and look for new activities to involve yourself. Just when you think you've seen it all, someone will invent a new mode or a gadget that makes communicating easier.

Good luck, I hope to work you on the air soon.

Bill, W4WNT

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19314)

by N5XM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N5XM) on March 5, 2003

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Way to go, Don. I've been a Ham for 7 years, and I feel exactly like you do. I have a feeling that whoever Elmered you did it right! It is so wonderful to read positive things, as most stuff is someone telling us how wonderful and smart they are, or they or whining or complaining about some meaningless bullroar.

You will find your niche. Be patient. Don't worry about CW either. I would hope you might give it an extended try, as regardless of how old the mode may be, it gives great reward to those with the perserverence to develop some skill.

It is the hobby of a lifetime, that is for sure. Ham Radio is much more than operating, whatever might be your favorite mode. It is an attitude and a lifestyle. If you feel this way now, I would almost guarantee it will only get better for you. Don't worry about any idiots you run into, just don't let them upset you. I sure hope to run into you on the air sometime soon. A salute to you! Richard, n5xm

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19315)

by KC1MK (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC1MK) on March 5, 2003

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Don,

Welcome to ham radio, and remember you earned your Extra. I was first licensed as a Novice in 1971, and I still remember how much fun I had operating CW on 80,40, and 15 meters with a Heathkit HW-16. I still enjoy ham radio very much, and it's one of my two main hobbies (the other is playing music, mostly bluegrass).
One of the great things about ham radio is that there are so many facets to explore. There's always something new to learn and experience. One of the other great things is the interesting people you meet. Like society at large, there are a few bad apples, but the vast majority of hams I have talked to over the years have been friendly and interesting, and I've learned a lot from them.
73,
Jeff, KC1MK

RE: My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19317)

by W5HTW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W5HTW) on March 5, 2003

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Welcome! Glad you're here and glad you're loving it.

Make up your own mind! If you want to give 75 meters a try, do it - don't let someone else tell you it is a "bad band." It isn't. Lead yourself, don't let others lead you.

Listen, and not just to one frequency, whether it is 20, 10, 75, 40 or somewhere else - tune the band. You'll find cliques - or the "bad dudes" - on every band - guys (and sometimes gals - of every color) who only talk to their long time friends (though not as

cliqueish as the spouse 'cell phone' conversations on 2 meters) and you'll find those who welcome you with open receivers. Pick the ones you like, on any band, ignore the ones you don't like, on any band, and don't automatically accept someone else's opinion as being the opinion YOU should have. Think. Listen. Choose. Do.

Explore the hobby. Don't close doors because someone tells you to. Figure it out yourself, and FOR yourself.

Welcome, and enjoy

73
Ed, W5HTW

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19318)

by KB5IAV (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KB5IAV) on March 5, 2003

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First thing I'd like to say is welcome to ham radio. It's always great to see a new ham, especially someone with your enthusiasm for the hobby. You have made a good start and if you stay on that path, you'll be one great ham.

I started my ham career in December 1988, when I got my Novice license. 6 months later, I upgraded to General and then in August 1990, I did Advanced. I stayed at Advanced until January of this year, when I finally upgraded to Extra. I enjoy working CW too, but that 30-40wpm stuff isn't for me, I'm perfectly content with 10-15wpm on my straight key.

When I'm on the air, I always exercise a level patience with other hams like what you've described. How important that is really hit home early on in my ham career, when I worked a station in Alexandria, Louisiana, which was only around 90 miles from where I was living at the time(Lake Charles, LA), on 80 meter CW late one night. When I got the QSL card in the mail, I learned I had been talking with a blind ham because the card was in Braille. That card was one of my favorites, and still is a decade later.

In addition to new modes, try getting involved in public service events, such as providing communications with a group at public events. Try getting involved helping others learn about ham radio, or become a Volunteer Examiner. There are so many things hams do to give back while enjoying the hobby.

Don't let anyone tell you you aren't a real ham, because from what I see, you are. Don't worry about the "Extra Lite" thing. I'm a 13wpm Extra as opposed to a 5wpm Extra, does that make me an "Extra Medium?"

Welcome to ham radio, and I hope you stay with us for a long time to come,

73,

Jonathan, KB5IAV
http://www.qsl.net/kb5iav

Welcome

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19320)

by JJ1BDX (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/JJ1BDX) on March 5, 2003

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Don, welcome to the ham radio world, and congratulations for your Extra ticket.

I took JA no-code phone operator license on 1975, the station license of JJ1BDX in 1976, when I was 10, upgraded with a 5WPM telegraph operator license in 1979. I was indeed a kid then, but I had a dream of talking with North American people from Japan (remember no Internet in 1970s for a general public :-))

I once decided to quit amateur radio on 1992, however, after a whole bunch of pain and agony against packet radio networking using TCP/IP in Japan, mostly because of bullying by JA old timers. I was also chasing an illusion - doing a DX on 6m with a dipole, when 99.9% of 6m activists in Japan use 6 element yagi. No HF gear I could use then. I thought I lost interest in the amateur radio.

After ten years, on June 2002, when I knew the packet radio friends went into the good-old HF DXing exploration and after my recovery of a nearly-lethal allergic syndrome which lead to a hospitalization of three weeks, I decided to reactivate my license, following the friends. The only gear I could use was a 50W ICOM transceiver with an external tuner and a 7-meter length wire antenna, but thanks to the Cycle 23 condx, I found I could contact around the globe by CW. And my Internet skills helped me a lot to discover a huge resource, which didn't exist in 1992.

26 years after getting my first ticket, I realized I could really enjoy ham radio. HF below 30MHz is a lot of fun, even with a random wire! I have confirmed more than 100 DXCC entities, in less than 7 months. Of course including many American States and Canadian Provinces/Territories.

I decided to take exams for the JA 1st class operator license (equivalent to US Extra), because the JA 3rd class license did not allow me to QRV on 30m/20m bands, and the output limit of 50W. I passed the exam on December 2002, with some painful requirement of 80% solid copy of 12WPM English Morse code.Some JA OTs are picky on this because they had to also pass 10WPM (or 50-characters-per-minute) Japanese Katakana Morse code exam for their 1st class license, but I don't care those narrow-minded OTs; a first class op earns the first class anyway.

I should say the same on the 5WPM criticism from people who had to pass 20WPM exams; though 5WPM is rather slow on the air, the fact that you only pass the 5WPM exam does not restrict you from learning and improving your CW proficiency for higher speeds. Of course in the actual QSOs you should be capable to send/receive 20WPM or even faster on CW, but I respect the requests to QRS, becaust there's no legal requirement of faster code proficiency. So Don, don't be afraid of sending slow CW, and do request QRS if you need to do so. ARRL provides a very good learning material of W1AW Code Practice files, even in the MP3 format; I often listen to their practice files of 20WPM and faster for my own practice.

I should also say that the hardest part of ham radio exams is to understand the basics of electric/electronic circuitry and the math behind the theories, including complex numbers and polar coordinates. I know some JA friends who have passed the code exam element but still struggling to pass the radio-engineering exam element. So I guess those who have passed the Element 4 of FCC exam have achieved a lot!

Recently I also got the US 5WPM Extra license on February 2003 as AE6LI, by having all 4 exam elements in 2 hours, at an ARRL VE session in Tokyo. I studied a lot; I needed to concentrate on reviewing all the question pools, and I learned a lot about US FCC regulations, the background philosophy of American ham radio which is quite different from the Japanese one. I even had to fly from Osaka to Tokyo. So I am proud of being an Amateur Extra licensee. Next time when I visit the States I will surely activate my US license :-)

The good part of ham radio is that you can keep improving and learning new things, and find out people who you can share your thoughts. The bad part is that you need to tolerate people who have different attitudes, habits, or tastes, but that's what we all should do because we live in a society anyway.

So keep going, Don, and I hope to have a QSO with you soon.

73 de Joe JJ1BDX/3 es AE6LI

RE: Welcome

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19322)

by WS4V (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WS4V) on March 5, 2003

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Don, welcome to the hobby. Enjoy yourself! It's a fascinating hobby and it still amazes me when I reach someone in another country or another state for that matter. You've entered the hobby at a great time with technology. The best, I'm sure, is yet to come...73!

My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19326)

by AE6AT (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AE6AT) on March 6, 2003

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I read all your comments up to this point after work today and I thank you for the advice, encouragement, stories and friendship. This response reinforces my belief that Hams are the most courteous, friendly and helpful people. What better group could there be to be "Ambassadors to the World" or to be a part of.

Respectfully from one operator to another,

Don

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19327)

by AE5DW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AE5DW) on March 6, 2003

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Don,

Welcome to the family!

73,

Don, AE5DW

My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19328)

by ZS5WC (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/ZS5WC) on March 6, 2003

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Welome Don!

Your enthuisiasm reminds me of my first experiences on the air here in South Africa (ZS). To make the whole experience more memorable, I passed the 12wpm CW at one of our Anglo-Boer war commemorative special event stations-on tha actual battleground, beneath the thorn trees!.
You will meet Many intersting fellas on air-and some with less than wholesome manners as well-but it is a great hobby!.
Try some homebrewing-nothing like building your own station from scratch-The most rewarding experience ever-especially when the reports are totally flattering..
Have fun, see ya on the bands!

My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19329)

by VK3YE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/VK3YE) on March 6, 2003

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A great read Don and welcome to AR!

However re your point about repeaters being only for 'purposeful' communication, I say don't worry about it! 99% of all our amateur communication could be considered 'trivial', 'unimportant' or not 'purposeful'. This includes 100% of the most interesting contacts you hear on the air! This is not a criticism, merely an observation. Besides, must all we do have a purpose?

'Calls to specific hams' and 'talking to people you know' on repeaters are just as purposeless as other amateur communication. They should not be considered to take priority over 'general calls' and 'talking to people you don't know'. Indeed it could even be argued that the latter is closer to that spirit of amateur radio than the former.

Any time a repeater is left idle, is a communications opportunity lost, never to return. Use repeaters as much as you please and do not hold back because you consider that your use of them is somehow less purposeful than others' use of them.

Of course this feeds back into the 'no activity on repeaters' threads, which I think could be related.

73, Peter VK3YE

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19331)

by KB9CRY (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KB9CRY) on March 6, 2003

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Way to go Don and welcome. I concur with your observations that 99.9% of the radio operators I've come to know are top notch folks. Most are very willing to share their experiences, once you get them to open up and start talking.
If I may offer a method I used to increase my code speed and to do it via a live qso on CW. I too was very nervous striking up a qso on code; worried about making too many mistakes and forgetting where I was in a conversation. I developed a printed script. It's one page and on it I printed my qso information and also entered blank fields for the other person's info, like name, qth, antenna, power, etc. As you've heard, most CW qsos at least start out with the same information being passed back and forth, info as listed above. I vowed to do two qsos per day. I got on 40M and called cq, and/or called a station already on the air, and went by the script. Having the script already printed out helped me to remember my place when I sent my info; I just sent the info off the script. As I got more proficient, I embellished more and later found I didn't need the script. Try it and again, congrats. Cu in the pileups, Phil KB9CRY

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19332)

by MY_OPINION (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/MY_OPINION) on March 6, 2003

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Welcome Don! Your article is a refreshing addition to the sometimes negative posts on eHam. Thanks for focusing on all of the benefits and pleasures of amateur radio. I think that your article reflects many of the best aspects of amateur radio and can serve as a reminder to the rest of us to focus on the positives!

73

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19337)

by KB9WSL (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KB9WSL) on March 6, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19337)

Great message! I have been a "Ham" almost two years. I began as a No-Code Tech but have passed my written General test. I am currently working on passing the "code". Might I suggest you join an "active" local amateur radio club. I did, and am now serving my 3rd year as Club Secretary. Just dive in and take the plunge....you'll be glad you did!!!

Tom Murray KB9WSL

My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19338)

by N1RJA (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N1RJA) on March 6, 2003

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Don,

Congrads on passing your EXTRA! Great feeling, isn't it?! Forget about the guilt thing. You passed the test that was put before you, just like the rest of us. Your attitude is just simply infectious! What a breath of fresh air. It is hams like you that get me excited to have QSOs with. Ever considered digital operating on HF? As an avid digital operator myself, I'd love to QSO you on PSK31 or MFSK. Hope you consider it - you won't regret it!

73, Rick

RE: My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19339)

by WB2WIK (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WB2WIK) on March 6, 2003

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Nice article, Don. Welcome to the hobby!

And don't let anyone cutting you off in traffic bother you. I've always driven, since my first hour behind the wheel almost 35 years ago, with the attitude that everyone is entitled to cut me off or do whatever they wish, and I couldn't care less. That was 1.4 million miles ago, and I've never had, or been in, an accident.

Keep up the good work!

73,

Steve, WB2WIK/6

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19341)

by JA2WWE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/JA2WWE) on March 6, 2003

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5 WPM extra's are basically frauds-

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19344)

by KC0LKE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC0LKE) on March 6, 2003

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Hello, Don Goo job for getting you extra ticket. Im working on mineand I have also had my liscence for a year. I have liked about every contact. 73 KC0LKE

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19345)

by G3VGR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/G3VGR) on March 6, 2003

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Don,
I'm certainly glad you're getting plenty of enjoyment from Ham Radio. After hearing all the doom & gloom about how the hobby is deteriorating etc, it's so refreshing to hear from someone fired up with enthusiasm. My Old Timer's advice? - just carry on having fun

RE: My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19346)

by AE7G (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AE7G) on March 6, 2003

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Congrats on your accomplishments!

"I am working on my code speed and have great respect for the time and effort it takes to get to 20 words per minute. Being a new Extra Class I feel guilty and not genuine at only having to pass the 5 word per minute code test and have vowed to get to 20 words per minute."

You can only take whatever test is offered. When you pass the test, you have earned your new ticket.

Your goal of 20WPM should bring you a lot of fun; and you will discover more about yourself in its pursuit.

I took my general test at an FCC office. Had to get up before the crack of dawn and drive over an hour to the test site. Plus find the building and be there in time for the test session. Didn't get a lot of sleep the night before.

The VEC program is so much NICER!

Took me a few years to get my extra. At the time, I was an extra light since I used the Bash Book to study from, and took the test with VEs from the first question pool.

Once you pass your test, the only thing that is important is good operating, and by my point of view, to help hams, and keep learning about our hobby.

Have FUN
Bob, headed thru my third sunspot cycle.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19354)

by KB1HVS (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KB1HVS) on March 7, 2003

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It feels great huh? I was a swl for years. I learned code in sea scouts but never once bothered to become a ham operator. You will have a ball. Congrats! 73 de kb1hvs

RE: My Perspective as a Newcomer

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19380)

by AB8PR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AB8PR) on March 7, 2003

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Having gotten my Extra under the new 5 WPM rules, I felt the same as you Don. Thing is, the rule changes aren't under our control. I had my 13 WPM General for about seven years and had a study book for getting my Advanced. Had to switch gears when they shuffled things around. :)

My opinion now, and is shared by most of the respondents, is that you have your ticket. How you got it isn't the issue, that you have it is. Be it 20 WPM or 5 WPM, it's an FCC mandated test that you passed, thus satisfying all the legal mumbo jumbo you need to operate. Don't let a few stuffed shirts tell you otherwise. You're not a fraud, you're not a 'cheater', and you're by no means not qualified. The fact you passed the test is proof enough of that. You're a bona fide ham, and thus welcome to the team.

See you on the airwaves.

Shane
AB8PR

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19387)

by WA2JJH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA2JJH) on March 7, 2003

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Congadulations! Some have said the Extra Exam is as taxing as the old 1st class commercial raio telephone.
No CW required. I passed the 2nd class phone many years ago. Wanted to get my 1st class phone. Missed
by 6 points. By the time I wanted to take the first phone again, the FCC did away with it. So my commercial ticket says GENERAL RADIOTELEPHONE. No one
can tell if I passed the 1st phone.

Do not let the 5 WPM get you down. You earned your EXTRA, no if's and's or but's! I did not pass the 20 WPM until the CW test went to comprehension. the old EXTRA and General CW test was to copy random letters and numbers error free. Failed the 13 WPM twice.

You got advanced electronic theory down. It is up to you if you want to get your CW up or not.

You will encounter a few EXTRAS that passed the 20WPM
that will "COP A TUDE". A new friend who I met on Eham
is a vibroplex wizard. He can do 35WPM. He has a little joke about phone only people, but that is just his humor. Why he is not a comedy writter is beyond me.

Some feel that my 20 WPM test was comprehension, and not the harder random numbers and letters, make me
a less than EXTRA EXTRA.

On a good day I can only copy 10-13 WPM.

You passed the CW test. There are many that complain
that they should have to pass any CW test at all!
There is a movement to have a CW free testing system.

You should be very proud. I found the EXTRA just as hard as the 1st and 2nd class commercial test.

If you are interested, the Commercial phone test is given by FCC autherized testing centers. You just passed the extra, I am sure with a little study you can pass the commercial ticket. The ticket you get from the FCC looks 10X better than a ham ticket.

Since the FCC is out of the licensing business, General commercial class holders can get Commercial TV and Radio broadcasters licensed.

Just an idea. strike when the iron is hot!

Best of luck to you, and welcome. Hope to work you on the air. Remember you do have the first 25KHZ on most bands for CW. There are some EXTRA only vioce freqs too.

You could also get your speed up on CW in the novice segments.You will be doing a great service. Hey you might want to get up to 15-20WPM to use the EXTRA only CW portions.

That is incentive. If you can do CW at 10-20WPM, I do not think any EXTRA can say BOO to you.

Again congrats and 73 de WA2JJH

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/19406)

by KE2IV (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KE2IV) on March 7, 2003

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Okay, everyone, I think two things are obvious:

1) Don wrote a great piece and we are all thrilled.

and...it worked...

2) THE DRINKS ARE ON DON. YES, OH, YES, OH YES!!!

73 All,
George
KE2IV

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==>AMATEUR RADIO SPECTRUM PROTECTION ACT NOW IN BOTH HOUSE AND SENATE

The Amateur Radio Spectrum Protection Act of 2003 now has been introduced in both chambers of Congress. Idaho Sen Michael Crapo introduced the Senate version of the bill, S 537, on March 6. Original cosponsors were Sen. Daniel Akaka (D-HI) and Sen. Larry Craig (R-ID).Florida Rep Michael Bilirakis put the latest House version of the bill, HR 713, into the legislative hopper on February 12. The measures, an ARRL initiative, have been introduced twice before in Congress. ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, believes this third time could be the proverbial charm.

"Actually, this is the best opportunity that we've ever had to get this bill through, because more members of Congress than ever before are paying attention to ham radio now," said Haynie, who's been in Washington this week to talk Amateur Radio with lawmakers and regulators. In addition, Haynie pointed out, the House and Senate will be considering major

spectrum reform bills, and the Amateur Radio Spectrum Protection Act could serve as an amendment to that sort of legislation.

HR 713 and S 537 are aimed at ensuring the availability of spectrum to Amateur Radio operators. The legislation would protect existing Amateur Radio spectrum against reallocations to or sharing with other services unless the FCC provides "equivalent replacement spectrum" elsewhere.

Haynie encouraged members of the Amateur Radio community to contact their senators and representatives to urge their cosponsorship, which lends support to legislation while it's in committee. The House bill has been referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce; the Senate bill will be considered by the Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee. In addition, although more members of Congress than ever understand and appreciate the benefits of Amateur Radio, some may remain reluctant to sign onto a technical piece of legislation without some indication of support from their own constituents.

"The League is doing all it can, but we know the success or failure will be in the hands of the amateur community," said Haynie, who pledged the ARRL's continuing efforts to get the bill enacted. "Letters and e-mails are the key to getting legislation passed."

A sample letter is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/govrelations/arspa.html>. Those writing their lawmakers are asked to copy their correspondence to the League via e-mail <specbill03@...>.

The measures would amend the Communications Act to require the FCC to provide "equivalent replacement spectrum" to Amateur Radio and the Amateur-Satellite Service in the event of a reallocation of primary amateur allocations, any reduction in secondary amateur allocations, or "additional allocations within such bands" that would substantially reduce their utility to amateurs.

The text of HR 713 and S 537 is available (or will soon be available) via the Thomas Web site <http://thomas.loc.gov/>.

==>SUPPORT GROWING FOR FAVORABLE 40-METER REALIGNMENT PLANS

With World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 (WRC-03) getting under way in about three months in Geneva, support is growing for two favorable proposals to create a 300-kHz worldwide 40-meter allocation. ARRL and the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) seek a return to the 300-kHz allocation that existed worldwide prior to World War II but that now exists only in the Americas. Delegates to WRC-03 will attempt to address--and possibly eliminate--the overlap on 40 meters between amateurs in the Americas (Region 2) and broadcasters elsewhere (Regions 1 and 3).

"There is encouraging news," says ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, in his "It Seems to Us . . ." editorial set to appear in April QST. He reports that, thanks to the efforts of IARU volunteers and others, more than 30

countries now have gone on record to support either one or the other of two favorable 40-meter realignment formulas. Sumner said more support is needed, but he called the interim head count "a good start."

Most popular among the half dozen realignment schemes outlined by participants at last November's WRC-03 Conference Preparatory Meeting is so-called Method B. This approach calls for a three-stage transition that would begin by allowing Region 1 and 3 amateurs on 7100-7200 kHz on a secondary basis starting in 2005 and end with all ITU regions gaining access to 7000-7300 kHz by the end of 2009--with the top 100 kHz shared with fixed and mobile stations in Regions 1 and 3. Broadcasters would shift upward to 7300-7550 kHz worldwide.

For US and other Region 2 stations, such a change would mean an end to deafening nighttime phone band QRM from broadcasters and the necessity to operate split-frequency to work stations in Regions 1 and 3 on SSB.

Sumner says Method B is now a European Common Proposal with initial support from 17 CEPT administrations. At least three other countries in Africa, Asia, and the Pacific have also expressed support for Method B, he said. The IARU team now is working to gain the support of additional administrations in Regions 1 and 3 either for Method B or for the similar Method A, Sumner reports. Otherwise identical to Method B, Method A does not include any sharing with fixed and mobile services.

In the Americas, a dozen ITU Region 2 countries last month agreed to support an Inter-American Proposal that's virtually the same as the so-called Method D. Proposed by Canada, Method D would provide 300 kHz worldwide for amateurs by shifting broadcasters in Regions 1 and 3 upward by 200 kHz. Region 2's broadcasting allocation would remain unchanged. IARU Region 2 is now working to expand the list of Region 2 countries supporting that plan.

The US so far has taken no position on the 40-meter realignment issue, although it has long supported a 300-kHz worldwide, exclusive allocation for Amateur Radio. The FCC WRC-03 Advisory Committee has recommended that Method A be a US proposal, but the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) has not yet agreed.

"Acting on behalf of the federal government users of the radio spectrum, the NTIA has been advocating 'no proposal' from the US, a position that the ARRL is working hard to overcome," Sumner points out. "A small number of federal agencies claim to be concerned that their backup circuits on HF would be affected by an upward shift of broadcasters."

Sumner also calls it "unfortunate" that some broadcasters persist in efforts to link the 7 MHz WRC-03 agenda item with another that deals with the adequacy of broadcasting spectrum between 4 and 10 MHz. Sumner said the broadcasting spectrum item is "a separate issue with an entirely different genesis.

==>ASTRONAUT TELLS GERMAN HIGH SCHOOLERS HE'LL MISS ABILITY TO FLY

Despite a last-minute glitch with an antenna rotator, an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact involving students at the Hochwald Gymnasium (high school) in Wadern, Germany, went off right on schedule. During the February 27 QSO, 16 students--all brand-new new amateur licensees--spoke via DL0WR in Saarland with ISS Science Officer Don Pettit, KD5MDT, at the controls of NA1SS. The high school was only the second school in Germany to experience an ARISS contact.

"Most significant is that the ARISS contact gave birth to 16 new members of the Amateur Radio community," said ARISS Mentor Peter Kofler, IN3GHZ, who called the accomplishment a "superb illustration of the educational power of the ARISS school contacts." That their first ham radio activity was a contact with the ISS was "a dream come true," he added.

The fact that each student had his or her own ticket also covered the sometimes-overlooked legal issue of third-party traffic between the US space station and the German students. Germany and US do not enjoy a third-party traffic agreement. Michael Kraus, DF3VM, conducted the students' training over a period of several weeks. Students ranged in age from 15 to 19. On the classroom side, the students had been working with physics teacher Marco Holzer since last November to prepare for the big day.

Pettit told the high schoolers that the thing he misses most in space is his family. The thing he'll miss the most when he gets back to Earth, however, is the possibility to fly while in microgravity. "When I get back to Earth, I'll miss that the most," he said.

He explained that while the ISS occupants are able to float freely, there is a "ceiling" and a "floor" to the spacecraft. The "floor," he said, has a darker color than the other surfaces.

Pettit also described how the crew enjoys the spectacular view of Earth below through the airliner-sized ports on the ISS, talked about what the astronauts do in their spare time and explained the scientific research the Expedition 6 crew is involved with. No, he said, there are no alcoholic beverages onboard Space Station Alpha.

In the parking lot of the auditorium where the contact took place, coordinating teacher Hubert Schäfer, DJ8VH, and some fellow members of the Wadern Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC)-affiliate, which loaned its DL0WR call sign to the occasion, had set up a 12-meter-tall mast to support the antenna system. Barely an hour before the contact was to take place, the primary antenna rotator failed. A backup unit put into play worked flawlessly.

Reporters from two television, two radio stations and two newspapers covered the event. The Hochwald contact marked the 88th ARISS school contact.

ARISS is an international program with participation by ARRL, NASA and AMSAT. For more information, visit the ARISS Web site <http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov>.

==>HAMVENTION HOPES TO CALL HARA ARENA HOME A WHILE LONGER

Although 2003 marks the last year of a five-year contract to hold Hamvention at Hara Arena, organizers hope to keep the show there for the indefinite future. Rumors crop up each year--and this has been no exception--that this year's event will be the last to take place at the venerable venue near Dayton, Ohio, that's served as Hamvention's home since 1964. Negotiations on a new contract to retain Hara for future shows remain in the offing. Billed as "the world's largest Amateur Radio gathering and trade show," Hamvention 2003 takes place May 16-18.

"We haven't made any decisions yet," Hamvention Production Manager Garry Matthews, KB8GOL, said this week. "We want to get this year's show under our belt and then renegotiate the contract." At the same time, Matthews said, there are no plans to go elsewhere, nor is Hamvention under any threat or pressure to relocate. "There's nothing planned to move," he said. "But," he conceded, "we've looked at alternative locations in case something happens. Anything could happen to Hara."

Matthews says the sponsoring Dayton Amateur Radio Association has explored several other possible locations for Hamvention, which has quietly dropped "Dayton" from the show's official name. Matthews says no other site in the Greater Dayton area will serve the purpose that Hara does. "None of the other venues will support the show at its current size," he said.

Speaking of size, Hamvention reported that attendance for last year's 50th anniversary event was 24,832--down about 5 percent from 2001's crowd of 26,151. 2002 marked the second year in a row that Hamvention's attendance had dipped.

Attendance climbed to 28,804 in 2000, the year of the ARRL National Convention at Dayton. Matthews has said that any crowd larger than 28,000 starts to push the envelope as far as Hara Arena is concerned--especially the human comfort factor. Hamvention attendance peaked in 1993 at 33,669--before the event date changed from April to May.

As for continued use of Hara Arena, Matthews points out that the building has never been sold, is not for sale now and never has been. As for a new contract with Hara? "We'll evaluate the show after June 1, and we hope to improve some things," he said, without revealing any details.

In the meantime, he's pouring his energy into the arrangements for this year's show, but, he reports, things have been slower to come together in terms of advance sales to visitors and vendors. "If we go to war, people might not want to travel," he said. "There's nothing to panic about, but it's tougher this year."

Some changes already have been announced. Among other things, Hamvention this year will replace its annual banquet and entertainment with a more low-key award winners' reception at Hara Saturday evening.

Between now and show time, Matthews says Hamvention will--among other moves--boost its advertising and promotion to counteract the sluggish

advance sales. "We're going to have a good show," he predicted confidently.

For additional insights and information on Hamvention, see "How Hamvention Happens," in April 2000 QST and available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2003/03/06/4/0004053.pdf>. For more information on Hamvention 2003, visit the Hamvention Web site <http://www.hamvention.org>.

==>AMATEURS RESPOND TO PENNSYLVANIA "BIG CHILL"

Amateur Radio Emergency Service/Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (ARES/RACES) team members in southern York County, Pennsylvania, activated March 3 after a natural gas shutdown forced residents to evacuate their homes to escape winter's chill. Some two dozen amateurs took shifts to assist the American Red Cross, staff the local emergency operations center and provide other necessary communication. ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Manager Eric Olena, WB3FPL, reports that Amateur Radio involvement in the gas emergency ended around midday on March 5.

York County ARRL Emergency Coordinator Kerry Smeltzer, KA3KAR, says the problem, reportedly the result of a regulator failure, cut off the main natural gas supply serving the communities of Red Lion and Dallastown. Estimates vary as to the number of residents directly impacted by the gas failure, but they ran anywhere from 5000 to 10,000. Red Cross "mass care" facilities in two local schools let residents take advantage of heated facilities and hot meals. Smeltzer and his family were among those taking refuge.

In addition to the ARES/RACES teams activated in York County, Smeltzer said, ARES teams in surrounding counties and from nearby Maryland were on standby for the duration in case needed. ARES/RACES used two local VHF repeaters for most communications. Smeltzer said that the Baptist Men's Kitchen was on site to provide meals. The Civil Air Patrol also responded.

==>QUESTION POOL COMMITTEE RELEASES DRAFT ELEMENT 3 SYLLABUS FOR COMMENT

The Question Pool Committee of the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators has released a draft syllabus for the Element 3 (General) Amateur Radio examination. This syllabus will be used to develop a new General class question pool that will become effective July 1, 2004. The QPC is inviting comments on the document as well as suggested questions for the General-class question pool.

ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, says comments and questions may include, but are not limited to, such things as new material in terms of technology or operations, topics that might be deleted as no longer relevant and corrections involving grammar, spelling and technical details.

The General class syllabus is an outline of 10 question-topic areas--called "subelements"--from which actual Element 3 examination

questions will be developed. These include FCC rules, operating procedures, radio wave propagation, Amateur Radio practices, electrical principles, circuit components, practical circuits, signals and emissions, antennas and feed lines and RF safety.

A question pool based on the revised syllabus will be released later this year. The QPC will invite public input on the General questions once they've been made public. A new Technician class question pool released last November takes effect in the exam room on July 1 of this year.

The draft General (Element 3) syllabus <http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/gp-syllabus-2004.html> is available on the ARRL Web site, which also includes all current question pools <http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/pools.html>.

QPC Chairman Scotty Neustadter, W4WW, has requested comments to the committee by July 15, 2003. The amateur community may e-mail comments to the Question Pool Committee at qpc@....

==>UK TO AK ON 136 kHz

Reaching Alaska from the United Kingdom using just 1 W ERP is quite a feat for any band, but the Radio Society of Great Britain reports that Laurie Mayhead, G3AQC, was heard in Alaska on 136 kHz. In the early hours of February 15, he transmitted to Laurence Howell, GM4DMA/KL1X in Anchorage, and just before UK dawn at 0615 his call sign was clearly identified using software to read the signal.

G3AQC was using QRSS--very slow CW--with a 60-second-long dit. The 7278-km distance is a transmission record for 1 W ERP on 136 kHz.

Two years ago, Mayhead and Larry Kayser, VA3LK, made ham radio history when they completed the first two-way transatlantic exchange on 136 kHz, also using very slow speed CW. Last year G3AQC became the first person to span the Atlantic on 73 kHz.

Howell expressed surprise that the path involved in the latest accomplishment is "notoriously poor" between southeastern Alaska, on the east coast of the Pacific, and Europe. "The signal would theoretically go on a Great Circle route to nearly 80 degrees north, over the northern Canadian Arctic, northern Greenland, east of Iceland, Glasgow, then over the UK to the South Coast--across and through the auroral oval."

He said there's speculation that the actual path might been around or even under the auroral zone, since there was no auroral Doppler seen on the received signal. Howell and Mayhead credited research and preparation carried out by G3NYK, G3LDO, W3EEE and W4DEX, for helping to set the new LF record.--RSGB

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Heliophile Tad "I Live for the Sun" Cook, K7VVV, Seattle, Washington, reports: This week we saw the average daily sunspot number increase nearly

50 points over the previous week, and the average daily solar flux was up 30 points. The geomagnetic indices were active after a robust solar wind arrived on March 3. The most active period was late on March 3 into March 4 when the planetary K index reached 4 and Alaska's College K index reached 6.

On Thursday evening of the reporting period we were affected by a high-speed solar wind stream from a coronal hole causing minor geomagnetic storms in high latitudes. This would result in absorption of HF signals over polar paths. Geomagnetic indices are expected to be unsettled to active over the next few days, and solar flux should decline again. Solar flux is expected to go below 145 by March 10, then reach a short-term minimum below 110 around March 22-23.

Sunspot numbers for February 27 through March 5 were 82, 77, 73, 67, 136, 160 and 138, with a mean of 104.7. The 10.7-cm flux was 117.6, 124.9, 138.1, 147.3, 149.1, 146 and 148.5, with a mean of 138.8. Estimated planetary A indices were 22, 17, 14, 14, 15, 26 and 16, with a mean of 17.7.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The South African Radio League (SARL) Field Day Contest, the RSGB Commonwealth Contest (CW), the North American Sprint (RTTY), the UBA Spring Contest (CW), the NSARA Contest and the Wisconsin QSO Party are the weekend of March 9-10. JUST AHEAD: The Pesky Texan Armadillo Chase is March 13. The YLISSB QSO Party (SSB), the 10-10 Mobile Contest, the BARTG Spring RTTY Contest, the SARL VHF/UHF Contest, the Russian DX Contest, the AGCW VHF/UHF Contest and the Virginia QSO Party are the weekend of March 15-16. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration opens Monday, March 10, 12:01 AM EST (0500 UTC), for the on-line Level II Emergency Communications course (EC-002). Registration remains open through the March 15-16 weekend or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, March 25. Thanks to a recent grant, the $45 registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the course. During this registration period, approximately 50 seats are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, dmiller@...; 860-594-0340.

* Emergency Communications Level I course registration information: March registration is closed for the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level I on-line course (EC-001) sponsored by the Corporation for National

and Community Service (CNCS). All available seats have been filled. Registration for the next available Level I class opens Monday, April 7, at 12:01 AM EST. Senior amateurs are strongly encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity. Those considering enrolling in the Level I class are urged to take the Connecticut Distance Learning Consortium WebMentor sample course to familiarize themselves with the course template and tools used in all ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) on-line courses. Sign up for e-mail registration reminders for all C-CE courses by sending a request to prereg@arrl.org. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. Address your Emergency Communications course questions to ARRL Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, dmiller@....

* Arkansas gets new Section Manager: ARRL Field and Educational Services Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, has appointed Robert D "Dennis" Schaefer, W5RZ, to be the new Arkansas ARRL Section Manager. Schaefer, who lives in Dover, served as a Section Communications Manager (SCM) from 1968 until 1970 and as an Assistant SM. He now serves as a Delta Division Assistant Director and as a District Emergency Coordinator. He succeeds SM Bob Ideker, WB5VUH, who first served as SM from 1991 through 1995 and who returned to office in 2001. Ideker had decided to not run for another term, and Eldon Bryant, K7ZQR, was nominated and elected to replace him. Bryant subsequently decided not to assume the office, however. Schaefer's term as SM term begins April 1. Arkansas members may contact Schaefer via e-mail <w5rz@...>.

* FCC makes housekeeping changes in Amateur Service rules: The FCC has made some minor changes in the Part 97 Amateur Service rules as a result of decisions at past World Radiocommunication Conferences. In a wide-ranging Report and Order released March 3 that affects several radio services, the FCC has removed §97.401(b) and international footnote 5.120 from the Amateur Service rules. The sections reference International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Resolution 640, which invited administrations to provide for the needs of international disaster communications and for the needs of emergency communications within their national regulations using certain amateur bands. Resolution 640 was deleted at WRC-97, and footnote 5.120 at WRC-2000. "We do not think this will have an impact on the Amateur Service emergency communications because Sections 97.111(a)(1) and 97.101(c) of our Rules allow amateur stations to communicate with foreign stations in disaster areas, making the provisions based on the former ITU Resolution No. 640 unnecessary," the FCC said in the RO&O in ET Docket 02-16. Those sections permit "transmissions necessary to exchange messages with other stations in the amateur service" unless an administration objects and require control operators "at all times and on all frequencies" to give priority to stations providing emergency communications. Footnote 5.120 had listed 80, 40, 30, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 2 meters as bands to be used in the event of natural disaster.

* FCC cites RV owners in RFI complaint: The FCC has told an Oregon couple to stop using its Winegard amplified television antenna (Model Sensar/Roadstar) on their recreational vehicle "until the condition causing harmful interference has been corrected." The FCC contacted Jimmy and Jan Bowen of Gresham, Oregon, following a February 3, RFI complaint from an Amateur Radio operator to the FCC Portland office. The interference was reported on 447.375 MHz. An FCC agent investigating the allegation tracked the interfering signal to the Bowen's RV in Portland. The FCC cited Part 15 rules and noted that certain Winegard antenna amplifiers "have been the source of radio frequency interference in a number of cases." Due to the complaints, Winegard <http://www.winegard.com> has agreed to replace defective units at no charge. The FCC advised the couple to contact Winegard to make necessary arrangements.

* Former ARRL staffer Marjorie Tenney, WB1FSN, SK: Former ARRL Headquarters staff member Marjorie C. Tenney, WB1FSN, died February 22. She was 78. Known for her friendliness and willingness to help others, Tenney worked in various HQ capacities from 1965 through 1985. ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, remembered Tenney as consistently cheerful person who was eager to be of help to members and coworkers. Survivors include her husband, Herbert, WB1ETL, three sons--including Richard, WB1ASG--and a daughter.

* Vote on QST Cover Plaque award: The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for December 2002 was Dick Stroud, W9SR, for his article "Try Copper for 2 Meters--the CuLoop." The January 2003 winner was Paul Wade, W1GHZ, for his article "A 222-MHz Transverter for the Yaesu FT-817." The February 2003 winner was David A. Rosenthal, N6TST, for his article "Portable in Paradise: Cruise Ship Dxing." Congratulations, Dick, Paul and David! The winner of the QST Cover Plaque award--given to the author--or authors--of the best article in each issue--is determined by a vote of ARRL members. Voting takes place each month on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/members-only/qstvote.html>. Cast a ballot for your favorite articles in the March issue of QST. Voting ends March 31.

* Dayton Contest Dinner tickets now on sale: The North Coast Contesters have announced that tickets for the 11th annual Dayton Contest Dinner now are on sale. The dinner will be held Saturday, May 17, 6:30 PM, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Dayton. Seating is limited, random and not reserved. All dinner ticket orders are handled exclusively by Craig Clark, K1QX, Radioware and Radio Bookstore, PO Box 209, Rindge, NH 03461 <http://www.radio-ware.com>. Order tickets weekdays by calling toll-free 800-457-7373 or via e-mail <jcclark at prexar.com>. Major credit cards are accepted.

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* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio Club: Visit Mailing Lists@...
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1060. VHF Exercise for repeater.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-15 04:53:59 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1060 Message: 1060
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Clear DayMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

MARS will conduct a VHF exercise to survey for a ideal location for the prospective VHF repeater on sunday 16 march 2003 at 08:00 am.

At present Mumbai does not have any VHF repeater , VU2BBB the Mumbai repeater is not operational and Mumbai needs a repeater very badly.

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73
Nilesh, VU2NLF

1061. Congrutulations VU2PIC, VU2TUR , VU2MYB

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-15 05:54:45 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1061 Message: 1061
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MARS CONGRATULATES THE FOLLOWING ON GETTING THEIR TICKET.

PARIN GANGAR --- VU2PIC

TURABALI KAPASI - VU2TUR

BELLA MEHTA - VU2MYB

1062. repeater

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-15 18:40:47 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1062 Message: 1062

Dear Friends ,
My best wishes to all involved in th excersise involved in setting up of new repeater i do feel it was much required necessacity in Mumbai maybe my next trip would bring me in cloaser contact with many more HAMS.
Best wishes once again to all involved in the effort and any possible help required or expected fully extended.
73s Rahul VU3WJM

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There are 2 messages in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. VHF Exercise for repeater.
From: "vu2nlf"
2. Congrutulations VU2PIC, VU2TUR , VU2MYB
From: "vu2nlf"

Message: 1
Date: Sat, 15 Mar 2003 10:23:59 +0530
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73
Nilesh, VU2NLF

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Date: Sat, 15 Mar 2003 11:24:45 +0530
From: "vu2nlf"
Subject: Congrutulations VU2PIC, VU2TUR , VU2MYB

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PARIN GANGAR --- VU2PIC

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BELLA MEHTA - VU2MYB

[This message contained attachments]

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1063. RNC from Agra

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-17 03:37:04 UTC
From: R.N.Sharma
Topic: 1063 Message: 1063

Dear Members,
Hello.
I and my xyl wishing you and yours a very colourful, happy holi festival which will bring you energetic mood for all the activity.
With best regards and love to all.
de
VU2RNC
VU3RNC
Ram&Sandhya

1064. Welcome VU2NXM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-17 13:54:26 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1064 Message: 1064
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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MARS welcomes Life member BASAPPA ARABOLE - VU2NXM ex- VU3BKY.

Thank you for joining the MARS Family.

1065. Welcome Nilesh Joshi

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-17 13:55:50 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1065 Message: 1065
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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MARS welcomes member Nilesh joshi - Grade - II

Thank you for joining the MARS Family.

1066. Renewal of Annual Memberships & Info abt Life Memberships

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-17 14:19:13 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1066 Message: 1066

Dear Members,

Please note we have started to collect annual fees for 2003-04. Please pay on time to avoid last minute run-arounds.

As informed earlier Family & Physically Impaired Life Membership Fees are revised as follows:

Family Life Membership
==========
First Member - Rs.2500
Spouse - Rs.2000
Harmonics - Rs.1500

Life Membership for Physically Impaired Members - Rs.1000
==========

Kindly take the opportunity to become life members. Please forward all the chqs or cash to registered office address or my residence by courier.

Thnks,

Mehul Chovatia
Treasurer - MARS
9820444991

1067. Happy Holi

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-18 11:31:18 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1067 Message: 1067
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1068. VHF Exercise Successful.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-18 11:42:45 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1068 Message: 1068
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Dear Friends,

The VHF Exercise for the proposed site for the VHF Dx Repeater was a great success. We have managed to contact many many far off stations from our test locations.

Heartly congratulations to all the participants on a job well done.

73
NLF

1069. Membership fees.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-18 11:55:28 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1069 Message: 1069
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Dear Friends,

Further to the mail by Mehul Chovatia - our treasurer.

Kindly note that all the members opting for life membership will be issued 80 G receipt for tax benefit and save 50% . so technically you end up paying only half the amount for i.e. a handicap person paying Rs.1000/- to the society gets Rs.500/- as tax benefit or a person paying Rs.2500/- get tax benefit of Rs.1250/-

Also please note that the senior citizen life membership is also Rs.1000/-

Kindly avail the facilities and become a member for ever.

Ordinary members are also requested to send their annual fees of Rs.250/-

All cheques to be drawn in favor of "MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY.

Members can send their fees to the tresurer directly at :-

Mehul Chovatia
Karnataka House,
2nd floor, Dadi Santuk Lane,
Chira Bazar, Mumbai - 400 002.

or alternatively send it to our office address :-

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society.
15/60, Matru Mandir,
278, Tardeo Road,
Mumbai - 400 007.

73
NLF

1070. Welcome VU2TUR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-19 07:24:40 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1070 Message: 1070
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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MARS welcomes Life member TURAB KAPASI - VU2TUR.

Thank you for joining the MARS Family.

1071. GPS...Sandeep, this one is particularly for you

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-25 09:11:02 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1071 Message: 1071

Products

Motorola Unveils Latest Single-chip GPS Receiver
RF Design Staff
Hannover, Germany -- Motorola Inc. (http://65.54.246.250/cgi-bin/linkrd?_lang=EN&lah=b5587413152b60596f6da5d0cb55dfd7&lat=1048583272&hm___action=http%3a%2f%2fwww%2emailcubed%2ecom%2fclick%2easp%3fx%3d5ee5%2e13e2%2e547924), working with IBM Microelectronics (http://65.54.246.250/cgi-bin/linkrd?_lang=EN&lah=a7d2f80e2bedb5e7b14a376a2e84ccd1&lat=1048583272&hm___action=http%3a%2f%2fwww%2emailcubed%2ecom%2fclick%2easp%3fx%3d5edc%2e13e2%2e547924), announced a new technology for adding location sensing to virtually any portable electronics product.
The new technology, called Motorola Instant GPS, is a self-contained, single-chip, assisted global positioning system (A-GPS) receiver small enough to fit into a wristwatch, the company says. Some of the portable electronic applications include cameras that time- and location-stamp photos, PDAs with maps and real-time navigation, and E-911 compliant cellular phones that can find friends, family members, and restaurants.
Motorola's Instant GPS combines Motorola's GPS design with IBM's silicon germanium (SiGe) chip-making technology. IBM plans to manufacture the new GPS chips for Motorola; samples are available immediately for OEM suppliers of portable electronic devices.
"IBM's technology enabled Motorola to reach its performance goal of detecting GPS signals so faint they'd be comparable to those received in Chicago from a light bulb burning in Korea," said Walt Lange, associate director for foundry services, IBM Microelectronics.

Get more buddies in your list. Win prizes (http://g.msn.com/8HMPENIN/2749)

1072. Overlooked But Always in Demand

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-25 09:21:39 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1072 Message: 1072

Overlooked But Always in Demand
Dale "Kuby" Kubichek, N6JSX /8 (N6JSX) (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N6JSX)on March 25, 2003
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Over looked but always in demand HAM

02/2003 by N6JSX /8

Years ago when HAM's had to design and build/modify their own equipment the technical abilities of HAM's were recognized and accepted as a "normal" attribute of HAM radio. But today few HAM's do anything more technical than push a button, install a pre-tuned antenna, or hook up the red wire to the + terminal on a power supply. The art and requirement of HAM's designing, building, repairing, or modifying has faded away as electronics classes have faded away in our school systems. HAM radio, in general, has become a class of radio "operators" with few even knowing what a Colpitts, Hartley, Wein, Butterworth, Marconi, Faraday, Tesla, Kirchhoff, or Zepp even mean to radio. Few HAM's, today, fix their own radios, in part, due to the complexities, miniaturization, lack of schematics/PCB layout, or a lack of knowledge/skills. HAM radio is evolving and knowledge requirements are changing - for good or bad is an article for another day.

Most HAM's are operators/communicators but there is another sub-group within HAM radio that is more than just an operator, they are what I call the HAM Engineer. The HAM Engineer is, typically, a professional electronics/RF engineer, technician, or even an x-military technician. They can troubleshoot, repair, modify, build, and even design communications equipment or devices. Some of these HAM Engineer's can be found as "T"/fox Hunters.

The HAM Engineer is an overlooked, yet, required commodity to the ARES, EMA, RACES/DCS operations and repeater systems. When communications equipment goes down these HAM Engineer's can swiftly jump into the troubleshooting mode in an attempt to quickly fix the radio system restoring communications. It may be as simple as replacement a fuse, diagnosing a dead power supply, or finding a connector coax short but it will take a minimum amount of test equipment and spare parts.

These HAM Engineer's are needed more today than anytime in our history to support emergency operations, emergency communications equipment, repeater operations, and mobile/remote operations. HAM Engineer's need to become an integral part of ALL emergency support plans. HAM Engineer's could perform pre-emergency audits of the communications facilities advising what type of support equipment and documentation should be in place to support a possible emergency repair action (short of major radio repairs). HAM Engineer's can design, build, re-build, repair, and over see the erection of an emergency communications antenna providing the materials are readily available.

To this end I have created the HAM Engineer's "FIELD GO BAG" should have (at a minimum):

DMM w/probes (extra battery) RS22-163 or better

VSWR/power meter (1.8 - 440 MHz capability) RS940-0592/RS940-0593

jumper coax(s) and adaptors (UHF/BNC/N/SMA) to fit radios

PL-259 connectors (6 each) RS278-205

PL-259 connectors w/RG-8x insert - will work on RG-58) (6 each) RS278-204

BNC connectors (w/crimp tool) (6 each)

50' RG-8X/58 coax RS278-971

Outdoor antenna kit (2 each for 75/40m) RS278-758

wire jumpers w/clips RS278-001/RS278-1156

fuses - ranging 1A-30A various types RS270-1203/RS900-7133/RS270-1262

wire - various AWG minimum 3-6'

electrical insulation tape role (10' min) RS64-2352

heat shrink tubing various dia./lengths w/butane lighter (optional) RS278-1611

hand tools:

soldering pencil - butane (w/extra butane tank) RS64-2188

soldering pencil repair kit (VAC 30W) RS64-2803

soldering gun (VAC dual pwr) RS64-2187

solder 60/40 rosin flux core RS64-008

solder wick or solder sucker RS64-2090/RS64-2098

wire strippers RS64-1922

wire cutters (sharp) RS64-2045

knife (utility/xacto - sharp)

screw drivers - straight/Phillips/jewelers

non-conductive tweeker screwdriver RS64-2220

pliers (2) (regular, vice grip, needle nose)

crescent wrenches (2) (6? & 12?)

magnifying glass (lighted optional w/extra batteries)

pen light flash light (w/extra batteries)

permanent marker (Sharpe)

etc. - personal preference

(Note: RS numbers refer to Radio Shack part numbers)

This type of HAM Engineer's "GO BAG" should become an integral part of ANY emergency communications vehicle/site. The emergency organizations need to identify these volunteer HAM's and integrate them into their operations plans and activation rosters.

Go Bonkers over cricket with Balram D Maity (http://g.msn.com/8HMPENIN/2740)

1073. A Wonderful Ham Story You Can Add To!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-25 09:25:30 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1073 Message: 1073

A Wonderful Ham Story You Can Add To!
from Cap'n Fatty Goodlander on March 19, 2003
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Ahoy Friends and Family...
Just a quick note to ask if you know any amateur radio operators (known as 'hams') in your area?
If so, could you do me a small favor for a very good cause?
We've become very good friends with an Indian ham (VU2ITI) named T.K. Mani who lives in Cochin, India.
He helped us out tremendously by fixing our SSB radio aboard Wild Card----and refused all payment.
Once we started hanging out with him we discovered what a wonderful guy he truly is. (See the story, which follows).
In any event, he and his entire radio club is in need of any-and- all-types of amateur radio magazines... like CQ, QST, or 73.
Is there is any chance that you could collect some of these magazines... or contact some local amateur radio group to do so... and mail them to the address which follows?
I know it would take a little time and some money----but, believe me, it would be greatly appreciated by the amateurs of India.... and by me personally.
It doesn't matter how old or ripped up the mags are... they'll read whatever you send them to tatters!
Thanks so much.
Here's the address:
T.K. Mani
Department of Electronics
Cochin University of Science and Technology
THRIKKAKARA Kochi 682022
Kerala, India

Thanks again.
Cap'n Fatty Goodlander
Sailing Yacht WILD CARD
Cochin, India
Indian Ocean
Earth
On Radios, Indian Friends and Electronic Heros Copyright 2003 by Cap'n Fatty Goodlander
In the last few years, we've sailed to dozens of counties, many of which are reputed to be the friendliest in the world. Nowhere, however, have we made more wonderful friends quicker than in India.
Take electronic guru and university professor T. K. Mani as example: once he heard there was a visiting American yacht '...stranded without a radio,' he dropped everything and rushed down to the Cochin harbor to help.
My wife Carolyn and I happened to be away traveling inland at the time, so he kept returning day after day until he found us aboard----despite the hour-long, heavy-traffic

commute.
I was, frankly, somewhat suspicious of him at first. Without even looking at the radio, he assured us he could fix it. His only question was, "Do you need it back tomorrow, or can I have a couple of days?"
To dampen his optimism, I warned him that the radio had not worked since we'd been hit by lightening and that I had no idea what was wrong with it, no schematic diagram, no parts list, etc.
He just shrugged.
I didn't know it at the time, but T.K. Mani had every right to be confident.
About thirty years ago, when he was a teenager, he saw a newspaper ad for a small radio receiver for 10 rupees, about twenty cents American. He wanted that radio so bad he could taste it, and began bugging his hardworking-but-nearly-penniless father day after day. His family was VERY poor and often hungry----and his father told him repeatedly that it was too expensive. But Mani wanted it, wanted it, wanted it... so badly that his father ultimately relented and gave Mani the 10 rupees.
Mani sent away for the radio, and waited. And waited. And is still waiting. "It was a rip off... a scam," he told me. "I never got the radio. I was furious. My father said, 'I told you so!'"
Mani could not believe it. His chance to own a radio and to hear beyond the front door of his tiny rural shack... was gone forever.
Or was it?
Mani decided to build his own radio. He collected old television sets and gutted them for parts. He went to the library and read dozens of books on amateur radio. He visited every radio repair shop within hiking distance of his house----and silently watched/questioned the technicians hour after hour after hour.
"One old radio guy lent me what we both thought were enough parts to build a radio -- but we were wrong. Dozens of times, I put it together... and nothing. It was discouraging. I spent all my spare time working on it, soldiering different parts together... testing my circuits. Then I got a new carton of used stuff... transformers and tubes and copper windings... and exactly two years after I started... I heard a faint signal through my headphones! I'd done it. I'd built a radio."
No one has ever built a radio in Mani's village before----or even heard of anyone doing so.
Mani immediately became famous. He soon built a transmitter...
"It was supposed to be two watts," he said, "but it was actually a little less than one. But I had my amateur radio license (VU2ITI) by then, and I made a lot of contacts with that crude little x-mitter.."
Suddenly, Mani's world was huge. Every day he talked to sophisticated, educated people from around the world----and was taken seriously by them.
It dawned on him that electronics could be his ticket out of the grinding poverty of his youth.
Mani ceaselessly built radio after radio... all from scratch, with salvaged parts... and soon headed off to college to study electronic theory. Eventually he got his master's degree, a teaching job at the local university, and now, when I meet him, is only a few short months away from receiving his doctorate.
Along the way he invented the 'acoustical ocean rain gauge' which remotely monitors the amount and location of rainfall at sea-----a very important device in drought-stricken India.
Anyway, Mani knows his stuff -- and proved it by returning to Wild Card a couple of days later with the repaired radio... and installing it in such a manner that its output was radically higher than ever!
"How much do I owe you," I asked.

"How 'bout," he said with a sly smile, "the privilege of your company at my home for a traditional Kerala feast?"
How do you repay such a person... a total stranger in a completely foreign land... for such a kindness? For not only fixing something important for you, but also welcoming you into his heart, home and life?
It was a challenge. Since Mani refused all payment, we made a sizable donation to his amateur radio club -- for an upcoming hamfest.
After meeting his lovely wife Sheela and partaking of her wonderful food-----we returned the invitation and had them both aboard Wild Card for a 'typical American meal' of meat-and-mash- potatoes and, of course, hot apple pie.
Learning that Mani was involved with fund-raising for a school for children with 'special needs,' Carolyn and I decided to sponsor a deserving child by paying a year's tuition.
But most of all, we just enjoyed each other's company. Mani was very interested in our voyage, and Carolyn and I were very interested in his life. He stopped by Wild Card almost daily, and introduced us to his entire family, many friends----and even roped me into giving an hour long lecture on marine electronics to his eager students.
One of Mani's teaching assistants was getting engaged, and we had a seat of honor at the day-long party -- during which one hundred people taught us to eat with our hands... amid much laughter and love. (The marriage was an 'arranged' one: the groom's parents had found the bridge via a newspaper advertisement and this was only the third time she and the groom had ever met... always with both sets of parent's present, of course!)
Perhaps the nicest moment came when I held his lovely, laughing daughter Krishna (she's mentally challenged) in my arms and sang 'Sweet Adeline' and 'On Moonlight Bay' and 'Old Man River' to her.
In essence, we became fast friends. We relaxed and luxuriated within each other's presence. Mani showed us his world, we showed him ours. Sure, we mostly talked -- but after awhile the pauses were as comfortable as the conversation.
That's the very best part of sailing around the world... meeting wonderful people like T.K. Mani of Cochin, India.
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Cap'n Fatty and Carolyn Goodlander
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Outfitters, Independent Boat Yard,
Caribbean Inflatable Services, The
Caribbean Weather Center, and the people of St. John, VI!
PS
Fatty & Carolyn started from St. John, Virgin Islands circumnavigating the earth in their sail boat.
I hope you can post this wonderful story and turn it into a greater one by having hams participating in it.
Thanks & 73,
Tony Scimeca KP2Z

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by K3ESE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K3ESE) on March 19, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=19907)

Well, I've been reading of Capt. Fatty's adventures for years in sailing rags, especially Latitude 38. This was a wonderful story! Comes at a good time, too, doesn't it?

Now I know what to do with the QSTs that are piling up! I'll be sending whatever radio literature I can find to India.

Thanks, Fatty!

Keep in touch with sweet and simple e-cards (http://g.msn.com/8HMPENIN/2752)

1074. FM Satellite Operating Ettiquette

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-22 15:30:39 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 1074 Message: 1074

FM Satellite Operating EttiquetteFM Satellite Transponder Operating Etiquette (or 'Satiquette').
The South African satellite, SUNSAT, has recently commenced amateur transponder operation on the 2 metre and 70cm amateur bands. Unlike most amateur satellites, this 'bird' carries an FM voice repeater, which enables many more amateurs to experience the thrill of satellite operation. However, this accessibility, combined with the single channel available on current generation FM satellites means that congestion is a big problem which needs to be managed, if everyone is going to get their turn on the transponder. As SUNSAT has become popular here in VK during the spring of 1999, the problem of congestion and operating procedure worsened to the point that a lot of time is being wasted due to stations 'doubling' and having to re-transmit their signal reports or other information.

Satellite transponders, a quick overview.

This is a short overview on the different types of analogue satellites and how FM satellites compare to the linear transponders used on other satellites, as well as their terrestrial cousin, the FM voice repeater. Here is a table showing the differences and similarities between the different devices.

Characteristic FM satellite transponder FM terrestrial voice repeater Linear satellite transponder
Simultaneous users 1 1 Several
Crossband Yes No (usually) Yes
Availability Limited (active passes only) Continuous Limited (active passes only)
Coverage radius 3000+ km 20 - 200km (most cases) 3000+ km
Mode FM FM All (SSB or CW preferred)
Typical minimum uplink power. 1 - 5 watts EIRP Varies depending on location 10-50 watts EIRP

In the table above, several conclusions can be drawn. Firstly, like their terrestrial cousins, FM satellite transponders can support only one user at a time. This is one of the main constraints of these devices. Also, the uplink requirements are quite modest, well within the range of handheld equipment (successful satellite operation has been achieved with a few watts from within trains, trams and buses). Combined with the limited availability of the transponder and the enormous coverage possible, dogpiles and congestion are highly likely. It's worth noting that congestion isn't a serious problem on the linear transponder satellites due to the number of simultaneous QSOs supported, as well as the higher "barriers to entry" (namely multimode VHF/UHF radios and higher power and antenna requirements) To alleviate this problem, good operating procedures are a must.

Operating procedures for FM satellites.

Most material I've seen on satellite operation deals with linear transponders. While these procedures are mostly good operating habits and common sense, they do not specifically emphasise the key constraints placed upon the FM transponders, namely limited QSO throughput due to single channel operation, and higher levels of demand. As a result, any

operating procedures must address these issues and ensure as many people as possible can make contacts during the pass. My suggestions are drawn from a combination of FM repeater procedures, contesting and traditional satellite operation, as elements of each of these facets are incorporated into FM satellite operation. I'll summarise my procedures below:

1.. First and foremost is to listen before and while (if possible) transmitting, to ensure your transmissions don't drown out a weaker station who may be on the edge of a pass or running QRP. Satellites should be an alligator free zone. It is strongly recommended that you set your station up so you can monitor the downlink while transmitting, so you can hear how well you are accessing the satellite and whether you accidentally clobbered someone else. Similarly, if you can't hear the transponder, don't transmit. Do something else more productive, such as realign your receiving antenna to improve reception.
2.. Be brief. Because the traffic levels can be quite high, contest style (callsign/signal report/next station) operation is the most appropriate for most situations. Many stations also exchange QTH and first names, which is OK if time permits. If transponder activity is low, you can have a brief chat, but the opportunities for this are becoming rare now.
3.. Take turns. If you've just worked a handful of stations, be polite and hand the transponder over to someone else so they can work a few. There may be an opportunity to call back in later during the pass and work some different stations as the satellite passes over different areas, and others will appreciate your courtesy.
4.. When calling, a simple announcement (e.g. "This is VK3JED listening SUNSAT" or even "VK3JED listening") will suffice, like it does on a terrestrial repeater. Anyone within transponder range will hear your call. A short CQ call ("CQ SUNSAT, this is VK3JED") is OK too. Long CQ calls waste transponder time and frustrate everyone listening. Save the long CQs for HF, where they're appropriate. Only call CQ when there's a distinct lack of activity, such as at the very start of a pass and sometimes late in the pass after everyone else has finished. A well placed CQ call late in a pass might alert someone ahead of the satellite that a pass has just commenced over their QTH.
5.. Wait your turn. If a QSO is in progress, wait until it finishes before putting in your call. Butting in too soon is rude and wastes precious transponder time as the stations involved in the QSO have to repeat themselves due to your QRM.
6.. Don't tune up! Believe it or not, there are stations who test their satellite access by dropping a carrier over the top of everyone and perhaps announcing "Hello hello". Simply putting out a call at the appropriate time will provide all the signal checks you need (and net you a worthwhile contact! :)), without annoying everyone else on the transponder. If you're really that doubtful about your equipment, perhaps connect your dummy load, test in the shack and try again another day, rather than disrupting everyone else. If you just want to hear your voice, well a tape recorder or a pair of walkie talkies will do just as well...
7.. Reward good operation. If you're answering a call, why not reward the good operators and put the alligators last on your list of priorities. If all satellite users favour good operators, perhaps everyone will learn that good ops have the highest QSO rates and earn the most satellite awards. :-) Peer pressure is a powerful motivating force, as any teenager will know (but probably not admit to! :-)).
8.. Use the minimum power necessary. While power levels are not critical on FM satellites (unlike linear transponders where an excessively strong signal can affect other QSOs on the transponder), using the minimum power necessary allows you to easier tell if you're 'doubling' with someone else. For the South African SUNSAT satellite, you shouldn't need more than 5 watts into a basic (1/2 wave handheld or turnstile) antenna, perhaps a bit more if the antenna is setup for terrestrial operation, to overcome radiation pattern limitations. As an example of good operation, recently one station who had multiple beams

wound his power back to 20 mW. The signal into the bird was full quieting, but it was still possible to tell if someone else was underneath his signal. If he had run 100W, he couldn't have known if he'd stepped on anyone else, due to the capture effect of FM.
If everyone follows these simple guidelines (which are basically common sense and courtesy), then FM satellite operation can be enjoyable for everyone, regardless of whether you run a sophisticated satellite station or a couple of handhelds from the back yard. FM satellite transponders are like FM repeaters, only more extreme. On the positive side, they can enable minimally equipped stations thousands of kilometres apart to communicate with ease. On the other hand, the worst aspects of repeaters can be experienced as well, such as congestion, doubling and even the odd idiot dropping carriers! (I don't know how the idiots manage to always have a very strong signal, even when the repeater is 800 km off the ground!). The operators themselves (that's YOU!) have the power to determine what sort of experience FM satellite operation will be in the future.

A final note. I suggested that satellite operators listen to their downlink while transmitting for several reasons. Firstly, of course, to hear if you're accessing the satellite and that you're on frequency, and secondly to ensure you're not going over the top of someone else. Those who aspire to SSB satellite operation will need to be able to monitor signal so they can compensate for Doppler shift (which affects SSB much more severely than FM). To do this requires suitable equipment and a bit of skill. The equipment can be either a multi band transceiver with crossband duplex capabilities, such as some modern multiband rigs, or a pair of transceivers, one tuned to the uplink and one tuned to the downlink. You will also need headphones or an earpiece to avoid causing feedback when transmitting.

Hearing youself in your ears every time you transmit can be disconcerting at first, and being able to listen for heterodynes and general signal quality while talking can take a little practice. It's not difficult to learn, and practice is easy and shouldn't be intrusive on your normal operation. Some ways to practice self monitoring are:

a.. The simplest is to have a receiver tuned to your transmitting frequency. This will allow you to hear yourself. However, it doesn't allow you to montior other band activity while transmitting since your transmitted signal will overpower everyone else's.
b.. Alternatively, if you live close to a repeater that you use regularly (or have a set of cavities!), you can set the receiver to monitor the output of the repeater at all times. Whenever you transmit, you will hear yourself (provided desense from your transmitted signal doesn't wipe out the received signal) on the output, as well as any other QRM. This is a fairly accurate simulation of FM satellite operation, and the most recommended way to practice monitoring your own transmitted signal.
c.. Crossband duplex operation can also help one to practice listening while the button is down, though this is a bit more like a telephone than satellite operation.
Keep up the good habits and hope to hear you on the birds. 73 - VK3JED.

1075. QSYd to New QTH

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-27 13:26:05 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 1075 Message: 1075

> Hi Friends,
> This is to inform all of you that i have QSYd to new
> QTH at Thane some weeks back.
> New Address is:
> B-10 Laxman Nagar CHS
> Near Aradhana Cinema, Panchpakhdi,
> Thane - 400 602
> Land Line: 25384627
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> I work in Wland timings nowadays, so mostly QRL at
> morning QTH activities..
> Would love to comeback on air soon..till then
> 73s
> VU3KPL

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1076. Interesting telephone !!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-29 10:45:19 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1076 Message: 1076

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Up to 36 handsets can be used with up to 4 base units. Handsets can communicate with each other privately, independent of base and phone line. When used as two-way radios, operation is "full-duplex" like a phone -- no need to push a button to talk.Phone calls can be transferred from one handset to another.
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-31 15:18:07 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 1077 Message: 1077

Dear friends

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1078. my new mobile no.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-31 15:18:14 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 1077 Message: 1078

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1079. my new mobile no.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-03-31 15:19:08 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 1077 Message: 1079

Dear friends

MY NEW CELL NO: 9869302652

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MARS MEMBER

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1080. welcome Abhay shah.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-01 11:30:30 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1080 Message: 1080

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1081. Welcome to 2003-2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-01 11:30:50 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1081 Message: 1081

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Dear Members,

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The list of Members for renewal is as under :-

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1082. SATELLITE OPERATING FREQUENCIES !!!!!!!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-01 14:11:15 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 1082 Message: 1082

HI FRIENDS,

HERE IS THE LIST OF ALL THE SATELLITE OPERATING FREQS.

SO COME ON, AND TRY TRACKING ATLEAST THE ISS.

73

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1083. Fear of soldering

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-01 14:12:47 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1083 Message: 1083

Fear Of Soldering!
from Mike Wingfield, W8MW on April 1, 2003
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Fear Of Soldering!

Perhaps you?ve heard about it. Maybe you?ve seen it on the news. It?s ugly; it?s insidious and it?s invading the amateur radio service at an alarming rate. It?s Fear Of Soldering.

Fear Of Soldering affects 4 out of 5 newly licensed radio amateurs. In a recent survey less than 10 percent of those examining the printed circuit board from a 1963 vintage Heathkit SWR bridge could state with certainty whether solder was used in the assembly process. Another survey revealed that the majority of amateurs consider soldering guns too dangerous to keep in the house. When presented with this information, Mr. Weller himself cried tears as big as those of the native American Indian standing next to the polluted river in that famous public service announcement.

For some amateurs, soldering isn?t all that scary. It?s simply the use of alloys with a low temperature melting point to establish a mechanical bond and low resistance connection between conductors in a circuit.

Fear Of Soldering presents ramifications that strike deeply into the very heart of the hobby. Tasks once considered simple are now beyond the technical skill set found in ham shacks. No longer will amateurs be soldering microphone connectors, coaxial cable connectors, lugs, jacks, switches and wires. Self-reliance and pride in accomplishment, at the most fundamental levels of electricity and electronics, have apparently outlived their usefulness. Houston, we have a problem.

But there is no problem according to the American Radio Relay League. ARRL spokesman Basil Cridpitty, WB1LIE, said Fear Of Soldering is actually a positive thing that will bring more new licensees to the ranks of the hobby. He explained that plug-n-play has already made soldering an ancient art akin to using a cat whisker to find the most conductive surface on a crystal detector. Besides that, he said QST has received no paid advertising dollars from any of the manufacturers of solder, soldering equipment or soldering paste for over 30 years, while plug-n-play manufacturers spend huge dollars on QST ads.

So, the bottom line: Solder bad. Plug-n-Play good. And you can take that to the bank!

Member Comments: Add A Comment (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/L5108)

resentment against homebrewing

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/20337)

by JJ1BDX (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/JJ1BDX) on April 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=20337)

I hope and I believe this is an April fool story.

On the other hand, I see some significant social movement of resentment against soldering at home. Even Akihabara (the biggest electronic parts complex in Japan and maybe throughout the world) has been invaded by non-homebrewing industries. Some people consider those who homebrews electronic circuits too eccentric and extraordinary to fit into the society.

And even many of so-called hardware engineers think they can build the circuits just manipulating solely in front of a computer. They only know the surface-mountable parts. For the software engineers, it's getting much worse - they just don't know soldering, or know little about cabling.

I believe that being able to build an electronic circuit is a very important, if not critical, skill to be creative on real-world problem solving. I think all amateurs should learn, or at least try to learn, soldering and related engineering skills.

73 de Joe JJ1BDX/3 es K1BDX

Visit Malaysia. Win a free trip! Have an exotic holiday (http://g.msn.com/8HMVENIN/2749)

1084. SATELLITE OPERATING FREQUENCIES !!!!!!!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-01 14:16:26 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 1082 Message: 1084
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

HI FRIENDS,

HERE IS THE LIST OF ALL THE SATELLITE OPERATING FREQS.

SO COME ON, AND TRY TRACKING ATLEAST THE ISS.

73

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Parin J Gangar
39/A, Sitaram Niwas, 4th Floor,
Shiv Mandir Road,
Dombivli - East
Pin - 421 201
Maharashtra
India
Phone : 91 - 251 - 2 44 29 55

Vrroooom?? Fasten your seatbelts.
http://server1.msn.co.in/msnSpecials/formula2003/index.asp Get set for F1
2003

1085. Early Birds Net.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-01 16:38:15 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1085 Message: 1085

Untitled Document
MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The VHF activity is now increasing and hence to make it further interesting I am very pleased to inform that the EARLY BIRDS NET will once take place every morning at 07:00 AM on 145.000 Mhz. The Net Controller will VU2NLF / VU2ST.

All Hams having 2 meter capability are requested to join us on the net.

73

VU2NLF

1086. Re: [m_a_r_s] SATELLITE OPERATING FREQUENCIES !!!!!!!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-01 16:46:28 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1082 Message: 1086

Hi parin,

what list ????

----- Original Message -----
From: parin gangar
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com ; mars_classes@...
Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2003 7:41 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] SATELLITE OPERATING FREQUENCIES !!!!!!!!!

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1087. Wake Up Call

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-02 02:10:00 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1087 Message: 1087

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

dear friends,

The Early Birds Net has once started on 145.00 Mhz at 07:00 AM.

Today there were 5 checkins.

VU2JPN - Mumbai

VU2JNM - Navsari.

VU2HOC - Valsad.

VU2PJM - Udwada.

VU2WLL - Udwada.

Four out of five were Dx stations, Its time for Mumbaities to Wake Up.

Do join us on the Early Birds Net every morning and help in increasing 2 meter activity.

73

NLF

1088. Wave file for Satellite operation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-02 07:03:26 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 1088 Message: 1088
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

HI FRIENDS,

HERE IS AN AUDIO FILE DESCRIBING EVERYTHING ABOUT SATELLITE COMMUNICATION BY AN AMERICAN HAM W6FOG.

73,

VU2PIC

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Dombivli - East
Pin - 421 201
Maharashtra
India
Phone : 91 - 251 - 2 44 29 55

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Chat now. Chat this instant. http://messenger.msn.co.in/ Get MSN Messenger

1089. good morning NLF . excellent move

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-02 09:14:40 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1089 Message: 1089

dear nf

i am sure with summer alot of hams will check in

thanks

ZYROS ZEND
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MUMBAI.

TEL.00-91-22-22035586

RES.00-91-22-22875741

FAX.OO-91-22-22025848

MOBILE. 9821025289

----Original Message Follows----
From: "vu2nlf"
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To:
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Wake Up Call
Date: Wed, 2 Apr 2003 07:40:00 +0530

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NLF

Vrroooom?? Fasten your seatbelts. Get set for F1 2003 (http://g.msn.com/8HMHENIN/2734)

1090. [ans] ANS-089 Weekly Satellite Report

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-02 17:28:44 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 1090 Message: 1090

Hi OMs/YLs,

Here is Weekly Report of Satellites which are operational on
ANALOG & DIGITAL mode, received from AMSAT News Service (ANS).

To subscribe ANS, or for more list information, visit the following URL:
http://www.amsat.org/amsat/listserv/menu.html

73s,
VU2UGO

----- Original Message -----
From: <Mike73@...>
To: <ans@...>
Sent: Saturday, March 29, 2003 17:52
Subject: [ans] ANS-089 Weekly Satellite Report

This report is organized into 2 parts.
Part 1 - operational analog amateur satellites.
Part 2 - operational digital amateur satellites.

Would you like to help keep other satellite operators up to date
with the latest information? I'm looking for a new ANS-WSR editor.
If you're interested, please drop me a note: n1jez@...

SB SAT @ AMSAT $ANS-089.S1
WEEKLY SATELLITE REPORT PART 1

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE BULLETIN 089.S1 FROM AMSAT HQ
SILVER SPRING, MD, MARCH 30, 2003
TO ALL RADIO AMATEURS
BID: $ANS-089.S1

AO-40 AMSAT OSCAR 40
Launched: November 16, 2000 aboard an Ariane 5 launcher
from Kourou, French Guiana.
Status: Currently, the U/V/L-1/L-2 to S-2/K passband is active
at various times.
Uplink V-band 145.840 - 145.990 MHz CW/LSB
U-band 435.550 - 435.800 MHz CW/LSB
L1-band 1269.250 - 1269.500 MHz CW/LSB
L2-band 1268.325 - 1268.575 MHz CW/LSB
S1-band 2400.350 - 2400.600 MHz CW/LSB
Downlink: S-band 2401.225 - 2401.475 MHz CW/USB
K-band 24,048.010 - 24,048.060 MHz CW/USB

AO-40 experimental transponder operation started on May 05, 2001 at
approximately 08:00 UTC when the U-band and L1-band uplinks were
connected to the S-2 transmitter passband downlink via the Matrix
switch.

The nominal ALON/ALAT is now 30/0.
The passband has been moved to MA 120 - 240.

Gene, W3PM has an Excel spreadsheet that will help evaluate your
AO-40 groundstation. Download it at:
http://www.amsat.org/amsat/ftp/software/spreadsheet/w3pm-ao40-v2.1.zip

Scott, NX7U has a program that automatically calculates Uplink S/N
against a supplied Nova for Windows orbital listing. Download it at:
http://members.cox.net/nx7u/ao40/ao40v20_AutoSNR.zip

The "AO-40 FAQ", compiled by Steve, VK5ASF is now available at:
http://www.amsat.org

Ground stations capturing telemetry from AO-40 are asked to send a
copy of the data to the AO-40 archive at: ao40-archive@....

For the current transponder-operating schedule visit:
http://www.amsat-dl.org/journal/adlj-p3d.htm

[ANS thanks AMSAT-NA and AMSAT-DL for this information]
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ARISS - INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION
Worldwide packet uplink: 145.990 MHz FM
Region 1 voice uplink: 145.200 MHz FM
Region 2/3 voice uplink: 144.490 MHz FM
Worldwide downlink: 145.800 MHz FM
TNC callsign: RS0ISS-1

The ARISS initial station was launched September 2000 aboard shuttle
Atlantis. ARISS is made up of delegates from several major national
Amateur Radio organizations, including AMSAT.
Status: Operational.

The current Expedition 6 crew is:
Commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP
Flight Engineer Nikolai Budarin, RV3FB
NASA ISS Science Officer Don Pettit, KD5MDT

The Packet system is currently non-operational.

Alain, IZ6BYY and Claudio, IK1SLD wish to announce the opening
of the ISS Fan Club. Visit: http://www.issfanclub.com

The ISS Fan Club announces the introduction of the "ISS
Achievement Award". Visit: http://www.issfanclub.com/iaa

Information on how to access the Amateur Radio equipment aboard
the ISS is available at:

http://www.marex-na.org/fileshtml/unprotopage.html

The ISS daily crew schedule can be found at:
http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/station/timelines/
When crew members have free time, they may be available for
Amateur Radio operations.

U.S. callsign: NA1SS
Russian callsigns: RS0ISS, RZ3DZR

The QSL routes for W/VE stations working the International
Space Station (all callsigns):

U.S. stations (a SASE is required to get a QSL in return):
Margie Bourgoin, KB1DCO
Attn: ARISS Expedition-1 (or 2, 3, etc.) QSL
ARRL, 225 Main Street
Newington, Connecticut 06111

Canadian stations:
Radio Amateurs of Canada
Attn: ARISS Expedition-1 (or 2, 3, etc.) QSL
720 Belfast Road, Suite 217
Ottawa, Ontario KEG 0Z5

European stations (a SASE and 2 IRC's are required to get
a QSL in return).
AMSAT-France
14 bis, rue des Gourlis
92500 Rueil Malmaison
France

More information is available at: http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov/

[ANS thanks Will Marchant, KC6ROL, and Jean-Louis Rault, F6AGR,
for this information]
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AO-7 AMSAT OSCAR 7
Uplink: 145.850 to 145.950 MHz CW/USB Mode A
432.125 to 432.175 MHz CW/LSB Mode B
Downlink: 29.400 to 29.500 MHz CW/USB Mode A
145.975 to 145.925 MHz CW/USB Mode B
Beacon: 29.502 MHz, 145.972 MHz, 435.1 MHz, 2304.1 MHz
Launched: November 15, 1974 by a Delta 2310 from Vandenberg Air Force Base,
Lompoc, California. Status: Semi-operational in sunlight.

After being declared dead 21 years ago in mid 1981 due to battery failure,
AO-7 has miraculously sprung back to life and was first detected by
Pat Gowen, G3IOR on June 21, 2002 at 1728 UTC. Jan King, W3GEY reports
AO-7 is running off the solar panels only. It will only be on when in
sunlight and off in eclipse. Therefore, AO-7 will reset each orbit and
may not turn on each time.

On July 11, 2002 AO-7 was successfully commanded for the first time since
it was declared dead 21 years ago. Commands were sent and accepted to
change the CW beacon code speed.

Command investigation continues. So far, 11 different commands have been
accepted by AO-7.

Yoshi Imaishi, JF6BCC is compiling an excellent list of observations.
Please send him whatever you have. jf6bcc@...
You can view the list at:
http://plaza16.mbn.or.jp/~palau/temp/AO7-mode-report.xls

Tim, K3TZ has written a program to decode AO-07 telemetry.
The program can be downloaded at:
http://www.qsl.net/k3tz/files/K3TZ_AO-07_Telemetry_Decoder_0.5.zip

For more AO-7 info: http://www.amsat.org/amsat/sats/n7hpr/ao7.html

[ANS thanks Pat Gowen, G3IOR and Jan King, W3GEY for this information]
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AO-10 OSCAR 10
Uplink: 435.030 to 435.180 MHz CW/LSB
Downlink: 145.975 to 145.825 MHz CW/USB
Beacon: 145.810 MHz (unmodulated carrier)
Launched: June 16, 1983 by an Ariane launcher from Kourou,
French Guiana. Status: Semi-operational.

AO-10 has been locked into a Mode-B, 70-cm uplink and
2-meter downlink for several years.

W4SM has more information about the satellite at the following URL:
http://www.cstone.net/~w4sm/AO-10.html

[ANS thanks Stacey Mills, W4SM, for his AO-10 status information
and web site]
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UO-14
Uplink: 145.975 MHz FM
Downlink: 435.070 MHz FM
Launched: January 22, 1990 by an Ariane launcher from Kourou,
French Guiana. Status: Operational, mode J.

Tim, KG8OC, features UO-14 information on the Michigan AMSAT
web site:
http://www.qsl.net/kg8oc

Ray, W2RS, has revised the AO-27 FAQ on < www.amsat.org > to
include information on UO-14.

[ANS thanks Chris Jackson, G7UPN/ZL2TPO, for UO-14 information]
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RS-15 RADIO SPORT RS-15
Uplink: 145.858 to 145.898 MHz CW/USB
Downlink: 29.354 to 29.394 MHz CW/USB

Beacon: 29.352 MHz (intermittent)
SSB meeting frequency: 29.380 MHz (unofficial)
Launched: December 26, 1994 from the Baikonur Cosmodrome
Status: Semi-operational, mode-A, using a 2-meter uplink and a
10-meter downlink.

Dave, WB6LLO, has operating information for both RS-15 on his
web site. In addition to satellite data, antenna information for
mode-A operation is also featured. The WB6LLO web site URL is:
http://home.san.rr.com/doguimont/uploads

[ANS thanks Dave Guimont, WB6LLO, for this information]
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FO-20 JAS-1b
Uplink: 145.90 to 146.00 MHz CW/LSB
Downlink: 435.80 to 435.90 MHz CW/USB
Beacon: 435.795
Launched: February 07, 1990 by an H1 launcher from the Tanegashima
Space Center in Japan.
Status: Operational. FO-20 is in mode JA continuously.

Tak, JA2PKI, reported FO-20 control station operators believe that the
UVC (Under Voltage Controller) is now regulating the transponder. The
controller monitors battery voltage and tries to protect the batteries
from over discharge.

[ANS thanks Kazu Sakamoto, JJ1WTK, for the FO-20 status reports]
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RS-20
Beacon: 145.828, 435.319 MHz
Launched: November 28, 2002 aboard a Kosmos 3-M rocket from Plesetsk.
Status: Telemetry heard on the 70 cm beacon.

RS-20 is an experimental payload aboard the Russian satellite known as
Mozhayets -- a navigational and scientific satellite. RS-20 transmits
CW telemetry. Each frame begins and ends with the call sign RS-20.

Table for decoding telemetry is as follows:
Name Limits Decoding Assignment

RS 20 The callsign
UBS N=100:170 U=N / 10 Volts On board voltage
IBS N=10:250 I=N / 100 Ampers On board current
USUN N=0:180 U=N / 10 Volts Charge voltage from solar battery
ISUN N=0:180 I=N / 100 Ampers Charge current from solar battery
ITXA N=0:170 I=N / 100 Ampers D.C. current of the 435 MHz Tx
PTXA N=0:70 P=N / 10 Watts UHF power of the 435 MHz Tx
TTXA N=50:190 T=N - 100 deg C Temperature of the 435 MHz Tx
ITXB N=0:150 I=N / 100 Ampers D.C. current of the 145MHz Tx
PTXB N=0:70 P=N / 10 Watts VHF power of the 145MHz Tx
TTXB N=50:190 T=N - 100 deg C Temperature of the 145MHz Tx
TEXT N=30:250 T=N - 100 deg C Temperature of the outer case

TINT N=30:190 T=N - 100 deg C Temperature of the inner case
TOR N=10:250 T=N - 100 deg C Temperature of the Earth sensor
UOR N=0:100 U=N / 10 Volts Temperature of the Sun sensor
MTX N=0:255 Table of operational modes. The housekeeping info.
MRX N=0:255 Table of operational modes. The housekeeping info.
RS 20 The callsign

Please send reception reports to:
plis@... or zaitzev@...

[ANS thanks Alexander N. Zaitzev, RW3DZ for this information]
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AO-27 AMRAD
Uplink: 145.850 MHz FM
Downlink: 436.795 MHz FM
Launched: September 26, 1993 by an Ariane launcher from Kourou,
French Guiana. Status: Semi-operational, mode J.

AO-27's orbit has moved the satellite into a period of Full Orbit Solar
Illumination. Due to this, the TEPR method of timing the Transmitter does
not work. Therefore AO-27 cannot turn its transmitter on by itself and can
only be turned on by ground station command.

March 15th, 2003 UTC
New software has been uploaded successfully to AO-27. The new commands are
working great and ON-ORBIT checkout is continuing. During the upcoming week
control operators will be checking out the new scheduler and fine tuning the
scheduler parameters. We will be turning on the Analogue Repeater for time
to
time during this checkout period when we don't need to collect telmetry. If
all continues to go well, we will be able to turn AO-27 back to Normal
self scheduled operations in a few weeks.

Thanks goes out to N1UC and W4XP for their tremendous effort in getting this
new software up to the bird.

The latest information on AO-27 from control operator Michael
Wyrick, N3UC (former N4USI), can be found at:
http://www.ao27.org

An AO-27 question-and-answer page is available on the AMSAT-NA web
site, with updates by Ray, W2RS. The URL is:
http://www.amsat.org/amsat/intro/ao27faq.html

[ANS thanks AMRAD for AO-27 information]
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FO-29 JAS-2
Launched: August 17, 1996, by an H-2 launcher from the Tanegashima
Space Center in Japan. Status: Operational.

Voice/CW Mode JA
Uplink: 145.90 to 146.00 MHz CW/LSB

Downlink: 435.80 to 435.90 MHz CW/USB
Beacon: 435.795 MHz

Digital Mode JD
Uplink: 145.850 145.870 145.910 MHz FM
Downlink: 435.910 MHz 1200-baud BPSK or 9600-baud FSK
Callsign: 8J1JCS
Digitalker: 435.910 MHz

Mineo, JE9PEL, has an FO-29 satellite telemetry analysis program that
will automatically analyze all digital telemetry from the satellite
(such as current, voltage and temperature). FO29CWTE is available at:
http://www.ne.jp/asahi/hamradio/je9pel/

[ANS thanks Kazu Sakamoto, JJ1WTK, for the FO-29 status reports]
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SO-41 SAUDISAT-1A
Uplink: 145.850 MHz
Downlink: 436.775 MHz
Broadcast Callsign: SASAT1-11
BBS: SASAT1-12
Launched: September 26, 2000 aboard a converted Soviet ballistic
missile from the Baikonur Cosmodrome.
Status: Operational but intermittent.

The spacecraft is operating in Mode-J, currently configured as an
analog FM voice repeater, as power and spacecraft experiments permit.

Further information is available at:
http://www.amsat.org/amsat/sats/n7hpr/so41.html

[ANS thanks Turki Al-Saud for this information]
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SO-50 SAUDISAT-1C
Uplink: 145.850 MHz (67.0 Hz PL tone)
Downlink: 436.800 MHz
Launched: December 20, 2002 aboard a converted Soviet ballistic
missile from the Baikonur Cosmodrome. Status: Operational.

SO-50 carries several experiments, including a mode J FM amateur repeater
experiment operating on 145.850 MHz uplink and 436.800 MHz downlink.
The repeater is available to amateurs worldwide as power permits, using a
67.0
Hertz tone on the uplink, for on-demand activation.

[ANS thanks Turki Al-Saud for this information]

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SB SAT @ AMSAT $ANS-089.S2
WEEKLY SATELLITE REPORT PART 2

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE BULLETIN 089.S2 FROM AMSAT HQ
SILVER SPRING, MD, MARCH 30, 2003
TO ALL RADIO AMATEURS
BID: $ANS-089.S2

UO-11 OSCAR-11
Downlink: 145.826 MHz FM (1200-baud AFSK)
Mode-S Beacon: 2401.500 MHz
Launched: March 1, 1984 by a Delta-Thor rocket from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California. Status: Semi-operational.

OSCAR-11 has continued to operate in a default mode, controlled by the watch-dog timer. The satellite transmits continuous ASCII telemetry for about seven days on 145.826 MHz, followed by about 14 days of silence. These times appear to be somewhat variable, and on the last occasion the sequence was ten days off and nine days ON. The mode-S beacon on 2401.5 MHz transmits continuously.

At the present time, ground control are unable to command the satellite, due to low temperatures affecting the command decoder. They will attempt to command the satellite when the command decoder temperature has risen to 15C.

The mode-S beacon has been heard by Michael OH2AUE. He uses a home brew feed horn antenna with a three stage pre-amp.

A Windows program for displaying and capturing OSCAR-11 data is now available. This is MIXW2, a general purpose Amateur Radio data communication program written by Nick Fedoseev UT2UZ.
You can download the program from www.mixw.net
You need the latest version 2.07.

The following operating schedule is currently suspended.

ASCII status (210 seconds)
ASCII bulletin (60 seconds)
BINARY SEU (30 seconds)
ASCII TLM (90 seconds)
ASCII WOD (120 seconds)
ASCII bulletin (60 seconds)
BINARY ENG (30 seconds)

The ASCII bulletin is currently a static message, detailing modes and frequencies of all active Amateur Radio satellites.

More information on OSCAR-11 is available at the following URL:
http://www.users.zetnet.co.uk/clivew/

[ANS thanks Clive Wallis, G3CWV, for OSCAR-11 status information]
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AO-16 PACSAT
Uplink: 145.90 145.92 145.94 145.96 MHz FM
(using 1200-baud Manchester FSK)
Downlink: 437.026 MHz SSB (1200-baud PSK)

Mode-S Beacon: 2401.1428 MHz
Broadcast Callsign: PACSAT-11
BBS: PACSAT-12
Launched: January 22, 1990 by an Ariane launcher from Kourou,
French Guiana. Status: Semi-operational, the digipeater command is on.

A WOD collection of current graphics along with general information
and telemetry samples can be found at:
www.telecable.es/personales/ea1bcu

[ANS thanks Miguel Menendez, EA1BCU, for AO-16 status information]
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UO-22 UOSAT
Uplink: 145.900 FM 9600-baud FSK
Downlink: 435.120 MHz FM
Broadcast Callsign: UOSAT5-11
BBS: UOSAT5-12
Launched: July 17, 1991 by an Ariane launcher from Kourou,
French Guiana. Status: Operational.

On November 21, 2002 Chris Jackson, G7UPN reported:

UO-22 is operating OK at the moment. Some new software has been loaded to
try and keep the downlink operating most of the time. It seems that after
around 60000 charge/discharge cycles the Nicad batteries are starting to
show their age!

The downlink will be switched off from time to time over certain parts
of the globe. This is required to allow the attitude control system to
operate correctly since the power system cannot supply enough power to
support both the transmitter and the magnetorquers.

More information on the satellite is available at the following URL:
http://www.sstl.co.uk/

[ANS thanks Chris Jackson, G7UPN/ZL2TPO, for UO-22 information
and Jim Weisenberger, AA7KC, for status information]
=====
IO-26 ITAMSAT
Uplink: 145.875 145.900 145.925 145.950 MHz
FM (1200-baud)
Downlink: 435.812 MHz SSB
Broadcast Callsign: ITMSAT-11
BBS: ITMSAT-12
Launched: September 26, 1993 by an Ariane launcher from Kourou,
French Guiana. Status: Semi-operational, the digipeater function is on
and open for APRS users.

On November 18, 2002 Alberto, IK2BD reported:

The current configuration of IO-26 allows only limited telemetry in MBL
(safe)

mode. To enable full telemetry and digipeating, we must re-load the full IHT high level software suite. This was delayed several times, but we plan to do that in the near future. When the IHT code is running, the bulletin will announce that.

[ANS thanks ITAMSAT Project Manager Alberto E. Zagni, I2KBD, for IO-26 information]
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NO-44 PCSAT
Uplink/downlink: 145.827 MHz 1200 baud AX.25 AFSK via W3ADO-1
Aux/Uplink: 435.250 MHz 9600 baud via PCSAT-2 (off)
APRS Downlink: 144.390 MHz (Region 2)
Launched: September 30, 2001 aboard an Athena-1 rocket from the Kodiak, Alaska launch complex. Status: Operational.

PCSat is a 1200-baud APRS digipeater designed for use by stations using hand-held or mobile transceivers. Downlinks feed a central web site < http://pcsat.aprs.org >. The APRS-equipped PCSat was built by midshipmen from the U.S. Naval Academy under the guidance of Bob Bruninga, WB4APR.

PCSAT BBS experiment ENDS

PCsat is in its eclipse season, so we must make sure that NO ONE attempts to use the PBBS any more, as it drains the batteries, and once we loose it, then we lose it for the next 2 months or more. Please return to normal ops. This means:
NO CONNECTIONS TO or THROUGH PCSAT and no CONNECTIONS to PCSAT's BBS. Please use UIDIGIPEATS only and for routine operations, avoid opertions after dark and before sunrise..

A new version of PCSAT.EXE has been posted at:
ftp://tapr.org/dosstuff/APRSdos/pcsat017.zip

For more information, visit the PCSat web site at:
http://web.usna.navy.mil/~bruninga/pcsat.html

[ANS thanks Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, for PCSat information]
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MO-46 TIUNGSAT-1
Uplink: 145.850 or 145.925 MHz 9600-baud FSK
Downlink: 437.325 MHz
Broadcast callsign: MYSAT3-11
BBS: MYSAT3-12
Launched: September 26, 2000 aboard a converted Soviet ballistic missile from the Baikonur Cosmodrome. Status: Operational at 38k4-baud FSK.

TiungSat-1 is Malaysia's first micro-satellite and in addition to commercial land and weather imaging payloads offers FM and FSK Amateur Radio communication.

TiungSat-1, named after the mynah bird of Malaysia, was developed as
a collaborative effort between the Malaysian government and Surrey
Satellite Technology Ltd.

[ANS thanks Chris Jackson, G7UPN/ZL2TPO, for this information]
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AO-49 AATiS OSCAR-49 (SAFIR-M)
Uplink 435.275 1200-baud AFSK
Downlink 145.825 9600-baud FSK
(optional voice message)
Broadcast callsign: DP0AIS
Launched: December 20, 2002 aboard a converted Soviet ballistic
missile from the Baikonur Cosmodrome. Status: Operational.

AO-49 (SAFIR-M) is a German amateur radio payload onboard the
small German scientific satellite "RUBIN-2".

AO-49 was built by the German amateur radio association
"AATiS e.V." (German acronym for "Arbeitskreis Amateurfunk
und Telekommunikation in der Schule", which means: 'working group
for amateur radio and telecommunications in schools').
AO-49 is designed as a "store and broadcast" system for APRS
based messages, dedicated for the use of schools in combination
with the existing WX-Net and planned buoy experiments in Germany.

No transmissions detected since the 1st of February 2003!
It appears AO-49 is not properly aligned to illuminate the solar
panels. This should end soon. Due to its orbit, AO-49 will be in a
phase without eclipses until 13Feb03.

Martin DG8UAU has written a small software program "SAFIR-M Decoder"
to allow decoding of the received DATA0 frames. It is available at:
http://amend.gmxhome.de in the section Aktuelles.

Details on AO-49 (SAFIR-M) can be found at:
http://amend.gmxhome.de
Information about AATiS e.V. is available at:
http://www.aatis.de

[ANS thanks Oliver Amend, DG6BCE for this information]

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* Orbit data (KEPS)
* Manned space missions (SAREX)
* District of Columbia area (AMSAT-DC)
* New England area (AMSAT-NE)
* AMSAT Educational Liaison mailing list (AMSAT-EDU)
* AMSAT K-12 Educational Liaison mailing list (AMSAT-K12)

A daily digest version is available for each list.

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http://www.amsat.org/amsat/listserv/menu.html

In addition to regular membership, AMSAT-NA offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT-NA Office.

AMSAT-NA has developed an on-line volunteer survey, designed to identify the interests and skills of those who may be available to directly help in efforts to develop the amateur satellite program. The survey is designed to be completed and returned on-line, and takes only a few minutes to fill out. To request the survey, simply send an e-mail request to:
volunteer@...

ANS would like to thank Mike Seguin, N1JEZ, ANS principal satellite investigator and Jerry Brown, K5OE for helping provide current satellite information.

ANS is always dedicated to past ANS editor 'BJ' Arts, WT0N, and to the memory of longtime AMSAT supporters Werner Haas, DJ5KQ, Dennis Kitchen, G0FCL and John Branegan GM4IHJ.

Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:
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1091. Satellite Info on CD

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-04 09:28:33 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1091 Message: 1091

Hi OMs/YLs,

I've downloaded lots of audio files (around 200mb) and AMSAT articles, newsletters from the below mentioned sites. I've kept everything on the CD which will be circulated in the group of people those are interested in Satellite Communication. So those interested can send me a request direct to my e-mail address vu2ugo@...

NLF, KPL, CBU, VVP, SXF, PIC, KIB - I know you will be QRV on SATs very soon and you are already on my list.

Satellite FAQs and Intros - http://www.amsat.org/amsat/intro/faqs.html
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W6FOG - http://www.w6fog.com/
W6FOG is netcontroller for AMSAT beginner's NET from SanFransisco Bay Area.
He has kept WAV file for beginners and recordings of previous NETs.
and Links - http://www.w6fog.com/links.html

AMSATNET - http://www.amsatnet.com/
Here also you'll find recordings of the past Nets in MP3 format.

Visit K5OE's website for Satellite Antenna Designs
K5OE's Website - http://members.aol.com/k5oe/
and Links - http://members.aol.com/k5oe/links.htm

73s
Sandip - VU2UGO

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1092. Happy Birthday - VU2GT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-05 03:37:53 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1092 Message: 1092

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1093. Four batteries at a great charge

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-05 07:57:12 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1093 Message: 1093

Hi All!

Being the proud owner of 8 Eveready pencil cells (and an incidental 2m ham rig with a home brewed slim-jim) I would like to buy an Eveready pencil cell charger.

Here's the problem.

They only 'cell' the charger with 4 pencil cells which I don't want. I have identified a shop that would sell the entire combo of a charger and 4 cells for Rs.275.00 or lower.The cells are claimed to recharge 500 times.

(I only use these cells to power my rig and so any ham who knows me will vouch his life that I don't need 12 cells.)

Is there anyone among our members who wants to buy 4 brand new Everyready cells for a fantastic price so that I get to buy the charger only? You will even get to open the blister pack yourself.

Please email or call me at (R) 2 4951736 for the same.

with kind regards,

Nirav

1094. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2GT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-05 11:28:31 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1092 Message: 1094

Beat piracy. Say no to it. Always! (http://g.msn.com/8HMOENIN/2752)

1095. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2GT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-05 12:36:16 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1092 Message: 1095

Untitled DocumentHi George,

Wish you many many happy returns of the day.

Thnks,

Mehul.

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars_classes
Sent: Saturday, April 05, 2003 9:07 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2GT

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1096. Birthday greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 1996-12-31 19:07:43 UTC [implausible archived timestamp]
From: George Philips
Topic: 1096 Message: 1096

Members and friends,

Thank you all for the birthday greetings and good wishes. Do appreciate all the goodwill.

73,

George, VU2GT.

1097. Human Race....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-07 14:44:29 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1097 Message: 1097

Icom America Inc. Selected as Official HF Radio Provider for "The Human Race Adventure"

BELLEVUE, WA (October, 2002)- Icom America Inc. announces its support of the The Human Race (THR), a documentary and 2003 race around the world relying on ham radio use, according to an agreement reached today between Icom America's National Sales Manager, Ray Novak, KC7JPA and THR producer Bill Desjardins, W1ZY.
The race consists of two ham operators starting from Kansas City, MO, one heading east and the other heading west around the planet. The racers progress is dependent upon forms of transportation volunteered by amateur radio operators met along the way. The start of the race is scheduled for June 2003.

"Icom plays a leading role in efforts to promote Amateur Radio throughout the world," THR Producer W1ZY said today in Boston. 'We're honored for The Human Race to become part of this tradition at Icom."

Icom America has shipped an IC-706MKIIG (http://www.icomamerica.com/amateur/hf/ic706mkiigmain.html) to Boston for use by THR in the next stage of pre-production. The IC-706MKIIG is capable of all-mode communications from 160 meters to 70 cm. It also boasts a continual coverage receiver with digital signal processing over the same range.

"This takes care of mobile ops," W1ZY remarked. "There's just about nothing more one could ask from a ham transceiver. Ray (Novak) picked the '706 after reviewing the project website. I can see why after looking at the operating manual."

The IC-706MKIIG (http://www.icomamerica.com/amateur/hf/ic706mkiigmain.html) and additional equipment provisions will be used during an upcoming trek along the travel route--the next stage of pre-production, according to THR's W1ZY. "We have to flesh out the travel route over the next several months in order to be on target in 2003. The Icom IC-706 will be used for mobile communications during this next stage of pre-production."

THR Producer Desjardins says the pre-production trek performs a shakedown of the systems eventually used to track the two racers, and firms up the route they will follow in 2003.

For more information on The Human Race, or to watch race progress, visit the organization's Website at http://www.etecslo.com/humanrace/index.html

Icom America's parent company, Icom Inc., was founded in Osaka Japan. Icom is a publicly held Japanese corporation; its stock is traded on the Tokyo and Osaka Stock Exchange. Icom began as an engineering and manufacturing company, making advanced, compact solid-state radio equipment for use by amateur radio enthusiasts. Icom has since grown to become an industry leader with a product line that includes state-of-the-art communications equipment for land and marine use as well as avionics. Icom America's headquarters are in Bellevue, Washington.

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1098. International Conference

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-07 18:24:38 UTC
From: kailash_gupta
Topic: 1098 Message: 1098

International Conference on Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation was jointly organissed by United Nations Development Programme, Govt. of India and Confederation of Indian Industry from November 21 to 23, 2002 at New Delhi.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ had presented a paper in the conference titled "Amateur Radio Emergency Communication". I had mentioned in the paper about the work done by the MARS team and is being done. The paper is available on the UNDP web site www.undp.org.in/UNDMT/dpm/Day%20Three/session%20VII/kailashgupta.ppt

Kailash Gupta,VU2KIZ

1099. MARS coverage in HRN

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-09 08:00:42 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1099 Message: 1099

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Dear Friends,

I am pleased to inform you that a couple of reports (including pictures) of events conducted by MARS (Foxhunt & Prize Distributation Ceremony) have been published in Ham Radio News (January to March 2003 Issue) which is printed by Amateur Radio Society of India and is circulated to all its members in India.

We are very grateful to Mrs Sarla Sharma - VU2SWS, Editor of HRN, (who also is our founder and Life Member) for printing our articles and giving us a National coverage. We are also thankful as she has mentioned about our previlaged Callsign of VU2ST in the HRN.

Ironically, The event managers (VU2ZRS & VU3MBF) On one side have taken the effort of giving us the National Coverage have somehow failed to post any reports & pictures to the MARS members, inspite of having a wonderful facility of our E - Group . Their logic is totally beyond my understanding and reasoning.

Nevertheless I once again thank VU2SWS and sincerely hope that she continues with her work for Ham Radio Promotion.

73

NLF

1100. Welcome - VU2WLL & VU2PJM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-09 08:48:47 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1100 Message: 1100

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1101. Result Distribution Ceremony Report

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-09 14:22:11 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1101 Message: 1101
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear MARS Members,

Pls find attached report on Result Distribution Ceremony held on 1st Feb' 2003.

Apologies for the delayed report.

73s,

Mehul Chovatia.
Event Manager - MARS.

1102. Re: [m_a_r_s] Membership numbers

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-10 19:25:27 UTC
From: srihari krishnan
Topic: 988 Message: 1102

Hi Nilesh,
I m sorry i m unable to attend tothe field exercise starting tomorrow due to pressing domestic problems such as my dad's 2nd oprn+my fil's oprn. 2 + pressing engagements during the week. i shall certainly join in future field trips n exercises. Tks-n-rgds.VU2kqs

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1103. OPEN SOON ALL MEMEBERS(picture from our scramble teams in latur)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-11 14:07:10 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1103 Message: 1103
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear members,
(
PLEASE OPEN THE ATTACHMENT ABOVE)

Here?s the picture of our scramble team members from there locations in latur
The picture was sent by team vu2ugo

The other team members of team vu2ugo are vu2mbf (mehul .chovatia .) vu2 sxf (sundesh kamat) swl anish korde .

The picture was taken from ambewadi village in latur with all the villagers who welcomed them with open arms and millions of questions on the exercise .

Please note all members that our boys are on a important exercise and few words of encouragement and appreciation from your side will be highly welcomed by them and a boost to there ard work .

Please do mention your name and your message to our boys out there in the open fields which I will then transmit every day to them by digipan from my laptop to my hf set to there hf sets on to there screens on there lap tops right in the heart of latur

Come members lets support our boys in all ways

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1104. OPEN SOON (picture of our SCRAMBLE team in latur)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-11 14:12:53 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1104 Message: 1104
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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CC: "mars_classes" <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Welcome - VU2WLL & VU2PJM
Date: Wed, 9 Apr 2003 14:18:47 +0530

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1105. Re: [m_a_r_s] OPEN SOON (picture of our SCRAMBLE team in latur)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-12 05:47:52 UTC
From: firani@vsnl.com
Topic: 1104 Message: 1105

Dear Members & VU2UGO,

It was great to see you'll in Latur receiving a warm welcome from all the villagers as we always do.
The best part about a Ham Team is that we are always welcomed wherever we go.
Awaiting some more detailed pictures about the rehabilation work done after the last earthquake in latur.
Could we get pictures of some hospitals, schools, etc built by various organisations (like Rotary.. etc)after the earthquake.
Trust my friend VU2ZRS will pass on this message to you'll on laptop.
Once again Congrats VU2UGO... also for being the first to set up station and transmit on Digicam.

Farokh Irani
SWL

zzend@... wrote

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1106. Re: [m_a_r_s] OPEN SOON (picture of our SCRAMBLE team in latur)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-12 15:02:43 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 1104 Message: 1106

Bravo Team ...
Our Support is with you always...

SSTV image was touching, i have never seen such
realtime picture in SSTV before..

Tnx ZRS RIO for reaching us on cyberspace..

VU3KPL

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1107. more pictures of scramble team in latur

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-14 08:55:18 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1107 Message: 1107
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1108. Re: [m_a_r_s] more pictures of scramble team in latur

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-15 08:58:31 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1108 Message: 1108

No pictures here ZRS. Need to resend.

MBF.

----- Original Message -----
From: ZYROS ZEND
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, April 14, 2003 2:25 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] more pictures of scramble team in latur

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1109. Happy Birthay - Abhay Shah

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-16 06:40:32 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1109 Message: 1109

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its Active Member Abhay Shah - Grade - I a very Happy Birthday

1110. Monthly Meeting for April 2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-16 06:56:38 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1110 Message: 1110

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The Monthly meeting of April 2003 will be held on 20th April 2003 at 10:00 hours at B.S.Bengelle Girls High School.

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:-

1. Preparations for A.G.M.
2. Proposal for the starting of next batch of Ham Radio classes.
3. Distribution of pending I.D Cards and caps. (Especially New Callsigns Holders)
4. Collections of fees for 2003 -2004 & life membership fees.

All members are requested to kindly attend the meeting on time.

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NLF

1111. Nomination forms

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-16 07:09:35 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1111 Message: 1111

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

The Nomination forms for the 4th Managing Committee have been sent to all the eligible members by courier service. If due to some reason any eligible member has not received the form, may contact me personally on 98205-47074.

The Eligibity :- Minimum one year old membership of MARS and a valid callsign.

All eligible members are requested to come forward and run for the 4th Managing Commitee Elections, which will be held on 1st May 2003 during the 3rd Annual General Meeting of our Society.

The Nomination forms must reach the registered address of our society on or before 20th April 2003.

73

Nilesh Rathod, VU2NLF, Secretary.

1112. Report by VU3MBF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-16 07:46:03 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1112 Message: 1112
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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society (MARS) - VU2ST, one of the most active Amateur Radio society of Mumbai, conducted Results Distribution ceremony on 1st Feb' 2003 at Garware Club, Wankhede Stadium for students who cleared the Amateur Radio License exams.

To Increase the Ham population in Mumbai, MARS conducted two batches of classes at Churchgate and Thane in July 2002. 72 students appeared for the ASOC exams, 47 passed with Grade I, 8 with Grade II & 5 with restricted grade.

A result distribution ceremony was held to honor these students. Honorable Chief Guest Shri Satishchandra Pradhan - VU2PDT (M.P.) awarded these students with their results.

The function started at 4.15 pm with the arrival of honorable Chief Guest, who was greeted with bouquet and a standing ovation. Honorary Member George Phillips (VU2 GT) was also greeted, followed by a speech from Chairperson, Ms. Nafisa Shikari (VU2 NFS).

Rajan Kavedia (VU2 RIG) was the MC for this function. Event was coordinated very well to ensure coverage of all events and activities, as Mr. Pradhan was leaving the town after the event.

MARS took the opportunity of conferring honorary membership to Mr. Pradhan by handing over society cap, membership certificate and silver coin. Honorary member Mr. George Phillips - VU2GT, who also presided on the dais, also received his cap during this occasion.

This followed with speech from MARS Secretary, Nilesh Rathod (VU2 NLF), who spoke about the classes, HAM radio activities and also presented the scenario if repeaters would be put up. The presentation covered the recommended locations and plans for a Mumbai repeater and DX repeater. MARS also requested honorable chief guest for allocation of funds for the purpose of repeaters.

Honorable chief guest delivered a speech on the advantages of HAM radio and supported the request for repeaters by promising to put efforts to allocate funds from MP quota for this cause. This was followed by speech from VU2 GT.

Results were distributed by Mr. Pradhan to successful SWLs. Caps were distributed to all the SWLs.

The honorable chief guest also awarded prizes to winners of recently held Foxhunt, Treasure hunt and Scramble Team Exercise (Simulated exercise for disaster communications). Following were the winners for these events.

Prize Distribution - Scramble Team

Zyros Zend (Team Leader)

Feroze Patel

Farokh Irani

Jigar Mehta

Nishant Varsani

Rajesh Shethia

Prize Distribution - Treasure Hunt

1st Prize - Huzefa Merchant & Jigar Mehta

2nd Prize - Pravin Panchal, Zarthun Zend, Rajesh Shethia, Sujita & Dhyan

2nd Prize - Dhaval Patel & Dr. Anukanth Mittal

Prize Distribution - Fox Hunt

1st Prize - Sandeep Adiwarekar, Rahul Sankar Roy & Dileep

2nd Prize - Sanjay Kadam, Ashok Parab, Sanjay Shinde, Girish Zalke

Prize Distribution - Mega Fox Hunt

1st Prize - Arun Singh, Kapil Chandni, Shailesh, Vaibhav Palande & Harsha Salian

2nd Prize - Sanjay Kadam, Ashok Parab, Sanjay Shinde & Girish Zalke

3rd Prize - Zorben Zend

After result & prize distribution, Milind Korde and Feroze Patel from Thane and Churchgate batch shared their opinions about the classes and activities of the society.

MARS Treasurer Mehul Chovatia (VU3 MBF) also announced subsidized fees for family memberships. Special subsidies were also announced for senior citizens and physically impaired Life memberships. Mehul also announced about 80-G benefit for life memberships. MARS has a fleet of more then 30 life members.

The event was well organized with participation of 110 HAMs & SWLs from all over Mumbai. Snacks and refreshments were served after the function.

MARS plans to conduct Ham Radio Classes on regular basis at least twice in a year and hopes to increase the ham population in Mumbai by 100 new hams every year.

As mentioned above MARS plans to put up VHF repeaters in Mumbai & Maharashtra and also to connect HAMs to Internet via Amateur Radio. MARS also thrives to lessen the ticket waiting period and constantly engage SWLs in activities so that they are constantly encouraged and in touch with the hobby

73s,

Mehul Chovatia - Event Manager, MARS

1113. Nomination Forms.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-17 13:22:58 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1113 Message: 1113

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

With much regret I inform you that till today we have not received a single nomination form for the election of the 4th Managing Committee.

I once again request all 46 eligible members to come forward and put in their nomination form. If we do not receive atleast 7 nominations by 20th April 2003, we will have to postone the Annual General Meeting.

I sincerely hope that members will take initative and file their nomination latest by 20th April 2003.

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Nilesh Rathod, Secretary.

1114. Happy Birthday - Anish Korde // Harsh Kallur.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-17 14:43:48 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1114 Message: 1114

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Mars Wishes its Active member Anish Korde - Grade - I & Harsh Kallur - Grade - I a very happy birthday.

1115. RED ALERT - FINAL NOTICE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-19 08:27:28 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1115 Message: 1115

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Please attend the monthly meeting on 20th April 2003 at 10:00 AM and file your nominations.

This is the last change to save the society, YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED..!!!!

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NLF

1116. Nomination for Managing Committee

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-20 08:39:15 UTC
From: kailash_gupta
Topic: 1115 Message: 1116

Dear Nilesh,

I nominate myself for one of the 7 members of the Managing Committee.

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When I came in December 2002 to Mumbai and Dhanu Road for scramble team exercise, I had infomed that I am living at Jaipur and had given my address and telephone number. For your record, I am again giving them below.

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1117. Happy Birthday - VU2UGJ

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Date: 2003-04-21 15:57:16 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1117 Message: 1117

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1118. Re: [m_a_r_s] Nomination for Managing Committee

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-21 16:19:58 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1115 Message: 1118

dear kailash,

Your nomination form was sent by courier service, but unfortunately it was returned back because the courier does not have service to baroda.

In view of the above circumstances we accept your nomination form by e mail. The AGM and the elections are to be held on 1st May 2003 at 07:30 PM. Kindly make yourself available to attend the same.

As far as your Cap, I.D card, life membership receipts and Annual reports are concerned , I am sure all are ready and lying with Mehul - VU3MBF- Treasurer. It is just that they have not been sent to you. I am sure Mehul will do the needful after reading this mail.

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1119. Re: [m_a_r_s] Nomination for Managing Committee

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-21 18:16:36 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 1115 Message: 1119

Dear Nilesh,

Thanks.

Mehul, kindly send me the material at my Jaipur address given at the bottom of my earlier mail. My LL No. is (0141)2281888.

73

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ

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> ----- Original Message -----
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> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Sunday, April 20, 2003 2:09 PM
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1120. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2UGJ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-22 03:59:16 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1117 Message: 1120

actively happy birthday to you mukesh!
cheers!
madhu

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1121. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2UGJ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-22 04:06:58 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1117 Message: 1121

hey maDhu (vu2lib)

thanks a lot for your wishes , hope you too have a
very happy anD cheerful future .

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-22 07:52:23 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1115 Message: 1122

Hi KIZ,

The AGM report and MARS software CD has already been handed over to you during the last field trip. The cap was prepared after the field trip and hence it is lying with us. Usually we handover the cap personally as it is a matter of regard.

Pls inform if you would be present at the AGM, then I shall handover the remaining stuff to you personally or else I shall courier it to you.

Thnks N Regds,

Mehul
Treasurer - MARS.
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, April 21, 2003 9:49 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Nomination for Managing Committee

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1123. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - Anish Korde // Harsh Kallur.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-22 09:38:46 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1114 Message: 1123

good news you are a adult
welll happy birthday
thank your parents for this day
salam to you
zyros

----Original Message Follows----
From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
CC: "mars_classes" <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - Anish Korde // Harsh Kallur.
Date: Thu, 17 Apr 2003 20:13:48 +0530

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Mars Wishes its Active member Anish Korde - Grade - I & Harsh Kallur - Grade - I a very happy birthday.

ZYROS ZEND
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Celebrate Easter. Eggs, bunnies et al.
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1124. Re: [mars_classes] Happy Birthday - VU2UGJ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-22 09:39:49 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1124 Message: 1124

ugj
god bless your parents for giving birth to such a gentle human being
happy b irthday
salam to you]
zrs

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-22 10:48:03 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1125 Message: 1125

Windows Server 2003. Do more with less. Upgrade now! (http://g.msn.com/8HMRENIN/2740)

1126. The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 17

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-26 05:10:50 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1126 Message: 1126

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* +New two-ham ISS crew ready to launch
* +FCC alleges Michigan ham deliberately interfered, made threats
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K6KPH on the air for International Marconi Day
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==>"BROADBAND OVER POWER LINE" POSES HF INTERFERENCE THREAT

The FCC soon will invite public comment on the concept of using existing
electrical power lines to deliver Internet and broadband service to homes
and offices. The Commission initiated a Notice of Inquiry (NOI) in ET
Docket 03-104 when it met April 23. What the FCC calls "Broadband over
Power Line" (BPL) is a form of carrier-current technology typically known
as power line communication (PLC). Whatever its name, the technology is
raising serious interference concerns within the Amateur Radio community,
since BPL would apply high-frequency RF to parts of the power grid. One
aspect of the NOI is to gather information on potential interference
effects on authorized spectrum users.

"Entire communities will be affected, so every amateur in that community
could have part of the radiating system 'next door' on the power wiring on
his or her street," cautioned ARRL Lab Supervisor Ed Hare, W1RFI. Hare
chairs the PLC Work Group of the IEEE C63 Accredited Standards Committee
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on Electromagnetic Compatibility <http://c63.ieee.org/>.

The complete NOI has not yet been released, and until that happens, the FCC will not formally accept comments in the proceeding. The ARRL will be among those expected to submit detailed comments in ET 03-104.

So-called "access BPL" would use medium-voltage (1 kV to 40 kV) power lines to deliver Internet and broadband applications. Hare says access BPL is likely to be a more significant interference source than in-building PLC technology "because overhead electrical wiring is a much better antenna than the electrical wiring within a building."

ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, editorialized on the subject of PLC in "It Seems to Us . . ." in the October issue of 2002 QST. "Is it possible to do power line communications without causing interference to over-the-air communications?" Sumner asked. "Count us among the skeptics. What may be a fine transmission line at 60 Hz looks more like an antenna at HF." Hare said his own computer analyses of interference potential from access BPL/PLC suggest "a significant increase in noise levels" from deployed systems.

The FCC appears enthusiastic about BPL, however, saying it has the potential to "provide consumers with the freedom to access broadband services from any room in the house without adding or paying for additional connections." The Commission also touted BPL as "a competitive alternative to digital subscriber line and cable modem services."

New digital power line designs use multiple carriers spread over a wide frequency range--from 2 MHz up to 80 MHz--and capable of high data rates--up to 20 MB/s, the FCC said.

In addition to viewpoints on interference potential, the FCC also has requested comments on the current state of high-speed BPL technology, test results from BPL experimental sites, appropriate measurement procedure for testing emission characteristics for all types of carrier-current systems, changes that may be needed in Part 15 technical rules, and the equipment approval process to foster the development of BPL.

Tests of BPL are under way in several states, including Alabama, Maryland, Missouri, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Virginia. Hare says ARRL Lab personnel will visit some of the test cities this spring to take field measurements to quantify the potential for interference to Amateur Radio operations.

BPL/PLC technology already has been deployed in some European countries, and amateurs there have complained about interference. Japan--responding in part to concerns expressed by its amateur community--decided last year not to adopt the technology because of its interference potential.

==>HAMS ABOUND ON UN WORLD FOOD PROGRAM'S IRAQ "FAST INTERVENTION TEAM"

Several radio amateurs--including some of the world's top operators--are among United Nations World Food Program (WFP) "Fast Intervention Team"

(FITTEST) personnel already in Iraq or poised nearby and expected to be inside the war-ravaged country very soon. FITTEST is responsible for building technical infrastructure to ensure WFP can move relief food supplies rapidly and safely. Any ham radio operations would be secondary to the WFP's efforts in Iraq, however.

Peter Casier, ON6TT--who's expected in Baghdad as early as next week--says the WFP will have a critical role in the post-conflict era in Iraq "where 60 percent of the population is dependent on external food aid." In ham radio circles, Casier may be better-known as a top contester and one the operators of Afghanistan's YA5T after the US-led military action there in 2001.

Other YA5T alumni expected to soon be in Iraq as part of the WFP effort include Robert Kasca, S53R--the last UN international staff person evacuated from Iraq before the conflict--Mark Demeuleneere, ON4WW, and Mats Persson, SM7PKK. Casier and Demeuleneere paired up at World Radiosport Team Championship (WRTC) events in 2000 and 2002. Kasca was director of competition for WRTC 2000. Casier says he, Kasca and Dane Novarlic, S57CQ, were on the air from Iraq until just before the war broke out.

Casier reports that Diya Sayah, YI1DZ--one of the primary operators at the Baghdad Radio Club's YI1BGD and the WFP's Baghdad telecommunications officer--is safe and well in Iraq.

FITTEST also has a mandate to install or build basic technical networks, Casier said, including such systems as VHF repeaters, satellite communications and HF fixed and mobile stations. The team also will set up radio rooms, rework administrative procedures, and assign call signs for all UN humanitarian-aid workers and non-governmental organizations (NGOs)--other international aid organizations.

Others ready to go include Ed Giorgadze, 4L4FN, who's in Turkey. Until last November Giorgadze had operated from North Korea as P5/4L4FN while on a WFP assignment in Pyongyang. Patrick Pointu, F5ORF, and Mark Tell, VK4KMT, among several other FITTEST team members who are radio amateurs.

The Daily DX <http://www.dailydx.com> reported this week that Willie Mohney, YI/KV4EB, has been operating daily on 15 meters at or around 21.270 MHz, moving to 20 meters--perhaps around 14.255.

==>TWO-HAM CREW SET TO FLY TO INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION

Space veterans Russian cosmonaut Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP, and NASA astronaut Ed Lu, KC5WKJ, were scheduled to head into space this weekend to assume the reins of the International Space Station (ISS) as its Expedition 7 crew. Crew commander Malenchenko, 41, and NASA Space Station Science Officer Lu, 39, will be the first two-person ISS crew increment and the first primary crew to travel to the space station on a Russian Soyuz spacecraft. Their Soyuz TMA-2 vehicle is scheduled to launch April 26, at approximately 0354 UTC from Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan.

They'll arrive aboard the ISS April 28. The two crews will spend six days together on the ISS.

Originally scheduled to return in March aboard the space shuttle Atlantis STS-114 mission, Expedition 6 Commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP, Flight Engineer Nikolai Budarin, RV3FB, and NASA Space Station Science Officer Don Pettit, KD5MDT, will return to Earth aboard the Soyuz TMA-1 craft that's now attached to the space station. They're scheduled to land on May 3 in Kazakhstan. Bowersox, Budarin and Pettit have been in space since November 23.

NASA says that with the arrival of the Expedition 7 crew just days away, the Expedition 6 crew has been preparing for "handover" activities this week. On April 23, the crew conducted a motion control system test in the Soyuz TMA-1 that Expedition 6 crew will use to return to Earth.

Malenchenko and Lu will remain in space until October. NASA has said that until the space shuttle returns to flight-ready status pending the outcome of the Columbia accident investigation, Russian Soyuz vehicles will handle ISS crew rotations. NASA Chief Sean O'Keefe said this week, however, that he expects the shuttle fleet to be space-ready by year's end. NASA continues to investigate the February 1 shuttle Columbia tragedy that claimed the lives of seven astronauts, three of them Amateur Radio licensees.

Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) Chairman Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, says NASA has okayed a schedule of one or two ARISS school group contacts per week, despite the reduction in crew size. The grounding of the shuttle fleet could put a crimp in plans to deliver new ham radio gear to the ISS this year, however.

==>FCC ALLEGES MICHIGAN HAM ENGAGED IN DELIBERATE INTERFERENCE, THREATS

The FCC alleges that a Michigan ham engaged in deliberate interference and broadcasting and threatened other amateurs, and it's sending Michael Guernsey Sr, ND8V, of Parchment a tape recording to back up those assertions. Since late 1998, Guernsey has been the recipient of seven letters from FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth, including two warning notices. In 2000, the FCC threatened to designate Guernsey's license for a revocation and suspension hearing. Guernsey subsequently agreed to a nine-month suspension of his HF privileges in 2001.

"The operation of your station over the last several years raises questions about your qualifications to remain a Commission licensee," Hollingsworth wrote Guernsey on April 7. The latest flap primarily involves complaints from other amateurs of deliberate interference on 20 meters. The recorded transmissions were made on March 26, 2003.

In his letter, Hollingsworth noted that some of the interference apparently sprang from on-the-air personal disputes or from what Guernsey perceived as deliberate interference to his transmissions. Even so, Hollingsworth said, Guernsey has apparently ignored the Commission's

written and verbal warnings to not retaliate with similar behavior. Hollingsworth advised Guernsey that the alleged deliberate retaliatory threats and transmissions on top of other QSOs are contrary to FCC rules "and indicate that the numerous warnings to date have little, if any, effect in regarding to bringing your operation into compliance with Commission rules."

Hollingsworth requested that Guernsey review the tape recording and respond in writing and in detail within 20 days. He said the FCC will use the information Guernsey submits to decide whether to designate Guernsey's license for a suspension and revocation proceeding or to lift voice privileges from Guernsey's license for the remainder of his license term, which ends in 2012.

In a related letter, Hollingsworth issued similar words of caution to George Zardecki, N9VTB, of Chicago, with whom, he says, Guernsey has squabbled on the air. While Hollingsworth indicated that he would review and take action regarding Zardecki's deliberate interference complaints, he advised Zardecki that "in several instances, your own conduct was as bad or worse than the party about whom you complained." He cautioned Zardecki against retaliatory interference, slander and name calling.

==>INDIANA, TENNESSEE AMATEUR ANTENNA BILLS HEADED FOR GOVERNORS' DESKS

Amateur Radio antenna bills in Indiana and Tennessee need only their respective governors' signatures to eventually become law. In both cases, the measures would incorporate the wording of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 into the laws of each state.

"A stunning reversal of fortune" is how ARRL Central Division Director Dick Isely, W9GIG, described the passage of Indiana's bill, SB 109, which at one point had been shelved in committee. ARRL Indiana Section Manager Jim Sellers, K9ZBM, and others convinced lawmakers to resurrect SB 109. Isely and Sellers credited the efforts of former ARRL State Government Liaison Dave Spoelstra, N9KT, in the successful passage of SB 109. "He was able to provide Jim Sellers and me with a lot of valuable insight into the various legislative moves," Isely said.

Favorably voted out of committee, the measure went on to pass the Indiana House of Representatives April 14 on a 97-2 vote but without the 75-foot minimum regulatory antenna structure height the Senate version of the bill had contained. A House-Senate conference committee, convened to iron out the differences, left out the 75-foot minimum, and the Senate passed the stripped-down measure on a 39-9 roll-call vote. SB 109 now goes to Indiana Gov Frank O'Bannon. If he signs the measure, it will become effective July 1.

In Tennessee, the Senate voted 31-0 on April 14 to accept a previously passed House bill, HB 1010, to replace the Senate's PRB-1 measure, SB 0365. The House vote was 97-0. The bill now goes to Gov Phil Bredesen.

"Many thanks for this progress goes to the teamwork of our State Government Liaison Ingrid Klose, KD4F, Local Government Liaison Jimmy Floyd, NQ4U, and the many Tennessee hams who contacted their senators and representatives to solicit their votes and support," said ARRL Tennessee Section Manager Terry Cox, KB4KA.

At the request of Tennessee Section leadership, lawmakers eliminated language from the original Senate bill that would have incorporated minimum regulatory height limits, below which localities could not regulate. The Senate bill had asked for an up to 200 foot minimum regulatory height for low population density areas and either a 65 or 75-foot regulatory minimum in more densely populated areas, depending on lot size.

"We realized there was a very slim chance of getting the original wording, including height limitations, approved after the resistance we received from the Tennessee Municipal League in last year's effort," Cox explained.

The bills approved in both states prohibit localities from enacting or enforcing ordinances, resolutions or orders that do not comply with the PRB-1 limited federal preemption (§97.15). Both measures also would require ordinances involving the placement, screening or height of Amateur Radio antennas based on health, safety or aesthetics to "reasonably accommodate" Amateur Radio communications and represent the minimal practicable regulation to accomplish a municipality's or county's legitimate purpose.

The Indiana law also would permit municipalities or counties to act to protect or preserve historical or architectural districts established under local, state or federal law.

So far 17 states have incorporated the essence of PRB-1 into their laws, but only a handful--Oregon, Virginia, Alaska and Wyoming--include minimum regulatory height limits in their Amateur Radio antenna laws based on PRB-1.

==>HAMVENTION ANNOUNCES 2003 AWARD WINNERS

Hamvention has named the winners of its 2003 Amateur of the Year, Special Achievement and Technical Excellence awards. Well-known contester Larry "Tree" Tyree, N6TR, will receive Hamvention's 2003 Amateur of the Year Award. Tyree is the creator, organizer, and promoter of the successful Kid's Day <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html>--now administered by the ARRL. Kid's Day is an operating activity designed to give young people a chance to experience Amateur Radio firsthand and possibly inspire them to become licensees. Tyree also developed the popular TR-LOG contest logging software. A ham since 1967, Tyree lives in Boring, Oregon, with his wife and three daughters.

"I hope to be able to use this to help encourage others to encourage young people to join our hobby," Tyree commented. "Obviously the help the ARRL has given me by taking over the event has been part of the success that enabled this [award]." The award to Tyree is in line with Hamvention's

2003 theme, "Year of the Youth." The show, May 16-18 at Hara Arena near Dayton, Ohio, will be on young hams and on attracting 12 to 18-year olds into Amateur Radio.

Jonathan Taylor, K1RFD, of Ridgefield, Connecticut, is the winner of Hamvention's 2003 Special Achievement Award. Taylor developed the Internet-linking program called EchoLink and the repeater-control program called EchoStation. EchoLink allows amateur stations to connect with each other via the Internet to expand repeater and simplex coverage and to provide Amateur Radio operators with access from their PCs.

Hamvention's 2003 Technical Achievement Award goes to Dr Steve Dimse, K4HG, of Cudjoe Key, Florida. Dimse was behind the development of the global Automated Position Reporting System (APRS) Internet network <http://www.aprs.net/> that links more than 20,000 APRS operators around the world. Dimse also wrote the findU global database software <http://www.findu.com>, and he helped form the Citizens Weather Service (CWS).

Awards will be presented at an award winners' reception at Hara Arena May 17.

Hamvention 2003 also recognized the contributions of several Silent Keys to Amateur Radio. Those recognized include the crew of the shuttle Columbia STS-107 mission, which included three Amateur Radio licensees. Other Silent Keys honored included ham radio author Joe Carr, K4IPV; inventor Al Gross, W8PAL; ham radio author Bill Orr, W6SAI; and ham radio volunteer and Elmer Ernie Hudson, KI8O.

==>FORMER W1AW CHIEF OPERATOR CHUCK BENDER, W1WPR, SK

Former W1AW staff member and chief operator Charles R. "Chuck" Bender, W1WPR, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died April 17. He was 79. Bender served as an operator at Maxim Memorial Station W1AW for more than 37 years--from 1952 until his retirement in 1989--the last 17 years as chief operator.

"Chuck was a fixture at W1AW," said ARRL Chief Operating Officer Mark Wilson, K1RO. "For many League members, he was the visible, human face of ARRL Headquarters as he greeted visitors to the station during his tenure." Bender's photo also graced W1AW's QSL card for a number of years, making him probably one of the most recognized hams in the country.

ARRL Archivist Perry Williams, W1UED, was a long-time colleague of Bender's. "He was a private man who liked to read, and he enjoyed playing chess," Williams recalled. "He loved baseball, and he also bowled a lot with his wife, Arline." The Benders met while both were on the Headquarters staff and got married on Field Day in 1968. Arline Bender, WA1VMC, died last December.

W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, remembered that Bender "was proud of being the W1AW chief operator and that he really liked Amateur Radio."

A Pennsylvania native, Bender saw action during World War II. Before moving to Connecticut in 1952, he held the call sign W3ODU.

Survivors include a daughter, Susan Lyhne. At Bender's request, no public memorial service will be held.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar sage Tad "You Are My Sunshine" Cook, K7RA, Seattle, Washington, reports: -Sunspot numbers and solar flux rose over the past week. Average daily sunspot numbers were up more than 44 points to 100.4, and solar flux was nearly 17 points higher to 118.6. Solar wind and the resulting geomagnetic instability that has been prevalent for the past few weeks continued, and is expected to last at least through this weekend.

The current outlook has the Friday through Monday planetary A index for April 25-28 at 20, 25, 25 and 20. Current projections forecast quiet conditions for May 3-5, but higher just before that period and for nearly two weeks following. The reason for the unsettled to active geomagnetic forecast for this weekend is because of an ongoing solar wind, and an active sunspot that released two solar flares on April 23.

Predicted solar flux is 128 and 130 for Friday and Saturday, April 25-26, and then around 135 through the next week.

Sunspot numbers for April 17 through 23 were 37, 51, 69, 93, 154, 147 and 152, with a mean of 100.4. The 10.7-cm flux was 101, 107.8, 112.1, 118.5, 125.8, 132.4 and 132.8 with a mean of 118.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 30, 20, 18, 16, 21, 22 and 18, with a mean of 20.7.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The SP DX RTTY Contest, the Helvetia Contest, the QRP to the Field, and the Florida and Nebraska QSO parties are the weekend of April 26-27. JUST AHEAD: The AGCW QRP/QRP Contest is May 1. The New England QSO Party, the Indiana QSO Party, the MARAC County Hunters Contest (CW), the IPA Contest (CW/SSB), the 10-10 International Spring Contest (CW), the Microwave Spring Sprint, and the ARI International DX Contest are the weekend of May 3-4. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the Radio Frequency Interference (EC-006) and Satellite Communications (EC-007) courses opens Monday, April 28, 12:01 AM EDT (0401 UTC). Registration will remain open through Sunday, May 4. Classes begin Tuesday, May 6. Registration for the ARRL HF Digital Communications (EC-005) course remains open through Sunday, April 27. Those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future can sign up to be advised via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. To take advantage, send an e-mail to prereg@.... On

the subject line, indicate the course name or number (eg, EC-00#) and the month you want to start the course. In the message body, provide your name, call sign, and e-mail address. Please do not send inquiries to this mailbox. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@....

* Ham-pianist looking for company, support during run: Internationally known pianist Martin Berkofsky, KC3RE, has made it into Kansas on his 860-mile run to Chicago. A cancer survivor, Berkofsky is celebrating his recovery and raising money for Tulsa's Cancer Treatment Research Foundation (CTRF) <http://www.ctrf.org/> with his CelebrateLifeRun <http://www.celebrateliferun.com/>. Berkofsky left Tulsa April 8, his 60th birthday. "Holding up wonderfully," Berkofsky reports. "The best day was 12.9 miles." He said he's now out of range of the Oklahoma UHF "Super System," where he enjoyed many nice QSOs and had some stations checking in with him daily as the run progressed. Joni Shulman, CTRF's director of programs, said Berkofsky still needs places to stay and spotters to watch out for him along his route. He also enjoys having others run with him. Berkofsky is using APRS to radio his position at least on a daily basis, and he can be tracked on the Web via the findu.com site <http://www.findu.com>.

* Hams assist stranded sailboat: Amateur Radio operators on the Intercontinental and Maritime Mobile Service nets (14.300 MHz) responded to a call from a sailboat stranded between Key West and the Dry Tortugas. Ed Petzolt, K1LNC, in Florida, reported that a power failure aboard the 42-foot sailing vessel Follie a Deux out of Toronto left the boat adrift in calm winds and seas. "They did a pan pan on 14.300 MHz," Petzolt reported April 22. He contacted the US Coast Guard in Key West, which responded. "They attempted to repair the engine without success," Petzolt said later. The sailboat, with two passengers aboard, was towed to Dry Tortugas to await a commercial repair/towing vessel.

* Temporary permission granted for YA1CQ operation: The Daily DX <http://www.dailydx.com> reports that Hiro Nakanishi, JA1CQT, is back in Kabul, Afghanistan, as part of the Basic Human Needs (BHN) contingent. He has been granted temporary permission to operate as YA1CQ until the end of May, although he expects to be in Afghanistan for 12 months. BHN is a nongovernmental organization--or NGO--that's helping with humanitarian relief efforts. Others associated with the BHN team include Ito "Dan" Sadao, JA1PBV. YA1JA is the BHN club call sign.

* W1AA/MSC will be on the air for Marconi event: Members of the Marconi Radio Club <http://www.qsl.net/w1aa/w1aa_1001.htm> will operate on International Marconi Day, Saturday, April 26, as W1AA/MSC. "W1AA/MSC will represent the 1901 Marconi Nantucket Station MSC," said club president Whitey Doherty, K1VV, who explained that the actual W1AA/MSC operation will take place on the mainland, not from Nantucket itself, since the original MSC site is now a residential area. The station remained in

operation from 1904 until 1918. US stations QSL W1AA/MSC with a SASE to Whitey Doherty, K1VV, PO Box 1193, Lakeville, MA 02347. DX QSL via the W1 QSL Bureau.

* K6KPH on the air for International Marconi Day: The Maritime Radio Historical Society's K6KPH will participate Saturday, April 26, in the annual International Marconi Day commemorative event. International Marconi Day takes place each year on a weekend close to the birthday of wireless pioneer Guglielmo Marconi. The event is organized by the Cornish Amateur Radio Club, which will offer awards to stations in various categories. Details are on the club's Web site <http://www.gb4imd.co.uk/>. K6KPH uses the original transmitters, receivers and antennas of famous former RCA coast station KPH on the West Coast. Operating frequencies will be 7050, 14,050 and 21,050 kHz and possibly 3545 kHz. Operations begin April 26 at 1700 UTC. QSL to Denise Stoops, PO Box 381, Bolinas, CA 94924-0381.

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Date: 2003-04-26 05:20:16 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1127 Message: 1127

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1128. 3rd Annual general Meeting

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Topic: 1128 Message: 1128

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We sincerely hope that you will join us and make this event successful.

Thanking You,

For Mumbai Amateur Radio Society.

Nilesh Rathod. - VU2NLF

Secretary

1129. Re: [m_a_r_s] 3rd Annual general Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-26 16:45:26 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant
Topic: 1128 Message: 1129

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Huzefa Merchant(VU2HIT)
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To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars_classes
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-27 05:01:20 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1130 Message: 1131

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-27 09:49:47 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1130 Message: 1132

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73s,

MBF.
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Cc: mars_classes
Sent: Sunday, April 27, 2003 9:49 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU3KPL

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its Life Member Kiran Padiyar - VU3KPL a very Happy Birthday

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1133. NLF?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-28 07:12:01 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1133 Message: 1133

Der NLF,

You couriered letter asked members to confirm participation with yourself or ZRS. Do members again need to register with CBU/HIT?

regards,

Nirav

Date: Sat, 26 Apr 2003 10:59:19 +0530
From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
Subject: 3rd Annual general Meeting

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

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of our Society, The Elections for the Fourth Managing Committee and

The Annual Getogether cum Annual Dinner wil be held on 1st May 2003.

Venue : 'S.S. Hall', Garware Club, Wankhede Stadium, 'D'
Road

Curchgate, Mumbai - 400 001.

Timing: 7:30 pm to 10:30pm

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the Chairperson.

9:15pm Results of the Election.

9:30pm Dinner.

Also kindly confirm your participation with HIT- 23460575 / CBU - 25675226

We sincerely hope that you will join us and make this event successful.

Thanking You,

For Mumbai Amateur Radio Society.

Nilesh Rathod. - VU2NLF

Secretary

[This message contained attachments]

Message: 4
Date: Sat, 26 Apr 2003 22:15:26 +0530
From: "Huzefa Merchant" <vu2hit@...>
Subject: Re: 3rd Annual general Meeting

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Huzefa Merchant(VU2HIT)
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
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Cc: mars_classes
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1134. Short Term Training Course on GPS at IIT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-28 07:32:21 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1134 Message: 1134

Short Term Training Course on GPS & its application at IIT
http://www.civil.iitb.ac.in/~kulkarni/course2003.htm

Check what happened when similar course was conducted by IIT in Nov'2002
http://www.civil.iitb.ac.in/~kulkarni/course2002.htm

Congrats to Mr. Shailesh S. Deshmukh from Shreeram Polytechnic, Airoli,
Mumbai who is one of the participants for May'2003 workshop.

To find out GPS use in APRS used by HAMs, visit :
http://www.pocketaprs.com/index.html
http://www.csrnet.org/N7MEA/gps-aprs.html

73s,
Sandip-VU2UGO

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1135. Fw: [ans] ANS-117 AMSAT Weekly Bulletin

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-28 07:37:31 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1135 Message: 1135

----- Original Message -----
From: "Lee" <ku4os@...>
To: <ans@...>
Sent: Sunday, April 27, 2003 06:52 PM
Subject: [ans] ANS-117 AMSAT Weekly Bulletin

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE
ANS-117

ANS is a free, weekly, news and information service of AMSAT North America, The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation. ANS reports on the activities of a worldwide group of Amateur Radio operators who share an active interest in designing, building, launching and communicating through analog and digital Amateur Radio satellites.

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April 2003 AMSAT-NA President's Letter

AMSAT News Service Bulletin 117.01 From AMSAT HQ
Silver Spring, MD. April 27, 2003
To All Radio Amateurs
BID: $ANS-117.01

Greetings to all AMSAT Members,

It is always a pleasure to write this monthly letter to you and to try and keep you informed and updated on the various aspects of AMSAT-NA.

Firstly let me comment on the status of Echo, our satellite that we hope will be launched later this year. Progress is good, and we hope to have the satellite under test during the late spring or early summer. Final testing prior to shipment will be carried out in our new facility at NASA's Goddard flight Center. I said "new facility" but in fact it is the same facility that we had many years ago when AMSAT first came into existence.
Your Executive Vice-president Rick Hambly and Astronaut Ron Parise worked together to reacquire this building, close to the visitors center at Goddard for AMSAT's use. Rick Hambly will be at the Dayton Hamvention as one of the

speakers at the AMSAT Forum, he will be giving a detailed update on ECHO. Place Forum Room 1, Date Saturday May 17, Time 8.30 am.

The design concepts of the structure of Eagle have been completed and limited work is continuing based on our available income for this project. We have purchased the two Earth Sensors that were subject of a Financial Challenge, issued at Fort Worth and have designed the Can-Buss internal communication system for use in Eagle. The CAN-BUSS Boards will be first flown on P3E by AMSAT-DL and various other organizations are looking at the AMSAT-NA design to determine if it would meet their requirements. This system will also be the subject of a paper at our Dayton Forum when Bdale Garbee will be presenting a paper on the topic.

Gould Smith will present a Satellite Beginners paper at Dayton.
Remember Saturday May 17 in Forum Room 1, 8.30 AM.
Dayton is an excellent time to renew your membership, and this year in addition to membership we will have some Premiums which are available to donors. These include the AMSAT Journal CD-ROMs, Instant track (Y2K compatible version) and a surprise premium to everyone who joins or renews their membership.

Also, please remember to book a seat for the AMSAT dinner at the AMBER ROSE restaurant on Friday evening. This is your event and I look forward to meeting each one of you during that weekend. To book your seat in advance let Martha at the Office know-(301-589-6062 or Martha@...) We do have limited accommodation.

Although I am tempted to spend a lot of time at the Flea Market, I will spend most of the weekend at the AMSAT booth - so do plan to meet me there!. I am delighted to confirm the AMSAT ECHO-LINK conference system is now operational. Once more Paul Williamson has made it happen; use Echo-link to discuss satellites, orbits, and to have a round table discussion. Thank You Paul.

Finally, AMSAT is about to hold our first Fund Raising of the Year, as we usually do in May, and while I appreciate that "times are tough" so they are also for the AMSAT building fund. We really do need to progress with Eagle and to provide all the promises that I have put forward, such as (Mode B) - your help is the main way to get there - some new ideas on fund raising will appear in the May /June Journal - Please read the Apogee View by Guest writer Bill Tynan - Chairman of the Board of Directors.

73,
Robin Haighton, VE3FRH,
President.

[ANS thanks Robin, VE3FRH, for the above information]

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AMSAT-NA Space Symposium 2nd Call for Papers

AMSAT News Service Bulletin 117.02 From AMSAT HQ
Silver Spring, MD. April 27, 2003
To All Radio Amateurs
BID: $ANS-117.02

The 2003 AMSAT-NA Annual Symposium is scheduled for October 17-19, 2003 in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. This is the first call for papers to be presented at the 2003 Symposium.

Papers may be presented by the author during the Symposium or simply offered for inclusion in the Symposium Proceedings publication.

The subject matter should be of general interest to amateur radio operators involved in satellite communications. Suggested topics include:

+ operating techniques
+ antenna design and construction
+ space craft design and construction
+ current mission status
+ proposed satellite missions
+ telemetry acquisition and relay

A brief abstract of the proposed paper should be submitted as soon as possible. The final date for abstracts is June 15, 2003.Copy ready papers must be received no later than August 15, 2003.

Electronic submittal is preferred in MS WORD format. Please email your electronic submittals to Wayne Chandler at ve3whc@...

[ANS thanks Wayne, VE3WHC, for the above information]

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AO-40 Update

AMSAT News Service Bulletin 117.03 From AMSAT HQ
Silver Spring, MD. April 27, 2003
To All Radio Amateurs
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Stacy Mills, W4SM provides the latest information on AO-40 in this report.

"AO-40 is continuing to drift "downward" in ALON as predicted. This is making the squint/range combination less favorable for passband use. In addition, the solar angle is worsening and will shortly exceed 45 degs, limiting available power and warming the spacecraft considerably as the sun swings across the omni end of the spacecraft. The AO-40 passbands have been turned off as of MA=240 (23:50 UTC) on Saturday 4/19. They will remain off for about 4 weeks (or slightly less) until conditions improve. The beacon will remain ON during the whole orbit."

M QST AMSAT OSCAR-40 2003 Apr 19

ALON = 35 deg - 18.2 deg/week; ALAT = 20 degs
Orbit 1133 is last passband until ~mid-May. Beacon remains ON.

The AO-40 team would like your telemetry files!
Please "zip" compress your daily telemetry files and e-mail to:
ao40-archive@...

N QST AMSAT AO-40 SCHEDULE 2003-04-19
MA 010 240 244 010
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Orbit 1134 until S2/K-Tx | S | S | S | S-beacon
~ mid-May: MB | * | * | * | ON
PASSBANDS OFF RUDAK | | | |
V/U-Rx | U | U | V |
Uplink | | | |

[ANS thanks Stacy, W4SM, for the above information]

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OSCAR-11 REPORT 15 April 2003

AMSAT News Service Bulletin 117.04 From AMSAT HQ
Silver Spring, MD. April 27, 2003
To All Radio Amateurs
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During the period 21 March to 14 April 2003 the 145.826 MHz. beacon has been heard transmitting continuous ASCII telemetry from 30 March to 07 April. During this period good signals have been received. Telemetry transmissions are expected to resume around April 20 for about 8 - 9 days.

The internal temperatures have continued to fall, by about one degree C, with an up/down variation of half a degree. They are now 5.8 C, 3.8 and 10.0 C for battery, telemetry electronics, and command decoder respectively. The temperatures are expected to fall slowly as the solar eclipse times lengthen, reaching a minimum in the Summer, and then increase in the Autumn. The solar eclipse times should be shorter than last year,resulting in higher temperatures in 2003.

The battery voltage observed during daylight passes has decreased. Observations have varied between 13.2 and 13.8 volts, with an average value of 13.5 volts.

The attitude is now being controlled solely by the passive gravity boom gradient, and there is no control over spin rate. The continuous telemetry has enabled the spin period to be calculated from the X & Y magnetometer readings. The spin period has varied between 342 and 505 seconds. The attitude is normal.

Users of OSCAR-11 should note that the date in the telemetry is advanced by three days. The time is advanced by 18 minutes.

OSCAR-11 now operates in a default mode, controlled by the watch-dog timer. The satellite transmits continuous ASCII telemetry for about 8 - 9 days on 145.826 MHz., followed by about 10 - 12 days of silence. These times appear to be somewhat variable, and this regular sequence might be interrupted by ground control.

The mode-S beacon is ON continuously, even when the VHF beacon is OFF, nominally transmitting an unmodulated carrier on 2401.5 MHz. There is however a VERY low level of AFSK modulation, (now a constant 1200 Hz. audio tone), which has been detected on strong signals. Telemetry indicates that the beacon has partially failed, and is delivering half power. This beacon is a useful test source for those testing mode-S converters, as an alternative to OSCAR-40. However the signals are very weak, and there is a lot of Doppler. Users should also note that the polarization of OSCAR-11 is LHC. Even if you can't hear OSCAR-11, your equipment may still be OK for OSCAR-40. Any reports of reception on 2401.5 MHz. would be most welcome. Please e-mail g3cwv@....

The 435.025 MHz. beacon is normally OFF. It can only be heard on the very rare occasions when the satellite is being commanded by ground control, i.e.. within range of Guildford, UK. When the 435 beacon is transmitting, the 145 beacon is normally OFF. The data transmitted is mainly binary.

Listeners to OSCAR-11 may be interested in visiting my web site.

The web site contains details about using a soundcard for data capture, and also details about using hardware demodulators. There is software for capturing data, and decoding ASCII telemetry and WOD. There is an archive of raw data for analysis, which is continually being expanded, as new data is captured. Originally this was for WOD, but it is now being expanded to include ASCII telemetry. At the present time the telemetry is just for 2002, and 2001. I will add other years as time permits. In parallel there is a news archive which provides an overview of the state of the satellite, at the times when the telemetry was captured.

If anyone out there can provide any data, particularly for the 1984 to 1993 years, this would be most appreciated. Please e-mail me with details. However please DO NOT SEND ANY FILES, before further discussion.

Also included are some audio files, examples of each type of data transmitted by OSCAR-11, each one plays for about ten seconds. There are also examples of mode-S reception. All the audio files are zipped, so that they can be played off-line. These should help listeners identify the various types of data, and give an indication of the signal quality required for successful decoding.

The URL is -

http://www.users.zetnet.co.uk/clivew/

If you place this bulletin on a terrestrial packet network, please
use the bulletin identifier $BID:U2RPT84.CWV, to prevent duplication.

73 Clive G3CWV g3cwv@...

[ANS thanks Clive, G3CWV, for the above information]

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Month long ARISS promotion by Halifax ARC

AMSAT News Service Bulletin 117.05 From AMSAT HQ
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To All Radio Amateurs
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Canadian Space Agency Astronaut Col. Chris Hadfield, VA3OOG, was on hand for the final day of a month long ARISS promotion sponsored by the Halifax Amateur Radio Club. The HARC members, who had worked so hard during the event, were delighted to have Col. Hadfield take the time to meet with them and discuss the importance of the ARISS program. While the benefit of the Educational Outreach Program to students in classrooms around the world is clear, ARISS also plays a significant and "very real" psychological role to "on orbit" crews during long duration missions.

Col. Hadfield's visit topped off a very successful month of ARISS promotion. We were simply overwhelmed by the response from educators, as over 40 have signed up for additional program information. The Halifax Amateur Radio Club's offer to assist educators in developing and integrating classroom presentations, dealing with radio communications (both terrestrial and space), was met with enthusiasm. It's expected that we should have these workshops in place for the coming fall session. In the mean time, we look forward to assisting with ARISS school applications.

Sharing the excitement of ARISS with people has been fun! It may have been, in part, due to the venue that we had at the Empire 18 Cinemas and that "Space Station 3-D" was being shown in their IMAX facility. People were genuinely excited about what they had seen on the "big screen" and it was a real pleasure to discuss ARISS and Amateur Radio with them. The conservative estimate of the numbers of people that passed our display over the 4-week period was in excess of 50 thousand! Great for the ARISS Program and Amateur Radio!

Well done to all and thanks once again!

[ANS thanks Wayne, VE1WPH, for the above information]

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Upcoming ARISS Contact Schedule

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Silver Spring, MD. April 27, 2003
To All Radio Amateurs
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Upcoming ARISS Contact Schedule as of 2003-04-23 04:00 UTC

The ARISS (a joint effort of AMSAT, the ARRL, NASA, the ARISS international partners including Canada, Russia, the European Partners, and Japan) operations team wishes to announce the following very tentative schedule for ARISS school contacts. This schedule is very fluid and may change at the last minute. Remember that amateur radio use on the ISS is considered secondary. Please check the various AMSAT and ARISS webpages for the latest announcements. Changes from the last announcement are noted with (***). Also, please check MSNBC.com for possible live retransmissions (http://www.msnbc.com/m/lv/default.asp). Listen for the ISS on the downlink of 145.80 MHz.

For information about educational materials available from ISS partner space Agencies, please refer to links on the ARISS Frequently Asked Questions page.

If you are interested in supporting an ARISS contact, then you must fill in an application. The ARISS operations mentor team will not accept a direct request to support an ARISS contact.

You should also note that many schools think that they can request a specific date and time. It does not work that way. Once an application has been accepted, the ARISS mentors will work with the school to determine a mutually agreeable date.

Websites that may be of interest include:

http://www.arrl.org/sarex
http://www.arrl.org/ariss
http://www.amsat.org
http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov
http://spacelink.nasa.gov/index.html
http://ehb2.gsfc.nasa.gov/edcats/educator_guide/

Your completely filled out application should be returned to the nearest coordinating ARISS region if your specific region is not listed. E-mail is the preferred method of submitting an application.

Here are the email addresses:
ARISS-Canada and all other countries not covered: ve2ka@... (Daniel Lamoureux VE2KA)
ARISS-Europe: jh.hahn@... (J. Hahn, DL3LUM / PA1MUC)
ARISS-Japan and all Region 3 countries: iaru-r3@... (Keigo Komuro JA1KAB)
ARISS-Russia: n2ww@... (Valerie Agabekov N2WW/UA6HZ)
ARISS-USA: ARISS@... (The American Radio Relay League)

ISS Expedition 6 crew:
Kenneth Bowersox KD5JBP
Nikolai Budarin RV3FB
Donald Pettit KD5MDT

ISS Expedition 7 crew: (***)
Ed Lu KC5WKJ (***)
Yuri Malenchenko RK3DUP (***)

Tver schools, Tver, Russia (***)
Contacts were successful. (***)
2003-04-16 10:30 UTC (***)
2003-04-16 12:06 UTC (***)
Congrats to Tver schools and Nikolai Budarin RV3FB (***)

Cowichan Secondary School, Duncan, BC, Canada, Direct via VE7POH
Contact was successful. Congrats to Cowichan and Don Pettit KD5MDT. (***)
Monday 2003-04-21 1815 UTC.

The latest ARISS announcement and successful school list is now available on
the ARISS web site. Several ways to get there.

Latest ARISS announcements and news
http://www.amsat.org/amsat/ariss/news/arissnews.txt

Successful school list
http://www.amsat.org/amsat/ariss/news/Successful_ARISS_schools.rtf

or
http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov

If you can not get into the GSFC site, then go directly to the RAC site.
(***)

click on English (sorry I don't know French)
you are now at http://www.rac.ca/ariss/
click on News

Currently the ARISS operations team has a list of over 60 schools that we
hope will be able to have a contact during 2003. As the schedule becomes
more solidified, we will be letting everyone know. Current plans call for
an average of one scheduled school contact per week.

[ANS thanks Charlie, AJ9N, for the above information]

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PCSat Update

AMSAT News Service Bulletin 117.07 From AMSAT HQ
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To All Radio Amateurs
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Bob Bruinga, WB4APR, reports that, "PCsat is back to Eclipses but is holding fine and supporting about 50 users per 8 hour evening period (see pcsat.aprs.org)." Bob reports that he has cut the TXD in half from 30 to 15 and it seems to work fine for his receive set up while at the same time saving about 10% of transmit power.

If anyone notices any problems please let Bob know. He can be reached at WB4APR@.... He also notes, "Mid northern latitudes are seeing evening prime-time passes".

[ANS thanks Bob, WB4APR, for the above information]

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This Week's News in Brief

AMSAT News Service Bulletin 117.08 From AMSAT HQ
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To All Radio Amateurs
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** The Westcott Wireless Preservation Association will be hosting special event station W8AGA on Saturday, May 3rd. The operation will take place from Frank Lloyd Wright's Westcott house in Springfield, Ohio.. --Newsline

** The first tube motherboard appeared last year in response to PC gamers who craved the allegedly "more natural" sound produced by vacuum tube technology. Those who have seen the boards call it a strange sight to behold. --Newsline

** Digital Radio Mondiale has announced that there will be an official launch at the World Radio Conference in Geneva, in June. Digital Radio Mondiale, better known by its initials D-R-M is the world's only non-proprietary, digital broadcasting system for short-wave, medium-wave and long-wave with the ability to use existing frequencies and bandwidth across the globe. --Newsline

** NASA on Friday, April 18, postponed to at least mid-August the launch of its new infrared space telescope designed to study objects that otherwise would be too dust-concealed, too cold or too distant to be detected by existing equipment.. --SpaceDaily

** The launch of NASA's Galaxy Evolution Explorer (GALEX) spacecraft aboard an Orbital Sciences Corporation (OSC) air-launched Pegasus vehicle is scheduled for deployment over the Atlantic Ocean from OSC's L-1011 carrier aircraft on Monday, April 28 at 8 a.m. EDT. This time is contained within a launch window that opens at 7:50 a.m. and closes at 9:50 a.m. DT. --SpaceDaily

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Thanks and 73,
This weeks ANS Editor:

Lee McLamb, ku4os@...

Via the ans mailing list at AMSAT.ORG courtesy of AMSAT-NA.
To unsubscribe, send "unsubscribe ans" to Majordomo@...

1136. Re: Nomination for Managing Committee

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-29 02:24:28 UTC
From: kailash_gupta
Topic: 1115 Message: 1136

Dear Mehul,

I was trying to attend the AGM. However, due to my morning QTH it will not be possible. This explains delay in reply.

Kindly send receipt; constitution; annual reports, Chairman's Reports, Secretary's Progress Reports, Treasurer's Financial Reports, Reports from other members of the Managing Committee, Plans and Proposals for all the past years and for current year; ID card, CD, Library Membership card and other documents and things to my Jaipur address. Kindly send the CAP also. I thankfully accept regards from MARS while accepting CAP in absentia. Could you kindly send another copy of the AGM Report and MARS software copy you seems to have given me during field trip. I shall be grateful if you could send me a copy of the ARRL Handbook on CD also.

Thanks and regards,

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ
C56, Shastri Nagar
Opp. Tagore School
Jaipur 302 016
Phone: (0141) 2281888

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, "Mehul Chovatia" <mehul2k@v...> wrote:
> Hi KIZ,
>
> The AGM report and MARS software CD has already been handed over to you during the last field trip. The cap was prepared after the field trip and hence it is lying with us. Usually we handover the cap personally as it is a matter of regard.
>
> Pls inform if you would be present at the AGM, then I shall handover the remaining stuff to you personally or else I shall courier it to you.

>
> Thnks N Regds,
>
> Mehul
> Treasurer - MARS.
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: vu2nlf
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, April 21, 2003 9:49 PM
> Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Nomination for Managing Committee

>
>
> dear kailash,
>
> Your nomination form was sent by courier service, but
unfortunately it was returned back because the courier does not have
service to baroda.
>
> In view of the above circumstances we accept your nomination form
by e mail. The AGM and the elections are to be held on 1st May 2003
at 07:30 PM. Kindly make yourself available to attend the same.
>
> As far as your Cap, I.D card, life membership receipts and Annual
reports are concerned , I am sure all are ready and lying with Mehul -
VU3MBF- Treasurer. It is just that they have not been sent to you. I
am sure Mehul will do the needful after reading this mail.
>
> 73
> VU2NLF
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: kailash_gupta
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Sunday, April 20, 2003 2:09 PM
> Subject: [m_a_r_s] Nomination for Managing Committee
>
>
> Dear Nilesh,
>
> I nominate myself for one of the 7 members of the Managing
Committee.
>
> I have not received the Nomination Form and my this message may
> please be treated as filled-in Nomination Form. I also agree to
all
> reasonable terms and conditions which may be there in the
Nomination
> Form. If there is need of some proposer or seconder for the
> noimination; I request members to send message for proposing
and
> seconding me, if they want to.
>
> I did read your earlier message telling that Nomination Forms
have
> been sent to all eligible members by courier and if any member
has
> not received, the person may call on your mobile number. From
my
> past experience (which may not be necessary guide line for
future) I
> realise that in last two years I have sent many messages on

this
> yahoo group, by snail mail, telephonic message and even during
> personal meetings; requesting you to send me receipt,
constitution,
> annual reports, budget, cap, ID card, CD, Library Membership
card and
> other documents and things. However, till date I have not
received
> anything. Of couse,I do receive vertual messages on this group
and
> thanks for that. I request you to examine why in future,
Nomination
> Form sending, submitting filled-in Nomination Form and other
matters
> cannot be done through this yahoo group?
>
> The question arises, even then why am I interest in beoming
member of
> the Managing Committee?
>
> Beacuse I want to save MARS from winding up. MARS is doing good
work.
> I am Life Member, athough I am not able to participate in
monthly
> meetings and many other programmes as I donot live in Mumbai.
> However, I have participated in disaster communication drills
from
> Baroda, at Pune and at Dhanu Road.
>
> Amateur Radio is a hobby and members have other occupations and
> priorities. There may be small lapses on the part of
administration,
> which I ignore. Athough I would appreciate improvements. I
would
> request members to submit nominations and keep the society
going.
>
> When I came in December 2002 to Mumbai and Dhanu Road for
scramble
> team exercise, I had infomed that I am living at Jaipur and had
given
> my address and telephone number. For your record, I am again
giving
> them below.
>
> Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ
> C56, Shastri Nagar
> Opp. Tagore School
> Jaipur 302 016

1137. Int. Seminar on Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-29 02:41:38 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 1137 Message: 1137
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1138. NEWS!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-29 07:15:16 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1138 Message: 1138

Hi OMs/YLs!!

1. HAMFEST'2003 (at Gandhinagar) dates are announed on Sunday's VU-FRIENDLY Net by VU2CPV-Pravin. It will be held on 8/9th November, 2003. More details will be available on http://www.giar.org/hamfest03.html

2. NOAA-12 is again back into action (on APT) from last week. A detail Wx SAT report is attached at the end of my message.

3. 2M propagation conditions are very good these days. VU3PAN/VU2SXF worked VU2LB(bhavnagar) simplex with 2W. Today morning I heard Gandhinagar Repeater (145.40MHz -600Hz) and if u r able to trigger that repeater, you can talk to hams upto Rajkot (VU2JF). Suitable timings for working DX are 6-8am & 7-10pm. But sometimes conditions also allow you to work DX in afternoon, last week I had QSO with VU2JRT(Surat) at 1.30pm.

4. On behalf of Early Birds Net Controller - VU2CBU, you all are invited to checkin at 7am everyday on 145.00MHz.

73s and all the best,
Sandip - VU2UGO

WEATHER SATELLITES
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APT STATUS REPORT -- 21st April 2003
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Satellite Frequency (MHz) Status Image Quality

NOAA 12 137.500 on good
NOAA 14 137.620 off
NOAA 15 137.500 on good
NOAA 17 137.620 on good

CHANGES SINCE LAST REPORT
NOAA 12 APT on (137.500).

THIS WEEK'S POSSIBLE EVENTS.
None expected.

NOTES.

1. NOAA 9 was permanently deactivated some years ago and is tumbling freely. Unfortunately it has a sporadic carrier on 137.500 (varies quickly according to orientation) and can cause interference to NOAA 12 and NOAA 15.

2. NOAA 16's APT transmission system failed a few months after launch.

3. After over 11? years of service (launched 15th August 1991) Meteor 3-5
has finally succumbed. (25th February 2003).
Although it had a number of imaging problems it was, up to the end,
providing acceptable visible imagery. It will be greatly missed.
In its time it also provided IR images and SSTV on APT... ah those were the
days !

LAUNCHES.
Sich-1M NET December 2003. (thanks to Ian Deans for info.)
The next known satellite launch with APT is NOAA N scheduled for NET June
30th 2004.

Douglas Deans.
Dunblane.
Scotland.

DIGITAL STATUS REPORT -- 21st April 2003
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CHANGES SINCE LAST REPORT.
None.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS.
None expected.

Satellite Frequency Mode Remarks
(MHz)
NOAA 12 1698.0 HRPT Good signal
NOAA 14 1707.0 HRPT Good signal (see note 5)
NOAA 15 1702.5 HRPT* Backup channel, weaker signal
NOAA 16 1698.0 HRPT* Strong signal
NOAA 17 1707.0 HRPT* Very strong signal !
FengYun 1C 1700.4 CHRPT Weak signal, use dish 90cm.
FengYun 1D 1700.4 CHRPT Good signal.
Seastar 1702.5 SeaWifs signal OK
encrypted

My thanks to Lawrence Harris for Digital updates.

NOTES.

1. At the NOAA 17 frequency of 1707 MHz occasional interference may be
expected from NOAA 14 at latitudes above 80 degrees. Erratic behaviour of
the inactive NOAA 9 also has proven to be a source of interference at higher
latitudes. NOAA 9 follows a similar track to 17. (Thanks to F. Valk)

2. If you have a good LNA and analogue decoder (Timestep for example)
all sat's with "Good signal" or better can already be received using
a 1.5M helicalbeam (RIG Journal 64) or a small dish (60 to 80cm) with
helical feed.

3. * These sat's have channel 3A/B which allows the composition of
almost true-colour images of daylight passes using R3G2B1
colour scheme. For more info on colouring see RIG Journal 69.

4. ~ 10 Channel imager, use colour scheme R1G9B7 or R1G2B7 for
daylight passes to get near true colour images.

5. For the moment the problems with the AVHRR scan mirror motor have gone
and NOAA 14 is providing excellent AVHRR imagery. Given the age of
the satellite and its recent history it will require to be closely
monitored.

Arne van Belle, WERKGROEP KUNSTMANEN
Co-ordinator Radio Observers (www.kunstmanen.nl)

Douglas Deans.

GEOSTATIONARY WEFAX STATUS REPORT -- 21st April 2003
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CHANGES SINCE LAST REPORT
Update to GOES 12. See note 1.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS
None expected.

Goes West (W America). Wefax 1691.0 MHz 135 W
Goes East (E America). Wefax 1691.0 MHz 75 W. Test transmissions of
LRIT to commence April 2003.
Meteosat 7 (Europe). Wefax 1691.0 & 1694.5 MHz 0 W
Meteosat 5 (India). Wefax 1691.0 MHz (shared usage) 63 E
inclined +/- 4.4 degrees.
MSG-1 Commissioning. Suspect power amplifier (SSPA-C) under
investigation. Location 10.5?W +/- 0.4?, inclination 1.9? and reducing.
Imager commissioning continuing, but working well.
INSAT (India) 2599.225 MHz WEFAX 74 E ?
GMS (Japan/Australia) Wefax 1691.0 MHz (120 KHz deviation) 140 E

NOTES.

1. GOES-12 has replaced GOES-8 as the GOES-East operational
spacecraft on 1st April 2003 at 18.15Z. As from 22nd April GOES 12 data
will no longer be relayed via GOES 8 but will sent direct from the
satellite.
For full details of the transition plan go to :-
http://www.ssd.noaa.gov/PS/SATS/SPBULL/MSG0901934.01.txt

For updates/additions or errors (in this section) reply to
Dave Cawley Information@...

EUMETCAST STATUS REPORT -- 21st April 2003
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Service fully operational for ATOVS and RSS on HotBird 6.

PROBLEMS SINCE LAST REPORT.
No substantive unplanned outages reported.

THIS WEEK'S POSSIBLE EVENTS.
MSG -1 HRIT testing (? hourly) may commence for those registered for the trial service.

Any reports for this section of the report should be sent to :-
Douglas Deans douglas@...

NOTES.

1. For further information on the Eumetcast service see :-
David Taylor's web site
http://www.satsignal.net => Weather Satellites, ATOVS
or Eumetsat's web site
www.eumetsat.de => ATOVS retransmission service.

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1139. Re: [m_a_r_s] Int. Seminar on Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-29 16:26:56 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1137 Message: 1139

dear kailash, I will definately up it up on our web site very shortly.

many thanks,

73
NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: Kailash Gupta
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, April 29, 2003 8:11 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Int. Seminar on Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation

Dear Niles,

I am attaching the file containing my presentation in
the International Seminar on Disaster Preparedness and
Mitigation.

You are requested to put this file on MARS web site.

The International Seminar on Disaster Preparedness and
Mitigation was jointly organissed by United Nations
Development Programme, Govt. of India and
Confederation of Indian Industry from November 21 to
23, 2002 at New Delhi.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ had presented a paper in the
conference titled "Amateur Radio Emergency
Communication". I had mentioned in the paper about the
work done by the MARS team and is being done. The
paper is available on the UNDP web site
www.undp.org.in/UNDMT/dpm/Day%
20Three/session%20VII/kailashgupta.ppt

Kailash Gupta,VU2KIZ

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1140. Re: [m_a_r_s] NLF?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-29 16:24:25 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1133 Message: 1140

dear nirav,

no need, you have already confirmed with me.

73
nlf
----- Original Message -----
From: Nirav Sanghavi
To: m_a_r_s@...m
Sent: Monday, April 28, 2003 12:42 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] NLF?

Der NLF,

You couriered letter asked members to confirm participation with yourself or
ZRS. Do members again need to register with CBU/HIT?

regards,

Nirav

Date: Sat, 26 Apr 2003 10:59:19 +0530
From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
Subject: 3rd Annual general Meeting

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

We are pleased to inform you that the Third Annual General Meeting

of our Society, The Elections for the Fourth Managing Committee and

The Annual Getogether cum Annual Dinner wil be held on 1st May 2003.

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Road

Curchgate, Mumbai - 400 001.

Timing: 7:30 pm to 10:30pm

Agenda for the Meeting.

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9:00pm Any other topic with the permission of
the Chairperson.

9:15pm Results of the Election.

9:30pm Dinner.

Also kindly confirm your participation with HIT- 23460575 / CBU -
25675226

We sincerely hope that you will join us and make this event successful.

Thanking You,

For Mumbai Amateur Radio Society.

Nilesh Rathod. - VU2NLF

Secretary

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Message: 4
Date: Sat, 26 Apr 2003 22:15:26 +0530
From: "Huzefa Merchant" <vu2hit@...>
Subject: Re: 3rd Annual general Meeting

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Huzefa Merchant(VU2HIT)
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars_classes
Sent: Saturday, April 26, 2003 10:59 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] 3rd Annual general Meeting

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1141. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU3KPL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-30 10:06:20 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1130 Message: 1141

happy birthday kiran
enjoy
zrs

----Original Message Follows----
From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
CC: "mars_classes" <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU3KPL
Date: Sun, 27 Apr 2003 09:49:55 +0530

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its Life Member Kiran Padiyar - VU3KPL a very Happy Birthday

ZYROS ZEND
FORTUNE COOKIE INDIA
300,CAWASJI HORMASJI STREET
DHOBI TALAO
MUMBAI.
TEL.00-91-22-22035586
RES.00-91-22-22875741
FAX.OO-91-22-22025848
MOBILE. 9821025289

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Hot new gizmos. Check 'em out. http://www.msn.co.in/Computing/Gizmos/ Right
now!

1142. QST Apr'2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-04-30 10:42:30 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1142 Message: 1142

Now in available in MARS Library!!

QST - APR'2003 Contents :-
a.. High Speed Multimedia Radio (HSMM)
Data, Voice and video - simultaneously! Experiments are demonstrating the feasibility of low cost, low power technology for the new ham radio "Hinternet". The HSMM website is located at http://www.arrl.org/hsmm/ . You will find additional information on the current activities of the HSMM Working Group, RLAN technology and links to related sites.

b.. The RockMite - A Simple Transceiver for 40 or 20 Meters
There's something wondrous about an effective rig that's little bigger than a PL-259 connector. This minimalist 1/2W transciver has several sophisticated features - built-in keyer, PIC controller, one-button control - and it fits in an Altoids tin.

The RockMite housed in the aluminium enclosre available from http://www.americanmorse.com/ . A European (7030kHz) version is available from http://www.qrpproject.de/ .

c.. Beginners' Computer Programming for Ham Radio
Part 3 - Get ready to feast on the results of these programming recipes.

d.. Public Service - No Lights, No Telephone - Just the Radio

e.. Product Review -
a.. ADSP2 from SGC
b.. Noise Canceling Speaker from GAP Antenna

f.. New Products -
a.. Ten-Tec Argonaut V MF/HF Transceiver Model 516
b.. RIGblaster Pro

g.. Software -
a.. SkySweeper is a multifaceted software package that turns your sound-card-equipped Windows PC into a powerful signal analysis and decoding system.

h.. Regular Features - Correspondence, Workbench, Hands-on Radio, Hints & Kinks, Technical Correspondence, How's DX?, The World above 50MHz, Old Radio, YL News, QRP Power, OP-ED, 75-50 & 25 Years Ago, Special Events, Contest Corral, Strays, Hamfest Calendar, Coming Conventions, ARRL Buyer's Guide.

i.. New Advertisements -
a.. HF Tribander Performance : Test Methods & Results Book
HF Vertical Performance : Test Methods & Results Book
by H.Ward Silver, N0AX & Steve Morris, K7LXC
b.. Crystal Radio Bonanza Book - Published by Xtal Set Society
c.. The Radio Amateur Callbook - 2003 Winter
d.. True RMS for accuate AC readings by Extech Instruments

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1143. VU3MBF passes away....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-01 07:56:39 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1143 Message: 1143

Hi Friends,

Please note my new call sign - VU2 ICQ. The earlier callsign (VU3 MBF) stands cancelled.

Thnks,

Mehul.

1144. Re: [m_a_r_s] VU3MBF passes away....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-01 08:27:07 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1143 Message: 1144

may his call rest in peace
----- Original Message -----
From: Mehul Chovatia
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, May 01, 2003 1:26 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] VU3MBF passes away....

Hi Friends,

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Thnks,

Mehul.

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1145. Please be responsible !!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-02 08:05:53 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1145 Message: 1145

Dear Members,

With most regrets I have to put this mail on requesting the members to be responsible and active.

MARS conducted 3rd AGM yesterday with a mere participation of 60+ members. Most of the founder and regular members were not present. Only a few of the members had informed that they would not be making it. The response from SWLs was also not decent. We have wasted food worth more then Rs.5000.

The committee and few hard-working members are struggling to help each one of you as follows:

1. Arranging and Putting up antennae
2. Getting your shacks in order
3. Putting up the repeater
4. Running around to get tickets faster
5. Arranging low value VHF sets
6. Conducting events with best of the facilities
7. Information sharing in terms of newsletters and magazines
8. Getting the gear for the members (Caps, ponchos, Id cards, etc.)
8. Conducting classes and demos and HAM awareness drives and much more...

In such a scenario when these few members are dedicating most of their time for the upbringing of the hobby, there is a very feeble response coming from the mass. Every year the committee has been literally burning out to support and conduct so many activities.

I would request each one of you to be active - at least active enough to confirm your presence or absence for each activity so that the society doesnt end up wasting resources. If the response continues to be like this then we would have no options but to cut down activities and eventually wind-up the organization.

Lastly, it was also observed that lot of members including SWLS have not paid their fees. Please ensure that the dues are cleared asap. Members who have already paid their fees should ignore this para. Pending receipts will be couriered to the members.

73s,

Mehul Chovatia.
MARS.

1146. Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-02 08:04:02 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1146 Message: 1146

Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?
JJ SCOTT (KD7VDB) (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KD7VDB)on May 1, 2003
View comments about this article! (http://www.eham.net/articles/5211#comments)

About a week and a half ago I got my license it was the happiest day of my life; I couldn't wait until I could get on the air?
Some reasons why most people don't want to get into HAM Radio:
1. Once they get motivated enough to ask to take classes they get discouraged by the technical aspect of it. I do think we should still have this aspect though.
2. Some one tells them they have to take Morse code to be a ham. I think we should still have Morse code but it should only be required for 40m and up to operate because that's about the only time you'll want to.
3. They figure out the price of radios. A basic 2m handheld with 5 watts costs about $150+. But there is a way to beat this, bring back Heathkit and all the kit manufacturers and they need to make affordable VHF and UHF kits.
4. Most people these days don't even realize it exists. If somebody hadn't shown me their radios and let me dink with them I would have never joined. Advertise about what you do instead of drugs, let others know about ham radio!
5. Nobody gets the new guys involved. Take someone out to the repeater station with you to work on it. It will mystify their minds about talking all over the world.
Thanks for reading this and I hope that you try to fix these problems.

Member Comments: Add A Comment (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/L5211)

Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/21984)

by N6VHF (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N6VHF) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=21984)

Because the person that showed them Ham Radio in the first place doesn't keep them motivated. Without an Elmer to show them the ropes, their excitement fizzles. Most of these guys don't know what to do, or how to operate and are afraid to ask for fear of ridicule. Someone needs to help the newbies out until they get the hang of operating.

73,
Neil - N6VHF

Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/21985)

by WA2JJH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA2JJH) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=21985)

I have been a HAM for over 25 years. I have taken long breaks from HAM radio, only to return.

IMHO..INTERNET has taken most of the lime light out of HAM radio.

Some one that posted on another thread said"
I was so happy to work japan, only to have my eight year old kid say.... I can do that with AOL."

HAM radio is confused with GMRS/FRS, and 11M.

Many live in a QTH where they cannot put up an antenna. They know any time the buildings cable TV screws up, the ham is the first to blame!

Some just got bored with it.

I used to love to roam around NYC with a dual band h-t.
In NYC nobody cares or is interested.

REILLY at the FCC sends complaint letters to hams that use new types of SSB modulation.

The university I attend is an engineering school.
No ham club. The FM broadcast transmitter is down. I try to offer my skills to get it back on the air,...Nobody cares!forget about starting a HAM radio club at BKLYN POLY TECH, I am the only ham. All the undergrads use the cell phone or FRS.

NEED I SAY MORE!!!!!!

Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/21986)

by N8VQJ (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N8VQJ) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=21986)

Um, what about Ten Tec? Ten Tec's T-kits are available and you can put them together without owning a scope! Their 2 m Transciever kit even has options typically found in most base level 2 m Mobiles and the base model is 195. an extra 84 bucks gets you a 30 wat amp so you can have 30 wats in the mobile. This is a great idea even for the not so new ham.

To get them interested otherwise, you need to "elmer" them. Have a late night informal discussion net. Before big hamfests/hamvention, if you have a bigger vehicle, offer the other hams in your area (new and old) a ride to the show....your heading that way anyway! When your on the road you can chatter on the repeaters or eyeball contacts in the car! Have Pizza parties and invite not only club members, but non members as well. Let them get to know who they talk to on the repeater and they'll feel better about it. And when they do something stupid, try not to admonish them on the air (and embarass them). Give them a landline and tell them that those stations they heard on the repeater that appeared to not be identifying are actually identifying, but we could not hear that part because it was skip(on our local machine you can always hear a machine 200-300 miles away when the band is open....confuses the hell out of new hams...).

Also, clubs need to me more proactive about organizing things on their machines. I can throw out my call a dozen times on a dozen different machines every morning and noone comes

back. Yet sometimes I do this afer someone kerchunks the controller and still noone comes back. Traffic needs to be generated. Organize drive time nets (wheeled, not message traffic). Use the message feature on some repeater controllers to advertise club events. If your part of a vec team, keep track of folks who pass through your testing session and when they get a call issued, send them a piece of traffic.

I actually as of late have been finding more new folks to talk to then old folks. Some of my old friends are not on the repeaters becuase they "only" work HF since upgrading. Come down and slum with the techs! Share ragchews on how you worked Fiji Island or Jordan on a cheap antenna. If the extra's stick to HF, then the techs hear no reason to upgrade! There's nothing wrong with talking on the repeaters to other lower class operators! You Extra's who are DX fiends tend to forget.....we Tech's will not be motivated to join you if you don't talk to us! ;) Also, drop this BS about No-Code Extra's and all. Just becuase you ahd to pass 20 WPM to get your upgrade does not make you a better ham necessarily. All it does is make you an Extra class licensee. One thing I can compare this to....what do you call a student who gets his medical degree with only a c average.....you call them Doctor! That's the same thing here. A Ham who passes the FCC required elements to get a Extra license NOW is a Extra Licensee.

Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/21988)

by K0AST (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K0AST) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=21988)

For lack of a stable QTH at the present, I am and have been on VHF only, even though I have attained my General & am working towards Extra. Licensed now about 1.5 years or so, I came to ham radio because I always wanted to try it. And I am no techie in the least. However, something I experience that is missing from ham radio is more comraderie...

If someone calls monitoring on a VHF repeater, and you can tell they have a newer call sign in your area -- CALL THEM back!

Ham radio needs this more than anything else IMHO. Nothing is more discouraging than to call "mobile & monitoring" to get no response, only to have 3 guys start up 1 minute later when one calls the other. What has anyone got to lose with a quick intro QSO? In fact, many times I add "anyone up for a drivetime QSO?" (as i am on the radio most times while mobile) to my call just to open the windows a bit.

I have enjoyed my time in ham radio, and plan to keep going. But I know there are others out there not quite as gregarious as me who need you all to call them back.

Dan

RE: Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/21989)

by N6AJR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N6AJR) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=21989)

What I do is when a friend or relative I have got intrested int ham radio passes their tech test I give them a 2 meter HT (usually a Rat shack htx 202) and a 30 watt linear and a 2 meter mag mount antenna.

Now they can get right on and enjoy it and keep the interest up. There is always another ham somewhere. get on the air and talk. if the school doesn't have a club try the local town or nearest city.

Ask on the repeater. or what ever you are on. I work, hf , ssb and psk31 and have a ball. I have friends on 2 meters tell me when they hear some one rare on the hf bands, we help each other, and you can work from flordia to calif on 2 meter /440 with an dual band radio and an arrow antenna with 5 watts.. no excuse not to find some one to talk to.

have fun 73 tom N6AJR

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/21990)

by WA2JJH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA2JJH) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=21990)

I must AGREE WITH K0AST. 2 Meters has always been a little cliqist. Not a good band to meet new ham friends.
20 years ago calling CQ on 146.52 with my 1.5 watt drake TR-33c was more productive.

Most 2 meter machines have a club. Some give the good old americsn welcome. Some if you are not a member, you are chopped liver!

I have found 440 machines much mre friendly in NYC.

In the old days nobody had PL's. All do know.

Keep trying OM. You did pick the worst band to meet new ham friends.

I am very gregerious my self.
I will be the first to admit that ham unity is down from 20 years ago!

I found he contoversial 14.178 gouup very helpful.

Do not loose the faith. IF YOU HAVE 440MHZ DID THAT A TRY. Many 440 guys left 2M, because of the same social dynamic.

Keep trying

all the best MIKE

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/21991)

by KK5CA (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KK5CA) on May 1, 2003

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In an era when most radios were assembled by hand, and involved considerable point-to-point wiring, Heathkits provided a low cost alternative by having the builder provide the labor for the otherwise expensive hand assembly and wiring. With modern automated production processes, there is little opportunity for cost savings by passing the hand assembly to the purchaser.

Look into the ARRL's new CCE course, "Life Beyond the Repeater."

KK5CA

RE: Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/21993)

by W8OKN (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W8OKN) on May 1, 2003

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The cost of getting on the air is cheap. In the 70s, a new two meter rig was around $350 and that's in 1970 dollars! That would be like $800-900 in today's dollars! Then what about the features. They've gone through the roof!!! So much better now.

I was inactive in 1976 when I was first licensed. It took me awhile to get an antenna up and to get my first rig. Then there was the fear of my first CW transmission. Yes, it was a tough road with all the learning that was needed. But it was also one of the most rewarding! The harder one works to achieve a goal, the greater the reward.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/21994)

by K1MKF (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K1MKF) on May 1, 2003

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In response to no. 3 - VHF mobiles and HTs are cheaper now than they ever have been. They even have hundreds of memories and functions you will never use. A kit would cost more to buy and once you built it it would have less features and perform below the standard of commercial rigs. If you want to complain about HAM radio the price and availability of gear is not the place. There are plenty of used HF gear in the $350 - $500 range. Heck, some of the new stuff starts at $600. Compared to what stuff cost even a few years ago and adjusted for inflation it's never been cheaper to get into HAM radio. In most countries HAMs are only the rich. I've seen HAMs in the USA that probably qualify for government assistance.

MarkF

RE: Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/21995)

by N4SNL (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N4SNL) on May 1, 2003

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I still like to talk on the old radio but so many have gone to the computer. I don't think it's the cost because you can always find a deal on ham equipment or horse trade. My radio

is always on but I always hear the same people in ther all the time and it gets boring after a while. To keep up my interest I go out and buy something for the hobby like a new antenna or mike or even a new radio(new to me). But propagation has a lot to do with it too. And exotic DX or a country you don't have may spark some interest but you have to sit down and listen for a while and be willing to wait your turn in a pile up or just listen for some far off station hoping they will hear you. Right now we are living in Germany and the Europeans are in there constantly wanting to talk to the states and other areas so I have to contend with that plus they don't have the same band privileges we do in the states on some bands especially on 40. Yikes!!! Also I just don't think it has the appeal it used to and cell phones over here they are called (HANDYS) FRS/GMRS and PMR (EURO for FRS), and internet over the phone and now internet over the palm computer. You really have to be a hard liner any more to want to get into the hobby like we used to. I still like the old fashion way, pick up the mike and call the world. Always will! 73's

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/21996)

by KU4UV (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KU4UV) on May 1, 2003

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I wonder if maybe they get discouraged by some of you old farts who constantly argue with each other either on the air or in the ham radio newsgroups. They might also get bored with the local 2-meter geeks and their weekly nets where they have trivia questions between each other like how many tubes did they XYZ radio have in 1963? Give me a break!

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/21998)

by KE4SKY (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KE4SKY) on May 1, 2003

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New hams are our greatest resource for ARES and RACES. They are anxious to learn, and want to be Elmered.

We encourage them to check into nets, take EmCom training and team them up with a "training buddy" who is more experienced, to help them in station building, assembling a go kit, etc. We don't care what class of license they have as long as they are active.

Our Virginia RACES training materials are available as free .pdf downloads for ANYONE to use. Visit our web site at www.varaces.org and click on free training materials.

Amateurs living in Virginia and surrounding states can attend one of our FREE live training classes. The next session is May 31 at Eastern Mennonite College in Harrisonburg, VA. There will be another session October 25th in Hampton, VA, site yet to be determined.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/21999)

by N8VGY (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N8VGY) on May 1, 2003

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Just to put my 2 cents in...

I've had my license for over 10 years and I was 13 at the time I got it. Obviously, at the time the Internet was not booming. I was highly active for the first 2 years.

Over the course of 10 years, I've learned quite a bit about electronics and computers. Admittingly, I walked away from Ham Radio when I reached High School. Too many other things happening in my life. However, I did return to it once I reached college.

One thing I have learned is that only operating on 2 meters can get old. Fast. I had an HTX 202 for the longest time and that's all I used. I became inactive again after college because of 2 meters getting old.

One day, as I was noticing my license was about to expire, I decided to upgrade to General instead of renewing. After learing 5 WPM code and passing the test, I had a renewed interest Ham radio again. This time, I made sure to aquire an HF rig. The challenge on HF far outweigh sitting on AOL or AIM and chatting with someone half way around the world.

Sure, I still monitor 2 meter repeaters. But now I have more interest in HF, 440, and 2 meter packet. For any new Hams getting into the hobby, please DON'T get stuck on 2 meters FM. Even with a tech licence, you have 6m, 220, 440, or SSB, Satelite, or Packet.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22000)

by N3BIF (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N3BIF) on May 1, 2003

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Intimidation, whether real or perceived.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22001)

by VE3FFK (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/VE3FFK) on May 1, 2003

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These days I see two kinds of hams coming to exams.
The first are into ham radio to support some other activity, such as car rallying or emergency service of
some kind. These people are stay active in their specialty area until they lose interest in the activity that prompted them to get their ticket in the first place. Some of these do, in a small way, stick their toes into the greater amateur community and over time become more rounded hams. Most still can't stand the three hour repeater rag chew about nothing. (I can't blame them for that)
The other kind of new ham I see finds their way in past the non-existent public profile, past the misconceptions about how "expensive" it all is (have you priced other pastimes these days?). These guys
(and gals) are on the edge, and can come in to or go out of ham radio very easily, depending on the reception they get. If they are shunned (or think they are shunned) on 2m,

then the rig goes into the bottom drawer and they are gone. If they get answers to their questions, help with offsets and CTCSS tones and repeater technique, then they are with us for the long haul. A small percentage of them get their CW after a year or two on VHF, and are lost to 2m for a considerable period. As antenna restrictions become more pervasive there are fewer of these. They aren't ready to rock the boat, or to take up mobile or portable operating just yet.
I'm coming up on a third of a century in ham radio, and haven't been bored or tired of it in all that time.
There have been times when I have considered myself to be too busy or too poor to come out and play radio, but on looking back it seems the problems were all really between my ears. One thing that did keep me off the air for a while was a combination of bad antennas, bad TVI and a lack of knowledge about how to fix either or who to ask. Now I try to be around to answer those kind of questions.
73& keep making (radio) waves. mk VE3FFK . .

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22002)

by AB9DF (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AB9DF) on May 1, 2003

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I am always amazed when I hear fellow hams talk negative about the internet. I personally feel that the internet is a enhancement to Ham Radio. Remote base operations, databases, ect. In my opinion (using myself as an example) most new hams struggle with the costs of a full size station. Hobby money is limited with most people. I started my HF experience with building a K-1 and using code. Slowly my budget has allowed me to set up a more robust system. Ham Radio's biggest appeal for me is that there is never ending learning. More I learn about electricity, radio, antennas ect. the more I love this hobby. New hams can just start slowly and learn. HT's are rather inexpensive and used one's are even less. From my perspective, there is an over-whelming amount of stuff to learn. I suppose the new hams are somewhat taken back by that reality.
Thanks for the discussion point 73, Rob AB9DF

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22003)

by K8AG (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K8AG) on May 1, 2003

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I think it is the pre-made toy syndrome. When I was a kid, we made a lot of our toys. For example, we would spend hours digging in the dirt and making forts for our green army men.

Today toys are advertized and when the kids get them, they do what the ads show and then they are essentially done with the toys. I have seen it repeatedly with my own kids.

Today ham radio is largely appliance box operation. The new ham buys his gear, sets up his station, then doesn't have the urge to go farther or learn how anything works. It seems that the object of ham radio is not what it was. It was supposed to provide a pool of technically capable individuals. More and more it seems to be only providing consumers.

I don't have the answers as to how to get kids interested in the way things work and not just the successful conclusion. I don't think the pre-made toys are the answer.

John Pawlicki, K8AG

RE: Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22004)

by WA4DOU (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA4DOU) on May 1, 2003

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Before we start a dialog on this subject, is this a faulty premise? Where has it been demonstrated that new hams are inactive and especially "most" new hams?
And what, pray tell, does cellular telephone, FRS, CB radio, computers or the Internet got to do with amateur radio? To the extent these "activities" syphon off activity, I submit to you that the person involved has become a ham largely for reasons that will not sustain activity as a ham. This was all quite predictable when ,about 25 or so years ago, we began seeing a serious mania displayed to "recruit" new hams. The "hardcore" of amateur radio was always made up of individuals who found and were drawn to amateur radio on their own. They found it via the "magic" of broadcast band radio and short wave radio and they were enamored by the magic of the distances covered by wireless means. They were motivated by something inside themselves. Many found their way on their own mostly because they were internally motivated. Those types didn't need "recruiting". 30 or more years ago, who ever heard of new hams afraid of making their first qso, phone or cw? Who ever heard of hams back then who had the attitude that antennas were ugly and should be hidden? Only the truly unambitious and unmotivated would allow cw to stand in their path to a license. Have any of you ever heard of Cliff Corne K9EAB? Cliff was in an iron lung and could only wiggle a toe(if I remember the story correctly, as I heard it)but was known to be a competent cw enthusiast. Hows that for motivation? The fact is, for many of us they couldn't have erected barriers high enough to keep us out of ham radio and today they can't seem to lower them enough to suit some. If amateur radio itself, on its own merit and virtue, can't hold the interest of some, I don't give a hoot.And if you're among those to whom amateur radio put a deep hook in you, welcome to a lifetime of fascination.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22005)

by N3NL (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N3NL) on May 1, 2003

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If we got the right to put up some type of outdoor
antenna, it would certainly help a lot. Many
Americans live in no-antenna communities.

Nick Leggett, N3NL

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22006)

by AG4QV (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AG4QV) on May 1, 2003

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I returned to Ham radio last year after a short break of 35 years. But about three years prior to that I bought a small SW receiver for getting the BBC news while overseas. I started to regain my interest in Ham radio by tuning to 75 meter SSB and just listening.

What I heard was then disgusting. Hams were swearing at each other, recording and playing back transmissions of others, and intentionally interfering with each other. My feeling was, "Do I want to be a part of this???"

I turned off the radio and didn't try again for several years. When I did, it wasn't as bad. Maybe I just caught the worst of the worst or maybe it got cleaned up. But I still hear some of that on the air from time to time.

Unfortuneately, I read similar behavior from time to time on the internet. My feeling is that the bickering and name calling turns off a significant number of individuals. When someone expresses an opinion and the replies are, "Only a stupid person would say that," there is a strong chance that many are turned away.

Just my $0.02.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22007)

by KD5VKT (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KD5VKT) on May 1, 2003

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I just received my first licence 2 months ago, I have tried to talk on 2 meters many times by getting on a repeater and giving my call sign and the phrase "monitoring". I hear other stations out there but not one comes back. Occasionally someone will if they have done the same and gotten no response. I agree that most hams in this area (Tulsa, OK) only want to talk to certain other stations and won't reply to unfamiliar call signs. If you participate in the nets you can talk IF you can get in.
Also some hams will tie up a repeater for an hour or more and no one else can get on .
I think this can be discouraging to new a new ham.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22012)

by WB8ROL (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WB8ROL) on May 1, 2003

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I am not a new ham -- I was first licensed in 1963 but I DID go INACTIVE in 1980 and stayed inactive (except for a few very short bursts on 2mtrs FM) for almost 23 years. I believe the reason I was inactive has a little bearing on why many hams become inactive.

I went off in a different direction in my life and did NOT have as much time to spend on Ham Radio but the main reasons I dropped out were not because of time.

Initially I lived with my parents and they let me put up a tower (which I could afford because I lived at home) and a big home brew monoband beam. I could get on SSB and CW and

put out a great signal and ragchew and DX very effectively. I put out a great signal all over the world working primarily 15 meters.

The reasons I dropped out were caused by the fact that I finally moved away from home and have been a renter ever since then - moving around and NOT buying any property.

1. I didn't want to get back on the air with a poor antenna, makeshift antenna, and not be able to put out a decent signal ... Relegated to working little DX and not being able to have decent ragchews. Oh, I know some Hams use compromise antennas with pretty good success but it is a discouraging factor.

2. The cost of possibly overcoming reason #1 was not something I felt like I could afford. Namely, getting and using an amplifier and/or buying or building numerous "exotic" antennas. Neither of these things were assured to help that much anyway.

3. Just the cost of Amateur HF rigs were enough to discourage me (though not enough by themselves to stop me).

I think many NEW Hams run into the same problems. A new Ham often gets his ticket and often buys a 2 meter rig and enjoys it. After a while the shine wears off and it is NOT as exciting and he wants to try the HF bands or new modes. Try to price a new VHF/UHF or HF rig and a decent antenna -- not cheap.

And if they do do get a HF or VHF/UHF rig and can't put up a decent antenna the results can be very disappointing ...

What finally brought me back to active status was reading an article on the web about PSK31. It gave me a glimmer of hope that I could get back on the air without spending an overly amount and have an effective station with a less than optimized antenna. PSK31, because of it's narrow band quality and it's interfacing to my computer, made an apartment antenna actually useful. I found I could have high quality ragchews that were not possible on other modes -- including CW (though I could do OK on CW, PSK worked out much better for ragchewing). It made ham radio fun again -- quality QSO's running less than 50 watts to less than optimal antennas -- and even on 20 meters where the KW+ amps abound!

So the real answer is making Ham radio affordable and effective for folks that can't spend thousands of dollars and have NO space for big antenna farms. That would keep many (but not all) Hams more interested and active.

PSK31 did it for me BUT there are possibly other things that apply better to others. We need to "advertise" more of these other modes and aspects of Ham radio. It seems that too much ARRL magazine space and web space is dedicated to SSB and contests -- both of which takes a good more power and antenna to work effectively on a regular basis.

As elmers lets start talking more about the OTHER aspects of Ham radio to the ones we want to keep active AND help them to put together effective and enjoyable stations.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22014)

by KC0MBM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC0MBM) on May 1, 2003

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Cost is not a problem with Ham radio. Radios are cheaper than ever.
Technical obstructions. I disagree. Anything of quality is worth the educational investment. Tech and General class license are not really difficult.
Awareness of the hobby. This is definitely a problem. Computers are in our face everyday. Yesterday on NPR's "Talk of the Nation" ham radio was the topic. This is the type publicity we need.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22015)

by N3OQD (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N3OQD) on May 1, 2003

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I believe that it is sad that this is a problem worthy of discussion. I know that with the advent of personal computers, cell phones, and consumer grade walkie talkies that amateur radio is fading. In this I feel that it is important for more active use of the bands. What is VERY important to realize (and many hams may not know this)is the fact that technologies of today have taken up virtually all of the available air space. We may end up getting to the point of the proverbial "use it or lose it" situation. I hope and pray this does not happen but I feel that it might if things go unchanged.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22016)

by WA4SE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA4SE) on May 1, 2003

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I don't know that "most" new hams are inactive, but I do share K0AST's frustration with 2-meter "cliqs." I have been a ham for 10 years. I got licensed when I went away to college at UCF in Orlando. I was an engineering major and it seemed like a neat thing to do. Lots of young guys, an active club and repeater, a great shack in one of the buildings on campus - I had a phenomenal elmer back then (N4ZIQ - thanks a lot if you're out there!!).

I was very active in my time there. When I moved back home (Fort Lauderdale area) to start my job, I couldn't find many folks to talk to. You would key up and say "WA4SE listening (or monitoring)" and nothing - dead air. Then 30 seconds later some other guy would do the same and his friend would come right back to him. I can appreciate that maybe someone wouldn't be in the mood to talk to someone new, but when this went on for a while, I gave up.

Eventually I made a couple of contacts and I went to a couple of local club meetings, but never really found one that I clicked with. That's not anyone's fault - just unfortunate. I'm 28 and most of these folks are much older. In their defense, most of them were EXTREMELY kind, but they just didn't do much VHF work - mostly HF.

I have been out of the hobby for the better part of 6 years since then. I would really like to get involved again and explore some of the digital modes that can be done with VHF - packet, APRS, etc. - but it's really no fun talking to yourself... I would really like to buy a nice mobile rig for the car - but it's tough to justify it if no one ever wants to chat...

I'm now considering starting a club for students at the high school where I teach, so this has turned into a very relevant discussion. How can I get them motivated and keep them involved? It would be nice for them to meet and chat with some hams of ALL AGES.

On another note - to this day when I return to Orlando, all I have to do is key up and someone comes back for a chat. It's interesting how different ham radio is depending on your location...

-- Scott / WA4SE

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22017)

by KG6NMP (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KG6NMP) on May 1, 2003

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I got my tech license about 6 months ago, and have only been able to purchase a 2m/70cm HT, and a broken mobile 2m that I was able to fix up to working. The 2m mobile doesn't have a high fidelity sound because I had to re-wire it, and some people give me crap about that. I think they should just be happy that I am on the air. If they want me to sound like I am next door then buy me a new rig. Also, theres way too much bickering and stupid operators out there. I have volunteered to do some local communications for bike races and so forth, and someone comes up and jams the repeater because we closed it for the day. I am trying to call in a biker down that need medics and some fool is jamming me. Yeah, that makes me want to continue. Why should I want to join a group that just argues? Just because its wireless doesn't make it interesting to listen to. But I am in it for the ARES/RACES, those groups are normally solid operators. And for all those that bitch about the no-codes, calm down, I am trying to learn the code, but college comes first and until then I will just work the VHF/UHF.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22018)

by K7SBK (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K7SBK) on May 1, 2003

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As a percentage of income, ham radio gear today costs less than it did in the days of Heathkits. I bought a Heathkit SB102 about 30 years ago, it cost about $350 at that time. Just compensating for inflation it would cost $1450 in today's inflated dollars. A new TS570 transceiver can be bought for less that a $1000 today. Cost is not the issue, and as the logical trend toward inexpensive surface mount components progresses, the possibility of kits for hams diminishes.
Today's infrastructure makes communication anywhere in the world easy, reliable and affordable, check telephone rates, internet rates etc, so from a practical standpoint there are much better ways to communicate almost anywhere in the world today than ham radio.
If new hams are not fascinated by the concept of generating and transmitting rf based signals, pretty much independent of the communications infrastructures, then operating a communication appliance quickly grows old.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22020)

by AC0X (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AC0X) on May 1, 2003

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Jeez.. ham radio is facing it's biggest threat since WW I (Power Line Communications) and Eham still posts stuff like this.

> 1. Once they get motivated enough to ask to take
> classes they get discouraged by the technical aspect
> of it. I do think we should still have this aspect
> though.

Well, gee, thank you that you think we should keep a technical aspect of ham radio. My apologies to your buddies who thought otherwise that you can't just put your fingerprint on an application to get a license.

> 2. Some one tells them they have to take Morse code
> to be a ham. I think we should still have Morse code
> but it should only be required for 40m and up to
> operate because that's about the only time you'll
> want to.

Yup, you're right, no one uses CW, so why have it? All that di-dah'ing I hear on every ham band must be random noise, I guess.

> 3. They figure out the price of radios. A basic 2m
> handheld with 5 watts costs about $150+. But there
> is a way to beat this, bring back Heathkit and all
> the kit manufacturers and they need to make
> affordable VHF and UHF kits.

Considering the cost most kids spend on all the crap they do, $150 isn't that much. Yeah, I know some people can't even afford that, but, my god, the stuff has to cost SOMETHING. And, as others have said, if you take into account inflation radios are FAR CHEAPER now than they've EVER been (Handhelds cost the same 20 years ago with less features, and people made less money).

> 4. Most people these days don't even realize it
> exists. If somebody hadn't shown me their radios and
> let me dink with them I would have never joined.
> Advertise about what you do instead of drugs, let
> others know about ham radio!

I love to talk about ham radio, but I'm also smart enough to know that not everyone is going to like it, and that's OK. If I know someone who has no interest in science or math, I'm not going to try to convince them to become a ham. If they ask, I'll tell them how much I love it, but I'm not going to bend their arm trying to convince them to enjoy it, too.

> 5. Nobody gets the new guys involved. Take someone
> out to the repeater station with you to work on it.
> It will mystify their minds about talking all over
> the world.

Blah, blah, blah. It's SO EASY to post something that says "we need to get the new guys involved". Stop telling people to do that and do that yourself. You'll make a bigger difference.

Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22023)

by KG4OOA (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KG4OOA) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=22023)

Maybe we need a survey made not on the internet but by a company that specialized in surveys and sent to hams who have had a license one year or less and find their reasons, in an unbiased way, why they are operating or not operating. Every hobby, advocation and vocation has some degree of attrition in the begining but I don't think it is as big as presented here.

Reading this thread though I will make some comments:

1. What are the Elmers doing? Are we helping and encouraging them or complaining about the technical aspect or having to learn CW? They need to know if I can do it, they can do it. Teach and learn yourself. I have.

2. Young, younger and youngest! God help ARRL and the ham community. I am not against young operators but I think the recruitment level is too low. We should be shooting for high school and college students. They are arriving to a point in life where they are ready for ham radio meeting the real world. Leaving licensed hams out, how many parents are going to hire a lawyer to fight city hall to put up an antenna? I can just see a kid in the fifth or sixth grade working out a TVI or RFI complaint. Do you honestly think an adult is going to listen to a child in a situation like this? Adults have a hard enough time with it. This is another item to think about.

3. Are we adequately seperating ham radio from the internet. It is true, we are using the internet for many things but we have to get by the I can do that on AOL without a license if we are going to sell ham radio. This is radio, we have to get the interest in radio. Introduce the newcomer to DX, contests and other activities not offered without the use of rdaio frequency energy being radiated. Press the fact that you are controling the system, not an ISP.

4. If all I could work was 2 meters, I'd turn my license back to FCC! The band is for the most part cliquish and loaded with snobs (well maybe they are just afraid of new people). The only reason I keep 2 meters is for mobile on trips. I figure I can get local help in an emergency. I think you need to talk with them. The newbies don't bite. That stranger might even be the one to really help your club someday when you really need it.

5. Are we working to help the newcomer upgrade and encouraging them to do so? Don't just jump up and down crying aboutthe difficulity. I got my 13 WPM General by teaching a calss of new hams. They learned the CW and I got my speed up by helping them. It was a win win situation. I told them I was only a Technician after we all took and passed the test. We all had a good laugh.

Help ham radio, don't hurt it. We can all complain and bicker about the politics of in and surounding ham radio, and there is plenty of it, on these forums but it is best for all

concerned to promote ham radio to the newbie.

Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22024)

by WB9YCJ (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WB9YCJ) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=22024)

1) Contact all "New ops" to inform them of all clubs in their area and meeting times/locations.

2) Clubs should consider creating a "New Op" assistance team. ie: help with antennas, locating low priced used equipment, jargon intro, basic op practices, etc.

RE: Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22025)

by N2MG (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N2MG) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=22025)

I thought this was going to be about the pitfalls new hams run into. No offense, but four of your five points don't coincide with your title - they deal with folks not knowing about ham radio at all. And the fifth one, showing them a repeater, is not exactly showing them how to "work the world".

Let's face it, people's free time is not what it used to be - even those with a technical thirst no longer "need" ham radio to quench it. The things that differentiate ham radio from the other pursuits is what will save it - if anything. IMO, talking to one's neighbors on 2m is not one of these.

Mike N2MG

Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22026)

by N0XMW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N0XMW) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=22026)

If you want to keep new ham operators interested-Stop requiring the learning of the code to get a general- I passed all test to get a general license but can't pass the code and there were alot of ham's there in the same boat-I have not been active since I got my tech license cause I'm not able to pass the code.

Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22027)

by K0RGR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K0RGR) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=22027)

The first thing we need to do is find the old two meter rigs and put them back on the air. Activity breeds activity - silence leads to silence.

We had 7 new hams pass their test after our radio classes last fall. In the class, we spent 15 minutes each night introducing a different part of ham radio - public service, DXing, weak signal VHF/UHF/Microwaves, satellites, Echolink, etc.. All the graduates of our classes get a free one year membership in our radio club.

So far, I have only heard three of them on the air. A couple more have made it to a club meeting. Of the 7, I think two of them are pretty active - one on 2 meters and the other primarily on Echolink.

I don't think it's cost, though so many kids today get turned off if you tell them it might cost over $100. I think this is because their parents paid $1,000 for their PC, and are paying $150 a month for cable TV, high speed Internet, and HBO (at least in this area). These little 'extras' are a huge burden on the family income.

We may not be able to bring back the heyday of 2 meter repeaters, but if we care about the future of the hobby, we need to try.

RE: Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22028)

by WA4SE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA4SE) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=22028)

KG4OOA has the right idea with his observation about the ideal age range to target prospective operators. My high school students could really get a lot out of ham radio - and I think there is sufficient crossover between ham radio and computers to attract them. The challenge for me trying to start a club at the school where I teach is going to be getting a demo set up.

I also like the idea of local clubs sending out a newsletter or something to those who are newly licensed. I don't know the specifics, but it shouldn't be too hard to get a monthly listing of new hams within 50 miles of a club's zip code... Heck - I get a traffic ticket and within 5 days, every attorney in the county is filling up my mailbox with flyers...

For what it's worth - I don't buy the "cost" argument either. My students spend $299 on a Playstation and literally thousands (Where do they get that kind of cash?) on computer parts... For $299 you can get a heck of an HT or a decent mobile unit for that to get on the air.

This is a good discussion and will no doubt generate some good ideas!!

WA4SE

RE: Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22031)

by K0RGR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K0RGR) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=22031)

By the way - have you looked into the ARRL 'Big Project' - a major push to get ham radio into the schools? I think there are some serious dollars available to get your project started, and some formal curricula for using ham radio in classes.

If you want to start off with a 'bang' sign your school up for ARISS and hopefully in 8-12 months, your kids will get to talk to ISS astronauts via two meters. All you need on your end is speakerphone conferencing ability. That should stir up some excitement. If you don't want to wait that long, I would expect you can find some local hams who'd be able to demo FM satellites, PSK31, and other interesting things.

Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22032)

by HAVECALLBUTSPEAKFREELY (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/HAVECALLBUTSPEAKFREELY) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=22032)

2 meters is great turn off to new operarors.
Its like thst Jack Nicolson movie..."Is this is good as it gets".

That is an incentive to learn 5 WPM. If all you are going to use is a dualbander, Ham radio will get stale real quick!

The Clique factor #1
No more of a challenge to operate than CB or GMRS.
In fact GMRS the people tend to be more friendly

RE: Why Are Most New Hams Inactive?

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/22033)

by W5HTW (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W5HTW) on May 1, 2003

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=22033)

Changing times. The internet. "Radio? Does anyone do 'radio' anymore?"

For one thing, it comes to easy. It was exciting when there was an apprenticeship, in which you got on the air, and began to learn how it really goes, and how it should go. The Novice ticket was an excellent training program but once it was made long-term and renewable, it became a place to become stagnant. And bored.

Converting people from CB to ham radio. They are already talking 25 miles on their radios and doing what they want to do. Making them into hams on 2 meters doesn't give them more; it gives them less, for now their are rules they need to follow.

Thinking every person in America should be a ham. Exposure of ham radio to people is not a bad thing. But constantly nagging them about becoming a ham is. Maybe they like car racing, or model railroading. This is - or was - a small niche hobby, in which people who were truly interested in the hobby became a part of it. Those who are not interested, but do so to please the hubby, wife, father, friend, are not going to stay.

On that line, a lot of today's hams get their tickets for the sole purpose of keeping in touch with the spouse. They have no interest at all in ham radio specifically, just a means of utility communication. Another "bring home the bread" or "pick up the kids at the kennel" sort of thing. As hams, they have nothing to contribute, and no interest in doing so. Spouse told them "Honey, it's a great way to keep in touch." They bought into it and here they are, licensed cell phone hams.

What about the promotion of ham radio? Ah, yes, working the world, big beam antennas slowly rotating in the sky, kilowatt rigs, phone patches, DX expeditions. So the prospective ham gets terribly excited. Then he studies, hits the VE session, and walks out with a Technician ticket. No big beams, no DX expeditions, no DX, no drama. Just a sort of CB/cell phone that is not at all what he was told ham radio was all about. There is virtually no resemblance. He feels frustrated, for this isn't what he worked for. And he may feel deceived. The excitement disappears, the rig is sold or rarely turned on, and a good many of them go back and pick up the 11-meter microphone where they can have some real fun.

The fact is, changing times. We tend to promote ham radio as if it was what (Message over 64 KB, truncated)

1147. Regrets and good wishes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-02 07:21:50 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1147 Message: 1147

> dear nirav,
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> no need, you have already confirmed with me.
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> 73
> nlf

Just as I was leaving my home to go to the MARS AGM, my dad called that I should rush to Jaslok and arrange for an ambulance as my grandfather took seriously ill and slipped into a coma. We spent a night on tenterhooks, and only this morning his condition was declared out of peril.

I, therefore, could not attend the meeting.

Regretfully,

Nirav

ps: VU2ICQ, congratulations on your new and appropriate moniker - I do seek you. A person of mine needs to drop by at your place - could you email address off-list?

pps: Happy Birthday (belated but very sincere), KPL (Kiran). May the best of your past be the worst of your future!

1148. 4th Managing Committee Elections

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-02 16:46:45 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 1148 Message: 1148

Hi !!

4th Managing Committe Elections were held yesterday in the 3rd Annual General Meeting held at S.S.Hall, Garware.

The Nominees for the 7 member Managing Committee Elections were :
1. Mukesh Jaitley, 2. Nilesh Rathod, 3. Rajen Kavadia, 4. Prashant Koli, 5. Kailash Gupta, 6. Arun Singh Rawat, 7. Parin Gangar, 8. Sandesh Kamat, 9. Mehul Chovatia

As per the constitution, the members who are valid callsign holder and with membership of minimum 1year were eligible for the elections.

From the results, 7 members who won the elections are:
1.Mukesh Jaitley (16 votes), 2.Nilesh Rathod (18 votes), 3.Rajen Kavadia (15 votes), 4.Prashant Koli(17 votes), 5.Arun Singh Rawat (15 votes), 6.Sandesh Kamat (15 votes), 7.Mehul Chovatia (17 votes)

Members who lost the elections are Kailash Gupta (1 vote) and Parin Gangar (9 votes).

The new managing committee members declared the office bearers as:
Rajan Kavadia (VU2RIG) as Chairman
Nilesh Rathod (VU2NLF) as Secretary, and
Prashant Koli (VU2CBU) as Treasurer.

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Inspite of the fact that out of 163 members, only 46 were eligible for the voting as per the constitution, it was shocking to note that :-
- only 18 members out of 46 eligible members attended the meeting
- out of 18 members who actually attended the meeting, 8 were contesting candidates
- 10 remaining members who excercised their rights out of 37 remaining members (those who didn't bothered to attend the meeting -- inspite of the official invitation with thier nomination forms received by them thru courier 15 days in advance), except those who confirmed their absence (when MARS called for)
- MARS always conducts its AGM on 1st of May every year, it happened that way for the 4th consecutive year.
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73s,
Sandip - VU2UGO
Returning Officer

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1149. Re: [m_a_r_s] Please be responsible !!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-02 18:20:40 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant
Topic: 1145 Message: 1149

Dear Members

In addition to VU2ICQ's Mail, i would like to state that inspite of me & CBU personally confirming with members whether they will be attending the AGM ,they did not turn up, this clearly indicates , how much dedication do they have towards our..your society or towards Ham radio, we have wasted a sum of almost more than Rs.5000/. which we could have utilised for a some other events in our society, as you are all aware that the society run classes , request for donation , to get funds so that the society can give better service to all his members.

But it seems the members be it a founder member or new members have taken us for granted ,for all we the commitee and other hard working members do without any self interest , and ICQ has rightly mention if the scenario continues to be like this then we would have no options but to cut down activities and eventually wind-up the organization.

I again request all the member to confirm their partcipation , whether requested or not and after confirming, attend the same,which will save your society from this wasteful expenses.

Also lot of follow up has to be done to collect the fees which was apparent when I was following up for the fees this does not help your society instead it puts an additional burden on the society , which has to literally go to collect the dues from each and every members, REQUEST ALL MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT PAID FEES KINDLY DO SO AT THE EARLIEST

73's

Huzefa Merchant
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Date: 2003-05-03 09:16:10 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1150 Message: 1150

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==>AMATEUR RADIO SPECTRUM PROTECTION ACT TO GET PUBLIC AIRING

The chairman of the House Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the
Internet has agreed to hear testimony on the House version of the Amateur
Radio Spectrum Protection Act of 2003, HR 713, at a public hearing later
this spring. Rep Fred Upton (R-MI) this week assured the bill's sponsor,
Rep Michael Bilirakis (R-FL), that the hearing--which will be convened to
address public safety spectrum needs--will include an opportunity for a
member of the Amateur Radio community to appear before the panel. Upton
also told Bilirakis that he shares his interest in protecting Amateur
Radio.

"That indeed is good news!" said ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP. "A
hearing is exactly what we'd like to have in order to state our case, and
I think we can state a good case, too." The date of the hearing has not
been set.
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Upton's willingness to hear testimony on the bill is considered critical to providing it with the credibility it needs as it moves through the legislative process. It also marks a major step toward getting HR 713 through this Congress.

The agreement, during a meeting of the full House Energy and Commerce Committee, came after Bilirakis asked to speak prior to consideration of another piece of spectrum legislation, HR 1320, the Commercial Spectrum Enhancement Act, which Upton sponsored. During his comments, Bilirakis spent about five minutes discussing the importance of Amateur Radio to the committee, chaired by Rep Billy Tauzin (R-LA).

The newest cosponsors of HR 713 include representatives Jerry Moran (D-KS), John Olver (D-MA), Mike Ross, WD5DVR (D-AR), and Walter Jones, Jr (R-NC).

The Senate version of the Amateur Radio Spectrum Protection Act, S 537, recently got a boost when the chairman of the Senate Communications Subcommittee, Montana Republican Conrad Burns, signed on as a cosponsor. His cosponsorship indicates that the measure now has his attention and could convince others to follow suit.

Bilirakis filed HR 713 on February 12, while Idaho Sen Michael Crapo introduced S 537 on March 6. The legislation would amend the Communications Act to require the FCC to provide "equivalent replacement spectrum" to Amateur Radio and the Amateur-Satellite Service in the event of a reallocation of primary amateur allocations, any reduction in secondary amateur allocations, or "additional allocations within such bands" that would substantially reduce their utility to amateurs. Bilirakis and Crapo, both Republicans, have twice before sponsored similar legislation at the League's recommendation. The bills point out Amateur Radio's volunteer role in providing emergency communication during disasters and emergencies.

Haynie continues to encourage ARRL members to urge their senators and representatives and to cosponsor the bills. "Letters and e-mails are the key to getting legislation passed," Haynie says. A sample letter is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/govrelations/arspa.html>. Those writing their lawmakers are asked to copy their correspondence to the League via e-mail <specbill03@...>. (For additional information, see "Communicating with Congress," by Derek Riker, KB3JLF, QST May 2003, p 46.)

The text of HR 713 and S 537 is available via the Thomas Web site <http://thomas.loc.gov/>.

==>FCC ACCEPTING COMMENTS IN "BROADBAND OVER POWER LINE" INQUIRY

The FCC released its Notice of Inquiry (NOI) on the deployment of "Broadband over Power Line" (BPL) technology April 28 and now is accepting electronically filed comments in the proceeding, ET Docket 03-104. The technology has raised concerns of substantial interference to the Amateur Radio HF bands. BPL would couple high-frequency RF to parts of the power

grid and use existing power lines as the transmission medium to deliver broadband and Internet services.

The FCC has expressed unabashed enthusiasm for BPL. ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, says Commission members have been acting more like cheerleaders than regulators. "We were disappointed in the tenor of some commissioners' statements, but we were encouraged by the fact that in the NOI itself the FCC did point out that licensed services--including Amateur Radio--'must be protected from harmful interference' from BPL," he said.

In the NOI, the FCC acknowledges the interference risk from BPL. "The multiple-carrier transmission nature of the new high-speed BPL technology could pose increased risk of harmful interference, and thus new BPL devices may need a higher degree of oversight to ensure that authorized users are not subject to interference," the FCC said.

The major interference threat to amateurs comes from so-called "access BPL," because its signals can radiate from outside power lines--possibly for great distances. The FCC also concedes that close proximity of access BPL equipment on utility poles might affect--and be affected by--cable TV and DSL service.

Current FCC Part 15 rules limit the amount of RF energy that can be injected into the power lines, but, as the FCC concedes, "the new generation of high-speed BPL devices that use wide spectrum was not contemplated" when those rules were formulated. The FCC has invited comments on possible changes to those rules.

The FCC also seeks information on a possible access BPL standards, spectrum and bandwidth, modulation techniques and data transmission speeds. Additionally, the Commission seeks the status of BPL development and anticipated deployment in the marketplace.

ARRL Laboratory Manager and RFI guru Ed Hare, W1RFI, has cautioned that BPL deployment could mean "a significant increase in noise levels" on HF. "Right now with BPL/PLC, there are more questions than answers, and until those questions are answered, these systems should not be widely deployed," Hare said. "The time to raise and answer these questions is now. I truly hope that the NOI will provide a means for the FCC to do just that."

The ARRL Lab has prepared a comprehensive information page, "Power Line Communications (PLC) and Amateur Radio," on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/HTML/plc/>. ARRL Lab staff members also plan to visit sites where BPL is undergoing field testing.

The complete NOI is available on the FCC Web site <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-03-100A1.doc>. The FCC now is accepting electronically filed comments via its Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>. Under ECFS Main Links, click on "Submit a Filing." In the "Proceeding" field, enter "03-104" and complete the required fields. Comments may be typed into a

form, you may attach a file containing your comments or submit them via e-mail, per instructions on the ECFS page. The comment deadline will be 45 days after publication of the NOI in the Federal Register.

==>ASTRONAUT SUGGESTS LUNAR BASES AS STEPPING STONE TO MARS, UNIVERSE

NASA Expedition 6 International Space Station Science Officer Don Pettit, KD5MDT, has suggested that NASA should consider setting up lunar bases in the future as a stepping stone to expand mankind's exploration of the universe. The comment came in response to a student's question during an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school group contact. Several students at Cowichan Secondary School in Duncan, British Columbia, Canada, had the opportunity to quiz Pettit about life in space via Amateur Radio on April 21. The QSO between VE7CVA and NA1SS was the last for members of the Expedition 6 crew of Pettit, Commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP, and Nikolai Budarin, RV3FB, who head back to Earth this weekend (see <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2003/04/28/1/>).

"I hope the next step for manned space exploration will be to go away from the planet Earth for a while instead of just going in circles around the planet," Pettit said. Setting up bases on the moon and learning how to operate at that distance from Earth, he said, would represent "a logical next step" in space exploration. "When you have your technology down, then you can go off to Mars and try doing a little exploration there," he added.

Pettit remarked that his five months aboard the ISS have been "an amazing experience" and "really quite enjoyable."

A couple of the Cowichan students wanted to know about sleeping in space. Pettit said he does dream in space. "When I initially started dreaming, I would dream about walking places," he said. "Now, though, I starting to have dreams when I'm on space station and not on Earth and I'm flying everywhere in my dreams." He explained to another youngster that the ISS crew members take their cues about when to sleep from their bodies, not from periods of light and dark. As the ISS orbits Earth, the sun "rises" and "sets" 16 times a day, he pointed out.

A dozen students in grades six through twelve took part in the contact as 150 members of the public and news media representatives looked on. The students were selected from schools throughout the region based upon a poster and essay competition. Members of the Cowichan Valley Amateur Radio Society assisted in setting up for the contact. Dale Jones, VE7DDK, was the control operator.

On April 16, Budarin spoke with youngsters in his home country of Russia during two ARISS contacts with students in Tver--located some 150 km from Moscow. According to Sergei Samburov, RV3DR--who heads Russia's ARISS efforts--a selection of students from 53 schools were picked to ask their questions. The contacts--made on successive orbits--went well, according to Samburov. Between the contacts, he and cosmonaut Sergei Treschev, RZ3FU, answered students' questions and talked about life in space.

ARISS school group contacts are off limits for the next few weeks due to the crew change. The Expedition 7 team of Cosmonaut Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP, and veteran NASA astronaut Ed Lu, KC5WKJ, arrived aboard the ISS on April 28, and Lu will take over as NASA ISS Science Officer.

ARISS is an international project with participation by ARRL, NASA and AMSAT. For more information, visit the ARISS Web site <http://www.rac.ca/ariss/>.

==>COLUMBUS HAMVENTION? VENDORS VOICE PREFERENCES ON ALTERNATIVE SITES

Most big Hamvention inside exhibitors have indicated they'd prefer the world's largest annual ham radio gathering to be held in Columbus, Ohio, if Dayton's Hara Arena were no longer available. This is the last year of Hamvention's five-year contract with Hara Arena. Event organizers have begun preliminary talks with Hara's owners for a new pact, but say they want to keep all options open. Hamvention takes place May 16-18, and the show's Production Manager Garry Matthews, KB8GOL, says Hamvention 2003's fortunes have begun moving in a more positive direction in recent days.

"I think it's going to be a good year," predicted Matthews, who said he's seen a dramatic increase in interest over the past week. "I think the show may be slightly smaller this year in terms of inside exhibitors and outside vendors," Matthews conceded, "but if activity continues as it has since Monday of this week, we possibly could sell out the show. We're getting orders every day."

Earlier this spring, Matthews reported that things had been slower to come together in terms of advance sales to visitors and vendors. He said organizers have been beefing up direct-mail and other Hamvention promotional activities over the past couple of weeks, however, and results have been encouraging.

One popular Hamvention staple--the FCC forum--will be missing this year. Because of some miscommunication and scheduling problems, neither Bill Cross of the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau nor Riley Hollingsworth of the FCC's Enforcement Bureau will attend Dayton Hamvention this year. Last-minute efforts to find suitable substitutes for Cross and Hollingsworth did not pan out, and the forum's two-hour Saturday morning time slot remains unfilled.

Matthews and FCC sources have indicated that tentative plans are in place to schedule an FCC symposium at Hamvention 2004 featuring Cross, Hollingsworth and FCC High-Frequency Direction Finding Facility Manager Dave Larrabee.

Matthews said that while it was unlikely Hamvention would be moving to Columbus--some 60 miles from Dayton--any time soon, it remained "a very strong contingency" if Hamvention ever did have to move elsewhere. "Our option with Hamvention would be to stay at Hara for as long as we possibly could, as long as we could make it work and the show could be a good show," he said. Hamvention is sponsored by the Dayton Amateur Radio Association, but Hamvention has quietly dropped "Dayton" from the show's

official name.

Hamvention's preference survey went to 225 of the largest inside exhibitors, and Matthews said 80 percent of those indicating a preference picked Columbus as their top choice as an alternative site, while 12 percent said "no" to Columbus. Matthews said the Columbus Fairgrounds appears to be a suitable site were Hamvention to ever consider relocating. The other two preferences were Indianapolis and Cincinnati respectively.

Matthews said Hamvention officials this year plan to survey a selection of "average hams" during the show itself. Attendance at last year's 50th anniversary event was 24,832--down about 5 percent from 2001's crowd of 26,151.

Late news about the show is on the Hamvention Web site <http://www.hamvention.org>

==>FCC SEEKS ASSISTANCE IN CURBING UNLICENSED 10-METER INCURSIONS

The FCC has requested the assistance of the ARRL Amateur Auxiliary/Official Observers <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/oo.html> in monitoring for illegal operation on 10-meters. The request came in an April 28 letter from FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth, who says incursions on the band by apparently unlicensed operators continue to be a major enforcement headache.

"This is the first phase of a renewed investigation effort and may be thought of as detect, collect data, and report," said ARRL Field and Regulatory Correspondent Chuck Skolaut, K0BOG. Skolaut forwarded the request to members of the Amateur Auxiliary May 1.

Hollingsworth said the FCC wants help with a stepped-up effort over the next six months--from May through October--to identify any unlicensed operation on 10 meters "whether from business entities--including trucking companies--truckers or other individuals operating domestically." Hollingsworth said the FCC does not need direction-finding but would appreciate where possible "the names and cities of the operators, and license plate numbers and state if from a vehicle."

Skolaut said the FCC would like to concentrate on obtaining reports of this type of operation to help identify specific areas of the US where this problem is prevalent, although he concedes that not all illegal 10-meter operation originates in the US. "The FCC asks that OOs obtain as much information as possible and send their reports through normal channels to ARRL Headquarters," he said. The decision to record the transmissions of suspected interlopers was left to the discretion of the individual OOs.

The FCC request was made under a longstanding agreement between ARRL and the FCC regarding the use of Amateur Radio volunteers to assist in enforcement.

==>VHF GROUP TOLD ARRL WILL FIGHT INTRUDERS AGGRESSIVELY

ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, urged those attending the annual conference of the Southeastern VHF Society <http://www.svhfs.org/> April 26-27 to continue to occupy the microwave bands. The ARRL official also encouraged the group to develop new and innovative communication techniques--such as IEEE 802.11 high-speed wireless--to expand Amateur Radio's presence on its microwave allocations. Imlay told some 70 amateurs attending the SVHFS event in Huntsville that amateurs were being asked to share their VHF and UHF bands with more and higher-powered unlicensed Part 15 devices, and he pledged the League's aggressive defense against these intruders.

"The FCC seems to want the amateur community to accept higher and higher 'interference temperatures,'" Imlay said, referring to higher noise levels caused by increased band occupancy. "We will fight that!"

Imlay also presented an overview of the current regulatory climate in Washington and a detailed, band-by-band outline of the threats <http://www.arrl.org/news/bandthreat/> to Amateur Radio frequencies from commercial interests. He noted ARRL's strong opposition to an FCC proposal to agree with a 2001 request from SAVI Technology that would allow operation of advanced RF identification (RFID) devices between 425 and 435 MHz. The ARRL contends that the RFID proposal is contrary to the philosophy of FCC Part 15 rules and could result in significant interference to amateur operations.

During the gathering, the SVHFS donated $300 to the ARRL Defense of Frequencies Fund and another $300 to AMSAT-NA.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Propagation guru Tad "Shooting Star" Cook, K7RA, Seattle, Washington, reports: Even as the current solar cycle slowly declines, there still will be periods of rising activity, and this week was one of those times. As this bulletin is being written May 1, a large sunspot--number 349--is aimed squarely at Earth. For weeks now, Earth has been in a solar wind stream, and the appearance of sunspot 349 as well as other new spots resulted in a rising sunspot number.

After periods in the single digits, the daily sunspot number reached 224 on April 29. It hasn't been this high since March 9. Average daily sunspot number for this week rose nearly 85 points to 185.1. Average daily solar flux was up nearly 29 points. So, enjoy conditions when and if geomagnetic conditions stabilize to a K index of three or less.

Over the next week geomagnetic activity should settle a bit, providing improved HF conditions. The predicted planetary A index for today through Monday, May 2-5, is 25, 15, 10 and 15. Predicted solar flux for those same days is 145, 140, 135 and 130. Maximum usable frequencies (MUFs) over most paths should be somewhat lower during May than in April.

Sunspot numbers for April 24 through 30 were 171, 173, 193, 200, 175, 224 and 160, with a mean of 185.1. The 10.7-cm flux was 128.3, 143.6, 143.7, 154.1, 152.2, 155.1 and 153.5, with a mean of 147.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 24, 32, 15, 15, 20, 20 and 40, with a mean of 23.7.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The New England QSO Party, the Indiana QSO Party, the MARAC County Hunters Contest (CW), the IPA Contest (CW/SSB), the 10-10 International Spring Contest (CW), the Microwave Spring Sprint, and the ARI International DX Contest are the weekend of May 3-4. JUST AHEAD: The Armed Forces Day Crossband Communications Tests, the Nevada and Oregon QSO parties, the VOLTA Worldwide RTTY Contest, the FISTS Spring Sprint, the CQ-M International DX Contest and the 50-MHz Spring Sprint are the weekend of May 10-11. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration opens Monday, May 5, 12:01 AM EDT (0400 UTC), for the on-line Level I Emergency Communications course (EC-001). Registration remains open through the May 10-11 weekend or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, May 20. Thanks to a federal Corporation for National and Community Service grant, the $45 registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the course. During this registration period, approximately 200 seats are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. Senior amateurs are strongly encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity. For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, <dmiller@...>; 860-594-0340.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the Radio Frequency Interference (EC-006) and Satellite Communications (EC-007) courses remains open through Sunday, May 4. Classes begin Tuesday, May 6. Those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future can sign up to be advised via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. To take advantage, send an e-mail to prereg@.... On the subject line, indicate the course name or number (eg, EC-00#) and the month you want to start the course. In the message body, provide your name, call sign, and e-mail address. Please do not send inquiries to this mailbox. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@arrl.org.

* Amateurs invited to participate in Armed Forces Day event: The US Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard will cosponsor the annual military/Amateur Radio crossband communications tests May 10-11. The event will mark the 53rd celebration of Armed Forces Day. Although Armed Forces Day actually is Saturday, May 17, the Armed Forces Day Amateur Radio event

is held a week earlier to avoid conflicting with Hamvention <http://www.hamvention.org>. The event features a military-to-amateur crossband communications SSB voice test and the Secretary of Defense message receiving test. During the crossband test, 14 military stations will listen on amateur frequencies and transmit on selected MARS frequencies. Most military stations will commence operation at 1200 UTC on May 10. Amateurs are asked to limit contacts to two minutes or less. Eight military stations will transmit the Secretary of Defense's Armed Forces Day message at stated intervals via digital modes, including RTTY, PACTOR, AMTOR, CLOVER and MT63. QSLs and certificates are available. More information is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/af-day/armdfrcs-2003.html>.

* New Echo satellite could be launched this year: AMSAT President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, says AMSAT hopes to launch its new "Echo" satellite, now under construction, later this year. "Progress is good, and we hope to have the satellite under test during the late spring or early summer," he said in a recent AMSAT President's Letter. The so-called "AO-E" satellite will offer analog (including FM voice) and digital operation, high downlink power (7 W nominal), multiple channels (two transmitters), simultaneous voice and data, a multiband/multimode receiver and a turnstile UHF antenna. Optional payloads include APRS and PSK31 support. More information on the Echo project is available on the AMSAT-NA Web site <http://www.amsat.org/amsat/sats/echo/article-02-11.html>.--AMSAT News Service

* CQ Hall of Famers announced: CQ magazine has announced this year's CQ DX and Contest Hall of Fame inductees for 2003. Ken Keeler, N6RO, and Dan Street, K1TO, will receive their plaques May 17 at the Contest Dinner in Dayton. Street and teammate Jeff Steinman, N5TJ, topped the field in the last three runnings of the World Radiosport Team Championship. Leif Ottosen, OZ1LO, who was inducted into the Contest Hall of Fame last year, also will be presented with his award. One DXer will be inducted into the CQ DX Hall of Fame this year. James Brooks, 9V1YC, is being recognized for his DX operations, support and unique presentations of DXpeditions through video.--The Daily DX

* Jim Maxwell, W6CF, memorial Web site established: The family of Jim Maxwell W6CF, has established a Jim Maxwell Memorial Web site <http://www.jimmaxwell.net/>. The site includes recollections, tributes and photographs from the friends and family of Maxwell, the ARRL Pacific Division Director who died February 6 at age 69. He had served as a member of the ARRL Board of Directors since 2000 and as Pacific Division Vice Director from 1994 until 2000. A Life Member of the ARRL and an avid DXer, Maxwell also generously supported the League through contributions to the ARRL Diamond Club, the ARRL Foundation and other programs.--Glenn Thomas, WB6W

* Vote on QST Cover Plaque award: The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for March was Anthony Monteiro, AA2TX, for his article "Work OSCAR 40 with Cardboard Box Antennas!" The April winner was Dave Benson, K1SWL, for his

article "The RockMite-A Simple Transceiver for 40 or 20." Congratulations, Paul and Dave! The winner of the QST Cover Plaque award--given to the author--or authors--of the best article in each issue--is determined by a vote of ARRL members. Voting takes place each month on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/members-only/qstvote.html>. Cast a ballot for your favorite articles in the May issue of QST. Voting ends May 31.

* W8 QSL Bureau address change: Effective May 1, the address for the W8 incoming QSL Bureau will change to W8 QSL Bureau, PO Box 307, W Chester, OH 45071-0307. Jay Slough, K4ZLE <k4zle@...>, has been named to replace the retiring Ed Gassman, N8HTT, who has managed the W8 QSL Bureau for several years.

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From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1151 Message: 1151

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MARS wishes its Life Member Jayesh Kharwar - VU2ESP a very Happy Birthday

1152. Happy Birthday - Hardeep Singh Khalsa

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-04 02:59:13 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1152 Message: 1152

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MARS wishes its Member Hardeep Singh Khalsa a very Happy Birthday

1153. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2ESP

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-05 04:01:34 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1151 Message: 1153

hey ESP! haaaapy birthday!
cheers!
madhu

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Expedition 6 Crew Back Home

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The all ham ISS crew of Expedition 6 returned safely home on a Russian Soyuz capsule in Kazakhstan. Crew members Commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP, NASA ISS Science Officer Don Pettit, KD5MDT, and Nikolai Budarin, RV3FB, landed on Sunday at 0207 UTC.

This was the first time U.S. astronauts returned to a foreign country and the first time astronauts parachuted to a landing on soil instead of water.

Welcome home!

[ANS thanks NASA-TV for the above information]

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AMSAT President Addresses SARS Concerns for Annual Meeting

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To All AMSAT Members,
As your President, I am reviewing the situation for the
location of the 2002 Annual Meeting and Space Symposium.
Currently this is due to be held in Toronto later this
year in October.

The outbreak of SARS in Toronto has caused some worry by
travellers to and from Toronto, but let me assure you that
at present the SCARS outbreak appears to be under control
and is being limited to a few Health care facilities.

Should the situation change for the worse, then we will make
a change (Washington DC and Orlando are being considered)
however current indications are that within a month the
situation will have changed for the better and
that we will continue with Toronto.
I will keep you updated.
73
Robin Haighton VE3FRH
President AMSAT

UPDATE: May 2, 2003 "Robin reports that it is now 3 weeks since any member
of the Toronto general public has been confirmed with a case of SARS. The
number of people in isolation is reducing as their isolation time expires
and it would appear that the situation is improving everyday. Robin will
provide additional information on a regular basis".

[ANS thanks Robin, VE3FRH, for the above information]

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New Two-Ham ISS Crew Makes Human Spaceflight History

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There are five Amateur Radio operators aboard the International Space
Station this week. The Expedition 6 crew of Commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP,
NASA ISS Science Officer Don Pettit, KD5MDT, and Nikolai Budarin, RV3FB,
today welcomed Expedition 7 crew members Commander Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP,
and Ed Lu, KC5WKJ.

"The two crews will conduct joint operations this week," NASA announced. "Among their handover activities, Expedition 6 crewmembers will brief the new crew about ongoing science and station maintenance activities." The two crews will spend six days together on the ISS.

Over the weekend, Malenchenko and Lu became the first primary ISS crew to travel to the ISS via a Russian Soyuz TMA-2 spacecraft instead of arriving on a US space shuttle. They launched April 26 from Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan. After the successful docking at the ISS, the crews began transferring clothing and supplies carried into orbit on the new Soyuz. They are scheduled to conduct a safety briefing later today.

NASA has grounded its shuttle fleet while it continues to investigate the February 1 Columbia STS-107 mission disaster, in which seven astronauts died. On his flight to the ISS, Lu wore an STS-107 patch on his spacesuit. He told reporters that he and Malenchenko were doing what the lost astronauts and their families would have wanted them to do by continuing space exploration.

Malenchenko and Lu are the first visitors to the ISS in more than four months. After a successful docking, hatches between the ISS and the Soyuz were opened, and Malenchenko and Lu entered the ISS today (April 28) at 0727 UTC. Bowersox, Pettit and Budarin, who have been aboard the orbital outpost since November 25, will depart for Earth May 3 using the Soyuz TMA-1 vehicle that's been docked at the space station for several months.

Malenchenko and Lu are slated to spend six months aboard the station, conducting a series of scientific and educational activities. Russian Progress rockets will deliver supplies to the ISS during their stay. Both men are space-travel veterans who worked together in 2000 on an ISS construction-phase shuttle mission.

The five space travelers are scheduled to take part in a news conference April 29 at 1530 UTC. NASA TV, available on some cable systems, will carry the news conference live.

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Upgraded GPS satellite Shipped To Cape for July Launch

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As the U.S. Air Force prepares to launch its third Global Positioning System (GPS) satellite this year, prime contractor Lockheed Martin has set a new record for operational checkout of the recently-launched GPS IIR-9 satellite.

Following the March 31 launch of GPS IIR-9, Lockheed Martin executed an accelerated on-orbit payload initialization in just 11 days -- a record for any GPS satellite -- so that the satellite could be quickly placed into service in support of the current military operations. Two months earlier, the team achieved a 20-day check out of GPS IIR-8, which was launched on Jan. 29.

The next satellite, designated GPS IIR-10, was recently shipped to Cape Canaveral from Lockheed Martin's facilities in Valley Forge, Pa. for a scheduled launch in late July.

The satellite features significant performance upgrades, including a modernized antenna panel and increased power for GPS receivers. There are eight new-generation GPS IIR spacecraft currently on orbit out of a total GPS constellation of 28 satellites.

The GPS IIR satellites are compatible with the current system and provide improved navigation accuracy, achieved by using an ITT Industries payload system. Additionally, increased autonomy and longer spacecraft life are inherent in the Lockheed Martin satellite design.

To bring new capabilities to the GPS constellation, Lockheed Martin is under contract to modernize eight existing GPS IIR spacecraft already built and in storage.

GPS modernization is being performed at the Space & Strategic Missiles - Valley Forge, Pa. facilities and ITT Industries, Clifton, N.J. facilities. The first launch of a GPS IIR-M satellite is scheduled for July 2004. The U.S. Air Force Space and Missile Systems Center, El Segundo, Calif., is the contracting agency.

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Pegasus Puts GALEX In Orbit

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Orbital Sciences Corporation successfully launched the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)'s Galaxy Evolution Explorer (GALEX) satellite into its targeted orbit aboard the company's Pegasus rocket Monday.

The 312-kilogram (690-pound) GALEX scientific satellite, which Orbital designed and built at its Dulles, Virginia satellite manufacturing facility, was accurately delivered into its targeted orbit approximately 690 kilometers (420 miles) above the Earth, inclined at 29 degrees to the equator.

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Boeing Studies Keep ISS Humming

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Boeing engineers have provided a number of studies to help NASA keep the International Space Station (ISS) viable for the foreseeable future, relying upon Russian vehicles, Soyuz and Progress, to transport cargo to the station.

Engineers at Boeing NASA Systems in Houston, many from the ISS Vehicle Integrated Performance and Resources (VIPeR) team, studied ways to maintain a safe and operable ISS.

The team was asked by NASA immediately after the space shuttle Columbia accident to study a number of options, taking into account the delay of the unique cargo ferrying capabilities of the space shuttle.

The Boeing ISS team's primary assessment effort focused on a smaller ISS crew size and assessed the consumables used by the station and its crew and the need for spare hardware.

The ISS team is relying upon the Russian vehicles as the only means of transporting cargo to the ISS until the shuttle returns to flight and/or the European Space Agency's Automated Transfer Vehicle is available.

The team tracked the primary consumables used by the station and its crew and worked closely with NASA's ISS Mission Integration group. Boeing conducted various analyses to minimize ISS supply and return requirements while optimizing the ISS vehicle performance and research.

The VIPeR team first focused on the issue of propellant on board the station, which is used to keep the ISS in the proper orbit and orientation and has been one of the most critical consumables in past studies. They concluded that currently planned Progress launches would meet propellant re-supply needs.

The next critical consumable is the water necessary to support the crew and system needs. Each crewmember uses about two kilograms of water a day for drinking, food and oxygen generation. The team looked at how water could be brought up while also examining ways to reduce water needs.

"We looked at how long we could leave three crewmembers up there and when we would go to two crew members," said Neil Lemmons, senior systems engineer with the Boeing VIPeR team.

"Without the space shuttle, it was quickly determined by all involved that a three person crew could not be sustained," said Bob Korin, manager of the Boeing VIPeR team. Keeping a crew on the ISS was important, he added, because it would "give us a set of eyes, hands and creative thinking capability to respond to things that arise."

Although there would be some limits, a two-person crew could also continue to do scientific research. The Boeing teams, including a strong effort by the safety community, looked at the risks associated with a smaller two-person crew and concluded that there were no significant safety concerns.

A two- person crew not only keeps research going but also maintains support for preventative and corrective maintenance, anomaly investigation and response, and other ISS System Operations needs that can best be done by an on-orbit crew.

Boeing and NASA engineers have studied the impact of a two-person crew on future science research. "The focus has been on new samples and consumables for the science and research apparatus already on board the ISS that require minimal space and weight," said Rick Golden, program manager of ISS payload integration.

"Our group (Boeing and its subcontractors, Teledyne Brown Engineering and United Space Alliance) ensures that interfaces between the science experiments and the space station are compatible," said Golden.

"A lot of our focus has been working the safety aspects to fly U.S. payload hardware on Soyuz and Progress launches," Golden explained. "We are positioning a select number of payloads at the Baikonur launch site in order to be able to take advantage of any space that becomes available on the upcoming Progress flights."

The Boeing ISS team reassessed the manifests for several planned shuttle launches. "We had to support system maintenance which may have required changing out filters, valves, bags and things along those lines or other items to support system repair," said Korin.

The team came up with a prioritized shopping list and looked at what they could take up without the space shuttle. The NASA/Boeing ISS team evaluated the amount of propellant, water, gas, and dry cargo that is needed to the support the ISS and its crew.

The ISS subsystem teams, including the logistics and maintenance team, played a critical role in defining the shopping list of needed items.

The Environmental Control and Life Support System group identified the selector valve and filter for the Carbon Dioxide Removal Assembly and the Internal Thermal Control System group identified the Pump Package Assembly as essential spares to be manifested on the upcoming Russian Soyuz and Progress flights.

The Soyuz is the ISS crew escape vehicle used in case of emergency and is certified for 200 days of life and is rotated every 180 to 190 days. They

are normally taken to ISS by a "taxi crew" who then bring the "old" one back.

The Progress vehicle is unmanned and carries crew supplies and hardware spares to help maintain the life of ISS. There are normally 3 Progress flights a year.

"The Russians have given us about 30 kg allocation for US items to be launched on Soyuz 6S, so we have been working very hard with NASA to make sure all these items are certified to be launched on a Russian vehicle, and the Russians properly stow them for launch," according to Ray V. Gonzales, Boeing launch package manager for Russian vehicles.

"We are also working to get these items to Moscow and then to Baikonur, Khazakstan where they will be launched."

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First Canadian Satellite in Over 30 Years to Launch

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SCISAT-1, the first new Canadian scientific satellite since 1971, is scheduled for launch by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) in June 2003. On February 4, 1999 the Government of Canada announced the selection of the Atmospheric Chemistry Experiment (ACE) as the scientific mission of SCISAT-1.

The major scientific goal of the Atmospheric Chemistry Experiment (ACE) mission is to measure and understand the chemical processes that control the distribution of ozone in the Earth's atmosphere, especially at high altitudes. The data that will be recorded as SCISAT-1 orbits the Earth will help Canadian scientists and policy makers to assess existing environmental policy, and to develop protective measures for improving the health of our atmosphere and preventing further ozone depletion. The ACE mission is designed to last at least two years.

SCISAT-1 is the first Canadian scientific satellite since the ISIS II satellite was launched in 1971. Here are some quick facts about the new satellite:

Total mass: 150 kg
Total power usage: 70 W
Powered by: single solar panel
Total memory: 1.5 Gigabyte
Spacecraft contractor: Bristol Aerospace : Winnipeg, Manitoba
Scientific Payload: ACE-FTS (Bomem Ltd.)

MAESTRO (MSC, U of T, EMS)
Scheduled launch date: July 2003
Launch vehicle: Pegasus XL rocket
Orbit: 650 km above the Earth
Number of times SCISAT-1 will circle the Earth in 1 day: 15
Number of sunrises and sunsets SCISAT-1 will see in 1 day: 30

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India's Space Agency to Build a Slew of Satellites

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India is developing a slew of satellites for uses ranging from navigation to tele-medicine, the chief of the national space agency said.

The Indian Space Research Organisation chairman said the agency was experimenting with satellite navigation systems modelled on those used in Europe and the United States.

India is also developing a satellite network devoted exclusively to education called EDUSAT.

"Here we had a discussion with the human resource development ministry and now we are building a satellite" to help with teacher training at the primary and university levels in remote regions.

The agency is also seeking a foothold in tele-medicine, the chairman said.

"The idea is to bring the best of medical help from the city to rural areas. If everything goes well and there is a justification for a full-fledged satellite then we may go for a health satellite," he said.

Established in 1969, the ISRO launched its first satellite, Aryabhata, on April 19, 1975.

The first operational Indian remote sensing satellite was launched in 1988 while the communications satellite INSAT took off in 1982, the first of six such satellites sent into orbit.

Satellites devoted to astronomy and to study the physical characteristics of clouds are also on the drawing board.

[ANS thanks Space Daily for the above information]

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SB SAT @ AMSAT $ANS-124.09
Gyro fails, Hubble goes to Sleep

AMSAT News Service Bulletin 124.09 From AMSAT HQ
Silver Spring, MD. May 4, 2003
To All Radio Amateurs
BID: $ANS-124.09

The Hubble Space Telescope has gone into an electronic deep sleep, a safe mode automatically initiated by the spacecraft because of the failure of one of the gyroscopes that is supposed to stabilize the satellite.

A problem, presumably with the gyroscope's motor, prompted the shutdown sometime Tuesday morning, said officials with NASA and the Space Telescope Science Institute, the research group that helps operate Hubble.

Engineers at Goddard Space Flight Center in Maryland were unable to restart the failed gyroscope.

Hubble has six gyroscopes, but at least three must work for it to maintain the position and stability necessary for its very precise observations. The failed Gyro No. 3, if completely broken, would be the second of the six to die.

Engineers expected to turn on one of the redundant, or backup, gyroscopes and get the telescope back to conducting science by late Wednesday night, said Ed Campion, a spokesman at NASA's Goddard center. If that works, only one backup gyro would remain.

"Hubble is a very conservative spacecraft," he said. "When it senses something is wrong, it goes into this safe mode. We expect it back online sometime tonight and we should know more by tomorrow morning."

On Tuesday, a program scientist touted accomplishments of the telescope at the 40th Space Congress going on here this week.

With the boosted capability of an advanced camera installed by spacewalking astronauts in 2002, the spacecraft is confirming the universe is expanding faster than scientists once believed. A few years ago, scientists theorized that after the Big Bang, the universe would keep expanding but at a slower rate. Slowly, an accumulation of evidence, including work done with Hubble, is suggesting the universe's expansion is speeding up.

[ANS thanks Florida Today for the above information]

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SB SAT @ AMSAT $ANS-124.10
Shuttles won't fly again this year, lawmakers say

AMSAT News Service Bulletin 124.10 From AMSAT HQ
Silver Spring, MD. May 4, 2003
To All Radio Amateurs
BID: $ANS-124.10

NASA's remaining three shuttles won't return to flight this year as the agency had optimistically planned, members of Congress said Thursday.

That means NASA likely will have to rely again in February on a Russian Soyuz spacecraft to take another fresh crew to the International Space Station.

After meeting privately for an hour with retired Adm. Hal Gehman, chairman of the Columbia Accident Investigation Board, two senior House lawmakers emerged to predict NASA's shuttles would remain grounded for some time given the scope of work the independent panel is likely to recommend this summer.

[ANS thanks Florida Today for the above information]

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SB SAT @ AMSAT $ANS-124.11
Upcoming ARISS Contact Schedule

AMSAT News Service Bulletin 124.11 From AMSAT HQ
Silver Spring, MD. May 4, 2003
To All Radio Amateurs
BID: $ANS-124.11

Upcoming ARISS Contact Schedule as of 2003-04-30 04:00 UTC

The ARISS (a joint effort of AMSAT, the ARRL, NASA, the ARISS international partners including Canada, Russia, the European Partners, and Japan) operations
team wishes to announce the following very tentative schedule for ARISS school
contacts. This schedule is very fluid and may change at the last minute. Remember that amateur radio use on the ISS is considered secondary. Please check the various AMSAT and ARISS webpages for the latest announcements. Changes from the last announcement are noted with (***). Also, please check MSNBC.com for possible live retransmissions
(http://www.msnbc.com/m/lv/default.asp). Listen for the ISS on the downlink of
145.80 MHz.

For information about educational materials available from ISS partner space Agencies, please refer to links on the ARISS Frequently Asked Questions page.

If you are interested in supporting an ARISS contact, then you must fill in an application. The ARISS operations mentor team will not accept a direct request to support an ARISS contact.

You should also note that many schools think that they can request a specific date and time. It does not work that way. Once an application has been accepted, the ARISS mentors will work with the school to determine a mutually agreeable date.

Websites that may be of interest include:

http://www.arrl.org/sarex
http://www.arrl.org/ariss
http://www.amsat.org
http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov
http://spacelink.nasa.gov/index.html
http://ehb2.gsfc.nasa.gov/edcats/educator_guide/

Your completely filled out application should be returned to the
nearest coordinating ARISS region if your specific region is not
listed. E-mail is the preferred method of submitting an application.

Here are the email addresses:
ARISS-Canada and all other countries not covered: ve2ka@... (Daniel
Lamoureux VE2KA)
ARISS-Europe: jh.hahn@... (J. Hahn, DL3LUM / PA1MUC)
ARISS-Japan and all Region 3 countries: iaru-r3@... (Keigo Komuro
JA1KAB)
ARISS-Russia: n2ww@... (Valerie Agabekov N2WW/UA6HZ)
ARISS-USA: ARISS@... (The American Radio Relay League)

ISS Expedition 6 crew:
Kenneth Bowersox KD5JBP
Nikolai Budarin RV3FB
Donald Pettit KD5MDT

ISS Expedition 7 crew:
Ed Lu KC5WKJ
Yuri Malenchenko RK3DUP

Congrats to Ken, Nikolai, and Don for all of the ARISS contacts. ARISS
contacts
are off limits for the next several weeks due to the crew handover. (***)

Webster High School, Webster, N.Y.
TBD UTC

Klem Road South Elementary, Webster, N.Y.
TBD UTC

Stanford University
Palo Alto Gunn High School, California
TBD UTC

Cornell University
TBD UTC

Boulder High School, Colorado
TBD UTC

Panahou High School, Honolulu, Hawaii
TBD UTC

F?d?ration D?partementale des Radioamateurs de Seine Maritime - FDARSM
Rouen, France

TBD UTC

Rains High School, Texas
TBD UTC

Challenger Learning Center of Tallahassee, Tallahassee, FL
TBD UTC

Contact was not completed

The latest ARISS announcement and successful school list is now available on the
ARISS web site. Several ways to get there.

Latest ARISS announcements and news
http://www.amsat.org/amsat/ariss/news/arissnews.txt

Successful school list
http://www.amsat.org/amsat/ariss/news/Successful_ARISS_schools.rtf

or
http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov

If you can not get into the GSFC site, then go directly to the RAC site.
(***)

click on English (sorry I don't know French)
you are now at http://www.rac.ca/ariss/
click on News

Currently the ARISS operations team has a list of over 60 schools that we
hope will be able to have a contact during 2003. As the schedule becomes more
solidified, we will be letting everyone know. Current plans call for an average
of one scheduled school contact per week.

73,
Charlie Sufana AJ9N

[ANS thanks Charlie Sufana, AJ9N, for the above information]

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This week's ANS Editor:
Scott Lindsey-Stevens, N3ASA
n3asa@...

Via the ans mailing list at AMSAT.ORG courtesy of AMSAT-NA.
To unsubscribe, send "unsubscribe ans" to Majordomo@...

1155. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - Hardeep Singh Khalsa

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-05 06:29:24 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1152 Message: 1155

dear hardeeeeeep
happy birthday
i heard you make good biryani
salam enjoy

vu2zrs

----Original Message Follows----
From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: "M_A_R_S@..." <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
CC: "mars_classes" <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - Hardeep Singh Khalsa
Date: Sun, 4 May 2003 08:29:13 +0530

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

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MARS wishes its Member Hardeep Singh Khalsa a very Happy Birthday

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DHOBI TALAO
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RES.00-91-22-22875741
FAX.OO-91-22-22025848
MOBILE. 9821025289

Taureans! See what's in store.
http://server1.msn.co.in/features/taurus/index.asp Have a great year!

1156. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2ESP

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-05 06:42:44 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1151 Message: 1156

jayesh happy birthday
and once again thank you for the handy during the fox hunt
zrs

jay
----Original Message Follows----
From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: "M_A_R_S@..." <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
CC: "mars_classes" <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2ESP
Date: Sun, 4 May 2003 08:28:03 +0530

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

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MARS wishes its Life Member Jayesh Kharwar - VU2ESP a very Happy Birthday

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Find a partner. For life. http://www.shaadi.com/ptnr.php?ptnr=hmlql
Meet@...

1157. Monthly meeting for MAY 2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-05 18:10:21 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1157 Message: 1157

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The Monthly meeting of May 2003 will be held on 11th May 2003 at 10:00 hours at B.S.Bengelle Girls High School.

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:-
1. Allocation of Portfolios

2. Finalizing the activity list for 2003-2004.

3. Progress on Licences of our last batch. (Churchgate & Thane).

All members are requested to kindly attend and opt for some portfolio and help us in increasing Ham Radio Actvity. The list of the portfolio is listed below, you may choose to lead or to assist.

PORTFOLIOS for the year 2003 - 2004.

1. Awareness Drives

2. Ham Radio Classes.

3. Field Exercise. - Equipment Operating Skills Trainer

4. M.O.T.A

5. 15th August Special Night owls Net.

6. Ganesh Visarjan

7. J.O.T.A

8. Fox Hunt

9. Scramble Team.

10. Contest.

11. Liaisons work with WPC.

12. Liaison work with SB-1 Mumbai.

13. VHF Repeaters (Andheri & Matheran) - (Installations & Maintenance)

14. I.R.L.P (Installations & Maintenance)

15. Internet Connectivity via VHF Packet Radio (Installation & Maintenance)

16. Club Station (Installations & Maintenance)

17. Satellite Communications.

18. Import of ham Radio Equipments.

19. Library In Charge

20. WEB Master.

21. Hardware Installation Assistance Manager

22. Media (News Papers , Radio, TV etc..)

23. Sponsor Ships

24. News Letter (Soft & hard copy) - Monthly / Quarterly.

25. P.R.O for grievances and assistance for our members.

26. Dx - Expeditions.

27. Home Brewing

28. New Technologies / Up Gradations.

29. Sport Activity (Rallies) Manager

30. Early Birds Net / Night Owls Net Manager.

Please attend the monthly meeting with fail and help us plan our society's events.

73

NLF

1158. QST May'2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-06 09:56:19 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1158 Message: 1158

Now in available in MARS Library!!

QST - MAY'2003 Contents :-
a.. From Ether to Ethernet
The merging of wired networks with radio has resulted in a more flexible, reliable and portable radio system. Make DX Contacts and enhance your emergency communications with a hand-held radio.
Internet Radio Linking Project - http://www.irlp.net
IRLP user guidelines : http://www.kwarc.org/irlp/
Streaming audio feed of IRLP : http://www.kwarc.org/listen/

b.. A Small, Portable Dipole for Field Use
The title says it all - a practical, transportable antenna for Field Day and a valuable addition to your emergency kit.

c.. The Black Widow - A Portable 15 meter Beam
Looking for a portable 15-meter antenna for camping or Field Day? Four fishing poles, 50 feet of wire, a few pieces of wood, some PVC and a painter's pole make a stinging portable performer. Detailed construction drawings for the antenna and the mast components are available at http://www.arrl.org/files/qst-binaries/black-widow.zip
Related links : http://www.cebik.com/moxpage.html
http://www.qsl.net/ac6la/moxgen.html
http://www.eznec.com

d.. VHF/UHF Discone Antenna
A practical antenna for 144, 222 and 440 Mhz and everything in between! A Design for lower-end frequency of 144MHz will operate at all frequencies up to and well past 450MHz while maintaining a 2:1 SWR.

e.. Expand Your Mind - On-line!
The "classrooms" of the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Program are as near as your Keyboard. ARRL has created an entire on-line courses written by experts in their fields. Despite the on-line aspect, you aren't alone during your studies. Each course includes "mentors" who are available to personally answer your questions. Visit CCE Website at http://www.arrl.org/cce

f.. A Radio Amateur's Guide to London and the UK
What to do, what to see - and how to open UK repeaterrs with your funny accent.

g.. A Modern GDO - The "Gate" Dip Oscillator
Building an RF circuit? Use an updated version of an indispensable and legendary piece of equipment to test it - the "dipper".

h.. Public Service
- Central Kentucky Amateurs Respond to Ice Storm
- Missing in Village Creek

i.. Product Review -
a.. Yaesu FT-897 MF/HF/VHF/UHF All-mode Transceiver ($954)
b.. SteppIR 3-element Yagi Antenna ($1099)

j.. New Products -
a.. Emergency Family Preparedness Video (VHS - $19.95)
b.. QSL Index dividers from Radio Warehouse ($19.95 + shipping)

k.. Software -
a.. You've Got...Spam!
E-mail is commonplace in the Amateur Radio Community. Unfortunately, so is spam. Read more to find out Who is sending all this stuff? How did they get your e-mail ID? How can you avoid spam? etc....

Top anti-spam packages (as per PC Magazine Feb 25,2003)
For Windows
- Mailwasher - http://www.mailwasher.net
- MailShell SpamCatcher - http://www.mailshell.com/spamcatcher/
- McAfee SpamKiller - http://www.mcafee.com/myapps/msk/
- DeerSoft SpamAssasin Pro - http://www.deersoft.com
For Linux
- Mailfilter - http://mailfilter.sourceforge.net
- ScanMail - http://www.scanmail-software.com
For Mac
- Spamfire - http://www.matterform.com
- SpamSieve - http://www.c-command.com/spamsieve

l.. New Advertisements
a.. The North Georgia QRP Club Compendium Volume-1 ($12+shipping; CD-ROM $6+shipping)
b.. Hello World : A Life in Ham Radio ($17.47)
c.. W3FF Antennas

m.. Regular Features -
a.. Hands-on Radio (Experiment #4 - Active Filters),
b.. Hints & Kinks (Ground Rod Installation - inexpensive and easy, tower guard...),
c.. Happenings(Amateur Radio Spectrum Protection Act Now in Both House And Senate),
d.. The World above 50MHz (EME in the Digital Age),
e.. How's DX? (International Foundation QSL Collection),
f.. Microwavelengths (Give me power)
g.. QRP Power (The RockMite)
h.. Old Radio (The National NC-183D),
i.. Correspondence, Workbench, Technical Correspondence, Feedback, Hamfest Calendar, Strays, 75-50 & 25 Years Ago, Contest Corral, Hamfest Calendar, Coming Conventions, Special Events, Ham Ads

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1159. Fw: [RADIOHAMS] Hamfest India 2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-06 06:14:10 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1159 Message: 1159

> Date: Mon, 5 May 2003 06:46:41 -0700 (PDT)
> From: "Jose Jacob, VU2JOS" <at0j@...>
> Subject: Hamfest India 2003
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> QSP from VU2CPV:
>
> Hamfest India 2003
> 9th & 10th November 2003
> Location: Gandhinagar, Gujarat
>
> All are invited.
>
> More info from VU2CPV:
> pcvalera@...(14150 kHz Sundays 4.00 pm)
> ---

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> 73 de Jose Jacob, VU2JOS

1160. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fw: [RADIOHAMS] Hamfest India 2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-06 15:06:42 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1159 Message: 1160

dear nirav,

It seems that you do not read mails sent on our mars group, The HamFest News were already announced by VU2UGO by his mail Subject :NEWS on 29/04/2003.

73
NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: Nirav Sanghavi
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2003 11:44 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Fw: [RADIOHAMS] Hamfest India 2003

> Date: Mon, 5 May 2003 06:46:41 -0700 (PDT)
> From: "Jose Jacob, VU2JOS" <at0j@yahoo.com>
> Subject: Hamfest India 2003
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1161. Icom mics

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-07 10:57:27 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1161 Message: 1161

ICOM Microphone Reference List SM 6 & 8 AT THE BOTTOM

Microphone

For Radios (IC-)

ICOM#

Connector

Description

HM-2

201, 501, 505

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HM-3

22S, 224, 205S, 451A, 551D

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3 OR 4 PIN

DYN

HM-4

20, 21, 22, 30, 31, 60, 201, 202, 211, 215, 230, 245, 280, 402

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7 PIN *

DYN

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451, 502

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HM-5

275, 475, 551, 560, 575, 22U, 202S, 451A, 551D

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4 PIN

NOISE CANCELING

HM-7

245, 260, 290, 451, 490, 505, 560, 720, 730, 740,

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8 PIN

PREAMP MIC DYN

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22U, 25A, 251A

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HM-8

25A Red LED, 245, 290, 402, 202S, 451, 471A

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8 PIN

PREAMP DTMF

HM-9

02, 03, 04, 2/3/4SA/T, 24AT, P2/3/4, W21, V21, X21, u2/4, 12AT,

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3.5/2.5mm

SPKR/MIC

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2A, 2AT, 3A/AT, 4AT, 02AT, 03AT, 04AT

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HM-9L

2/4iA, 2/4/12GA, u4A, M10A

EX-157

3.5/2.5mm R angle

SPKR/MIC

HM-10

25A, 251A, 255A, 260, 290A/H, 451, 490, 730

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8 PIN

SCNG MIC DYN

HM-11

25A/H, 202S, 402, 290, 490, 505

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8 PIN

SCNG DYN

HM-12

25A grn LED, 28H, 38, 45A, 48, 77, 78, 120, 229H, 271, 275, 290,

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8 PIN

MIC ELECT

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375, 451, 471/A, 475, 505, 575, 707, 718, 725, 728, 729, 735, 736,

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737/A, 745, 746, 751/A, 756/PRO, 761, 765, 775, 781, 820H, 821H,

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900, 901, 970, 1201, 1271, 1275, 2400, 3200, 3210

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HM-14

25A grn LED, 28H, 38, 45A, 48, 77, 78, 120, 229H, 271, 275, 290,

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8 PIN

DTMF ELECT

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375, 451, 471/A, 475, 505, 575, 707, 718, 725, 728, 729, 735, 736,

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737/A, 745, 746, 751/A, 756/PRO, 761, 765, 775, 781, 820H, 821H,

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900, 901, 970, 1201, 1271, 1275, 2400, 3200, 3210

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HM-16

27, 28, 38, 48, 228, 448, 475, 900, 1200, 1201, 3200, 3210, 229,

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8 PIN

SPKR/MIC

HM-17

1201, 48E, 3210, 228, 229

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8 PIN

SPKR/MIC ELECT, 1750HZ

HM-19

125

-

7 PIN

PREAMP MIC

HM-23

27, 28, 37, 47

-

8 PIN LONG NUT

DTMF ELECT

HM-28

M700, M700TY

-

-

DYN

HM-29

M80W, M100W

-

7 PIN IDC

DYN

HM-30

M80B, M100B

-

7 PIN IDC

DYN

HM-33

M55, replaces HM-44

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8 pin

DYN

HM-35

V100, U400

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10 PIN 435-2

HAND MIC DYN

HM-36

25A grn LED, 28H, 38, 45A, 48, 77, 78, 120, 229H, 271, 275, 290,

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8 PIN

SCNG MIC ELECT

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375, 451, 471/A, 475, 505, 575, 707, 718, 725, 728, 729, 735, 736,

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737/A, 745, 746, 751/A, 756/PRO, 761, 765, 775, 781, 820H, 821H,

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900, 901, 970, 1201, 1271, 1275, 2400, 3200, 3210

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HM-37

V100, U400

-

10 PIN 435-2

DTMF DYN

HM-38

V100, U400

-

10 PIN 435-2

DTMF DYN

HM-41

V200

-

7 PIN

DTMF DYN

HM-42

V200/U200

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7 PIN

PREAMP MIC

HM-44

M55, use HM-33 as replacement

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8 PIN

DYN

HM-46

02, 03, 04, 2/3/4SA/T, 24AT, P2/3/4, T21, T41

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3.5/2.5mm

SPKR MIC ELECT

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W21, V21, X21, 2GXA/T, F10, F20, F3(S), F4(S), Z1A, W31A, W32A,

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S21, S41, T2A, T22, T42, T7, T8, T81, M10A, F4SE, 4008, Q7A,

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F4TR, F4SR

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HM-46L

2iA, 4iA, 2GA, 4GA, 12GA, u2AT, u4AT, F3GT(GS), F4GT(GS)

EX-651

TYPE "L"

SPRK/MIC FOR HT'S

HM-54

M5, M7, M9, A2, A20, A21, 02, 03, 04, 2/3/4SA/T, 24AT, P2/3/4

EX-814

3.5/2.5mm

SPKR/MIC ELECT

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T21, T41, W21, V21, X21, 2GXA/T, F10, F20, F3(S), F4(S), H21, U21,

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U16, S21, S41, T2, T22, T42, T7, T8, T81, M10A, F3S, F4S, F4SR,

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A2, 4008, F4TR, F4SR

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HM-55/A

2iA, 4iA, T21, T41, W21, V21, X21, 2GXA/T, Z1A, W31A, W32A,

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3.5/2.5mm

SPKR/MIC DTMF ELECT

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S21, S41, F10, F20

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HM-56/A

28, 38, 228, 229, 449, 901, 1201, 2330, 2400, 2410, 2500,

EX-832

8 PIN

HAND MIC ELECT

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3220, 3230

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HM-65

FX-873, 2SRA, 4SRA, DELTA1, W2, X2

EX-1017

3.5/2.5mm

SPKR/MIC ELECT

HM-70

FX-873, 2SRA, 4SRA, DELTA1, W2, X2

EX-1036

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SPKR/MIC ELECT

HM-74

H28, U28

EX-1218

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SPKR/MIC

HM-75A

T21A, T41A, W21, V21, X21, Z1A, W31A, W32A, S21, S41, T2,

EX-1314

3.5/2.5mm

SPKR/MIC, REM, ELECT

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T22A, T42A, T7, T8, T81, F3(S), F4(S), F4SR, 4008, F4SR,

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F3GT(GS), F4GT(GS), F4TR

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HM-77A

DELTA GRP, 281H, 481H, 2340H, 2000H, 207, 2350H

EX-1372

8 PIN MODULAR

DTMF MIC, ELECT

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706, 706MK2, 706MK2G

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HM-88/A

DELTA GRP

EX-1471

4 PIN MODULAR

MULTI FX, ELECT

HM-90/A

2700 GRP, 207H

EX-1511

4 PIN TO 8PIN MOD

INFRARED, WIRELESS, ELECT

HM-92/A

2700 GRP

EX-1530

4 PIN TO 8PIN MOD

MULTI FX, REM, ELECT

HM-95

2000H, 2350H, 706, 207H

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8 PIN MODULAR

ELECT

HM-98

2710H, 207H

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8 PIN MODULAR

ELECT

HM-100

F320, F420, F1020, F2020

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8 PIN MODULAR

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HM-100T

F320, F420, F1020, F2020

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8 PIN MODULAR

DTMF MIC

HM-100N

SAME AS HM-100

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8 PIN MODULAR

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HM-100TN

SAME AS HM-100T

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8 PIN MODULAR

DTMF MIC

HM-103

706, 706MK2, 706MK2G

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8 PIN MODULAR

ELECT

HM-107B

M59B

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7 PIN

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HM-107W

M59W

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-

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HM-112

A-3, A-22

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3.5/2.5mm

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HM-114

M127W, M127B

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6 pin IDC

HAND MIC

HM-117

M45W, M45B

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-

ELECT

HM-118T

706, 706MK2, 706MK2G

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8 PIN MODULAR

DTMF MIC

HM-120

M710RT

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8 pin

HAND MIC

HM-124W

M45W, M45AW

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HM-124B

M45B, M45AB

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HM-126

M502

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HM-127

M502

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REMOTE CONTROL MIC

HM-128

T8, T81, T2(H), T7(H), W31, W32, X21T, T22, Q7, 2GXAT, 4008A

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F3(S), F4(S), F3G, F4TR, F4SR

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EM-29

M80W, M100W

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DYN

EM-30

M80B, M100B

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DYN

EM-46

M2, M5, M7, M9, H10, U10, A2, A20, A21, H21, U21, H/U16, M11

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3.5/2.5mm

SPKR/MIC, ELECT

EM-46L

M11, H10, U10

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-

SPKR/MIC, ELECT

EM-48

M500, M600, M800, M810

-

8 PIN

DYN

EM-49

H8S2, U8, H19S1/S2, U8S2, U18

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MODULAR

SPKR/MIC

EM-51

M56B, M57B

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-

DYN

EM-53

M120C

(Message over 64 KB, truncated)

1162. Icom IC 208 Dual Bander

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-07 11:44:55 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1162 Message: 1162

[The full message body has unrecoverable character-encoding damage in Yahoo's archived raw text. Yahoo's separately preserved message snippet follows.]

←他の機種へ ICOM IC-208 【 モ - ビルトランシ - バ - 】

1163. IC 208.....I found an English page!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-07 11:53:13 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1163 Message: 1163

VHF/UHF FM TRANSCEIVER IC-208H High Power Dual Bander with Wideband Receiver

Powerful 55W/50W output power
Individual MOS-FET power amplifier modules supply the power for Icom's most powerful dual band mobile with 55W/50W (VHF/UHF). Stable power for long distance communications plus reduced power settings (15/5W) for local communications.

Wideband receiver
See why Icom has a world renowned reputation for superb wideband receivers with the IC-208H. The IC-208H wideband receiver covers 118-173, 230-549 and 810-999MHz* as standard. Listen to your Amateur VHF/UHF bands, as well as aviation, marine, weather and other utility communications in a compact mobile package. Extends your mobile radio enjoyment!
* Excluding Cellular range.

Detachable front panel
Limited installation space is no problem with the IC-208H. The separation cable, OPC-600/R, is supplied with the radio allowing the compact remote control head* to be installed almost anywhere.
* 111 (W) ? 40(H) ? 26.3 (D) mm; 43/8 ? 19/16 ? 11/32 in.

500 alphanumeric memory channels
With this much memory, you can fill your IC-208H with your favorite frequencies and operation settings such as output power, tone, and more! Then name each memory channel with up to 6 characters for quick channel identification.

Improved Dynamic Memory Scan (DMS) system
The improved DMS system allows you to scan all the selected banks you want to scan by simply adding/deleting bank links with Icom's exclusive Bank Link system. Yet another convenient feature to make the IC-208H a more practical radio.

User friendly design
The large multi-function tuning knob provides intuitive channel tuning or band hopping. The multicolor display lighting and backlit buttons adds a new 'fun' dimension to operating the IC-208H.

HM-133, remote control microphone
The supplied HM-133 remote control microphone allows you to control almost every function of the IC-208H from the mic.

And more...

- Built-in CTCSS and DTCS tone squelch
- Pocket beep and tone scan
- Selectable squelch delay
- FM narrow capability
- RF attenuator linked to the squelch control

- 16 DTMF memory channels (24 digits per channel)
- 9600bps data connector (mini DIN 6-pin)
- Auto repeater function*
- Weather channel with weather alert*
(* U.S.A. version only)

SPECIFICATIONS

GENERAL

Frequency coverage

:

Version

Guaranteed range

Rx working range

U.S.A.

144-148,440-450

118-173.995, 230-549.995, 810-999.990*
(* Cellular blocked)

General

144-148,430-440

118-173.995, 230-549.995, 810-999.990
(Unit: MHz)

Mode

: FM, FM-N, AM*, AM-N*
*RX only; not guaranteed

Number of memory channels

: 512 (Including 2 call and 10 scan edges)

Antenna impedance

: 50 (SO-239)

Power supply requirement

: 13.8V DC ?15%

Usable temperature range

: -10?C to +60?C; +14?F to +140?F

Frequency stability

: ?10ppm (-10?C to +60?C)

Tuning step increments

: 5, 10, 12.5, 15, 20, 25, 30, 50, 100 and 200kHz

Current drain (at 13.8V DC)

:

Receive

Transmit

Stand-by
Max. audio output
High (VHF/UHF)

0.8A
1.0A
12A/11.5A

Dimensions
(Projections not included; W ? H ? D)

: 141 ? 40 ? 185.4mm; 59.16 ? 19.16 ? 75.16 in

Weight (approx.)

: 1.2kg; 2.65lb

TRANSCEIVER

Output power

: VHF 55W, 15W (approx.), 5W (approx.) selectable
UHF 50W, 15W (approx.), 5W (approx.) selectable

Max. frequency deviation

: ?5.0kHz (wide), ?2.5kHz (narrow)

Spurious emissions

: Less than -60dB

Microphone impedance

: 600 (8-pin modular jack)

RECEIVER

Intermediate frequencies

: 1st/2nd 46.05MHz/450kHz

Sensitivity (at 12dB SINAD)

: Less than 0.18?V (144/430MHz band only)

Squelch sensitivity

: Less than 0.13?V (at threshold;144/430MHz band only)

Selectivity (Wide/Narrow)

: More than 12/6kHz at -6dB
Less than 30/20kHz at -60dB

Spurious rejection ratio

: More than 60dB

Audio output (at 13.8V DC)

: More than 2.0W at 10% distortion with an 8 load

Ext. speaker connector

: 2-conductor 3.5 (d) mm (1/8")/8

Supplied accessories:
- Hand microphone, HM-133
- 3.5m (11.5ft) separation cable, OPC-600/R
- DC power cable, OPC-1132
- Mounting bracket
- Spare fuse
All stated specifications are subject to change without notice or obligation.

OPTIONS
SEPARATION ACCESSORIES

- OPC-600/R, OPC-601/R SEPARATION CABLES
For operation with the front panel detached. OPC-600/R: 3.5m (11.5ft); OPC-601/R: 7.0m (23.0ft)

- MB-58 REMOTE CONTROL HEAD BRACKET
Mounts the remote control head in a convenient location for operation with the front panel detached.

- MB-65 MOUNT BASE
Mounts the remote control head with the MB-58. Adjustable angle and direction for optimum positioning.

- OPC-1132, OPC-347 DC POWER CABLES
OPC-1132: 3.0m (9.8ft); OPC-347: 7.0m (23ft)

MICROPHONE ACCESSORIES

- HM-118N HAND MICROPHONE
Regular hand microphone.

- HM-118TN/TAN DTMF MICROPHONE
DTMF microphone.

- HM-133 REMOTE CONTROL MICROPHONE
Full remote control microphone with keypad backlighting.

- OPC-440, OPC-647 MIC EXTENSION CABLES
OPC-440: 5.0m (16.4ft); OPC-647: 2.5m (8.2ft)

- OPC-589 MIC ADAPTER CABLE
Allows you to connect an 8-pin microphone.

OTHER ACCESSORIES

- CS-208 CLONING SOFTWARE + OPC-478/OPC-478U CLONING CABLE
For quick and easy programming of memories, etc. OPC-478: RS-232C cable; OPC-478U: USB cable

- OPC-474 CLONING CABLE
Transceiver to transceiver cloning cable.

- MB-17A MOBILE MOUNTING BRACKET

- SP-10 EXTERNAL SPEAKER

- OPC-441 SPEAKER EXTENSION CABLE
5.0m (16.4ft)

What is SARS? Find out! Be informed. (http://g.msn.com/8HMIENIN/2737??PS=)

1164. Speed PSK-31 transmit time with lower case letters

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-07 11:41:40 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1164 Message: 1164

PSK-31 and its phase-shifted brethren are becoming very popular for ragchewing in the digital subbands. Yet because of its duty cycle is 100%, my trusty old ICOM 751's fan will roar to life to cool torrid transistor finals during particularly long and enjoyable PSK conversations.

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- Written by Dave Hassler, K7CCC for Hints & Kinks in QST - May'2003

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1165. Re: [m_a_r_s] Speed PSK-31 transmit time with lower case letters

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-07 12:24:48 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1164 Message: 1165

good info, also means you cannot shout..!!!

----- Original Message -----
From: "VU2UGO" <vu2ugo@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 07, 2003 5:11 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Speed PSK-31 transmit time with lower case letters

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1166. Handies for Sale.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-07 14:50:23 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1166 Message: 1166

Dear Friends,

I have received two Kenwood TH 78A dual band handies two days back, for sale.

Though both are in excellent physical condition and very sparingly used, one handie has a problem with it's memory: it does not accept any frequency in memory mode. It works 100% ok in VFO mode and scans alright. Both handies have Rx from 118 Mhz to 1000 Mhz.

The seller expects 5 K for the one with memory problem and 12 K for the perfect one. This one has come with a 5W battery.

Interested hams may contact me on my cell: 98211 29268.

73,

Vijay VU2VVP

Dreaming of a holiday? Make it happen. In Switzerland!
(http://g.msn.com/8HMIENIN/2752??PS=)

1167. Re: [m_a_r_s] Speed PSK-31 transmit time with lower case letters

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-08 02:43:14 UTC
From: NR Sharma
Topic: 1164 Message: 1167

Hey Sandip,
Terrific info,only try telling the russians!!!! Please can somebody
tell me the full forms of the short forms like M.O.T.A, I.R.L.P
(portfolio-MARS)? Just curios.
Sarla

MARS wrote:

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>Sent: Wednesday, May 07, 2003 5:11 PM
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1168. Happy Birthday - VU2ICQ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-08 03:31:34 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1168 Message: 1168

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MARS wishes its Very Active Founder Life Member Mehul Chovatia - VU2 ICQ a very Happy Birthday

1169. Happy Birthday - Sachin Tupe

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-08 03:32:43 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1169 Message: 1169

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MARS wishes its Member Sachin Tupe - Grade - I a very Happy Birthday

1170. Re: [m_a_r_s] Speed PSK-31 transmit time with lower case letters

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-08 03:37:30 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1164 Message: 1170

dear sarla,

for your clarification.

M.O.T.A (Musuem On The Air)
I.R.L.P (Internet Repeater Link Project).

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nlf
----- Original Message -----
From: NR Sharma
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, May 08, 2003 8:13 AM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Speed PSK-31 transmit time with lower case letters

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1171. Re: Happy Birthday - VU2ESP

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-08 04:26:42 UTC
From: jayesh_kharwar
Topic: 1151 Message: 1171

Dear Nilesh, Madhu & Zyros,

Thanks for the Birthday Wishes.

For some reason, I had stopped receiving the mails from MARS and my account was reactiviated just today.

Take Care Guys & Gal,

73'

deVU2ESP

-- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@b...> wrote:
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> MARS wishes its Life Member Jayesh Kharwar - VU2ESP a very Happy Birthday

1172. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2ICQ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-08 05:00:57 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1168 Message: 1172

Hi Mehul! wish you a very happy birthday! (active, founder and life member too! wow!) :-)
cheers!
madhu

Take this "News" quiz. Win cool prizes.
http://server1.msn.co.in/sp03/cnn/index.asp Click 'n play!

1173. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - Sachin Tupe

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-08 05:02:46 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1169 Message: 1173

Hi sachin! haaaapy birthday to you! hope supriya is making something special
for the dinner table today!
cheers!
madhu

Can write well? Let's talk. http://server1.msn.co.in/msnleads/tis/index.asp
Right now!

1174. Re: [mars_classes] Happy Birthday - VU2ICQ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-08 08:53:47 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1174 Message: 1174

dear vu2icq
happy birthday
i am sure you will be a happy man today and always
salam
zrs

----Original Message Follows----
From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
Reply-To: mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
To: "M_A_R_S@..." <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
CC: "mars_classes" <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [mars_classes] Happy Birthday - VU2ICQ
Date: Thu, 8 May 2003 09:01:34 +0530

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FAX.OO-91-22-22025848
MOBILE. 9821025289

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Dreaming of a holiday? Make it happen.
http://server1.msn.co.in/sp03/switzerlandtourism/index.asp In Switzerland!

1175. Re: Speed PSK-31 transmit time with lower case letters

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-08 10:29:03 UTC
From: Mehul
Topic: 1164 Message: 1175

Hi Sarla,

IRLP stands for Internet Repeater Linking Project. The official site for IRLP is www.irlp.net. This site is very informative about the topic and also gives information on the various nodes operating across the globe. VU2GMN from Madras is one of the node from India.

There are other related projects like Echolink (www.echolink.org), Ilink and Wires (http://www.vxstd.com/en/wiresinfo-en/faq.html).

73s,

Mehul.

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> >>all characters are five bits long. As the name implies, the PSK
varicode,
> >>invented by Peter Martinez, G3PLX, has characters that vary in
length from
> >>two bits ("e") to 10 bits ("Z"). A glance at the Varicode
character table
> >>shows that lowercase letters clearly use fewer bits than
uppercase
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> >letters.
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> >>A little math showed me how much shorter. Lowercase letters
average 5.96
> >>bits in length, while uppercase letters average 8.23 bits. It
sounded
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> >good,
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> >>so I decided to make a "practical test". I disconnected the
soundcard
> >>interface and just sent the phrase "The tired old ham lumbered
over the
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> >lazy
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> >>dog to get another 807" through the PC speakers. It took 21
seconds to
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> >send
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> >>the phrase in uppercase; it took 16 seconds to send it in
lowercase.
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> >>After that, I released the Caps Lock key on the computer.
Sending all
> >>lowercase letters might look a little odd, but it's more
efficient, and I
> >>can tell you that the final of my transceiver is 24% happier!
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> >>- Written by Dave Hassler, K7CCC for Hints & Kinks in QST -
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> >>vu2ugo@q...
> >>Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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> >>To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
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1176. Voice Workshop

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-08 12:52:47 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1176 Message: 1176

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- Covering basic modules of voice culture, lectures and practical sessions
- Limited seats left (9 seats, at the time of posting this e-mail)
- today is the last day to register in person / by email at awaaz@...
or tomorrow before 11am

73s de VU2UGO
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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1177. IRLP

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-09 03:59:36 UTC
From: NR Sharma
Topic: 1177 Message: 1177

Hi Mehul,
Yep I did work the node at GMN in chennai.And am also on Echolink,and talk to my friend Bandi from Hungary. But honestly I thought IRLP meant something like International Radio Leadership Project!!!
Thanks for the info anyway,
Sarla

1178. Re: [m_a_r_s] Voice Workshop

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-09 10:34:15 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1176 Message: 1178

hi ugo - thanks for the info. appreciate it.
cheers!
madhu

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Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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Mega movies. Mega prizes. http://server1.msn.co.in/sp03/hallmark/index.asp
Switch to Hallmark channel.

1179. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2ICQ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-10 08:16:29 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 1168 Message: 1179

Dear vu2icq

Wishing u a Happy Birthday and healthy and active year ahead

vu3sob

Win a PC. Every 15 days!
http://server1.msn.co.in/sp03/hclbeanstalktour/index.asp Just take this
quiz.

1180. happy Birthday - VU2SXF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-12 13:11:51 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1180 Message: 1180

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its Founder Member Sandesh Kamat - VU2SXF a very Happy Birthday

1181. Re: [m_a_r_s] happy Birthday - VU2SXF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-12 16:03:09 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1180 Message: 1181

hello vu2 sxf

hey sanDesh a very happy birtDay , anD your first one
after your marraige , now hows the feling , lollllll

ALL THE BEST FOR FUTURE

VU2 UGJ , MUKESH
--- vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
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1182. The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 19

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-13 03:48:19 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1182 Message: 1182

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==>AMATEURS SUPPORT TORNADO RELIEF-RECOVERY EFFORTS

Amateurs in Missouri, Kansas, and Tennessee this week continued relief and
recovery support in the wake of a severe outbreak of deadly tornadoes May
4 that also affected other states. Oklahoma City-area amateurs responded
to assist after a tornado hit that region May 8. At week's end, the death
toll from the May 4 storms stood at 40; many more were injured, and
countless homes and other structures were damaged or destroyed. Thousands
of residents in the stricken areas were left without power or telephone
service. Those left homeless by the storms have been taking refuge in Red
Cross shelters or with friends or relatives. Amateur Radio operators have
been assisting in damage assessment as well as providing communication
support for the Red Cross and The Salvation Army's shelter and feeding
efforts.

In Kansas, ARRL Section Manager Ron Cowan, KB0DTI, reports severe damage
in two counties, with houses destroyed and utilities out in the path of
the twister. The tornado remained on the ground for 90 minutes, plowing
through Leavenworth and Wyandotte counties in Kansas before crossing the
border into Platte and Clay counties in Missouri. The funnel cloud finally
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lifted northeast of Kansas City.

"Wyandotte/Kansas City RACES was active with spotting and later damage assessment," Cowan said. RACES went on standby on May 5. Johnson County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) opened a VHF net, coordinated by EC and Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network (SATERN) Coordinator June Jeffers, KB0WEQ, within 30 minutes of touchdown. SATERN members and other ham radio volunteers assisted Salvation Army canteens that rolled in immediately after the storm.

Cowan said Crawford County in southeastern Kansas also suffered major damage. Most affected was the area north of Pittsburg and the communities of Girard and Franklin, which were right in the storm's path.

In Missouri, ARRL Section Emergency Coordinator Don Moore, KM0R, said tornado damage was reported throughout the greater Kansas City area. Moore has been posting updates on the Missouri Section ARES Web site <http://www.ares-mo.org/may0403storms.asp>. He said multiple nets--including ARES, Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service and SKYWARN--relayed storm information to emergency officials on May 4 and later assisted with damage assessment. The National Weather Service credited ham radio operators with dozens of storm-related reports over the weekend.

Hams in Pierce City--in the direct path of one tornado and especially hard hit--were using a repeater in nearby Aurora to supplement public safety communication. Hams in Southwest Missouri also handled health-and-welfare inquiries via the Missouri Traffic Net (3963 kHz).

In West Tennessee, May 4 marked the second time in four years that the Jackson-Madison County area was devastated by tornadoes. "Lives were lost and people injured," said Madison County EC Kenny Johns, AB4EG.

Some 27,000 residents remain without power, Johns reported, adding that the tornado made a direct hit on the emergency operations center. The storm also did not spare the sheriff's department, the post office or the federal building in Jackson.

"First day was shock, second day was just deciding what to do first, third day recovery was well under way, fourth day there was more hope, help and a great county spirit," Johns said.

Johns said an ARES net was in operation in West Tennessee. "Right now we are able to handle it," he said at week's end. "Hams from surrounding counties are helping. Their efforts have been appreciated." Even as the massive cleanup effort began, forecasters were calling for additional severe weather in the days ahead. Flooding from continued heavy rains was an additional complication.

In Oklahoma, ARRL Section Manager John Thomason, WB5SYT, reports that amateurs responded "within minutes" of a tornado that struck the Oklahoma City area May 8. They remained in place at week's end. More than 100

people reportedly were injured, and the tornado leveled or damaged hundreds of structures, including a General Motors manufacturing plant. Hardest hit was the suburb of Moore. The storm left more than 30,000 homes without power.

"Emergency communication, delivering supplies to Salvation Army canteens and helping with health and welfare are in process," Thomason said. "This tornado hit some of the same areas as did the F5 tornado of May 1999." The 1999 storm claimed nearly 50 lives.

To keep an open frequency for amateurs to support The Salvation Army's relief efforts, the FCC has declared a general communications emergency for the Oklahoma area. Effective immediately, amateurs are required to refrain from using 3900 kHz, plus or minus 3 kHz, unless they are taking part in the handling of emergency traffic. The order remains in effect until rescinded.

"The Amateur Radio effort will be under way for some time," Thomason said. In a message to his Section, Thomason advised patience with the public, the process and other Amateur Radio volunteers. "By pulling together during these times the public, which desperately needs our help, benefits," he said.

==>NTIA ADMINISTRATOR LAUDS, CAUTIONS FCC IN "BROADBAND OVER POWER LINE" INQUIRY

The administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/>, Nancy J. Victory, has applauded the FCC's decision to launch its inquiry into Broadband over Power Line (BPL)--a form of power line communications (PLC). In an April 24 letter to FCC Chairman Michael Powell, the other four commissioners and to FCC Office of Engineering and Technology Chief Edmond J. Thomas, Victory said BPL "holds great promise" and urged the Commission to "move forward expeditiously with its inquiry." At the same time, she called on the FCC to make sure that BPL does not cause harmful interference to other services.

"I also urge the Commission to promptly adopt any subsequent rule changes that may be appropriate to facilitate broadband PLC deployment, while ensuring that those rules prevent harmful radio frequency (RF) interference to other communications mediums." Victory wrote.

BPL has raised the specter of substantial interference to the HF bands since it involves coupling high-frequency RF to parts of the power grid and using existing power lines as the transmission medium to deliver broadband and Internet services. The new so-called "access BPL" and "in-home BPL" devices operate on multiple carriers spread over a wide spectrum, which could be as much as from 2 MHz up to 80 MHz.

Victory offered NTIA's services in assisting the FCC with measuring and testing broadband PLC emissions. An arm of the US Department of Commerce, the NTIA regulates radio spectrum allocated to the federal government.

The FCC released a Notice of Inquiry on BPL deployment, ET Docket 03-104, on April 28. The complete NOI is available on the FCC Web site <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-03-100A1.doc>.

Interested parties may submit electronically filed comments via the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>. Under ECFS Main Links, click on "Submit a Filing." In the "Proceeding" field, enter "03-104" and complete the required field. Comments may be typed into a form or you may attach a file containing your comments. Comments also may be submitted via e-mail, per instructions on the ECFS page. The comment deadline will be 45 days after publication of the NOI in the Federal Register.

ARRL Laboratory Manager Ed Hare, W1RFI, has urged League members to become informed and to comment in the proceeding. "The time to raise and answer interference questions is now," he said. The ARRL Lab has prepared a comprehensive information page, "Power Line Communications (PLC) and Amateur Radio," <http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/HTML/plc/>. ARRL Lab staff also will visit sites where BPL is undergoing field testing.

==>TENSE MOMENTS MARK SAFE RETURN OF ALL-HAM EXPEDITION 6 CREW

The International Space Station's all-ham Expedition 6 crew of Commander Ken Bowersox, KD5JBP; Flight Engineer Nikolai Budarin, RV3FB, and NASA ISS Science Officer Don Pettit, KD5MDT, is back on Earth. After spending more than five months aboard the ISS, Bowersox and Pettit became the first NASA astronauts to travel home from the ISS on a Russian Soyuz TMA-1 vehicle and the first to land in a foreign country. But their return trip was not without incident.

After undocking from the ISS May 3 at 2243 UTC, Bowersox, Pettit and Budarin touched down May 4 at 0207 UTC in Kazakhstan--some 285 miles shy of their intended target. The unexpected turn of events led to some tense moments in the Russian mission control center, where space officials of both countries were carefully--and anxiously--monitoring the crew's return.

The Soyuz was pulled onto its side in the hard landing, and its antennas were damaged in the impact. Search aircraft eventually picked up the Soyuz' emergency beacon and were able to locate the spacecraft and its crew some 2-1/2 hours after touchdown. It was another two hours before recovery helicopters arrived to pick up the crew from the remote Kazakh steppes. All three were in good health, but NASA sent in two flight surgeons and medical supplies to the Central Asia landing site just in case.

At week's end, it remained unclear why the advanced-model Soyuz TMA--the first of its generation to land on Earth--undershot its intended landing zone. News accounts indicate the vehicle inexplicably took a steeper and faster "ballistic" re-entry trajectory instead of a more-controlled landing approach. Russian space officials have promised an investigation. The Soyuz will handle all crew transport to and from the ISS while the US shuttle fleet remains grounded following the Columbia disaster February 1.

The grounding of the shuttle fleet forced Bowersox, Pettit and Budarin to spend another two months in space while US and Russian space officials worked out crew-exchange arrangements.

After a stop at Baikonur Cosmodrome, the crew headed for Star City, Russia, and the Gagarin Cosmonaut Training Center. There, they were reunited with their families and began physical rehabilitation after months of living in a weightless environment. They'll also undergo a debriefing. Bowersox and Pettit are slated to return to Houston in mid-May.

Expedition 7 Commander Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP, and NASA ISS Science Officer Ed Lu, KC5WKJ, arrived on the ISS April 28 aboard a Soyuz TMA-2 spacecraft for a six-month duty tour. They'll return to Earth in early November. Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) <http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov> school group contacts will remain on hold for the next few weeks as the new crew settles in.

==>WASHINGTON HAM WINS INAUGURAL GOLDFARB MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Ben Schupack, NW7DX, of Sammamish, Washington, is the first-ever winner of the William R. Goldfarb Memorial Scholarship <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2003/01/27/102/index.html>. The award, administered through the ARRL Foundation, provides a full, four-year undergraduate scholarship to a meritorious young Amateur Radio operator. The new award is the result of a generous endowment from the late William Goldfarb, N2ITP.

"Amateur Radio has played an incredible role in my life and as a ham," Schupack wrote in his award application. "Amateur Radio has opened many doors for me. I have become interested in electronics, foreign languages, antennas, propagation and more."

In addition to the Goldfarb Scholarship, the Foundation awarded scholarships worth more than $31,000 to college-bound Amateur Radio operators <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2003/05/07/2/winners.html>.

A senior at Eastlake High School with a 3.96 grade point average, Schupack, 18, plans to attend Whitman College <http://www.whitman.edu/> in the fall to major in chemistry on his way to a dentistry career. The Goldfarb Memorial Scholarship covers all typical college expenses, including tuition, room and board and textbooks for the recipient's four-year undergraduate education.

A distinguished prep trombone player, Schupack has been a member of the US National Honor Band and the All-Northwest Honor Band. He's also a member of the National Honor Society and EHS's varsity cross-country and track teams.

An Amateur Extra licensee and an ARRL member, his ham radio accomplishments are impressive. The 40-WPM Morse operator placed first in the world for the 2001 World Wide WPX Contest in the Rookie, Low-Power,

Single Operator category; he was also first in that category in 1999 for Canada, operating as NW7DX/VE7. He's also a member of the ARRL A-1 Operator Club and enjoys kit building and homebrewing. Primarily a CW operator, Schupack said he also enjoys SSB and is exploring the newer digital modes.

Before his death in 1997, Goldfarb set up a scholarship endowment of close to $1 million in memory of his parents, Albert and Dorothy Goldfarb, who died when he was a teenager. More information on the Goldfarb Memorial Scholarship and on the ARRL Foundation is available on the Foundation's Web site <http://www.arrl.org/arrlf>.

==>FCC AFFIRMS HEFTY FINE FOR AMATEUR IN INTERFERENCE CASE

The FCC has affirmed a $12,000 fine against Technician-class Amateur Radio operator Scott E. Kamm, N0UGN. The FCC released a Forfeiture Order May 7 alleging willful and repeated interference, broadcasting of music and failing to identify with his call sign. The FCC's Kansas City office had released a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture (NAL) on January 24, but Kamm never filed a response, the FCC said. The Commission ordered Kamm to pay the fine within 30 days.

Kamm's station was in Waterbury, Nebraska, at the time he was cited last fall, although the FCC granted his February 27, 2002, application to change his mailing address to a location in Sioux City, Iowa.

Responding to complaints of continuing interference on the input of a 2-meter repeater, FCC agents monitored the machine's input frequency last December 9. They observed a very strong signal on 146.31 MHz "consisting of music, sound effects and unmodulated carriers" and no station ID. The FCC said the transmissions were interfering with amateur communications already in progress.

The FCC twice tracked similar signals to Kamm's residence in Waterbury, Nebraska, inspected his station and found a transceiver capable of operating on 146.31 MHz, the FCC said. Kamm claimed no transmissions were made from his station.

During 2002, Kamm was the target of several letters and an FCC Warning Notice from Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth. Last fall, the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau set aside Kamm's amateur license renewal based upon complaints about the operation of his station and questions regarding his qualifications to be a licensee. Kamm's amateur license expired last September 29, and his license renewal application, filed August 8, has reverted to pending status.

==>TENNESSEE, INDIANA AMATEUR ANTENNA BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

Amateur Radio antenna bills in Tennessee and Indiana have been signed into law by the governors of those states. Their successful passage brings to 19 the number of states that have adopted amateur antenna laws based on the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1. Original versions of both

bills had contained minimum regulatory antenna structure heights, below which localities could not regulate. Both left their respective legislatures without those provisions.

Tennessee Gov Phil Bredesen signed his state's bill--a compromise between the House and Senate versions of the legislation--on April 29. The measure became law immediately upon his signature.

ARRL Tennessee State Government Liaison Ingrid Klose, KD4F, credited "a concerted effort by Tennessee hams" for the bills' passage. She also said it was significant that Bredesen signed the bill instead of just letting it become law without his signature. "We believe that speaks for the understanding the governor has, not only of the role of Amateur Radio relative to the communications needs of Tennessee, but also of our needs in order to be able to provide good communication service when needed," she said.

At the request of Tennessee ARRL Section leadership, lawmakers eliminated language from the original Senate bill that would have incorporated a schedule of minimum regulatory height limits. Tennessee Section Manager Terry Cox, KB4KA, said proponents realized that chances of retaining the original wording were slim, given the opposition to last year's proposal, which had included a similar schedule of minimum antenna structure heights.

Indiana's bill got Gov Frank O'Bannon's signature on April 30. It becomes effective July 1 The bill that cleared the General Assembly did not contain language incorporating a 75-foot minimum regulatory antenna structure height, written into the Senate version of the bill but not included in the version passed by the House. A House-Senate conference committee cut out the 75-foot minimum, and the Senate passed the stripped-down measure on a 39-9 roll-call vote.

The bills approved in both states prohibit localities from enacting or enforcing ordinances, resolutions or orders that do not comply with the PRB-1 limited federal preemption--distilled within the Part 97 Amateur Service rules in §97.15, "Station antenna structures." Both measures also require ordinances involving the placement, screening or height of Amateur Radio antennas based on health, safety or aesthetics to "reasonably accommodate" Amateur Radio communications and represent the minimal practicable regulation to accomplish a municipality's or county's legitimate purpose.

The Indiana law also permits municipalities or counties to act to protect or preserve historical or architectural districts established under local, state or federal law.

Amateur Radio antenna laws in only a handful of states--Oregon, Virginia, Alaska and Wyoming--include minimum regulatory height limits. Amateur Radio antenna bills are pending in several other states, including New York, New Jersey and California.

==>RSGB DELEGATION REPORTS ON FOUNDATION LICENSE SUCCESS IN UK

Great Britain's new Foundation license <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2002/01/10/1/> has reversed the slide in licensee numbers and reinvigorated Amateur Radio in the UK. That was the assessment of Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) <http://www.rsgb.org> President Bob Whelan, G3PJT, who headed an RSGB contingent that visited ARRL Headquarters April 29-30.

"We had some pretty alarming statistics," Whelan told his audience of ARRL staff members. He said the RSGB realized that if nothing changed, the number of Amateur Radio exams given would drop to zero in five years, "and time was marching on." That trend, coupled with a rising median age in the Amateur Radio population in the UK and RSGB members' desire for a "practical, progressive" approach to licensing prompted the RSGB to rethink the licensing structure, Whelan said.

As a result, the RSGB conceived of and convinced the Radiocommunications Agency to approve the Foundation license as a "radically different" entry-level approach to Amateur Radio and the first step in a three-tiered licensing structure. Among other new requirements, Foundation applications must demonstrate the ability to make an on-the-air contact. Because the RSGB considered HF access "essential" to newcomers, it devised a Morse assessment--rather than a proficiency examination--to qualify applicants.

Since the Foundation license became available January 1, 2002, Great Britain has seen the number of amateurs rise by 4000--approximately a quarter of them under age 21. "It was slightly unexpected," Whelan conceded. The RSGB had planned on an initial rush of 1000 candidates, but three months into the new program, the organization found itself inundated with 3000 applications. There are 50,000 amateur licensees in the UK. Foundation licensees sport M3-prefix call signs and have privileges on all bands from 136 kHz to 440 MHz--except 10 meters--with a 10 W power limit.

Foundation license classes often are offered through weekend sessions sponsored by local radio clubs. In addition to the Morse assessment, which has no specific code speed requirement, applicants must pass a 20-question (soon to be 25-question) written examination.

More information on the Foundation License is available on the RSGB Web site <http://www.rsgb.org> (click on "Foundation Licence Courses").

The RSGB delegation also included General Manager Peter Kirby, G0TWW, and Commercial Manager Mark Allgar, M1MPA. While at ARRL Headquarters, the RSGB team also discussed with ARRL staff members preparations for World Radiocommunication Conference 2003, International Amateur Radio Union concerns, power line communications, sales and marketing issues and other topics of mutual interest.

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Propagation prophet Tad "Sun King" Cook, K7RA, Seattle, Washington, reports: Active geomagnetic conditions continue. Average planetary A index

this week was 20.7, and 23.7 the week before.

Solar flux and sunspot numbers were down this week. Average sunspot numbers were down nearly 40 points from the previous week, and average solar flux was down more than 10 points. Predicted solar flux for Friday, May 9, to Monday, May 12, is 95, 95, 100 and 100.

The latest forecast shows planetary A index not going below 20 until May 16. The earth is currently inside a solar wind stream. An interplanetary shock wave, probably from a coronal mass, hit Earth May 9 at 0500 UTC and should keep conditions active.

Sunspot numbers for May 1 through 7 were 171, 175, 134, 172, 144, 117 and 109, with a mean of 146. The 10.7-cm flux was 148.7, 156.5, 147.7, 142, 128.8, 122 and 110.2 with a mean of 136.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 40, 17, 10, 7, 12, 23 and 36, with a mean of 20.7.

An expanded Solar Update appears each Friday on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/>.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The Armed Forces Day Crossband Communications Tests <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2003/04/28/100/>, the Nevada and Oregon QSO parties, the VOLTA Worldwide RTTY Contest, the FISTS Spring Sprint (May 10), the CQ-M International DX Contest and the 50-MHz Spring Sprint are the weekend of May 10-11. JUST AHEAD: The US Counties QSO Party (SSB), the Anatolian RTTY Worldwide Contest, His Majesty the King of Spain Contest (CW) and the Baltic Contest are the weekend of May 17-18. The CQ Worldwide WPX Contest (CW) is the weekend of May 24-25. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration is closed for the Level I ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-001) that begins May 20, sponsored by the Corporation for National and Community Service. Registration opens Monday, May 12, 12:01 AM EDT (0401 UTC), for the Level II Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-002). Registration remains open through May 18 or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, May 27. Thanks to a grant from United Technologies Corporation, the $45 registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the Level II course. During this registration period, approximately 50 seats are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. A new service now allows those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future to receive advance word of registration opportunities via e-mail. To take advantage, send an e-mail to prereg@.... On the subject line, include the course name or number (eg, EC-00#). In the message body, include your name, call sign, e-mail address, and the month

you want to start the course. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce/> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, dmiller@...; 860-594-0340.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the ARRL Antenna Modeling (EC-004) course <http://www.arrl.org/cce/courses.html> opens Monday, May 12, 12:01 AM EDT (0401 UTC). Registration remains open through Sunday, May 18. Class begins Tuesday afternoon, May 20. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@....

* Correction: An article "Amateur Radio Spectrum Protection Act To Get Public Airing" in The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 18 (May 2, 2003), incorrectly identified the political affiliation of Rep Jerry Moran of Kansas. Rep Moran is a Republican.

* Turkish hams help following earthquake: Within hours after a deadly earthquake hit in the vicinity of the city of Bingol in southeastern Turkey on May 1, a contingent of Amateur Radio operators arrived on the scene. Amateurs, who traveled from Erzurum with a Civil Defense team, were able to reach the repeater in Erzurum--some 3210 meters above sea level--from some parts of the stricken city. From Erzurum, a Turkey Radio Amateur Club (TRAC) station relayed traffic via HF, said TRAC President Aziz Sasa, TA1E. Sasa says a three-person team from TRAC's Malatya Branch arrived at the disaster scene about 10 hours later and got an HF station on the air at the Incident Command Center. In addition, he said, two members from TRAC's Ankara Branch were deployed via a military aircraft with Civil Defense personnel. The Amateur Radio operation wrapped up May 4 along with rescue activities. "During the four-day operation a nationwide HF network was active," Sasa said. "As there is the fear of some further strong seismic activities in that particular region, we will try to arrange a VHF-UHF local area voice network there as quickly as possible." He said ham radio operators and equipment are scarce in the extremely mountainous area, but the elevation eases the installation of a VHF-UHF network.

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* ARRLWeb <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/>. (NOTE: The ARRL Letter will be posted each Friday when it is distributed via e-mail.)

* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio Club: Visit Mailing Lists@... <http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/letter-list>. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)

1183. vu2zrs wishes happy Birthday to VU2SXF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-13 07:59:33 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1183 Message: 1183

dear sandesh,

wish you all the best on your birthday

zrs

ZYROS ZEND
FORTUNE COOKIE INDIA
300,CAWASJI HORMASJI STREET
DHOBI TALAO
MUMBAI.
TEL.00-91-22-22035586
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Win a PC. Every 15 days!
http://server1.msn.co.in/sp03/hclbeanstalktour/index.asp Just take this quiz.

1184. Some stuff about Google

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-13 14:09:25 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1184 Message: 1184

Here is an article with links that a friend of mine had sent. Hope you use it well to hunt up some good deals on the web for high quality HF sets. If you find any, you owe me one - an HF set that is!

Dont miss seeing the links mentioned in the article.

regards,

VU2NHR - Nirav

I think many of us are using Google for web searches, and I was not aware of all the "hidden"
features Google supports for searching. The following is an excerpt from a review in the IHT of a book called "Google Hacks":

Tips and tricks for Google geeks
Users fine-tune a search engine
By Lee Dembart (International Herald Tribune)
Monday, April 21, 2003

PARIS: You no doubt use Google to search the Web. Everybody does. But you probably don't know all of the things that Google can do, and you may not know that you can create your own programs to improve Google's already impressive searching power.

Did you know, for example, that you can use Google as a U.S. telephone directory?

To start, all you need to know is the person's last name and state. Type "phonebook:" followed by the last name and two-letter state abbreviation in the Google search field. (The search returns a maximum of about 600 hits, so to find names that are fairly common, you'll have to help it out by providing a city or a first name.)

If you type rphonebook:, you will get only residential listings. If you type bphonebook:, you'll get only business listings. (Don't leave out the colon after "phonebook.") You can even use this feature as a reverse directory. Type phonebook: (area code) (number), and Google will (usually) give you the name of the person who has that number.

I recently learned this trick from a new book, "Google Hacks," by Tara Calishain and Rael Dornfest, which is published by O'Reilly and lists for $24.95, or ?17.50 in Britain.

Computer books from O'Reilly usually demand a fair amount of technical knowledge. But this one is an exception. Its subtitle is "100 Industrial-Strength Tips and Tools," and while all 100 of them aren't as useful or as easy as the phonebook example, many of them are.

Did you know that there are special syntaxes you can use to narrow your Google search? If you're researching an academic subject, type site: edu into the search window, and you'll restrict your hits to .edu sites - colleges and universities. It is also possible to search Google for a particular file type, such as a Microsoft Word document or an Adobe Acrobat file.

Another useful enhancement to Google, which Calishain said came too late to be included in the book, is Google Alert (www.google alert.com). You enter your search terms, and the site, which is not affiliated with Google, automatically runs a Google search every day and e-mails the new results to you.

You can see a full list of all the tips in the book at hacks.oreilly.com/pub/ht/2. Several of them, including the phonebook tip, are available there as a free sample. It's No. 17.

Calishain, the co-author of the book, has more free samples at her Web site, www.researchbuzz.com, an informative site dedicated to search engines and databases on the Web. You can find the Google tools that she has devised at www.buzztoolbox.com/google. Among the handy ones is Goofresh, which lets you search for pages that were indexed today, yesterday, in the last seven days or the last 30 days.

Another person who has invented tools for Google and put them online is Kevin Shay. One of his programs lets you search Google for terms that are within one, two or three words of each other (www.staggernation.com/cgi-bin/gaps.cgi). That's Hack #71 in "Google Hacks."

Calishain and Shay were able to develop these useful enhancements using an application programming interface that Google put out last year that lets people make improvements using the computer language Perl. There's a whole section of "Google Hacks" devoted to this subject, starting with Hack #50, "Introducing the Google Web API."

http://www.iht.com/ihtsearch.php?id=93851&owner=(International%20Herald%20Tribune)&date=20030423134329

1185. Two more great sites

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-13 14:13:32 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1185 Message: 1185

Here are two more great sites.

www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/ For all your DXing efforts.

http://www.world-gazetteer.com/home.htm

NLF can actually figure out how this second one can affect any DMP. Just try searching a list of cities in Maharashtra to know what I mean.

If anyone has an issue with me sending out stuff like this, please press your PTT now or forever hold your .... :)

best,

VU2NHR

1186. Re: NEW MEMBERSHIP

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-16 11:42:17 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1186 Message: 1186

Dear VU2DCT,

Thanks for your interest. I will surely approve your membership. To join just send a blank email to
radiohams-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

On related front, have you heard of Mumbai Amateur Radio Society (MARS) ? Probably you have at some JOTA event. The website is at www.mumbai-hams.org

Welcome!

73

de

VU2NHR (Nirav)
QTH Mumbai

-----Original Message-----
From: D C SHARMA, VU2DCT [mailto:vu2dct@...]
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2003 5:40 PM
To: radiohams@yahoogroups.com
Subject: NEW MEMBERSHIP

The Moderator,

Dear OM

I am interested to join your group. Pl send me the necessary info and add my e-mail add in your mail-box.

73's

de

PANDIT, VU2DCT

(D C SHARMA)

Secretary

HAL Scouts Group Amateur Radio Club (VU2LKO)

Lucknow-226016

1187. Next Batch of Ham Radio Classes.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-17 06:18:35 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1187 Message: 1187

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

I am pleased to announce that we are starting our next batch of ham radio classes in June 2003 at Churchgate. The date will be announced shortly by Prashant Koli - VU2CBU, who heads the Education Commitee. (offcourse myself and many others will be assisting him).

All of you are therefore requested to give the names of your family members, relatives, friends etc.. who are interested in joinng the classes to VU2CBU. (resi : 2567 5226 // mobile :20510070).

Please note that we are conducting only one batch this time and therefore we have limited seats, there are already 35 students listed in our pending log register. So please register fast..

The fees and other details will be announced shortly by VU2CBU.

73

NLF

1188. ARISS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-17 08:55:31 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1188 Message: 1188

ARISS
School Contacts

Frequently
asked Questions

The following questions and answers are based on material prepared by the ARRL and NASA.

WHAT IS ARISS?

ARISS, (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) is a program that offers an opportunity for students to experience the excitement of Amateur Radio by talking directly with crewmembers of the ISS (International Space Station).

Teachers, parents and communities will see how Amateur Radio can energize youngsters about science, technology, and learning.

Speaking with astronauts and other crewmembers is a unique educational experience. ARISS would like to take this opportunity to involve large numbers of individuals, particularly youth, in technology and the International space program with the help of Amateur Radio.

WHO SPONSORS ARISS?

Amateur Radio organizations, and space agencies in the USA, Russia, Canada, Japan and Europe sponsor these exciting experiments.

Hundreds of Amateur Radio operators, including those from NASA Amateur Radio clubs at Johnson Space Center, Goddard Space Flight Center, and Marshall Space Flight Center, work behind the scenes to make these educational experiences possible.

I AM A HAM. HOW CAN I INTRODUCE ARISS TO MY CHILD?

Bring a shortwave receiver to school and let students eavesdrop on Amateur Radio retransmissions. Then set up a 2-meter satellite ground station in class, and try a satellite contact. The teacher can apply for a future school contact, almost guaranteeing that students will have an opportunity to communicate with a crew.

CAN HAMS MAKE UNSCHEDULED ARISS CONTACTS?

Yes. The ISS crew has not lost sight of why it has been so successful. It is the Amateur Radio community that has brought astronauts voices into schools. Crew members make random contacts with earth-bound hams. They make contacts during their breaks, pre-sleep time and before and after mealtime. Astronauts have contacted thousands of hams around the world. Computer software allows the crew to operate the 2-meter packet gear radio in unattended mode, and hams can make contacts when the crewmembers are working.

WHAT TYPE RADIO DO I NEED?

A typical ARISS ground station includes a 2-meter FM transceiver and 25-100 watts of output power. A circularly polarized crossed-Yagi antenna capable of being pointed in both azimuth (N-S-E-W) and elevation (degrees above the horizon) is desirable. But successful contacts have even been made with verticals and ground plane antennas. Commercial and public domain software is available to help track when a shuttle or the ISS will be in range of your station, and where to point your antenna. For more details on assembling your station, you can buy a Satellite Handbook from ARRL

HOW DO I TALK TO THE ISS CREW?

You may communicate with the crew using voice, packet (computer) radio or television. It all depends on what equipment the crew has in space. Astronauts aboard the Space Shuttle Columbia in 1996 made hundreds of random voice contacts with ham radio operators. When the astronauts were busy with other activities, a computerized ham station aboard the orbiting shuttle automatically made contact with thousands more hams.

WHICH ASTRONAUTS HAVE HAM CALL SIGNS?

The Johnson Space Center Amateur Radio Club has a web site with information about astronaut hams. Click on the following links for details.

- ISS Expedition Crews callsign (http://www.w5rrr.org/crews.html)

- Astronaut-Ham Web Page (http://www.w5rrr.org/astros.html)

- Callsigns in use on the ISS

WHAT ARE MY CHANCES OF MAKING A RANDOM CONTACT?

The work schedules of the ISS crew dictate when they are able to operate the radios. So most of the general contacts they make are random. The selection committee recognizes the long-standing commitment of the ham radio community in supporting ARISS, and asks the crew to do as many general ham contacts as possible during flights.

WHAT ARE ARISS RADIO FREQUENCIES?

The following VHF frequencies are used for some ARISS contacts. These frequencies were chosen after much deliberation, to minimize problems between ARISS and other 2-meter users. If you have comments, please direct them to AMSAT via Frank Bauer, KA3HDO. We appreciate the cooperation of all amateurs making ARISS successful.

Frequencies used for ARISS
Voice Downlink: 145.80 (Worldwide)
Voice Uplink: 144.49 (Regions 2&3) 145.20 (Region 1)
Packet Uplink: 145.99 (Worldwide)

Most ARISS operations are split-frequency (each school uses separate receive and transmit frequencies). Please do not transmit on the shuttle's downlink frequency. The downlink is your receiving frequency. The uplink is your transmitting frequency. Earth stations should listen to the downlink frequency and transmit on the uplink frequency only when the ISS or spacecraft is in range and crewmembers are on the air.

HOW DOES THE ARISS PACKET SYSTEM WORK?

There is a page of instructions and advice on this web site which will be kept current. To obtain help in using the ISS packet system,

CAN I USE MY SHORTWAVE RADIO TO EAVESDROP ON THE CREW?

Goddard Amateur Radio Club (MD) will often re-transmit live, NASA air-to-ground audio over Amateur Radio frequencies from their club station, call sign WA3NAN. This station, and some VHF and UHF repeater groups, provide this service so amateurs and students can hear the educational communications. You will hear the astronauts, Mission Control, and bulletins about ARISS activities. WA3NAN operates on the high frequency (HF) bands at 3.86, 7.185, 14.295, 21.395, and 28.65 MHz and in the Greenbelt, MD area on VHF at 147.45 MHz (FM).

WHAT ARE "KEPS?"

Spacecraft-tracking software uses "Keps" or Keplerian elements (also known as "orbital" or "tracking" elements) to pinpoint the location of a spacecraft. Keps provide the software with a spacecraft's orbital track, which the computer uses to calculate its location. Using a tracking program tells an observer when a spacecraft will appear above his or her horizon.

WHERE CAN I FIND KEPS?

Keplerian elements are available from AMSAT News Service publishes weekly information bulletins including Keps. These bulletins are distributed electronically through amateur packet radio networks, landline networks and the World Wide Web http://www.amsat.org/

CAN I RE-TRANSMIT COMMUNICATIONS ON THE HAM FREQUENCIES?

The Radiocommunication Regulations define the amateur radio service as being a ?radiocommunication service in which radio apparatus are used for the purpose of self-training, intercommunication or technical investigation by individuals who are interested in radio technique solely with a personal aim and without pecuniary interest?. This entry not only defines the service but sets out in words what might be considered a description of the ?spirit? behind what is the amateur radio service.

Retransmission of NASA space station communications, which is not necessarily originating from a radio amateur and which might include incidental music[1] (http://by2fd.bay2.hotmail.msn.com/cgi-bin/dasp/EN/rte.asp#_ftn1)[1], might in some ways be seen to extend beyond what is permissible by current legislation. However, given the definition of the amateur radio service in the Regulations, above, and that the nature of legislation generally is that specific entries are either permissive or restrictive in nature, one can see why consideration should be given to a request to permit such retransmission. Retransmission of NASA space station communications would arguably allow the use of radio apparatus for the self-training and technical investigation with a personal aim and without pecuniary interest. Thus, provided it is not otherwise beyond the privileges granted by the amateur radio operator?s certificate and provided the NASA retransmissions are in keeping with the amateur radio service as defined by the Radiocommunication Regulations, such retransmission will be deemed to fall within the definition of the amateur radio service.

To be certain there is no problem in your country, please contact the local regulatory authorities.

HOW DO I GET AN ARISS QSL?

QSL cards are similar to postcards. Hams exchange QSLs to confirm their radio contacts with other stations. Participating in ARISS is an exhilarating experience. But waiting for that coveted QSL card requires patience. Designing a card for the ultimate DXpedition is a lengthy process. Once the cards are printed, RAC forwards them to the Amateur Radio club managing the QSLs.

Please include your QSL or report: date, time in UTC, frequency and mode (voice, packet or sstv).
If you wish to receive a card, you must include a large, self-addressed, stamped envelope with proper postage or sufficient IRCs included.

W1AW BULLETINS:

ARRL's Amateur Radio station (call sign W1AW) transmits news bulletins (9:45 PM, 12:45 AM EST) on HF bands at 1.855, 3.99, 7.29, 14.29, 18.16, 21.39, 28.59 MHz and, in the Hartford, CT area, on VHF at 147.555 MHz. Bulletins are also on packet. AMSAT NET: The AMSAT International Satellite Net on Sundays, 14.282 MHz, +/- QRM.

(http://by2fd.bay2.hotmail.msn.com/cgi-bin/dasp/EN/rte.asp#_ftnref1)

Your life is precious. Protect it. Go for ING Vysya Insurance
(http://g.msn.com/8HMEENIN/2746??PS=)

1189. Cable Attenuation Chart

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-17 09:07:47 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1189 Message: 1189

Attenuation & Power Rating Chart

Attenuation & Power Rating Coax Chart
Nominal Attenuation & Average Input Power in Watts at Frequencies (Mhz)

dB LOSS per 100 FEET

COAX

30MHz/PWR

50MHz/PWR

150MHz/PWR

220MHz/PWR

450MHz/PWR

900MHz/PWR

CXP1318FX

0.8.....2200

0.9.....1700

1.6.....1000

1.8.....830

2.8.....550

4.2.....380

LMR400UF

0.8.....2100

1.0.....1700

1.7.....1000

2.1.....830

3.1.....550

4.7.....380

LMR400

0.7.....2100

0.9.....1700

1.5.....1000

1.8.....830

2.5.....550

3.9.....380

LMR600

0.421.....3100

0.547.....2400

0.964.....1400

1.18.....1100

1.72.....770

2.5.....530

LMR600DB

0.421.....3100

0.547.....2400

0.964.....1400

1.18.....1100

1.72.....770

2.5.....530

LMR600UF

0.500.....3100

0660.....2400

1.2.....1400

1.4.....1100

2.1.....770

3.0.....530

FSJ150A

0.980.....2280

1.27.....1760

2.23.....1000

2.60.....860

3.93.....567

5.66.....395

FSJ450B

0.561.....5750

.0730.....4420

1.29.....2490

1.51.....2100

2.32.....1380

3.40.....947

LDF250

0.567.....4140

0.736.....3190

1.30.....1810

1.51.....1500

2.30.....1002

3.34.....704

LDF250

0.567.....4140

0.736.....3190

1.30.....1810

1.51.....1500

2.30.....1002

3.34.....704

LDF550A

0.197.....14000

0.257.....10700

0.458.....6004

0.536....5150

0.834.....3320

1.23.....2250

CXP213
RG213/U

1.2.....1800

1.6.....1300

2.8....620

3.5.....520

5.2.....300

8.0.....200

CXP008
RG8/U Foam

0.9.....1350

1.2.....975

2.3.....475

2.9.....390

4.7.....225

6.7....150

CXP08X
RG8x-Mini

2.0.....875

2.5.....500

4.7.....310

6.0.....255

8.6.....150

12.8.....100

LMR240UF

1.5.....980

1.9.....750

3.5.....420

4.3.....340

6.1....240

9.1.....170

LMR240

1.3.....980

1.7.....750

3.0.....420

3.7....340

5.3....240

7.6.....170

CXP058
RG58/U

2.5.....400

3.1.....300

6.2.....160

7.4....115

10.6....80

16.5.....50

CXP058A
RG58A/U

2.6.....350

3.3.....255

6.5.....145

7.9....100

12.2....70

20.8.....40

CXP214
RG214/U

1.2.....1800

1.6.....1300

2.8.....620

3.5....520

5.2....300

8.0.....200

CXP011
RG11A/U

3.3.....170

2.8.....72

8.4.....50

15.0....36

24.5....25

31.0.....18

CXP142
RG142/U

1.1.....9000

2.7.....3500

3.9.....2400

5.6....1600

8.2....1100

12.5.....700

The above data is for general reference information purposes only.

The Importance of Replacing your Coax Cable

The life of a coaxial cable depends on many factors. Some of those factors are ultra-violet exposure, migration, high humidity, age, corrosion, power/heat, and voltage. Here are some important guidelines to remember when you start considering the replacement of your coaxial cable run(s).

1. Ultra-Violet exposure breaks down the plasticizers of the jacket over time. As a guideline: Type IIa (2a) non-contaminating PVC jackets can last twice as long as type Ia (1a) PVC jacket.

2. Migration & Corrosion affects the attenuation stability over time by contamination of the dielectric due to jacket plasticizers, and moisture penetration through the jacket.

3. Power electrical losses result from the generation of heat in the center conductor; braid shield, and the dielectric. The power handling capability of a cable is related to its ability to effectively dissipate this heat. Please be aware that a solid or semi-solid

polyethylene dielectric dissipates heat better than a foam polyethylene dielectric, since most of the heat is generated in the center conductor. On balance, the power handling capability of a coaxial cable is inversely proportional to its attenuation, and to its size. This is why RG213/U (CABLE X-PERTS # 18267) handles higher power more efficiently than for example RG58/U (CABLE X-PERTS # 18240). Another factor is the thermal conductive (or heat transfer) properties of the cable, especially within the dielectric. In other words, high ambient temperature, and high altitude could reduce the power rating by impeding the heat transfer out of the cable. High VSWR also reduces the power ratings due to localized HOT SPOTS at poor connector terminations and/or other improper usage.

4. Operating Voltage is represented by two separate voltage ratings.

a. Corona is a related ionization phenomenon that causes noise generation, which leads to long term dielectric damage, and eventual breakdown of the cable. Note: High wattage amplifiers can cause premature dielectric deterioration and larger Corona affects.

b. Dielectric Withstanding Voltage a voltage level that abruptly breaks down the dielectric. To ensure the dielectric integrity of CABLE X-PERTS cables and assemblies, they are HI-POT? tested during manufacturing and in our ready-made cable assembly department.

In summation, coaxial cable can perform to it?s maximum designed efficiency an average of seven years to ten years, provided the connectors are appropriately terminated and the cable is installed correctly. So if your signal is fading or you?re getting erratic VSWR readings, or are unable to get the maximum performance from your transceiver, then its time to consider changing your coaxial cable or cable assemblies. To help choose the correct cable for your application, use our handy Cable Calculatorand visit our Ready-Made assembly product page. Otherwise, simply contact our sales department for additional help in making your cabling choices.

Routing of Cables

Routing of Cables (with or without connectors)
through the exterior wall of a building or home

1. How many cables do you plan to route through the PVC pipe? Consider future installations too.

2. Total up their O.D. Do this by adding the total O.D. of the cables, be sure to include the connectors if installed. Divide that amount in half. All of our cable's O.D are listed in our catalog. Example: Four legs of RG8/U size and two #5971 rotor cables total nominal "O.D. is slightly over 1".

1190. RE: The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 20

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-18 05:38:17 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1190 Message: 1190

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Visit the ARRL Logbook of the World Web site <http://www.arrl.org/lotw> to learn more, download the necessary software and take part in the beta testing effort. For the purposes of the beta test, validated users are asked to submit log data for contacts made on or after January 1, 1998. Once a certificate is issued, beta testers may e-mail their log data to the LoTW database lotw-test@....

LoTW will accept authenticated data--either in Cabrillo or ADIF format--directly from computerized logs via the Internet. Software Development Manager Jon Bloom, KE3Z, noted that because the software still

is under development, any data uploaded during the beta-testing period will be erased before LoTW "goes live." Beta participants will have to obtain new certification even if they've participated in earlier LoTW testing. The beta certification will be good only for the beta-test period.

Bloom emphasized that every call sign would need a separate certificate.

Bloom and Mills encouraged beta-test DXers and contesters to upload their log files--the bigger the better--to test the robustness of the software as well as to populate the database and create a more realistic environment. LoTW will find and match contacts between stations based on the log data submitted by users, and the results will appear on the Logbook of the World Web page.

"We're not replacing the whole paper QSL scheme with Logbook of the World," said Mills, who is also ARRL's Membership Services manager. "This is really a system to offer credits for awards."

==>HAM RADIO TORNADO RESPONSE WINDS DOWN

ARRL Oklahoma Section Manager John Thomason, WB5SYT, said this week that the intense Amateur Radio relief and recovery effort following two tornadoes earlier this month in the Oklahoma City area was "winding down quickly." The FCC rescinded a general communications emergency on 3900 kHz in the Oklahoma area last weekend. Responding amateurs in Oklahoma supported relief activities of The Salvation Army following storms May 8 and 9. Amateurs also provided weather-spotting via the SKYWARN system and handled emergency and health-and-welfare traffic and assisted with damage assessment.

"Amateur Radio responded quickly and thoroughly," Thomason said, adding that hams from the Oklahoma City area as well as other parts of the state turned out to help in what he called "a very challenging and changing environment." Some 50 amateurs were involved in the Oklahoma response, Thomason said. The storms struck just a day after some 30 of the hams involved had attended a two-day Salvation Army-sponsored disaster conference.

The Oklahoma storms capped a week that some have been calling the worst ever for tornado outbreaks. On May 4, tornadoes struck the both sides of the border in the Kansas City area as well as in other parts of Kansas. Tornadoes that spun off the same weather system also hit parts of Tennessee and other states.

In Missouri, Section Emergency Coordinator Don Moore, KM0R, says hams there logged more than 1000 volunteer work hours in eight days. "We have had Amateur Radio operators active in one part of Missouri or another since Sunday, May 4, providing communications for served agencies, assisting in damage assessment or handling health and welfare traffic into and out of the affected areas," he said.

In Kansas, the Johnson County ARES Net was on the air within minutes of the May 4 tornado. Hams used HF to maintain contact among The Salvation Army Emergency Disaster Services headquarters in Kansas City and affected areas south and east of Kansas City. Hams also supported Salvation Army mobile canteens in stricken areas throughout the Kansas City metropolitan area and rode along with damage-assessment teams. Another series of thunderstorms swept into Kansas May 8, and a tornado hit Lawrence near the University of Kansas campus. There were no major injuries, but The Salvation Army dispatched canteen units with ham radio support.

In Tennessee, hams assisted as residents dug out from a tornado that struck the Jackson-Madison County area early on May 5. Madison County EC Kenny Johns, AB4EG--a City of Jackson employee--found himself putting in 12-hour days in cleanup operations. As of last weekend, some 5000 homes remained without power, and Johns said some areas may take up to a month to restore. Nearly 200 structures were destroyed, 11 people were killed, and hundreds were left homeless. Hams were assisting the Madison County Emergency Management Agency as needed, Johns said.

ARRL Assistant SEC for Middle Tennessee Tom Delker, K1KY, said ARES teams in Middle Tennessee provided daily support to served agencies daily since tornadoes on May 5 and 11. Delker said that upward of 400 Middle Tennessee amateurs provided support for state and local emergency management agencies, law enforcement, the American Red Cross and the National Weather Service. When damaging tornadoes struck east of Smyrna on May 11, "ham storm spotters tracked the storm and responded to the call for assistance immediately after touchdown," Delker said. The storm destroyed six homes and left some 30 others with major damage. It was a similar story in nearby Williamson County, where a tornado destroyed one home and damaged others. ARES groups in more than 22 Middle Tennessee counties were active, he said.

==>COLUMBIA PANEL ISSUES PRELIMINARY FINDINGS IN SHUTTLE TRAGEDY

The space shuttle Columbia Accident Investigation Board (CAIB) has released what it's calling "a working scenario" <http://www.caib.us/news/press_releases/pr030506.html> to explain the February 1 tragedy that claimed the lives of seven astronauts--three of them Amateur Radio licensees. Preliminary findings, based on three months of "intense investigation," suggest that just over a minute into the January 16 launch, a piece of foam insulation from the shuttle's external fuel tank struck and damaged the lower left wing reinforced carbon-carbon (RCC) panels. The CAIB says its evidence indicates that a breach in the same area of the left wing allowed hot gases to flow into the wing during re-entry into Earth's atmosphere, eventually leading to the spacecraft's destruction.

"The CAIB is continuing testing and analyses to refine the working scenario," NASA said. The independent investigation board--headed by retired US Navy Adm Harold Gehman--will issue its final report this summer. Gehman told reporters earlier this month that his panel has been careful not to say that the piece of insulation knocked a hole in the

leading edge of the orbiter's wing "because we can't prove it."

In an effort to pin down that probability, investigators at Southwest Research Institute in San Antonio has been using a gas-fired cannon to shoot pieces of insulating foam at actual shuttle RCC and insulating tile components.

Lost in the February 1 disaster were Columbia Commander Rick Husband; Pilot Willie McCool; Mission Specialists Kalpana "KC" Chawla, KD5ESI; David Brown, KC5ZTC; Laurel Clark, KC5ZSU; and Michael Anderson; and Payload Specialist Ilan Ramon--an Israeli astronaut.

The Columbia started to break up over the southwestern US as it entered the earth's atmosphere on the return leg of its 16-day science mission. Many Amateur Radio volunteers provided communication support during the early days of the shuttle debris recovery effort. NASA and Amateur Radio have a longstanding relationship through the Shuttle Amateur Radio EXperiment (SAREX) and Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) programs.

More information is available via the NASA Human Spaceflight Web page <http://www.spaceflight.nasa.gov/>.

==>HAMVENTION UNDER WAY IN DAYTON

Billed as the world's largest Amateur Radio gathering and trade show, Hamvention is under way near Dayton, Ohio, this weekend. The show is celebrating "Year of the Youth" at this year's event--its 51st year and its 52nd show May 16-18 at Hara Arena. Upward of 25,000 are expected to attend this year's event.

The ARRL booth in North Hall will offer a retail counter, product demonstrations and DXCC card checking, among other services. ARRL will conduct its general informational forum Saturday, May 17, 8:15-9:45 AM (in Room 3). This week's FCC Report and Order giving amateurs five discrete channels in the vicinity of 5 MHz while denying a request for an LF allocation at 136 kHz is expected to head the list of discussion topics at that forum and perhaps others. This year's FCC forum was cancelled, however.

This year's AMSAT forum for satellite enthusiasts will coincide with the ARRL forum May 17, 8:15-9:45 AM (in Room 1). AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, and other AMSAT notables will detail progress on the new "Echo" satellite, now under construction, that could launch later this year.

Amateur Radio Newsline will sponsor its annual live Town Hall Meeting, Saturday, May 17, 1-3 PM (in Room 3) with Newsline producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, as moderator.

ARRL will present an Amateur Radio public relations forum Sunday, May 18, 8:30-10 AM (in Room 1). There will be door prizes. The ARRL Technology Task Force session will follow at 10:15 until noon.

Hamvention will honor its 2003 award winners at an awards reception Saturday, May 17. Well-known contester Larry "Tree" Tyree, N6TR, will receive Hamvention's 2003 Amateur of the Year Award. Tyree is the creator, organizer, and promoter of the successful Kid's Day, now administered by the ARRL. He also developed the popular TR-LOG contest logging software. Jonathan Taylor, K1RFD, is the winner of Hamvention's 2003 Special Achievement Award. Hamvention's 2003 Technical Achievement Award goes to Dr Steve Dimse, K4HG.

Late news about the show is on the Hamvention Web site <http://www.hamvention.org>

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar sage Tad Cook, K7RA, Seattle, Washington, reports:

Disturbed conditions triggered by a continuous solar wind stream appear to go on and on, week after week, seemingly without end. Nice quiet conditions would result from a daily A index of 10 or lower. Average daily conditions near that level haven't been reported since the week of February 20-26 when the daily average A index was 11.1, or January 9-15 when it was 9.1.

Conventional wisdom says that disturbed conditions occur more often when the solar cycle has passed the peak and is headed down, and recent experience seems to bear this out. Recent forecasts for daily solar flux and planetary A index don't predict a daily A index below 10 until May 31.

Sunspot numbers for May 8 through 14 were 33, 23, 22, 47, 66, 59, and 75, with a mean of 46.4. 10.7 cm flux was 100.9, 97.1, 92.7, 91.5, 93.9, 96.1, and 96.3 with a mean of 95.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 30, 29, 43, 31, 18, 27, and 27, with a mean of 29.3.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The US Counties QSO Party (SSB), the Anatolian RTTY Worldwide Contest, His Majesty the King of Spain Contest (CW) and the Baltic Contest are the weekend of May 17-18. JUST AHEAD: The CQ Worldwide WPX Contest (CW), the VK-ZL Trans-Tasman Contest (SSB) and the QRP ARCI Hootowl Sprint are the weekend of May 24-25. The Michigan QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint is May 26-27. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration is closed for the Level II ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-002) that begins May 27, sponsored by United Technologies Corporation. Registration opens Monday, May 19, 12:01 AM EDT (0401 UTC), for the Level III Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-003). Registration remains open through the May 24-25 weekend or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, June 3. Thanks to a grant from United Technologies Corp, the $45 registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful

completion of the Level III course. During this registration period, approximately 50 seats are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. A new service now allows those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future to receive advance word of registration opportunities via e-mail. To take advantage, send an e-mail to prereg@.... On the subject line, include the course name or number (eg, EC-00#). In the message body, include your name, call sign, e-mail address, and the month you want to start the course. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce/> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, dmiller@...; 860-594-0340.

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require localities to "reasonably accommodate" Amateur Radio communication. The bill cleared the California Assembly April 10 on a 67-0 vote. California is home to nearly 15 percent of the nation's Amateur Radio population. The bill's sponsor, Assemblyman Bob Dutton, is inviting letters of support to The Honorable Bob Dutton, State Capitol PO Box 942849, Sacramento, CA 94249-2063 (fax, 916-319-2163). Correspondents are requested to fax a copy to Peter Detwiler at the Senate Local Government Committee, 916-322-0298.

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At the heart of the Logbook of the World concept is a huge repository of log data provided by operators--from individual DXers and contesters to major DXpeditions--and maintained by ARRL. Logbook of the World Project Leader Wayne Mills, N7NG, says the system will benefit big and little guns alike by providing quick QSO credit for awards offered by ARRL--and, it's hoped, those offered by other organizations as well--without having to first collect and submit hard-copy QSL cards.

Visit the ARRL Logbook of the World Web site <http://www.arrl.org/lotw> to learn more, download the necessary software and take part in the beta testing effort. For the purposes of the beta test, validated users are asked to submit log data for contacts made on or after January 1, 1998. Once a certificate is issued, beta testers may e-mail their log data to the LoTW database lotw-test@....

LoTW will accept authenticated data--either in Cabrillo or ADIF format--directly from computerized logs via the Internet. Software Development Manager Jon Bloom, KE3Z, noted that because the software still

is under development, any data uploaded during the beta-testing period will be erased before LoTW "goes live." Beta participants will have to obtain new certification even if they've participated in earlier LoTW testing. The beta certification will be good only for the beta-test period.

Bloom emphasized that every call sign would need a separate certificate.

Bloom and Mills encouraged beta-test DXers and contesters to upload their log files--the bigger the better--to test the robustness of the software as well as to populate the database and create a more realistic environment. LoTW will find and match contacts between stations based on the log data submitted by users, and the results will appear on the Logbook of the World Web page.

"We're not replacing the whole paper QSL scheme with Logbook of the World," said Mills, who is also ARRL's Membership Services manager. "This is really a system to offer credits for awards."

==>HAM RADIO TORNADO RESPONSE WINDS DOWN

ARRL Oklahoma Section Manager John Thomason, WB5SYT, said this week that the intense Amateur Radio relief and recovery effort following two tornadoes earlier this month in the Oklahoma City area was "winding down quickly." The FCC rescinded a general communications emergency on 3900 kHz in the Oklahoma area last weekend. Responding amateurs in Oklahoma supported relief activities of The Salvation Army following storms May 8 and 9. Amateurs also provided weather-spotting via the SKYWARN system and handled emergency and health-and-welfare traffic and assisted with damage assessment.

"Amateur Radio responded quickly and thoroughly," Thomason said, adding that hams from the Oklahoma City area as well as other parts of the state turned out to help in what he called "a very challenging and changing environment." Some 50 amateurs were involved in the Oklahoma response, Thomason said. The storms struck just a day after some 30 of the hams involved had attended a two-day Salvation Army-sponsored disaster conference.

The Oklahoma storms capped a week that some have been calling the worst ever for tornado outbreaks. On May 4, tornadoes struck the both sides of the border in the Kansas City area as well as in other parts of Kansas. Tornadoes that spun off the same weather system also hit parts of Tennessee and other states.

In Missouri, Section Emergency Coordinator Don Moore, KM0R, says hams there logged more than 1000 volunteer work hours in eight days. "We have had Amateur Radio operators active in one part of Missouri or another since Sunday, May 4, providing communications for served agencies, assisting in damage assessment or handling health and welfare traffic into and out of the affected areas," he said.

In Kansas, the Johnson County ARES Net was on the air within minutes of the May 4 tornado. Hams used HF to maintain contact among The Salvation Army Emergency Disaster Services headquarters in Kansas City and affected areas south and east of Kansas City. Hams also supported Salvation Army mobile canteens in stricken areas throughout the Kansas City metropolitan area and rode along with damage-assessment teams. Another series of thunderstorms swept into Kansas May 8, and a tornado hit Lawrence near the University of Kansas campus. There were no major injuries, but The Salvation Army dispatched canteen units with ham radio support.

In Tennessee, hams assisted as residents dug out from a tornado that struck the Jackson-Madison County area early on May 5. Madison County EC Kenny Johns, AB4EG--a City of Jackson employee--found himself putting in 12-hour days in cleanup operations. As of last weekend, some 5000 homes remained without power, and Johns said some areas may take up to a month to restore. Nearly 200 structures were destroyed, 11 people were killed, and hundreds were left homeless. Hams were assisting the Madison County Emergency Management Agency as needed, Johns said.

ARRL Assistant SEC for Middle Tennessee Tom Delker, K1KY, said ARES teams in Middle Tennessee provided daily support to served agencies daily since tornadoes on May 5 and 11. Delker said that upward of 400 Middle Tennessee amateurs provided support for state and local emergency management agencies, law enforcement, the American Red Cross and the National Weather Service. When damaging tornadoes struck east of Smyrna on May 11, "ham storm spotters tracked the storm and responded to the call for assistance immediately after touchdown," Delker said. The storm destroyed six homes and left some 30 others with major damage. It was a similar story in nearby Williamson County, where a tornado destroyed one home and damaged others. ARES groups in more than 22 Middle Tennessee counties were active, he said.

==>COLUMBIA PANEL ISSUES PRELIMINARY FINDINGS IN SHUTTLE TRAGEDY

The space shuttle Columbia Accident Investigation Board (CAIB) has released what it's calling "a working scenario" <http://www.caib.us/news/press_releases/pr030506.html> to explain the February 1 tragedy that claimed the lives of seven astronauts--three of them Amateur Radio licensees. Preliminary findings, based on three months of "intense investigation," suggest that just over a minute into the January 16 launch, a piece of foam insulation from the shuttle's external fuel tank struck and damaged the lower left wing reinforced carbon-carbon (RCC) panels. The CAIB says its evidence indicates that a breach in the same area of the left wing allowed hot gases to flow into the wing during re-entry into Earth's atmosphere, eventually leading to the spacecraft's destruction.

"The CAIB is continuing testing and analyses to refine the working scenario," NASA said. The independent investigation board--headed by retired US Navy Adm Harold Gehman--will issue its final report this summer. Gehman told reporters earlier this month that his panel has been careful not to say that the piece of insulation knocked a hole in the

leading edge of the orbiter's wing "because we can't prove it."

In an effort to pin down that probability, investigators at Southwest Research Institute in San Antonio has been using a gas-fired cannon to shoot pieces of insulating foam at actual shuttle RCC and insulating tile components.

Lost in the February 1 disaster were Columbia Commander Rick Husband; Pilot Willie McCool; Mission Specialists Kalpana "KC" Chawla, KD5ESI; David Brown, KC5ZTC; Laurel Clark, KC5ZSU; and Michael Anderson; and Payload Specialist Ilan Ramon--an Israeli astronaut.

The Columbia started to break up over the southwestern US as it entered the earth's atmosphere on the return leg of its 16-day science mission. Many Amateur Radio volunteers provided communication support during the early days of the shuttle debris recovery effort. NASA and Amateur Radio have a longstanding relationship through the Shuttle Amateur Radio EXperiment (SAREX) and Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) programs.

More information is available via the NASA Human Spaceflight Web page <http://www.spaceflight.nasa.gov/>.

==>HAMVENTION UNDER WAY IN DAYTON

Billed as the world's largest Amateur Radio gathering and trade show, Hamvention is under way near Dayton, Ohio, this weekend. The show is celebrating "Year of the Youth" at this year's event--its 51st year and its 52nd show May 16-18 at Hara Arena. Upward of 25,000 are expected to attend this year's event.

The ARRL booth in North Hall will offer a retail counter, product demonstrations and DXCC card checking, among other services. ARRL will conduct its general informational forum Saturday, May 17, 8:15-9:45 AM (in Room 3). This week's FCC Report and Order giving amateurs five discrete channels in the vicinity of 5 MHz while denying a request for an LF allocation at 136 kHz is expected to head the list of discussion topics at that forum and perhaps others. This year's FCC forum was cancelled, however.

This year's AMSAT forum for satellite enthusiasts will coincide with the ARRL forum May 17, 8:15-9:45 AM (in Room 1). AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, and other AMSAT notables will detail progress on the new "Echo" satellite, now under construction, that could launch later this year.

Amateur Radio Newsline will sponsor its annual live Town Hall Meeting, Saturday, May 17, 1-3 PM (in Room 3) with Newsline producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, as moderator.

ARRL will present an Amateur Radio public relations forum Sunday, May 18, 8:30-10 AM (in Room 1). There will be door prizes. The ARRL Technology Task Force session will follow at 10:15 until noon.

Hamvention will honor its 2003 award winners at an awards reception Saturday, May 17. Well-known contester Larry "Tree" Tyree, N6TR, will receive Hamvention's 2003 Amateur of the Year Award. Tyree is the creator, organizer, and promoter of the successful Kid's Day, now administered by the ARRL. He also developed the popular TR-LOG contest logging software. Jonathan Taylor, K1RFD, is the winner of Hamvention's 2003 Special Achievement Award. Hamvention's 2003 Technical Achievement Award goes to Dr Steve Dimse, K4HG.

Late news about the show is on the Hamvention Web site <http://www.hamvention.org>

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Solar sage Tad Cook, K7RA, Seattle, Washington, reports:

Disturbed conditions triggered by a continuous solar wind stream appear to go on and on, week after week, seemingly without end. Nice quiet conditions would result from a daily A index of 10 or lower. Average daily conditions near that level haven't been reported since the week of February 20-26 when the daily average A index was 11.1, or January 9-15 when it was 9.1.

Conventional wisdom says that disturbed conditions occur more often when the solar cycle has passed the peak and is headed down, and recent experience seems to bear this out. Recent forecasts for daily solar flux and planetary A index don't predict a daily A index below 10 until May 31.

Sunspot numbers for May 8 through 14 were 33, 23, 22, 47, 66, 59, and 75, with a mean of 46.4. 10.7 cm flux was 100.9, 97.1, 92.7, 91.5, 93.9, 96.1, and 96.3 with a mean of 95.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 30, 29, 43, 31, 18, 27, and 27, with a mean of 29.3.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The US Counties QSO Party (SSB), the Anatolian RTTY Worldwide Contest, His Majesty the King of Spain Contest (CW) and the Baltic Contest are the weekend of May 17-18. JUST AHEAD: The CQ Worldwide WPX Contest (CW), the VK-ZL Trans-Tasman Contest (SSB) and the QRP ARCI Hootowl Sprint are the weekend of May 24-25. The Michigan QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint is May 26-27. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration is closed for the Level II ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-002) that begins May 27, sponsored by United Technologies Corporation. Registration opens Monday, May 19, 12:01 AM EDT (0401 UTC), for the Level III Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-003). Registration remains open through the May 24-25 weekend or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, June 3. Thanks to a grant from United Technologies Corp, the $45 registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful

completion of the Level III course. During this registration period, approximately 50 seats are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. A new service now allows those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future to receive advance word of registration opportunities via e-mail. To take advantage, send an e-mail to prereg@.... On the subject line, include the course name or number (eg, EC-00#). In the message body, include your name, call sign, e-mail address, and the month you want to start the course. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce/> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, dmiller@...; 860-594-0340.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the new ARRL VHF/UHF--Life Beyond the Repeater (EC-008) <http://www.arrl.org/cce/courses.html#ec008> and the High Frequency Digital Communications (EC-005) <http://www.arrl.org/cce/courses.html#ec005> courses opens Monday, May 19, 12:01 AM EDT (0401 UTC). Registration remains open through Sunday, May 25. Classes begin Tuesday, May 27. Registration for the ARRL Antenna Modeling (EC-004) <http://www.arrl.org/cce/courses.html#ec004> course remains open through Sunday, May 18. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@....
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* ARRL to sponsor emergency communications course seminar in Nevada: The ARRL will offer a free Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course (ARECC) seminar Saturday, May 31, in conjunction with EMCOMM WEST 2003, an ARRL Pacific Division Operating Specialty Convention in Reno, Nevada. The seminar will not include the Level I course itself. This program is designed to explain in greater detail the duties of volunteer certification mentors, instructors and examiners of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications courses and provide additional information for people considering these volunteer positions. The seminar will be held Saturday, May 31, 1-5 PM, in the South Reno Baptist Church Auditorium, 6780 S McCarran Blvd. (two blocks west of S Virginia Ave). Seating may be limited. Contact ARRL Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, <k3ufg@...>, (860-594-0340; fax 860-594-0259) if you plan to attend. Seminar attendance does not include admission to the convention, which is May 31. For more information on EMCOMM WEST 2003, visit the convention Web site <http://www.cvrc.net/emcommwest>.

* California ham radio antenna bill set for Senate hearing: The California Senate's Local Government Committee will hear public comment on the state's pending Amateur Radio antenna legislation, Assembly Bill 1228. The hearing is set for Wednesday, May 21, at 9 AM PDT. ARRL staffer and antenna expert Dean Straw, N6BV, is scheduled to testify on behalf of the proposed legislation. The measure would incorporate the essence of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 into California's statutes and

require localities to "reasonably accommodate" Amateur Radio communication. The bill cleared the California Assembly April 10 on a 67-0 vote. California is home to nearly 15 percent of the nation's Amateur Radio population. The bill's sponsor, Assemblyman Bob Dutton, is inviting letters of support to The Honorable Bob Dutton, State Capitol PO Box 942849, Sacramento, CA 94249-2063 (fax, 916-319-2163). Correspondents are requested to fax a copy to Peter Detwiler at the Senate Local Government Committee, 916-322-0298.

* Jerry Jennison, N5OKQ, SK: Jerry Jennison, N5OKQ, of San Angelo, Texas, died May 2 following an extended illness. He was 64. An ARRL member and REACT International Life Member, Jennison also was active in the Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network (SATERN) and served as SATERN coordinator for the Southern Territory of The Salvation Army. "This is a sad day for SATERN and for the many organizations that Jerry Jennison served in," said National SATERN Director Pat McPherson, WW9E. "Jerry was reflective of the 'Can Do' spirit of the amateur operator." Jennison also was a volunteer for the Red Cross and was a member of the San Angelo Amateur Radio Club. A memorial service was held on May 7.

* Lee Kitchens, N5YBW, SK: Lee Kitchens, N5YBW, of Ransom Canyon, Texas, died unexpectedly May 12. He was 73. An ARRL member, Kitchens served as ARRL West Texas Section Manager from July 2001 until October 2002. ARRL Field Organization/Public Service Team Leader Steve Ewald, WV1X, said he was "surprised and saddened" to learn of Kitchens' death. ARRL Field and Educational Services Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, said Kitchens "was dedicated to communicating important news to the ARRL West Texas Section hams, helping them be more active in the volunteer activities they enjoyed, and increasing the number of ARRL members." Kitchens also was an influential figure in the organization Little People of America (LPA) <http://www.lpaonline.org>, a nonprofit organization that provides support and information to people of short stature and their families. Kitchens was a past president of LPA, a foundation trustee, founder of the West Texas LPA chapter and an organizer and registrar for an upcoming LPA conference. He was LPA's vice president of membership at the time of his death. Kitchens also was a past president and long-time board member of the Human Growth Foundation <http://www.hgfound.org>) and a past mayor of Ransom Canyon, where the city hall is located on Lee Kitchens Drive. He also was a member of Lubbock County RACES/ARES and trustee of a local repeater. The family invites memorial donations to the LPA's newly established Lee Kitchens Memorial Fund, PO Box 65030, Lubbock, TX 79464-5030.--Bill Ricker, N1VUX

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Date: 2003-05-20 13:52:27 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1194 Message: 1194

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-21 09:52:04 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1195 Message: 1195

Around the world...around the clock...NOAA proudly stands watch. As an integral part of worldwide search and rescue, NOAA operates the Search & Rescue Satellite Aided Tracking (SARSAT) System to locate those in distress almost anywhere in the world at anytime and in most conditions.

The SARSAT system uses NOAA satellites in low-earth and geostationary orbits to detect and locate aviators, mariners, and land-based users in distress. The satellites relay distress signals from emergency beacons to a network of ground stations and ultimately to the U.S. Mission Control Center (USMCC) in Suitland, Maryland. The USMCC processes the distress signal and alerts the appropriate search and rescue authorities to who is in distress and, more importantly, where they are located. Truly, SARSAT takes the "search" out of search and rescue.

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SARSAT 6 (NOAA 14) (SSC# 23455) - Operational **
SARSAT 7 (NOAA 15) (SSC# 25338) - Operational
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GOES 10 (SSC# 24786) - Operational - Equator/135W
GOES 11 (SSC# 26352) - Stand-by - Equator/108W

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==>60-METER OPERATION TO REQUIRE OPERATOR PRUDENCE, CAUTION

When the five channels of the new 60-meter amateur allocation become available later this year, Amateur Radio operators will have to learn some new operating habits and adopt some new on-the-air attitudes. The limited spectrum and stringent bandwidth requirements will mean amateurs will have to demonstrate their best behavior and operating skills if the Amateur Service ever hopes to get an actual band segment at 60 meters.

"In terms of Amateur Radio spectrum, we usually say, 'Use it or lose it,'" said ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ. "The watchword for 60-meter operators should be, 'Misuse it and lose it.'"

The channelized scheme--similar to the 5-MHz experimental operation under way in the United Kingdom<http://www.rsgb-hfc.org.uk/5mhz.htm>--puts unfamiliar technical compliance demands on US hams who have, until now, not had to worry much about frequency stability or transmitted audio bandwidth. The FCC has granted amateurs 5332, 5348, 5368, 5373, and 5405

kHz--the last channel common to the UK experimental operation's band plan. These are all "channel center frequencies," the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) said in a March 13 letter to FCC Office of Engineering and Technology (OET) Chief Edmond J. Thomas. The NTIA, which administers federal government spectrum, opposed allocation of an actual ham band citing the ongoing spectrum requirements of federal licensees with homeland security responsibilities. The channels will be available to General and higher class licensees.

The NTIA says that hams planning to operate on 60 meters "must assure that their signal is transmitted on the channel center frequency." In general, the NTIA has advised, users should set their carrier frequency 1.5 kHz lower than the channel center frequency. According to the NTIA:

Channel Center Amateur Tuning Frequency
5332 kHz 5330.5 kHz
5348 kHz 5346.5 kHz
5368 kHz 5366.5 kHz
5373 kHz 5371.5 kHz
5405 kHz (common US/UK) 5403.5 kHz

ARRL Technical Relations Manager Paul Rinaldo, W4RI, says the assignment of these channels implies that amateurs now must adhere to certain frequency tolerances for their use. While the international Radio Regulations don't list these for the Amateur Service, he notes, they do stipulate tolerances on the order of 20 to 50 Hz for other services.

"We haven't been told anything specific about frequency tolerances for these channels but would probably annoy federal regulators if we strayed any more than 50 Hz from the assigned carrier frequencies," Rinaldo cautioned.

Keeping one's audio within the 2.8-kHz wide channel to comply with the 2K8J3E emission specification is another important issue. ARRL Laboratory Manager Ed Hare, W1RFI, believes prudence calls for not having baseband audio below 200 Hz nor greater than 2800 Hz--for a total bandwidth of 2.6 kHz. "That will probably keep us out of trouble," he said. Noting that the high-frequency response "can vary a lot from radio to radio," however, Hare recommended that amateurs play it conservatively.

Additionally, the FCC has restricted operation to USB only, with a maximum effective radiated power (ERP) of 50 W. The USB-only requirement stemmed from NTIA interoperability concerns. The NTIA wanted to make sure that federal users could copy and, if necessary, identify any amateur station using one of the 60-meter channels. As a result, the 60-meter frequencies will become the only ones available to the general amateur community that do not permit CW operation.

For the sake of this particular grant, the FCC said it would consider a half-wave dipole to have a gain of 0 dBd. In its letter to the FCC, the NTIA stipulated that radiated power should not exceed "the equivalent of 50 W PEP transmitter output power into an antenna with a gain of 0 dBd."

"Although this is less spectrum than the American Radio Relay League petition requested, this is the best we can do pending a definition of Homeland Security HF requirements," concluded Fredrick R. Wentland in the NTIA's letter to the FCC's OET.

Sumner has predicted that, over time, amateurs can and will "develop a record of disciplined, responsible use of the five channels in the public interest that will justify another look at these rather severe initial restrictions."

Just when amateurs will get their first crack at 60 meters is not yet clear. The changes to Part 97 go into effect 30 days after publication of the Report and Order (R&O) in The Federal Register, which has not yet happened. Publication could take anywhere from a few weeks to a few months. ARRL will announce a specific date as soon as it's known.

The FCC Report and Order in ET Docket 02-98 is available on the FCC's Web site <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-03-105A1.doc>.

==>ARRL ADDRESSES CONCERNS, UNVEILS "LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD" AT HAMVENTION

One day of rain failed to dampen spirits at Hamvention 2003, and the weekend was full of friendship, new products, haggling, learning and fun. An estimated 25,000 attendees inhabited the Hara Arena complex near Dayton, Ohio, for the largest gathering of hams in the Western Hemisphere.

The ARRL's concession buzzed with activity throughout the long weekend, as members took advantage of the chance to meet with League officers, field volunteers and Headquarters staff members, ask questions, buy books and other products, and, of course, to offer comments. ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, said many questions centered around two topics: the new 5 MHz allocation and broadband over power line (BPL).

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, addressed a large audience attending the ARRL forum May 17. Haynie fielded questions that centered on the health and future of Amateur Radio and homed in on youth recruitment in particular. Haynie gave an overview of the ARRL Amateur Radio Education and Technology Program <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/tbp/>, which puts ham radio resources, equipment and a curriculum into classrooms at no cost to schools. He also touched on League activities regarding BPL and spectrum defense <https://www.arrl.org/forms/fdefense/fdefense.html>.

Wielding stacks of QSLs, more than 150 applicants took advantage of the on-site the ARRL DXCC card-checking booth. ARRL Membership Services Manager Wayne Mills, N7NG, estimated that checkers reviewed more than 16,000 cards in just over two days' time. ARRL volunteers and staff also participated in a number of special-interest forums, with topics including DX, regulations, contesting, digital modes, youth education, RFI, and advanced technologies.

At the DX forum May 17, Mills formally introduced the long-awaited Logbook of the World (LOTW) <http://www.arrl.org/lotw> to the amateur public. The secure server system allows participating operators to upload logs and

confirm contacts for ARRL operating awards such as DXCC and WAS. The system will remain open for public beta testing through July 15, Mills said.

New product announcements are a big part of the Dayton experience, with 2003 proving no exception. Among the scores of offerings, ICOM unveiled the feature-filled IC-7800, heir apparent to its high-end IC-781. The IC-7800 is expected to be available by year's end. Elsewhere, Ten-Tec showed off its new Titan III amplifier, while Elecraft introduced its new series of VHF transverters.

At the TAPR Digital Forum, Gerald Youngblood, AC5OG, peered into the future of ham transceivers when he presented a fully software-defined radio that puts out 1 W of RF from the LF range to 60 MHz. Programming defines nearly every aspect of the radio, opening up the possibility of customizing the operating experience for different combinations of bands, modes and conditions.

==>OHIO HAM HIT WITH $12,000 FINE IN MALICIOUS INTERFERENCE CASE

Cooperation between Canadian and US amateurs has resulted in a $12,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture (NAL) from the FCC to an Ohio amateur. The FCC has alleged that Ronald E. Sauer, WE8E, of Bedford Heights violated Part 97 rules prohibiting deliberate and malicious interference, transmission of music and failure to identify. The case involved daily interference to the Trans Provincial Net <http://www.tpn7055.ca/>, a Canadian net that operates on 7.055 MHz.

"This was no small task and was accomplished with the help of many people from the US and Canada working together," said ARRL Great Lakes Vice Director Dick Mondro, W8FQT, who expressed thanks to all involved. In addition to TPN members, that included Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) <http://www.rac.ca> officials, Industry Canada, the FCC, ARRL Michigan <http://www.arrl.org/sections/?sect=MI> and Ohio <http://www.arrl.org/sections/?sect=OH> Section officials, ARRL Official Observers and members of the Cuyahoga Amateur Radio Society <http://www.cars.org/>. "This was indeed an example of teamwork in action and proves again that the FCC does care and continues to work with us to stop interference," Mondro added.

TPN Assistant Manager Jim Taylor, VA3KU, said the interference to the net had gone on for several months. "Our break came when the jammer decided to intensify his efforts by going to his local library and sending out repulsive and threatening e-mails to a few of our members," Taylor said. He and other Canadian hams were able to determine that the e-mails had come from a public library terminal in the Cleveland, Ohio, area. Taylor contacted CARS President Bob Check, W8GC, for assistance in zeroing in on the jammer.

Tracking down the signal source involved mobile direction-finding work by three CARS members, who passed along their findings to the FCC's Detroit Office late last January. Already alerted to the situation, the FCC's

Detroit Office had called on the Commission's High Frequency Direction Finding (HFDF) facility in Maryland. The HFDF group monitored jamming and the playing of music and narrowed down the search to an area near the intersection of Interstates 480 and 77 in the Cleveland area.

In the meantime, the FCC received the CARS report indicating that the interference was coming from Sauer's residence. On January 31, an FCC agent also used direction-finding techniques to track the source of the interference on 7.055 MHz to Sauer's home and conducted an inspection. The FCC said Sauer "admitted that he had been playing music and deliberately jamming the frequency of 7.055 MHz." Sauer "further admitted to jamming and playing music on this frequency on previous days."

Based on its findings, the FCC concluded that the $12,000 fine was justified. The FCC ordered Sauer to pay the fine within 30 days or file a written statement seeking a reduction or cancellation of the proposed forfeiture.

==>FCC PROPOSES ADDITIONAL 5-GHZ SPECTRUM FOR UNLICENSED USE

The FCC has proposed making another 255 MHz of 5-GHz spectrum available for unlicensed use at 5.470 to 5.725 GHz. Amateur Radio has a secondary allocation at 5.650 to 5.925 GHz, which it shares with government and nongovernment radars and--in part of the band--nongovernment fixed satellite uplinks. In a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) in ET Docket 03-122--approved May 15 but not yet released--the FCC suggested that the additional spectrum be made available for use by unlicensed National Information Infrastructure (U-NII) devices, including Radio Local Area Networks (RLANs), operating under Part 15 of the FCC's rules.

"Our action today furthers twin goals of the Spectrum Policy Task Force: promoting spectrum access and furthering development of unlicensed technologies," said FCC Chairman Michael Powell in a separate statement. "Once the backwater of baby monitors and cordless telephones, the unlicensed sector has developed into a hotbed of growth and innovation." The other four commissioners echoed Powell's enthusiasm in their own statements.

The FCC's action comes in response to a petition for rule making from the Wi-Fi Alliance--an industry coalition formerly known as the Wireless Ethernet Compatibility Alliance (WECA). If the FCC goes through with the proposal--and it appears likely that it will--Amateur Radio will be left with a 25-MHz segment at 5 GHz--5.825 to 5.850 GHz--that's not already earmarked for unlicensed services.

The ARRL has opposed previous WECA petitions for additional 5-GHz spectrum. The League plans to comment on the latest NPRM once the full text has been released.

The Commission said its action advances the policies set forth in last fall's Spectrum Policy Task Force Report that specifically recommended making available additional spectrum for unlicensed use.

==>INCUMBENT SECTION MANAGERS RETURNED IN EIGHT ARRL SECTIONS

Incumbent section managers will keep their offices for another two years in eight ARRL sections. Three current SMs handily won re-election in contested races. Ballots were counted May 20 at ARRL Headquarters.

In the Maryland/District of Columbia Section, Tom Abernethy, W3TOM, turned away a challenge from Vic Curtis, WA3YUV, 826 to 266 votes. Abernethy has been MDC SM since July 2001.

In the San Joaquin Valley Section, Charles McConnell, W6DPD, topped challenger Thomas M. "Mike" Zane, N6ZW. The final vote tally was 304 to 251. McConnell became SJV SM in 2002 when he was appointed to succeed Don Costello, W7WN. McConnell previously served as SJV Section Communications Manager/SM from 1976 until 1989, when he became Pacific Division Vice Director. He served as Pacific Division Director from 1990 until 1993.

In New Hampshire, Al Shuman, N1FIK, defeated Russell J. Santos, K1TSV, 478 to 95. Shuman previously served as NH SM from 1992 until 1999. His current term began in 2001.

Sitting ARRL section managers in five other sections were unopposed for election or re-election and were declared elected. They are Dick Flanagan, W6OLD, Nevada; Bill Hudzik, W2UDT, Northern New Jersey; Bob Beaudet, W1YRC, Rhode Island; Mel Parkes, AC7CP, Utah, and John Dyer, AE5B, West Texas.

All new terms of office begin July 1.

==>QRP WARC-SPEED DX CHALLENGE ANNOUNCED

Danny Eskenazi, K7SS, Ward Silver, N0AX, and the Western Washington DX Club--with the assistance of Bruce Horn, WA7BNM--have announced the year-long QRP "WARC-Speed DX Challenge." The objective is to work as many DXCC entities as possible using low power (QRP) on the so-called "WARC bands," 30, 17 and 12 meters.

The Challenge starts at 0000 UTC June 1, 2003, and ends at 2359 UTC May 31, 2004. For the purposes of the Challenge, QRP is defined as 5 W or less output on digital modes or CW and 10 W PEP on SSB. (AM or FM operators also are welcome.)

Certificates will be awarded for the top three totals from each CQ Zone in each of several categories for working 100 entities on any single band. Results will be posted monthly in the following categories: 17-meter CW, 17-meter phone, 17-meter digital, 17-meter total, 12-meter CW, 12-meter phone, 12-meter digital, 12-meter total, 30-meter CW, 30-meter digital, total CW, total phone, total digital, total overall. Participants may enter as many or as few categories as they wish.

The Challenge involves no QSL cards or cumbersome paperwork. At the end of each month, WA7BNM will post a score submittal form on the 3830 Score Submittal Web page <http://www.hornucopia.com/3830score/>. Participants will enter their totals and updated totals will be posted to the 3830

contest score reflector and CQ-contest reflectors (and be forwarded to the DX and QRP reflectors, as well). At the end of the year, participants will be able to download a nice certificate! The honor system rules, Silver said, and he notes the Challenge is not a contest.

For more information, contact Ward Silver, N0AX, n0ax@....

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Heliophile Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, Fort Wayne, Indiana, substitutes this week for Tad Cook, K7RA: During the reporting period--Friday, May 16, through Thursday, May 22--solar activity was low. Geomagnetic field activity was generally quiet to unsettled during the first half of the period, then increased to active to minor storm at the end of the period due to increased solar wind from coronal hole activity that reached Earth on May 21.

Solar activity is forecast to be low for the next three days. Geomagnetic field activity for the next three days is forecast to have roughly a 40-percent probability of being active, with slightly quieter conditions as we move into the weekend.

Sunspot numbers for May 15 through 21 were 97, 97, 81, 79, 75, 77 and 79, with a mean of 83.6. The 10.7-cm flux was 99.2, 102.6, 102.4, 109, 114.7, 117.1 and 119.3, with a mean of 109.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 23, 9, 9, 10, 12, 12 and 20, with a mean of 13.6.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The CQ Worldwide WPX Contest (CW), the VK-ZL Trans-Tasman Contest (SSB) and the QRP ARCI Hootowl Sprint are the weekend of May 24-25. The Michigan QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint is May 26-27. JUST AHEAD: The Six Club World Wide Contest and the Great Lakes QSO Party are the weekend of May 31-June 1. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the Radio Frequency Interference (EC-006) and Satellite Communications (EC-007) courses opens Monday, May 26, 12:01 AM EDT (0401 UTC). Registration will remain open through Sunday, June 1. Classes begin Tuesday afternoon, June 3. Registration for the ARRL HF Digital Communications (EC-005) and VHF/UHF--Life Beyond the Repeater (EC-008) courses remains open through Sunday, May 25. Those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future can sign up to be advised via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. To take advantage, send an e-mail to prereg@.... On the subject line, indicate the course name or number (eg, EC-00#) and the month you want to start the course. In the message body, provide your name, call sign, and e-mail address. Please do not send inquiries to this

mailbox. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@....

* National Hurricane Center's WX4NHC announces 2003 on-the-air test: The National Hurricane Center's Amateur Radio station, WX4NHC (formerly W4EHW), will conduct its 2003 hurricane season on-the-air station test Sunday, June 1, 1300-2200 UTC. The event will mark the first time the NHC uses its new WX4NHC call sign. WX4NHC Amateur Radio Coordinator John McHugh, KU4GY, says the purpose of the annual station test is to check out all of the WX4NHC radio, computer and antenna equipment using as many modes and frequencies as possible. Some RFI monitoring also will be done. "We will also be testing some new antennas and equipment that are being installed for this coming season," McHugh said. "A few new operators will receive hands-on training." WX4NHC will operate on HF, VHF and UHF. HF operation will use this schedule: 1300 UTC--3.911 and 7.268 SSB and VHF/UHF FM; 1400 UTC--14.325 MHz SSB, VHF 147.000 repeater/UHF 442.350 repeater; 1500 UTC--144.200 MHz SSB, 14.070 MHz PSK31; 1700 UTC--14.325 and 21.325 MHz SSB, VHF/UHF IRLP Node 9210; 1800 UTC--21.325 and 28.525 MHz SSB; 2000 UTC--14.325 and 144.200 MHz SSB. CW operation will be on 14.035, 21.035 and 28.035 MHz (times will vary). Stations working WX4NHC are asked to provide a signal report, location and brief weather report. Non-hams are invited to submit their actual weather using the On-Line Hurricane Report Form <http://www.fiu.edu/orgs/w4ehw/WX-form1.html>. QSL cards are available via W4VBQ. Include an SASE with all requests.

* California ham antenna bill clears Senate committee: California's pending Amateur Radio antenna bill, AB 1228, this week got a thumbs up from the California Senate Local Government Committee. The panel voted 7-0 in favor of moving the legislation to the Senate floor. The measure already has passed the California Assembly. ARRL staff member and antenna expert Dean Straw, N6BV, credited excellent preparation by the bill's sponsor, Assemblyman Bob Dutton, and his staff. "Several of the senators made special mention about how they appreciated the efforts of radio amateurs over the years, and how valuable the Amateur Radio Service was, particularly in these dangerous times," said Straw, who testified on behalf of the measure. The effort now will shift to Senate passage and ensuring that Gov Gray Davis signs the legislation. Davis vetoed an earlier measure in 2000 citing its cost to taxpayers for conducting required studies and preparing a model ordinance for localities. Straw says AB 1228 mirrors the wording of PRB-1 and does not carry any additional costs to the taxpayers this time around.

* Distracted driver legislation raising ham hackles in New Jersey: An effort by some New Jersey lawmakers to amend that state's current laws regarding distracted driving has some hams upset and worried that the revisions could affect Amateur Radio mobile operation. Assembly Bill 2798, introduced last September by Assemblyman John S. Wisniewski of Middlesex County, would clarify that a "distracted driver may be charged with reckless, careless or unsafe driving" for engaging in what many motorists

would consider routine activities, such as listening to the radio or a CD or cassette player. Wisniewski's bill would amend three laws already on the books and give police the authority "when so warranted" to charge a person for engaging in "distracting behavior." The list includes, but is not limited to, "the use of communications technology" as well as "locator devices, AM/FM radios, compact disc players, audio cassette players, video players, Citizens Band radios and dispatch radios." The list also includes engaging in personal grooming, eating or drinking, reading or "tending to unsecured pets." A statement with the bill declares that "a substantial number of drivers in our fast-paced, multi-tasking society are utilizing communications technology and engaging in non-technological distractions while operating motor vehicles." The statement says that "various studies" have concluded that engaging in these activities while driving "contributes to motor vehicle accidents." ARRL Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, whose territory includes Northern New Jersey, calls the measure "a very bad idea." Fallon says he's been encouraging ARRL members to write, telephone, fax or personally contact their New Jersey Assembly members to let them know how they feel. "The bottom line is that New Jersey ARRL members have to get involved," Fallon said. Contact information for New Jersey lawmakers is available on the New Jersey Legislature Web site <http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/members/legsearch.asp>.

* Hams wanted for new wildlife tracking projects: ARRL Amateur Radio Direction Finding Coordinator Joe Moell, K0OV, says ham radio assistance is needed for three new wildlife tracking projects. Moell says a biologist at the University of South Florida at Tampa (USF) is studying Florida burrowing owls, thought to range in Florida and the Florida Keys. Some Florida burrowing owl chicks are being radio-tagged, and USF wants volunteers throughout the Southeast to listen for the VHF radio tags in an attempt to determine the owls' routes and final destinations. The second project involves Mexican long-nosed bats. For about a month beginning in mid-June, Bat Conservation International wants volunteers to join a team that will track the bats' movements in and around Big Bend National Park in Texas. Project three involves a study of orphaned great horned owls conducted by the Heard Natural Science Museum and Wildlife Sanctuary and the University of North Texas. After being raised at the sanctuary, up to two dozen of these owls will be released into the wild this summer with radio tags attached. Volunteers are needed to monitor for the radio tags, especially in the Denton and Collin county areas. Moell's Homing In Web site <http://www.homingin.com> has details and contact information on all three projects.

* Ed Bissell, W3AU, SK: Well-known contester Ed Bissell, W3AU (ex-W3MSK), of Brooksville, Florida, died May 10. He was 83. The Daily DX <http://www.dailydx.com> reports that in his heyday Bissell, an ARRL Charter Life Member, ran the world's top multi-multi contest station on the shore of the Potomac River just south of Washington, DC. Many of the top contesters in the US got their start in serious contesting at W3MSK/W3AU. Photos of the station are available on the Potomac Valley Radio Club Web site <http://pvrc.org/W3AU/w3au.htm>.

* John H. Joseph, K3ISR, SK: John H. Joseph, K3ISR, died May 10 of an apparent heart attack. He was 60. Since 2000, Joseph served as president of the University of Maine at Machias (UMM) <http://www.umm.maine.edu/>. He was stricken just as graduation exercises were getting under way at the branch campus in down east Maine, although students were not informed of his death until after the ceremony. Prior to his arrival at UMM, Joseph, a Pennsylvania native, served in top administrative positions at Penn State--his alma mater--and at Roosevelt University. Joseph is credited with helping to raise the enrollment at UMM during his relatively short tenure. A memorial scholarship is being established at UMM. Contributions may be sent to the Advancement Office, UMM, 9 O'Brien Ave, Machias, ME 04654.

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1198. Venus Occultation May 29 Live on Web

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-28 08:52:01 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1198 Message: 1198

Predicted Times for Delhi in IST
Disappearance 8:56:12 Re Appearance 9:12:01The Venus Occultation On May 29 2003 is a day time grazing occultation Of Venus by the moon from Delhi.Observe Venus Sinking partially into the Invisible Moon(Not Lit by the Sun) and emerge out of the Occultation.
Equipment Used 8" F10 Goto Telescope with a Web cam at prime focus.
WebCast Site(s)
www.indiahams.com

Live from 08:30 hrs IST or 03:00 Hrs UT on MAY 29 2003

1199. Happy Birthday - VU2NFS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-29 10:46:17 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1199 Message: 1199

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its Founder & Life Member Nafisa Shikari - VU2NFS a very Happy Birthday

1200. Ham Radio Demo & Classes.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-29 10:56:03 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1200 Message: 1200

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY will conduct a live demonstration and give a power point presentation on Ham Radio on Sunday 1st June 2003 at Wood Land hotel, L.B.S Marg, Opp. Johnson Tiles, Near Mulund Check Naka, Thane at 10 am.

The demo will include actual communications on HF with National and International stations, contacts on VHF with local stations and a brief demo on digital communications via Ham Radio.The Power Point presentation will cover introduction to Ham Radio, Ham Radio & disaster communications and Ham Radio & Digital communications.

MARS will also start its ham radio classes at Thane and at Churchgate commencing on 15th June 2003. It will be a Sunday batch from 9am to 1pm for 10 Sundays only.

All members are requested to kindly enrol your family members and friends for the ham radio classes. Please also note that MARS will conduct only these 2 batches this year, hence the admission will be on first come basis due to limitation of seats in both our classes (Thane & Churchgate). So enrol now or you will have to wait till next year batch.

For further details please contact on Prashant - 20510070 - Micky - 9820063882. - Huzefa - 9892039969.

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NLF

1201. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2NFS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-29 12:10:46 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1199 Message: 1201

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mantra.

1202. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2NFS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-29 12:12:18 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1199 Message: 1202

HEYYYYYYYYY! NAFISA!

HAAAAAAAAAPY BIRTHDAY!

JOY AND HAPPINESS TODAY AND IN THE DAYS TO FOLLOW!

CHEERS!
MADHU

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1203. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2NFS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-29 14:22:52 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 1199 Message: 1203

Untitled DocumentThanks for the good wishes
Nafisa VU2 NFS
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: M_A_R_S@...
Cc: mars_classes
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 4:16 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2NFS

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its Founder & Life Member Nafisa Shikari - VU2NFS a very Happy Birthday

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1204. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2NFS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-29 14:24:50 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 1199 Message: 1204

Thanks very much for the good wishes
Nafisa
----- Original Message -----
From: madhu rajan
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 5:42 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2NFS

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1205. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2NFS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-29 15:09:00 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1199 Message: 1205

hey NFS

NAFISA

MANY HAPPY RETURNS

MUKESH UGJ
--- madhu rajan <madhurajan@...> wrote:
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http://calendar.yahoo.com

1206. Re: [m_a_r_s] Venus Occultation May 29 Live on Web

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-05-30 04:54:57 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1198 Message: 1206

hey mehul....thanks for this link. it's interesting.
Cheers!
madhu

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Want free fuel? Get IOC Citibank card.
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1207. The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 22

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-02 14:34:24 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1207 Message: 1207

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==>ARRL RELEASES UPDATED "LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD" BETA SOFTWARE

"Logbook of the World" (LoTW) beta testers for the most part have reacted
positively to the latest version of ARRL's secure electronic
contact-confirmation system, but some users have run into difficulties.
Responding to problems encountered by some early beta testers, the League
has released an updated beta version of LoTW that should resolve these
issues. Beta testers are encouraged to download the new version of the
software, 1.02beta, from the LoTW page <http://www.arrl.org/lotw/>.

"While most installations and subsequent e-mailing and uploading of log
data have gone flawlessly, as expected there have been problems," said
ARRL's Dave Patton, NT1N, who's been a part of the LoTW project from the
start. He says the LoTW server software failed to recognize many of the
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new digital mode designations, such as MFSK-16 and JT6M. This caused fatal errors while digitally signing logs.

Patton says the beta update allows users to "map" any mode designation to one of the four main Amateur Data Interchange Format (ADIF) mode categories--CW, phone, image, and digital--without changing the actual log data. He said the beta upgrade also will correct other log data problems that caused fatal errors in signing a log, including allowing the signing process to complete the "good" parts of a log without crashing.

Beta testing got under way May 15. So far, the 1300 or so beta testers have uploaded upward of five million contacts to the LoTW database. Once it's ready later this year, LoTW will provide a way for amateurs worldwide to qualify for awards such as DXCC or WAS without having to first collect and submit hard-copy QSL cards.

One beta tester from Brazil lavished praised on the LoTW project. "I applaud the creators of LoTW," he wrote. "This will be, for sure, the salvation of DXing and award collecting. Please keep up this essential work!" For now, log data are limited to contacts made no more than five years ago (on or after January 1, 1998) to get a representative sampling, Patton explained.

Patton promised "many more bells and whistles" over the weeks ahead. One of those will meld LoTW with DXCC. He noted that a major DXCC software revision, now under way, will need to be completed first.

Logging software developers now can get documentation and a Windows DLL library--as well as complete source code for the TQSL software--at the SourceForge Web site <http://sourceforge.net/projects/trustedqsl/>.

To join the beta testing program, visit the Logbook of the World--Getting Started site <http://www.arrl.org/lotw/getstart.html>. The beta testing period wraps up in mid-July.

All QSO data submitted to LoTW will be deleted when the beta test period ends, and users will have to obtain new digital certificates to submit log data to LoTW once it 'goes live.' As part of the security process for the live system, passwords will be mailed to US licensees at the address that appears in the FCC database. Users should make sure the FCC has their current mailing address.

Amateurs can modify their address online or via US mail by using instructions available on the FCC Web site <http://wireless.fcc.gov/services/amateur/licensing/changingaddress.html>. ARRL members may submit license modifications or renewals through the ARRL VEC <http://www.arrl.org/fcc/forms.html>.

==>ASTRONAUT THRILLS HOMETOWN YOUNGSTERS VIA AMATEUR RADIO

NASA ISS Science Officer Ed Lu, KC5WKJ, told youngsters at his hometown alma mater via ham radio this week that zero gravity (G) feels a bit like going over the top on a roller coaster. The May 27 Amateur Radio on the

International Space Station (ARISS) contact with Klem Road South School in Webster, New York, was the first for a member of the two-ham ISS Expedition 7 crew and for Lu, who had attended the kindergarten through grade 5 school some three decades ago.

"If you've ever been on a roller coaster and you go over the top of the roller coaster you feel that feeling like you're kinda light--you're floating up on your feet," Lu explained. "It's almost exactly like that but a lot stronger." Weightlessness "feels great." After some time in zero gravity, however, "it feels like your legs weigh a ton," he added, describing his own post-space shuttle experience.

Lu told the youngsters that while he was speaking to them from NA1SS, he was floating--and relaxing--about a foot above the floor and about to have a lunch of lamb, a chicken omelet and cookies for dessert. "I like the food up here a lot," he remarked later. Most of the current cuisine is Russian, he said, but he anticipated some Chinese and Hawaiian fare to arrive aboard the next Progress supply rocket. The ISS crew typically eats three meals a day, he said.

The lack of gravity does make it necessary to secure everything, including eating utensils, so they don't float off. Another downside of zero G is that the astronauts aboard the ISS must exercise regularly. "If you don't exercise, all of your muscles get smaller, and that includes your heart," he explained in response to one boy's question.

In all, Lu answered about a dozen questions, although apparent signal dropout and noise plagued the last minute or two of the QSO, rendering his replies barely intelligible. Lu advised the youngsters that, while expertise in science and math was most important to becoming an astronaut, skills and specialties vary among those in the Astronaut Corps. "The common thing among all of them is that all of them did pretty well at whatever it was they chose to do," he said.

With the ISS was over Hawaii at the time, radio contact with NA1SS was established via Nancy Rocheleau, WH6PN, in Honolulu, who arose before 3 AM to serve as control operator for the QSO. An MCI teleconferencing circuit linked the school with WH6PN. ARISS is an international program with participation by ARRL, AMSAT and NASA.

==>ARRL RECOGNIZES MAJOR DONORS

The second-annual ARRL Donors' Recognition Reception afforded those assembled the opportunity to meet an architect of US naval policy--and a fellow ham. The event was held May 15, just prior to the start of Hamvention 2003, at the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base officers' club in Dayton, Ohio.

After a welcome and Maxim Society presentation by League President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, introduced the keynote speaker, retired US Navy Vice Adm John Scott Redd, K0DQ. In 36 years of active duty, Redd commanded eight organizations, led the recommissioned

Fifth Fleet and held several senior policy positions at the Pentagon.

"We were very lucky to have Vice Admiral Redd as our speaker," said ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH. "Scott captivated the guests with amazing stories of his service to our country." Redd also discussed the importance of the ARRL Education and Technology Program-"The Big Project"--to the future of Amateur Radio.

Also honored for their generosity were ARRL Vice President Kay Craigie, N3KN, and her husband Carter, N3AO. The Craigies were recognized for their lifetime support of ARRL with membership in the Maxim Society. The Maxim Society is made up of those who have made more than $10,000 in lifetime contributions to ARRL programs. "Their extraordinary generosity is reflected in all areas of ARRL fund raising," Hobart said. "ARRL is pleased to have the opportunity to thank all of our major donors who have supported all of our efforts to support Amateur Radio so generously."

==>HAMS ON THE "HOT SEAT" AT ARRL HAMVENTION PR FORUM

Attendees at the ARRL public relations forum at Hamvention 2003 enhanced their knowledge of Amateur Radio public relations and had a lot of fun in the process. The forum May 18 was organized by members of the League's Public Relations Committee. Several members of that panel also were on hand to participate.

For the "fun" part, the group developed its own version of "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?" Audience members volunteered to sit on the hot seat to answer a variety of PR-related questions and compete for prizes. Contestants collected "Hiram Bucks" for continuing to come up with correct answers.

Three lucky forum attendees walked away with hand-held radios generously donated by ICOM and Yaesu. Several ARRL products were awarded as door prizes.

PR Committee members also set up a question-and-answer panel discussion. Among other pieces of useful information, attendees learned which photo formats media outlets prefer, how to get local coverage during a major disaster and how to encourage media reporters to cover Amateur Radio events.

In opening remarks, ARRL Media Relations Manager Jennifer Hagy, N1TDY, talked briefly about the League's public relations program and her duties at ARRL Headquarters. PR Committee Chairman Jeff Reinhardt, AA6JR, moderated the forum. Participating committee members included David Greer, N4KZ, Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, Gary Johnston, KI4LA, Rich Moseson, W2VU, Sherri Brower, W4STB, and Jim McDonald, KB9LEI.

==>MAINE GOVERNOR GETS A TASTE OF HAM RADIO

Maine Gov John Baldacci praised the dedication and value of Maine's Amateur Radio operators as he met April 24 with members of the Ellsworth Amateur Wireless Association and other amateurs. He also checked into a

75-meter traffic net during his visit and promised to renew efforts--begun a couple of years ago--to get his ham ticket.

The governor assured the group that the Maine Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) relies on Amateur Radio operators to support the statewide communications system. Baldacci pointed out that communication will be the most difficult and expensive part of the state's homeland security strategy. While some federal money has been provided for basic protective equipment needs, the governor said Maine would rely on Amateur Radio volunteers if primary telecommunication systems go down.

Baldacci also pledged to squelch any legislation banning cell telephone use by motorists that also prohibited hams from talking on microphones. Such a bill was soundly defeated in the Maine Legislature two years ago, but there's a similar bill in the current legislative session. On the other hand, Baldacci was not very receptive to the idea of free or discounted amateur call sign vanity plates, which now cost $35. Like many states, Maine is dealing with severe budget problems, he explained.

The Ellsworth Amateur Wireless Association presented Baldacci with a Certificate of Appreciation for his support of Amateur Radio during his tenure as US Congressman. ARRL Section Manager Bill Woodhead, N1KAT, also gave the governor a Certificate of Merit from the ARRL for his support.

Woodhead also provided Baldacci with the latest edition of the ARRL Technician study guide, Now You're Talking. Baldacci said he'd add the goal of getting his ticket to his to-do list and would rely on the encouragement and help of Maine's hams to achieve it.--Phil Duggan, N1EP

==>HAM-PIANIST CLOSING IN ON HALFWAY POINT IN RUN

Concert pianist Martin Berkofsky, KC3RE, is closing in on the halfway point in his CelebrateLifeRun <http://www.celebrateliferun.com> from Tulsa to Chicago. A cancer survivor and an ARRL member from Northern Virginia, Berkofsky set out April 9--his 60th birthday--on an 860-mile jog to celebrate his recovery from cancer and to raise money for research into the disease. Berkofsky--who has ham gear, including APRS, along with him--was 380 miles into his journey and some 20 miles south of Hermann, Missouri, as of mid-week.

Berkofsky reports he's made many new ham radio friends in his travels, and he's hoping for an invitation to operate Field Day with an Illinois ham club group. "So far he has found local folks--sometimes Amateur radio enthusiasts, sometimes cancer survivors--to put him up for the evening or drive him to his next base camp," said Joni Shulman, assistant research director of the Cancer Treatment Research Foundation in Tulsa. "Thanks to the generosity of total strangers, Martin has spent only two or three nights in motels." The CTRF will benefit from money raised during Berkofsky's run.

Berkofsky has scheduled some benefit concerts along his route, including Rolla, Missouri, May 30; June 2 in Hermann, Missouri; and June 12 in St

Louis (at Webster University). "St Louis will mark halfway through the run with my target arrival in Chicago 11 August," Berkofsky told ARRL. "I have managed to always keep a few days ahead and to run a few extra miles most days, weather allowing." Follow his progress via the Internet <http://www.celebrateliferun.com/route.cfm>.

==>ARRL SEEKS COMPUTER-BASED MULTIMEDIA PRESENTATIONS, VIDEOS

ARRL Field and Educational Services (F&ES) is seeking Amateur Radio presentation programs or slide shows that utilize Microsoft PowerPoint or similar computer-based slide-viewing software. F&ES also is interested in VHS and digital video programs to add to materials F&ES offers hams through the ARRL Video Series <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/materials/videos.html>.

Topic choice can be any Amateur Radio topic of interest to hams or targeted for a non-ham community, including demonstrations and tutorials on various topics. The ARRL Web site's Multimedia Frequently Asked Questions page <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/materials/visuals.html> has further information. The League's video library needs media in forms that are easily portable, easily presented and up-to-the-minute. As file size and download speed may be an issue for downloading submissions from the ARRL Web site, F&ES wants to offer the best submissions by topic collection in CD-ROM format.

Presentations and slide shows submitted should be placed on disc or CD-ROM (file zipping is acceptable). Videos should be in VHS or DVD format and not exceed 20 minutes in length. Submissions must contain original material and should not use music, video clips or copyrighted materials owned by others without appropriate permissions.

Submissions should include a cover sheet describing the program, system requirements and file sizes and noting any use of materials used with the permission of others. Submissions accepted for use and distribution by ARRL will require the signing of a release form provided by ARRL. CDs selected for distribution would be made available to clubs and interested individuals for the cost of duplicating, shipping and handling.

Send presentations or slide shows on disc, CD-ROM, VHS tape or DVD to Multimedia Project, c/o Mary Lau, N1VH, ARRL Field and Educational Services, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. For further information on this project, contact Mary Lau, N1VH, mlau@....

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Sun watcher Tad "I See the Light" Cook, K7RA, Seattle, Washington, reports: While this bulletin is being written Friday, May 30 at around 0600 UTC, a severe geomagnetic storm rages. For the past three reporting periods (three hours each), the planetary K index has been 8, indicating extremely active conditions.

A late forecast at 0359 UTC on May 30 shows the projected planetary A index for May 30 through June 2 as 60, 40, 25 and 20, followed by an A of 30 for June 3-5, 35 for June 6, and 30 again on June 7.

On May 29 Earth was hit by coronal mass ejections at 1215 UTC and 1900 UTC. A third coronal mass ejection may hit Earth May 30. Rather than working HF, now seems a good time for 6-meter operations and observing aurora. Solar flux over the next few days (May 30 through June 2) is predicted at 145, 140, 135 and 125.

Sunspot numbers for May 22 through 28 were 110, 87, 84, 51, 65, 116 and 116, with a mean of 89.9. The 10.7-cm flux was 118.4, 117.9, 116.8, 121.1, 125.1, 128.8 and 130.2, with a mean of 122.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 25, 21, 22, 22, 18, 26 and 36, with a mean of 24.3.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The Six Club World Wide Contest and the Great Lakes QSO Party are the weekend of May 31-June 1. JUST AHEAD: The VK-ZL Trans-Tasman Contest (CW), the IARU Region 1 Field Day (CW) and the QRP TAC Sprint are the weekend of June 7-8. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration opens Monday, June 2, 12:01 AM EDT (0401 UTC), for the on-line Level I Emergency Communications course (EC-001). Registration remains open through the June 7-8 weekend or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, June 17. Thanks to a United Technologies Corporation grant, the $45 registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the course. During this registration period, approximately 200 seats are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. A new service now allows those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future to receive advance word of registration opportunities via e-mail. To take advantage, send an e-mail to prereg@arrl.org. On the subject line, include the course name or number (eg, EC-00#). In the message body, include your name, call sign, e-mail address, and the month you want to start the course. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce/> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, dmiller@...; 860-594-0340.

* ARRL to sponsor emergency communications course seminar in Texas: The ARRL will offer a free Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course (ARECC) seminar Friday, June 20, in conjunction with the ARRL National Convention at HamCom in Arlington, Texas. The seminar will not include the Level I course itself. This program is designed to explain in greater detail the duties of volunteer certification mentors, instructors and examiners of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications courses and provide additional information for those considering these volunteer

positions. The seminar will be Friday, June 20, 1-5 PM, Room M5. Seating may be limited. If you plan to attend, contact ARRL Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, k3ufg@arrl.org; 860-594-0340; fax 860-594-0259. For registered CMs, CIs and CEs who attend, mileage may be reimbursable up to $35. Seminar attendance does not include admission to the convention, June 20-22. For more information on the 2003 ARRL National Convention, visit the HamCom Web site <http://www.hamcom.org>.

* Gerald G. Schmitt, KK5YY, SK: Jerry Schmitt, KK5YY (ex-KC5EGG), of Los Alamos, New Mexico, died unexpectedly May 23 after an apparent heart attack. He was 60. Schmitt was especially well-known within the AMSAT and APRS communities and was the designer and primary promoter of the portable Arrow antenna used for satellite work; he also had a hand in developing antennas for AO-40. "Jerry was a very good friend of AMSAT's," said AMSAT President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH. At Hamvention 2003 Schmitt assisted at the AMSAT booth and did a live ham satellite demonstration. "He was just a great guy all around and full of humor," Haighton said. "We're all going to miss him." An ARRL member, Schmitt served as a net control operator for the New Mexico Swapnet and took part in providing ham radio communication during the Cerro Grande fires in New Mexico. In 2001, Schmitt managed Earth-station duties during an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school group contact from the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science in Albuquerque. He was nearing retirement from Los Alamos National Laboratories and planning to move with his wife, Barbara, KD5CGU, to Alaska. Arrangements are pending.--Brian Mileshosky, N5ZGT, provided some information for this report

* Digital Communications Conference issues call for papers: Technical papers are solicited for presentation at the 22nd annual ARRL-TAPR Digital Communications Conference set for September 19-21, 2003, in Hartford, Connecticut. Papers also are needed for publication in the conference Proceedings, published by the ARRL. Presentation at the conference is not required for publication. The deadline to submit papers is August 5. Submissions go to Maty Weinberg, KB1EIB, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111, or to maty@.... Paper submission guidelines are available on the TAPR Web site <http://www.tapr.org/dcc/>.

* Echo satellite a no-go for 2003 launch: AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, says launch of the ECHO Amateur Radio satellite now under construction will be delayed about six months, so the satellite will not be launched this year as previously hoped. "This is not an AMSAT delay, but we have learned that the launch organization does not have a primary payload for their fall launch," Haighton said in this month's "President's Letter" via AMSAT News Service. "On the positive side, it gives us a few more months to complete the work on ECHO, complete the software and complete the tests. It may also slightly reduce our overall launch costs."--AMSAT News Service

* Ham radio exempted from Texas tower legislation: Hams in Texas are breathing a sigh of relief after lawmakers exempted Amateur Radio

licensees from Senate Bill 1261, also known as the LeClair-Jennings Act. The measure relates to proposed construction, marking and location of wireless communication towers. The Texas House of Representatives this week passed SB 1261--it earlier had gained Senate approval--and it now goes to Gov Rick Perry <http://www.governor.state.tx.us/> for his signature. The text of the legislation is available on the Texas Legislature Web site <http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/>.

* Two-man ISS crew easing into operational routine: Now a month into their Expedition 7 mission, the crew of the International Space Station has moved beyond an orientation and familiarization schedule and into an agenda of operations that reflects the range of activities they'll pursue during the remaining five months of their flight. Expedition 7 Commander Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP, and NASA ISS Science Officer Ed Lu, KC5WKJ, last week completed various maintenance tasks. This week, Malenchenko and Lu--the first two-person crew to stay aboard the ISS--will replace a storage battery in the Zvezda Service Module. As training for a contingency space walk, Malenchenko and Lu will practice getting into--and out of--their American spacesuits, a task they typically had help with during training on the ground. No spacewalks are planned for this increment, however. On May 21 Malenchenko and Lu discussed mission progress and scientific research with the BBC World Service and with WHEC-TV in Rochester, New York, near Lu's hometown of Webster. The following day, they answered questions from students gathered at the Adler Planetarium in Chicago. On May 27, Lu spoke via Amateur Radio with students at the Klem Road South School, his home town alma mater (see "Astronaut Thrills Hometown Youngsters via Amateur Radio" elsewhere in this issue). More information on the Expedition 7 crew's activities is available on NASA's Human Spaceflight Web site <http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/>.--NASA

* Ham-meteorologists win NOAA Administrator's Award: Scott Mentzer, N0QE, who's the meteorologist in charge at the National Weather Service's Goodland, Kansas, office, is a recipient of this year's NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) Administrator's Award. The award cites "major achievements in strengthening the relationship between the National Weather Service and volunteer Amateur Radio (ham) operators involved in hazardous weather communications throughout the United States." Former Goodland NWS Office meteorologist Dennis Hull, KB0NYC, now of Pendelton, Oregon, is another award recipient. While at Goodland, he was warning coordination meteorologist and worked closely with ham weather spotters. Mentzer called the ARRL "a great supporter and cosponsor of the national SKYWARN Recognition Day each December," which Mentzer has helped organize and develop. Mentzer and Hull will be treated to an expenses-paid trip to Washington, DC, to pick up their awards.

* Newfoundland club promoting interest in LF work: The Marconi Radio Club of Newfoundland is promoting interest in low-frequency (LF) work on 136 kHz The club reports it's breaking new ground on the long waves by conducting experiments aimed at assisting Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) <http://www.rac.ca> to acquire a 136-kHz amateur allocation and promoting

interest in LF work. The RAC has endorsed and Industry Canada has approved an experimental license proposal drafted by club member Joe Craig, VO1NA. Since then, an LF transmitting station--the first in the Newfoundland-Labrador Section--has been on the air at 135.830 kHz as MRCN members conduct various experiments including crossband contacts. Signals from the station have been copied by W1TAG near Boston and by G3NYK in England. The FCC recently decided against granting the 136-kHz allocation for US amateurs that ARRL had requested and the FCC had proposed granting in 2002. Visit the MRCN Web site <http://www.ucs.mun.ca/~jcraig/mrcn.html> for further information.

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1208. Protective Packaging for free

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-04 06:44:10 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1208 Message: 1208

Dear YL/OM,

I have access to some good quality protective packaging foams of various thicknesses. I would like to give away the same (obviously) for free to the club and its members.

It is used during transporting and safely storing ham radio equipment.

I will carry the same on this Sunday meeting (Nilesh announced that second sunday meeting is on unless otherwised specified) OR give it to someone who can carry it if I can't make it.

Please take what you like irrespective.

73

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VUNHR
(Nirav)

1209. Monthly Meeting for June 2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-05 12:17:46 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1209 Message: 1209

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The Monthly meeting of May 2003 will be held on 8th June 2003 at 10:00 hours at B.S.Bengelle Girls High School.

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:-
1. Ham Radio Classes Next batch at Churchgate & Thane.

2.Applications for choice of callsign and Licences of our last batch. (Churchgate & Thane).

Please attend the meeting on time.

73

NLF

1210. Ham Radio Demonstration.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-05 12:20:48 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1210 Message: 1210

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY will conduct a live demonstration and give a power point presentation on Ham Radio at 4pm on Sunday 8th June 2003. at B.S Bengelle Girls School, Opp. USIS Library, Churchgate .

The demo will include actual communications on HF with National and International stations, contacts on VHF with local stations and a brief demo on digital communications via Ham Radio.

The Power Point presentation will cover introduction to Ham Radio, Ham Radio & disaster communications and Ham Radio & Digital communications.

MARS will also start its ham radio classes at Thane and at Churchgate commencing on 15th June 2003. It will be a Sunday batch from 9am to 1pm for 10 Sundays only.

For further details please contact on Prashant - 20510070 or Huzefa - 9892039969

E-Mail : info@...

All members are requested to follow up with your friends and relatives interested in joining the batch.

73

NLF

1211. Membership Fees unpaid

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-06 13:20:53 UTC
From: Mehul
Topic: 1211 Message: 1211

Hi All,

Following members are requested to pay up their fees immediately.

Minoo Contractor
Zarir Vesuna
Jyotika Dalal
Dinesh Patel
Sudhir Kalkar
Rohit Arora
Napolean Mody
Ananta More
Kirti Doshi
Anusuya Pullakudy
Parin Gangar
ANDREWS KARIYATTIL
ASHOK R PARAB
CHANDER H BHATIA
CHANDNI KAPIL
DINESH CHAUDHARY
DR. PARESH KARIA
G M ZALKE
HARSHAD SURVE
J T D'SOUZA
KAUSHIK JAIMALANI
LABHESH V MORE
MILIND PARALIKAR
MRITYUNJAY HIREMATH
P V HARIDAS
R K BHATIA
RAHUL S MORE
S S INAMDAR
SACHIN JHUNJUNWALA
SAMSON RAMRAJKAR
SANJAY G KADAM
SANJAY SHINDE
SANJEEVKUMAR KADAM
SANTOSH VEDANTE
SURESH PUNYARTHI
V M VAIDYA
VARGHESE WILSON
VILAS MORE
AJIT V.VORA
AMIT GUPTA
ANAND TRIVEDI

BALRAM WARRIER
BHARAT C.SHAH
BHAVNA KAUL
CHARLES BARBOZA
DESHRAJ BHARMORIA
DILEEP PRABHAKARAN
GAUTAM KEDIA
HARDEEP SINGH KHALSA
JESAL DOSHI
NISHANT VARSANI
RAHUL SANKAR ROY
RISHI LAL
SACHIN SURENDRAN
SAJIV KURUP
SAJJAD JIVANI
SHYAM KAPADIA
SUBRATA CHAKRABORTY
UDAY SANKAR ROY
ZARTHUN ZEND
ZORBEN ZEND

Thnks,

Mehul.

1212. The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 23

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-07 09:35:43 UTC
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==>NEW 60-METER BAND TO BECOME AVAILABLE JULY 3!

The new five-channel 60-meter amateur allocation becomes available to US
Amateur Radio operators at midnight (12:00 AM) local time on July 3. The
local time designation means that amateurs in the US territory of Guam
likely will be the first to get a crack at the new band.

The new band will be a secondary allocation--federal government users are
primary--and the first on which the only permitted mode will be
upper-sideband (USB) phone (emission type 2K8J3E). The FCC last month
announced it would grant hams access to five discrete 2.8-kHz-wide
channels instead of the 150 kHz-wide band ARRL had requested and the FCC
initially proposed. The League remains optimistic, however, that Amateur
Radio eventually may be able to enjoy a band segment with multiple mode
privileges at 60 meters. ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, has said that in the
meantime hams will have to be on their best behavior when taking advantage
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of the limited channelized allocation, open to General and higher class licensees.

The FCC has granted amateurs center-channel frequencies of 5332, 5348, 5368, 5373 and 5405 kHz--the last channel common to the amateur experimental operation under way in the United Kingdom <http://www.rsgb-hfc.org.uk/5mhz.htm>. To be "on channel," users of 60 meters should set their transmitted carrier frequency 1.5 kHz lower than the channel-center frequency. In terms of day-to-day operation, the new band is expected to resemble the sort of channel sharing typical on local repeaters.

ARRL Laboratory Manager Ed Hare, W1RFI, says hams need to be very careful if they're considering modifying their current transceiver or transmitter for 5 MHz. The ARRL advises that members check with the appropriate equipment manufacturers regarding specific modification information. Some modifications not only may void the warranty but could affect or alter a transmitter's operation in unpredictable ways.

"Hams need to be sure that any modifications put them right on the desired channel," Hare said. "Most hams are used to just having to think about band edges, so on other bands, if a mod were a bit 'off,' all operators would need to ensure is that they are not transmitting outside the band."

Hare recommended that on 5 MHz amateurs remain within "a few tens of Hertz" of suppressed-carrier accuracy. He also pointed out that hams have a mandate not to have any of their signal occupy spectrum outside the assigned 2.8 kHz channels.

Noting that high-frequency audio response can vary considerably from radio to radio, Hare has suggested restricting occupied channel audio bandwidth to 2600 Hz, rolling off below 200 Hz on the low end and above 2800 Hz on the high end.

Last-minute opposition to the granting of a band segment at 5 MHz came last year from the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), which cited the ongoing spectrum requirements of federal government licensees having homeland security responsibilities. The NTIA administers spectrum allocated to the federal government. A compromise between the FCC and the NTIA resulted in the limited, channelized allocation.

The NTIA selected the channels the FCC authorized to minimize the possibility of interference to federal government users, and it dictated the use of USB so that federal government users--who also use only USB--could readily identify amateur stations if necessary.

The FCC has set maximum power at 50 W ERP and said it would consider a typical half-wave dipole to exhibit no gain.

==>PRESIDENT HAYNIE TO TESTIFY FOR AMATEUR RADIO SPECTRUM PROTECTION ACT

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, will testify June 11 before the House Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet. Haynie will speak on behalf of the Spectrum Protection Act 2003, HR 713, at the request of the bill's sponsor, Rep Michael Bilirakis (R-FL). The measure would require the FCC to provide "equivalent replacement spectrum" to Amateur Radio in the event the Commission reallocates amateur spectrum.

"Amateur Radio has been in the forefront of technological innovation since the advent of wireless," Haynie said this week. "It's in the best interests of our nation that ham radio has spectrum to operate. At some point in time, if we continue to lose spectrum, where is the spectrum going to come from to enable continued experimentation and innovation? Or for emergency communications?"

Haynie this week received his formal invitation to appear before the subcommittee. He'll get about 10 minutes to address the lawmakers. The 11 AM hearing at which Haynie will testify--"The Spectrum Needs of Our Nation's First Responders"--will convene to address public safety spectrum needs. Subcommittee Chairman Fred Upton (R-MI) agreed earlier this year with a request from Bilirakis to include an opportunity for a member of the Amateur Radio community to testify. Upton also told Bilirakis that he shares his interest in protecting Amateur Radio. The panel is a subcommittee of the House Energy and Commerce Committee chaired by Rep Billy Tauzin (R-LA).

Haynie says he's looking forward to the opportunity to state the League's case. Upton's willingness to hear testimony on the bill is considered critical to enhancing the measure's credibility, and it marks a major step toward getting HR 713 through Congress this year.

The Senate version of the Amateur Radio Spectrum Protection Act, S 537--introduced by Michael Crapo (R-ID)--got a boost earlier this year when Senate Communications Subcommittee Chairman Conrad Burns (R-MT)--the expected architect of the Senate's spectrum management legislation--signed on as a cosponsor. Burns' support suggests that the measure now has his attention and could convince others to follow suit, although that hasn't happened yet.

The Spectrum Protection Act would amend the Communications Act to require the FCC to provide "equivalent replacement spectrum" to Amateur Radio and the Amateur-Satellite Service in the event of a reallocation of primary amateur allocations, any reduction in secondary amateur allocations, or "additional allocations within such bands" that would substantially reduce their utility to amateurs. The bills point out Amateur Radio's volunteer role in providing emergency communication during disasters and emergencies.

HR 713 has attracted 31 cosponsors while S 537 has three so far. Haynie continues to encourage ARRL members to urge their senators and representatives and to sign on as cosponsors. Cosponsorhip lends support to legislation while it's in committee. "Letters and e-mails are the key to getting legislation passed," Haynie says. A sample letter is available on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/govrelations/arspa.html>. Those

writing their lawmakers are asked to copy their correspondence to the League via e-mail <specbill03@...>.

The text of HR 713 and S 537 is available via the Thomas Web site <http://thomas.loc.gov/>.

==>ARRL, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY TO INK STATEMENT OF AFFILIATION

ARRL and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) <http://www.dhs.gov/dhspublic/> will sign a Statement of Affiliation (SoA) at the League's 2003 National Convention later this month in Texas. The convention will be held June 20-22 at the Arlington Convention Center in conjunction with Ham-Com <http://www.hamcom.org>. Since both ARRL and DHS view community disaster preparedness and response as top priorities, they will pledge mutual support for Citizen Corps--a community-based training and outreach initiative that brings together volunteers and first responders.

"This is all part of the bigger picture of getting emergency communications, aligned with what our government needs," said ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, who will sign the SoA on the League's behalf. "Amateur Radio stands ready to serve the country as needed in times of emergency."

Chief Operating Officer of the Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate Ron Castleman will represent the DHS at the signing and serve as the lead speaker during the ARRL Forum, Saturday, June 21, at 10 AM. The forum will take place in an unnumbered room that's to the right of the Ham-Com registration area, not in Room M5 as originally scheduled.

Programs under the Citizen Corps umbrella are aimed at helping communities prevent, prepare for and respond to terrorism, public health issues and disasters.

The Statement of Affiliation will call on ARRL and DHS to collaborate in several areas, including raising public awareness of Amateur Radio as a public safety resource and providing training and accreditation for Amateur Radio emergency communications. The DHS and the League also will work together to promote formation and assist Citizen Corps councils in education, training and volunteer service opportunities that support first responders, disaster relief organizations and community safety efforts.

A schedule of Ham-Com/2003 ARRL National Convention programs is available on the Ham-Com Web site <http://www.hamcom.org/programs/Programs.pdf>.

==>40-METER "REALIGNMENT" TOPS WRC-2003 AMATEUR RADIO ISSUES

When delegates gather June 9 in Geneva, Switzerland, for World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 (WRC-03), Amateur Radio will enjoy robust representation. The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) is looking to WRC-03 to resolve the longstanding issue of a harmonized worldwide 40-meter amateur allocation. In addition, the IARU has taken positions on several other issues of importance to hams.

"Forty meters is the biggie," says ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, who will attend the month-long international assembly in the role of administrative officer of the IARU observer delegation headed by President Larry Price, W4RA. "It's complicated, controversial and involves multiple radio services, and there's simply no way of predicting what the outcome will be."

Citing its desire to "meet the needs of communications for humanitarian assistance," the IARU has expressed strong support for a realignment of the band to make available to hams globally 300 kHz of spectrum in the vicinity of 7 MHz.

While Region 2 amateurs--including US hams--now enjoy 7.000 to 7.300 MHz, hams in most of the rest of the world--Regions 1 and 3--may use only 7.000 to 7.100 MHz. Methods to get the issue off the dime must address the incompatibility arising from how, where and on what timetable the broadcasters in Regions 1 and 3 should be shifted to higher frequencies while continuing to meet the needs of fixed and mobile services in the band.

Other Amateur Radio-related agenda items include proposed revisions to Article 25 of the Radio Regulations. Article 25 details the requirements for Amateur Radio and includes the obligation to demonstrate Morse code proficiency to operate below 30 MHz. Sumner said he expects the WRC-03 delegates to delete the international requirement, although administrations could continue to require Morse proficiency if they wished to do so.

The IARU favors a revision to Paragraph 25.6 to incorporate an ITU Recommendation (ITU-R M.1544) by reference to establish a minimum international standard for Amateur Radio licensing. The IARU also supports adding new provisions urging administrations to take steps to allow amateur stations to prepare for and meet communication needs to support disaster relief and to permit individuals licensed in another country to operate temporarily while in their territory. The IARU also supports giving greater flexibility to administrations in the formation of Amateur Radio call signs.

Expressing concern over interference potential, the IARU opposes allocating any spectrum to the Earth Exploration Satellite Service (Active) to deploy spaceborne synthetic aperture radars (SARs) in the 430 to 440 MHz band. Amateur Radio is co-primary at 430 to 440 MHz in Region 1 and in several countries in Region 2.

As an observer at the conference, the IARU can only request that ITU member-states take its views into consideration when deciding on WRC-03 agenda items. ARRL has launched a special WRC-03 campaign <http://www.arrl.org/defense> to help generate the funds needed to continue the defense of Amateur Radio spectrum. Sumner said "unquantifiable thousands of hours by volunteers and staff members" have gone into WRC-03 preparations.

ARRL Technical Relations Manager Paul Rinaldo, W4RI, and ARRL Technical Relations Specialist Jon Siverling, WB3ERA, will serve on the US delegation. More than a dozen other Amateur Radio licensees are expected to be in Geneva to help represent Amateur Radio. WRC-03 concludes July 4. More information on WRC-03 is available on the ITU WRC-03 Web page <http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/conferences/wrc/wrc-03/index.asp> and on the FCC Web site <http://www.fcc.gov/ib/wrc-03/>.

==>HAMVENTION REPORTS ATTENDANCE DOWN IN 2003

Hamvention reported June 4 that attendance for this year's 52nd show was 22,168, down a bit more than 10 percent from last year's crowd. "This is based on the number of admission tickets issued and exhibitor and staff badges issued," said a statement from the office of Hamvention Production Manager Garry Matthews, KB8GOL. Matthews told ARRL that weather played a big factor in attendance this year.

"Our biggest contributing factor to the drop was the near-constant rain on Saturday," he said. "We had a whole day washed out."

On the plus side, Matthews said, Hamvention 2003 came close to selling out vendor spaces, and many vendors reported that they had a good year, despite the smaller crowd.

The 2003 number marks the third year in a row that Hamvention's attendance had dipped. Attendance at last year's 50th anniversary event was 24,832, down about 5 percent from 2001's crowd of 26,151. The crowd size climbed to 28,804 in 2000, the year of the ARRL National Convention at Hamvention.

Matthews said Hamvention expects to wrap up negotiations within the next three weeks on a new, two-year contract with Hara Arena, Hamvention's home since the 1960s. The anticipated contract, in conjunction with support from local hotels and motels and area municipalities, "would allow Hamvention to stay in the Dayton area for the foreseeable future," Matthews' office said.

Hamvention 2004 will be held May 14-16. For more information, visit the Hamvention Web site <http://www.hamvention.org>.

==>KID'S DAY II IS JUNE 21!

The second Kid's Day of 2003 will be June 21, from 1800-2400 UTC. There's no limit on operating time. The twice-annual event, held in January and June, offers a chance for amateurs to invest in the future of Amateur Radio by participating in a simple, but rewarding, on-the-air event. Now in its ninth year, each running of Kid's Day typically attracts more than 1000 participants.

Kid's Day is intended as an opportunity to share Amateur Radio with young people--licensed or not--in the hope that they'll enjoy the experience and possibly pursue their own license in the future.

Activity for Kid's Day <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html> takes place on 20, 15 and 10 meters and can include local 2-meter

repeaters. It's an opportunity to introduce your own youngsters, neighborhood kids and nieces and nephews to participate to the magic of ham radio and perhaps spark a lifelong love for the hobby.

Kid's Day is not a contest, and patience is a must. The role of the licensee and control operator is to help with the basics, keep an eye on the technical aspects of the operation, observe third-party traffic agreements and be sure to ID at the proper intervals. In this event, it's quality of the contacts that counts, not quantity.

The suggested exchange for Kid's Day is first name, age, location and favorite color. It's okay to work the same station again if the operator has changed. Call "CQ Kid's Day." Suggested frequencies are 14,270 to 14,300, 21,380 to 21,400 and 28,350 to 28,400 kHz, and 2-meter repeater frequencies with permission from your area repeater sponsor.

All participants are eligible to receive a colorful certificate. Visit the ARRL Kid's Day Survey page <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kids-day-survey.html> to complete a short survey and post your comments. You will then have access to download the certificate page or send a 9x12 SASE to Boring Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 1357, Boring, OR 97009.

Originated by the Boring Amateur Radio Club <http://jzap.com/k7rat/>, the event now is sponsored and administered by the ARRL with the cooperation and assistance of the BARC.

==>"MR HAMVENTION" FRANK SCHWAB, W8OK, SK

Well-known top-flight contester and CW operator Frank Schwab, W8OK, of Dayton, Ohio, died May 30 after a lengthy illness. He was 77. In 1952 and then president of the Dayton Amateur Radio Association, Schwab was among the organizers of the first Hamvention. Schwab subsequently became known around Dayton as the "father of Hamvention" or "Mr Hamvention."

Schwab had attended every Hamvention but the most recent one in May, during which he was hospitalized. An ARRL Life Member, he also belonged to the Society of Wireless Pioneers and the Quarter Century Wireless Association. As a founder and member of the Southwestern Ohio DX Association, he was involved in planning the annual DX banquet held in conjunction with Hamvention. Schwab was Hamvention's Amateur of the Year in 1978.

A World War II Navy veteran radioman, Schwab was first licensed in 1946 as W8YCP and, owing in part to his considerable CW skill (he could copy 55 WPM), he soon rose to the top of the DXCC ranks (376 DXCC entities confirmed) and eventual membership in the CQ DX Hall of Fame.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn, 12 children, 30 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Four of his survivors are hams. They include his daughter Joanne Hubbard, N8QMP, grandchildren Bobbie Anderson, KC7RWX, and Sarah Anderson, KC7MRO, and son-in-law Jack Hubbard, NI8N.--information

provided by Jack Hubbard, NI8N

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Propagation prognosticator Tad "Don't Let the Sun Go Down on Me" Cook, K7RA, Seattle, Washington, reports: More crazy space weather this week. Average daily sunspot numbers and solar flux both were down, and the average daily A index was up. Some have expressed a lot of angst about the solar wind, solar flares, stormy conditions and resulting absorption, but VHF operators are loving it.

Average daily planetary A index compared to the previous week was up over 50 percent to 37.1. The stormiest day was Thursday, May 29, with a planetary A index of 89. Late in the day the planetary K index was 8--which is exceptional.

We should enter a new solar wind stream over this weekend, June 7 and 8. Predicted planetary A index for June 6-12 is 15, 20, 30, 30, 25, 20 and 15. Solar flux forecast for the same days is 115, 118, 120, 120, 122 and 124. As we move toward summer, expect daytime MUF to continue to decline. While 15 meters should decline during the daytime, 20 meters should be good from North America toward the Pacific late into the evening.

Sunspot numbers for May 29 through June 4 were 98, 62, 57, 66, 61, 54 and 74, with a mean of 67.4. The 10.7 cm flux was 137.8, 117.2, 113.1, 112.3, 121.4, 114.5 and 105.6, with a mean of 117.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 89, 49, 17, 19, 39, 26 and 21, with a mean of 37.1.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The VK-ZL Trans-Tasman Contest (CW), the IARU Region 1 Field Day (CW) and the QRP TAC Sprint are the weekend of June 7-8. JUST AHEAD: The ARRL June VHF QSO Party, the ANARTS World Wide RTTY Contest, the Portugal Day Contest, the World Wide South America CW Contest, the Asia-Pacific Sprint (SSB) and the West Virginia QSO Party are the weekend of June 14-15. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the ARRL Antenna Modeling (EC-004) course opens Monday, June 9, 12:01 AM Eastern Daylight Time (0401 UTC) and will remain open through Sunday, June 15. Class begins Tuesday, June 17. Those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future can sign up to be advised via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. Send an e-mail to prereg@.... On the subject line, indicate the course name or number (eg, EC-00#) and the month you want to start the course. In the message body, provide your name, call sign, and e-mail address. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE links found

there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@....

* ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration is closed for the Level I ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-001) that begins June 17 and is sponsored by the United Technologies Corporation. Registration opens Monday, June 9, 12:01 AM Eastern Daylight Time (0400 UTC), for the Level II Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-002). Registration remains open through the June 14-15 weekend or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, June 24. Thanks to United Technologies Corporation, the $45 registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the Level II course. Approximately 75 seats are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce/> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, dmiller@...; 860-594-0340.

* ARRL to sponsor emergency communications course seminar in Oregon: The ARRL will offer a free Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course (ARECC) seminar Friday, June 13, in conjunction with the ARRL Northwest Division Convention, SeaPac, in Seaside, Oregon. The seminar will not include the Level I course itself. This program is designed to explain in greater detail the duties of volunteer certification mentors, instructors and examiners of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications courses and provide additional information for those considering these volunteer positions. The seminar will be held June 13, 1-5 PM. Seating may be limited. Contact ARRL Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, k3ufg@..., 860-594-0340; fax 860-594-0259, if you plan to attend. For registered CMs, CIs and CEs who attend, mileage may be reimbursable up to a total of $35. Seminar attendance does not include admission to the convention, which is June 13 through June 15. For more information on SeaPac, visit the convention Web site <http://www.seapac.org>.

* FCC corrects comment, reply comment dates in BPL proceeding: The FCC says comment and reply comment deadlines in its Broadband over Power Line (BPL) Notice of Inquiry (ET Docket 03-104) published May 23 in the Federal Register were incorrect. In a correction issued June 3, the FCC announced that comments from the public in this proceeding are due on or before July 7, 2003. Reply comments are due on or before August 6, 2003.

* NorCal, NJQRP merge to form American QRP Club: The NorCal QRP Club and the New Jersey QRP Club have joined forces, effective June 4, to form The American QRP Club. A larger, more comprehensive single journal, The Homebrewer, will replace QRPp and QRP Homebrewer. The new club already has begun to consolidate kitting operations as well, and a new Web site <http://www.a-qrp.org> is in the offing. Continuing will be the two QRP forums, Atlanticon and Pacificon, and the NJQRP and NorCal will continue

to plan and execute their respective forums, funded via the American QRP Club. Detailed information is available on the American QRP Club's temporary Web site <http://www.njqrp.org/a-qrp/index.html>.

* Vote on QST Cover Plaque award: The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for May was Allen Baker, KG4JJH, for his article "The Black Widow--A Portable 15 Meter Beam." Congratulations, Allen! The winner of the QST Cover Plaque award--given to the author--or authors--of the best article in each issue--is determined by a vote of ARRL members. Voting takes place each month on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/members-only/qstvote.html>. Cast a ballot for your favorite articles in the June issue of QST. Voting ends June 30.

* Corrections: The story "ARRL Releases Updated 'Logbook of the World' Beta Software" that appeared in The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 22 (May 30, 2003), incorrectly indicated an approximate beta testing termination date. Beta testing will wrap up later this year, but no specific date has been determined. Also, the story should have said, "Patton says the beta update will allow users to 'map' any mode designation to one of the valid Amateur Data Interchange Format (ADIF) modes or to one of the LoTW mode categories--CW, phone, image, and digital--without changing the actual log data." Another story in the same edition, "Hams On The 'Hot Seat' at ARRL Hamvention PR Forum," incorrectly named one of the manufacturers that donated hand-held radios as prizes for the public relations forum. The manufacturers were Icom and Alinco.

* Clarification: The article "Washington Ham Wins Inaugural Goldfarb Memorial Scholarship" that appeared in The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 19 (May 9, 2003) failed to accurately describe the nature of this scholarship award and how the actual award is determined. The Goldfarb Memorial Scholarship award is calculated by taking into account the college's cost (tuition, room, board and books) less the expected family contribution <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/> and any other scholarship awards. The Goldfarb Memorial Scholarship award normally will be at least $10,000. The award in any given year is capped by the money available through investment income. Among other requirements, the student recipient also must maintain a minimum GPA, stay with a major that matches the Goldfarb Memorial Scholarhip terms of reference and supply an updated Student Aid Report. The award is paid to the school on a semester/quarter basis. Applications for the 2004 award will be accepted starting October 1, 2003. See the ARRL Foundation Web site <http://www.arrl.org/arrlf/> for further information.

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* ARRLWeb <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/>. (NOTE: The ARRL Letter will be posted each Friday when it is distributed via e-mail.)

* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio Club: Visit Mailing Lists@... <http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/letter-list>. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)

1213. Happy birthday - Sanjay Kadam

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-07 09:37:16 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1213 Message: 1213

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its Member Sanjay Kadam - Grade - I a very Happy Birthday

1214. happy birthday.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-08 09:00:27 UTC
From: zohar attari
Topic: 1214 Message: 1214

I zohar.k.Attari wishes KADAM a many happy returns of a day.

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1215. Re: [m_a_r_s] Membership Fees unpaid

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-09 05:35:50 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1211 Message: 1215

Hi All,

This is to inform you that yesterday i.e. on 8th June Mr. V.M.Vaidya became a Life member.

Also, we recd annual ,subscription from Ms. Bhavana Kaul.

73s

Prashant ,VU2CBU

>From: "Mehul"
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Membership Fees unpaid
>Date: Fri, 06 Jun 2003 13:20:53 -0000
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>Hi All,
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>Following members are requested to pay up their fees immediately.
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>Minoo Contractor
>Zarir Vesuna
>Jyotika Dalal
>Dinesh Patel
>Sudhir Kalkar
>Rohit Arora
>Napolean Mody
>Ananta More
>Kirti Doshi
>Anusuya Pullakudy
>Parin Gangar
>ANDREWS KARIYATTIL
>ASHOK R PARAB
>CHANDER H BHATIA
>CHANDNI KAPIL
>DINESH CHAUDHARY
>DR. PARESH KARIA
>G M ZALKE
>HARSHAD SURVE
>J T D'SOUZA
>KAUSHIK JAIMALANI
>LABHESH V MORE
>MILIND PARALIKAR
>MRITYUNJAY HIREMATH
>P V HARIDAS
>R K BHATIA

>RAHUL S MORE
>S S INAMDAR
>SACHIN JHUNJUNWALA
>SAMSON RAMRAJKAR
>SANJAY G KADAM
>SANJAY SHINDE
>SANJEEVKUMAR KADAM
>SANTOSH VEDANTE
>SURESH PUNYARTHI
>V M VAIDYA
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>BHAVNA KAUL
>CHARLES BARBOZA
>DESHRAJ BHARMORIA
>DILEEP PRABHAKARAN
>GAUTAM KEDIA
>HARDEEP SINGH KHALSA
>JESAL DOSHI
>NISHANT VARSANI
>RAHUL SANKAR ROY
>RISHI LAL
>SACHIN SURENDRAN
>SAJIV KURUP
>SAJJAD JIVANI
>SHYAM KAPADIA
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1216. Next Batch of Ham Radio Classes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-10 05:43:15 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1216 Message: 1216

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

MARS will be starting its 4th & 5th Batch on 15th June 2003. at Churchgate and at Thane. Members have friends or relatives wanting to join the classes may please register with Huzefa - 92920 39969 or Micky - 98200 63882 wthout further delay.

Please note that we have limited number of seats and the next batches will be conducted next year (2004) so take this opportunity and enrol now.

73

NLF

1217. My material

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-10 18:51:37 UTC
From: kailash_gupta
Topic: 1217 Message: 1217

Dear Mehul,

I have not received anything till date, despite your promise to send by courier. Will you kindly send the material I had requested.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ

1218. Happy Birthday - VU2VAH

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-12 06:24:16 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1218 Message: 1218

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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its Member Ummeaiman Huzefa Merchant - VU2VAH a very Happy Birthday

1219. The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 24

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-17 05:18:16 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1219 Message: 1219

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Haynie was the last of 11 scheduled witnesses to speak during the
Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet hearing, "The Spectrum
Needs of Our Nation's First Responders."

"We are indeed a first responder," Haynie said on behalf of the nation's
some 680,000 Amateur Radio operators. Ham radio is more than "just having
fun playing on the radio," he told the panel, a subcommittee of the House
Energy and Commerce Committee chaired by Rep Billy Tauzin (R-LA). "It also
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produces capable, trained volunteer communicators in systems of emergency telecommunications that are impervious to disasters of all sorts," Haynie said. "These volunteers are ready to respond--and do respond immediately--when all other systems of communications fail, including public safety communications whey they're overloaded, destroyed or lack interoperability."

Among other examples, Haynie pointed out how Amateur Radio operators answered the call on September 11, 2001, in New York City, at the Pentagon and at the Western Pennsylvania crash site of the fourth hijacked airliner. Hams also assisted federal authorities in the debris search following the February 1 shuttle Columbia disaster, Haynie pointed out, and aided in the response to tornadoes in the Midwest and South earlier this year.

Haynie told the subcommittee that hams have lost more than 100 MHz of VHF and UHF spectrum over the past 15 years and that another nearly 360 MHz of VHF and UHF spectrum "has been substantially compromised." Haynie said hams have shared spectrum successfully with government users on VHF and UHF and have been able to "make do with less," but "that concept has reached a breaking point with our service," he added. The 2.4 GHz area, once left largely to amateurs, in recent years has become "polluted" with wireless activity, Haynie told the panel.

"Interoperability" was the watchword of the day at the subcommittee hearing, which got under way at 11 AM EDT and continued well into the afternoon. Several witnesses testified that a lack of interoperability among public safety responders at disaster scenes--including the World Trade Center--prevented warning those in danger and resulted in a tragic loss of life.

Haynie was not alone in offering supportive words about Amateur Radio. HR 713 sponsor Michael Bilirakis (R-FL), quoted a paragraph from the submitted testimony of Norman Jacknis of the Westchester County, New York, Department of Information Technology. "In the first hours following the attack of September 11, 2001, the only way we could coordinate the sharing of firefighting, medical examiner, health, and information technology resources with New York City officials was through the highly trained, volunteer Amateur Radio (ham) operators," Jacknis said. "This irreplaceable resource must be protected from incursion by other interests."

One of the two amateur licensees in Congress, Rep Greg Walden, WB7OCE (R-OR)--a subcommittee member called for a halt to the "astonishing" erosion of amateur spectrum. "Time and again, if you find an emergency, you find a ham radio operator," Walden said.

FCC Office of Engineering and Technology Chief Edmond Thomas also cited the contribution of Amateur Radio operators to public safety. "The ham radio community has offered invaluable service to first responders during emergency situations," the OET chief said.

A Senate version of the Amateur Radio Spectrum Protection Act, S 537, was introduced earlier this year by Sen Michael Crapo (R-ID). The Senate bill is being considered by the Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee, but no hearing on the measure has been set. The text of HR 713 and S 537 is available via the Thomas Web site <http://thomas.loc.gov/>.

==>WRC-03 UNDER WAY IN GENEVA

The International Telecommunication Union's (ITU) World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 got under way June 9 in Geneva, Switzerland. More than 2600 delegates and other participants are expected to attend the four-week conference, chaired by Dr Veena Rawat of Canada.

"Several items on the conference agenda are of great importance to radio amateurs, so the International Amateur Radio Union has fielded its largest team of observers at an ITU conference in more than a decade," noted IARU Secretary (and ARRL CEO) David Sumner, K1ZZ, who's part of the IARU delegation in Geneva. In addition to Sumner, the core IARU team consists of IARU President Larry Price, W4RA, Wojciech Nietyksza, SP5FM, Michael Owen, VK3KI, and Ken Pulfer, VE3PU. Past ITU Radiocommunication Bureau Director Robert W. Jones, VE7RWJ, is serving as a consultant to the IARU.

Approximately a dozen other radio amateurs representing their national IARU member-societies are participating on national delegations, along with members of IARU regional executive committees who are serving on delegations and in other capacities. Dozens of other radio amateurs are present at WRC-03 in a wide range of professional capacities.

Amateur Radio is but a small part of the conference, which is trying to complete work on more than 40 agenda items. Three are especially important to Amateur Radio: Realignment of 7 MHz allocations, revision of the regulations governing the amateur and amateur-satellite services--including the Morse code requirement for HF operation, and consideration of an allocation for satellite-borne synthetic aperture radars (SARs) in the 70-cm band.

Two other agenda items with potentially great impact are the drafting of an agenda for the next WRC, scheduled for 2007 and the revision of footnotes to the Table of Frequency Allocations. A member of the IARU core team has been assigned to follow each of these five items, but the greatest focus is on 7 MHz, Sumner said.

Committee 4, chaired by Germany's Eberhard George, DL7IH, is handling the critical agenda items for Amateur Radio except for the SARs request.

Sumner said that, while there's been plenty of informal discussion about the issues, no final decisions have been made yet. "It is important to remember that nothing is final until the second reading of a document in the Plenary, which--in the case of controversial issues--will not take place until the final week of the conference, June 30-July 4," he said.--IARU news release

==>ON THE ROAD FOR ARISS

Three new hams based at NASA's Johnson Space Center (JSC) have been spending more than two-thirds of their workdays on the road highlighting Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) and other NASA-supported educational programs. Aerospace education specialists for the NASA Aerospace Education Services Program (AESP) headquartered at JSC, the ham trio's combined territory includes Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, New Mexico and Colorado. Forty education specialists work out of NASA regional centers nationwide, serving kindergarten through college-level educators.

"NASA personnel are involved in amazing research and engineering programs truly unique to the agency," said Ota Lutz, KD5UQZ <lutz@....edu>, whose territory includes Kansas and Nebraska. "The opportunity to share a glimpse inside those programs with education audiences and observe the excitement it generates provides my greatest source of satisfaction."

Lutz, Joan Sanders, KD5UQW <jsanders@ aesp.nasa.okstate>, and Angelo Casaburri, KD5UQS <casaburri@ aesp.nasa.okstate.edu>--and Linus Guillory <linus@ aesp.nasa.okstate>--travel to schools and museums as AESP representatives. Casaburri's area is North and South Dakota, while Guillory's is Colorado and Oklahoma.

AESP specializes in providing free professional development workshops for teachers of science, mathematics, geography and technology. Workshops introduce participants to hands-on activities and NASA curriculum support materials.

Lutz, Sanders and Casaburri studied for and passed their licensing exams in December, not only because they have a lot of respect for Amateur Radio but because they believe in the benefits of the ARISS program. "ARISS offers lots of opportunities, has a fairly simple application procedure and an in-place support network--local ham clubs--and is available to nearly anyone, regardless of geographic location," Lutz said.

Fellow aerospace education specialist Sanders agreed. "Without exception, the men and women of the Astronaut Corps are heroes to school children," said Sanders, who travels in Texas and New Mexico. "Amateur Radio makes contact possible with our astronauts on orbit for audiences around the world, and it provides a method of direct access that otherwise may be impossible."

They've found that teachers respond very positively to the their presentations. As Lutz explained, "Our focus is on providing inquiry-based hands-on activities that are aligned with state educational standards and utilize inexpensive materials. NASA Enterprise topics are the driving theme, so our material is current and of high interest to students, teachers and the general public."

NASA's Aerospace Education Services Program began in 1961. Oklahoma State University, the current contract administrator, recently approved the three new hams for a portable ham station to take on the road. The aerospace education specialists want to give teachers an idea of how easy

it is to operate a ham station, and they're hoping local radio club members will partner with schools.

Amateurs may check the NASA AESP Web site <http://aesp.nasa.okstate.edu/jsc/aesp> and the OSU AESP Web site <http://www.okstate.edu/aesp/AESP.html> to learn what the specialists have to offer and where they expect to be during the summer.--Rosalie White, K1STO

==>WA8SME IS NEW COORDINATOR OF ARRL'S "THE BIG PROJECT"

Mark Spencer, WA8SME, has joined the ARRL Headquarters staff as the new coordinator of the ARRL Amateur Radio Education and Technology program--also known as "The Big Project." He succeeds Jerry Hill, KH6HU, who has returned to Hawaii.

Spencer, whose first day on the job was June 5, said he's happy to have the chance to continue to work with both young people and Amateur Radio. "This office has the great opportunity to be a facilitator in integrating wireless technologies into the schools," he said. "Ham radio is a facet that can open doors in that area, and I think that ham radio can help make the curriculum relevant for kids."

A ham for 38 years, Spencer has taught math, science, computers and social science at the middle school, high school and community college levels, often integrating Amateur Radio into his lessons.

ARRL Field and Educational Services Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, said she's thrilled to have someone of Spencer's caliber to guide the Education and Technology Program. "The sky's the limit, dependent only on the program's funding by generous ARRL members and corporations," White said.

White pointed out that Hill--The Big Project's first coordinator--was instrumental in guiding 50 pilot schools into the program and oversaw its development beyond the initial plans into a viable program that already has touched the lives of nearly 1400 young people.

Prior to starting his teaching career in 1993, Spencer served 21 years in the US Air Force, retiring with the rank of Lt Colonel after a career that included work in reconnaissance and intelligence.

The goal of the Education and Technology Program is to use Amateur Radio as a vehicle to improve the quality of education by providing a curriculum focused on wireless communications. The project emphasizes integration of technology, math, science, geography, language skills and social responsibility within a global society. It also provides a complete Amateur Radio station for schools accepted into the program.

The continued success of the ARRL Amateur Radio Education and Technology Program depends on individual and corporate contributions. To learn more, visit the ARRL Development Office secure Education and Technology Program donor Web site <https://www.arrl.org/forms/development/donations/education/index.html>.

For more information on The Big Project, visit the ARRL Amateur Radio Education and Technology Program Web site <www.arrl.org/FandES/tbp> or e-mail Spencer <mspencer@...>.

==>FCC WRITES PART 15 DEVICE USERS ABOUT ALLEGED INTERFERENCE TO AMATEUR

Hold the phone! The FCC has written two Northern Virginia residents to follow up on complaints from a local amateur who's alleging that he's on the receiving end of harmful interference from telephone devices with the capability to support multiple cordless remotes. Both are unlicensed Part 15 consumer electronics devices made by a well-known manufacturer. The complaints from Bernie Keiser, W4SW--an ARRL member in Vienna, Virginia, near Washington, DC--represented a bit of a turnabout from the typical interference scenario, where ham operation occasionally generates complaints of interference to cordless consumer equipment.

"Harmful interference to a licensed radio service from a Part 15 device is a violation of FCC rules," warned Sharon Bowers, deputy chief of the Consumer Inquiries and Complaint Division of the FCC's Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau. Bowers explained that the equipment was classified as an "intentional radiator"--a device that generates an RF signal as part of its normal operation. In separate letters June 2 to the two Part 15 users--both also Vienna residents--she pointed out that if their cordless telephone devices cause harmful interference to licensed spectrum users, "the operator of the device is responsible for correcting the interference, ceasing operation, if necessary, whenever such interference occurs."

Keiser told ARRL that the interference--in the form of broadband noise from 2400 to 2450 MHz--impairs his ability to hear the AO-40 downlink and beacon on the band. "I have a 2.4-GHz cordless telephone that does not cause problems," he said. According to Keiser, the devices in question electronically poll various remote stations, and it's the polling function that apparently causes the noise. He was able to track down the noise sources on his own and has discussed the issue with his neighbors, with whom, he says, he remains on friendly terms. He said the owner of the device that's causing the worst interference is a communications attorney who understands the problem and hopes to deal with it through the manufacturer.

In her letters, Bowers cited the applicable sections of Part 15 and advised that the alleged harmful interference must be corrected before they may use the devices legally. She suggested the consumers contact the manufacturer or retailer of the devices to see if they'd either allow them to return them or exchange them for devices that don't cause interference.

==>HAM-PIANIST MARATHONER GETS BOOST FROM MISSOURI CLUB

Concert pianist Martin Berkofsky, KC3RE, got some help from members of the Zero Beaters Amateur Radio Club (WA0FYA) when his CelebrateLifeRun <http://www.celebrateliferun.com> from Tulsa to Chicago took him through Washington, Missouri, on June 4. A cancer survivor and an ARRL member from

Northern Virginia, Berkofsky set out April 9--his 60th birthday--on an 860-mile jog to celebrate his recovery from cancer and to raise money for research into the disease. He's now just beyond the halfway point in his journey.

"I've been feeling fine," Berkofsky told ARRL, "and have managed to keep out of the really bad weather, only ducking for cover once, and once running with an umbrella."

As Berkofsky got closer to the metropolitan area, he found that road noise drowned out his hand-held amateur transceiver and his cell phone. Craig Brune, N0MFD, modified a headset--with a cushion around the earpiece--to cancel road noise and enable Berkofsky to keep talking with fellow hams while on the move. During the June 4 ZBARC club meeting, Berkofsky recapped the first half of his cross-country trek. Berkofsky was set to resume running June 14 following a June 12 benefit concert at Webster University in St Louis. He says Brune also loaned him an extendable antenna for 2 meters, "so I should be able to have some contacts even from the Illinois corn fields."

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Propagation prophet Tad "The Sun Will Come Out Tomorrow" Cook, K7RA, Seattle, Washington, reports: Geomagnetic disturbances continued this week, but at a lower level than the previous seven days. Average daily planetary A index for the week dropped to 21 from 37.1 the previous week. The average daily sunspot number rose from 67.4 to 149.4, reaching a peak of 207 on Tuesday, June 10. Solar flux also was up. Weekly average solar flux rose from 117.4 to 150.5. Solar flux peaked at 192.9 on Wednesday, June 11. Solar flux over the weekend is expected to be 150, 140, 130 and 120 for Friday through Monday.

With all of the recent geomagnetic disturbances, there is hope for HF operators with the predicted planetary A index of 12 for June 13 and June 16. This is only slightly unsettled--much better than the A indices of 20 to 30 we've seen recently. However, be aware that flares can pop up and conditions can change. A coronal mass ejection earlier this week could hit Earth June 13, causing a rise in geomagnetic indices.

Sunspot numbers for June 5 through 11 were 95, 98, 125, 167, 176, 207 and 178, with a mean of 149.4. The 10.7-cm flux was 113.6, 125.6, 133.2, 153.4, 158.3, 176.5 and 192.9, with a mean of 150.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 13, 13, 24, 27, 28, 27 and 15, with a mean of 21.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL June VHF QSO Party, the ANARTS World Wide RTTY Contest, the Portugal Day Contest, the World Wide South America CW Contest, the Asia-Pacific Sprint (SSB) and the West Virginia QSO Party are the weekend of June 14-15. JUST AHEAD: Kid's Day, the All Asian DX

Contest (CW), the SMIRK Contest, the AGCW VHF/UHF Contest and the DIE Contest are the weekend of June 21-22. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration is closed for the Level II ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-002) that begins June 24 and is sponsored by United Technologies Corporation. Registration opens Monday, June 16, 12:01 AM Eastern Daylight Time (0401 UTC), for the Level III Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-003). Registration remains open through the June 21-22 weekend or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, July 1. Thanks to a grant from United Technologies Corp, the $45 registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the Level III course. During this registration period, approximately 50 seats are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, dmiller@arrl.org; 860-594-0340.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the new ARRL VHF/UHF--Life Beyond the Repeater (EC-008) <http://www.arrl.org/cce/courses.html#ec008> and the High Frequency Digital Communications (EC-005) <http://www.arrl.org/cce/courses.html#ec005> courses opens Monday, June 16, 12:01 AM EDT (0401 UTC). Registration remains open through Sunday, June 22. Classes begin Tuesday afternoon, June 24. Registration for the ARRL Antenna Modeling (EC-004) <http://www.arrl.org/cce/courses.html#ec004> course remains open through Sunday, June 15. Those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future can sign up to be advised via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. To take advantage, send an e-mail to prereg@arrl.org. On the subject line, indicate the course name or number (eg, EC-00#) and the month you want to start the course. In the message body, provide your name, call sign, and e-mail address. Please do not send inquiries to this mailbox. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@.... [C-CE logo]

* AO-40 expected to be visible to North America by Field Day: The AO-40 satellite is expected to return to a favorable alignment (ALON/ALAT = 0/0) on or about June 20, ground controller Stacey Mills, W4SM, reports. A typical passband schedule for ALON/ALAT = 0/0 is MA 40 to 210, which Mills said should hold for the start of Field Day, June 28, when AO-40 will be visible to all of North America, assuming it makes it back to 0/0 by June 20. "We should at least be close to that value by then," Mills said, "although the perigee eclipses are making it slow going to advance ALON." Mills said another cycle of attitude changes will have to start in the fall.--Stacey Mills, W4SM, via AMSAT News Service

* Problems reported with Fuji-OSCAR 20, 29 satellites: AMSAT reports apparent troubles with the two remaining linear transponder satellites outside of AO-40. Fuji-OSCAR 20 (FO-20)--uplink 145.90 to 146.00 MHz (CW/LSB); downlink 435.80 to 435.90 MHz (CW/USB); beacon 435.795 MHz--has been reported silent by numerous operators. Launched February 7, 1990, FO-20 is in mode JA continuously. FO-20 control station operators are said to believe that the under-voltage controller now is regulating the transponder. The controller monitors battery voltage and tries to protect the batteries from overdischarge. Meanwhile, AMSAT reports that the Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL) FO-29 command station is carefully considering options to turn on the satellite's transmitter because it is not clear why FO-29 recently went silent. When the satellite has been on, reports have indicated it has a distorted signal. The command team seeks reception reports, so if you hear FO-29, report the time (UTC), location, signal strength to Masa, JN1GKZ, <jn1gkz@...> or to the AMSAT-BB. FO-29 was launched August 17, 1996. Mode JA uplink 145.90 to 146.00 MHz (CW/LSB); downlink 435.80 to 435.90 MHz (CW/USB); beacon 435.795 MHz. Digital Mode JD uplink 145.850, 145.870 and 145.910 MHz (FM); downlink 435.910 MHz (1200-baud BPSK or 9600-baud FSK). FO-29 also has a digitalker at 435.910 MHz.--AMSAT News Service

* Declining QSL volume reflects decaying conditions: ARRL Outgoing QSL Service <http://www.arrl.org/qsl/qslout.html> Manager Martin Cook, N1FOC, can't be certain, but he's ready to blame the downswing in the solar cycle for a marked decline in the number of QSL cards his bureau has handled so far this year. "I hope it's not going to be a trend of this cycle," said Cook, whose operation last year mailed out 1,963,165 cards from ARRL members to DX stations--an approximately 1.6 percent jump over 2001. So far this year, the trend is going the other way, with just 681,400 cards shipped compared with 951,000 by the same time one year ago. "This is a significant decrease in cards coming in from members for processing," said Cook, who manages the Outgoing QSL Service with assistance from Heather Dzamba.

* Hudson, Atlantic Directors pulling out all stops on New York antenna bill: ARRL Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, and Atlantic Division Director Bernie Fuller, N3EFN, are calling on New York ARRL members to help get the state's Amateur Radio antenna bills enacted this legislative session. "The final session of the New York State Assembly for the year 2003 will be Thursday, June 19," Fallon and Fuller said in a joint statement. "We have only days left to get our antenna bills passed. We need to pull out all the stops and press for passage of our bill now." In the Senate, Fallon and Fuller say, the bill, S63, needs to be "put on the active list" on the Senate calendar and brought out for a vote. They're calling on New York hams to ask three senators to put the bill on the active list: Senate Majority Leader Joe Bruno <bruno@...>, 909 Legislative Office Bldg, Albany, NY 12247; 518-445-3191, fax 518-455-2448; Sen Dale Volker, 427 Capitol Bldg, Albany, NY 12247 518-455-3471, fax 518-455-6949; and Sen Hugh Farley, 412 Legislative Office Bldg, Albany, NY 12247, 518-455-2181, fax 518-455-2271. The Assembly bill, A2662, has cleared the Local Governments and Ways and Means committees and now needs to be reported out of the Rules Committee

headed by Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver, <speaker@...>
Legislative Office Bldg 932, Albany, NY 12247, 518-455-3791, fax
518-455-5467. The New York bills go beyond simply incorporating PRB-1 into
state law. They would prohibit municipalities from passing laws or
ordinances to "restrict antenna support structure height to less than 95
feet above ground level or restrict the number of antenna support
structures." For more information and sample letters for lawmakers, visit
the Hudson Division Web site <http://www.hudson.arrl.org>.

* K1D to be on the air for Kid's Day: Special event station K1D will be on
the air June 21 for ARRL Kid's Day
<http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html>. Peter Schipelliti, W1DAD,
and his wife Jeanne, K1MOM, will be on the air as K1D prior to Kid's Day
to promote the event. Their youngsters Geena, 8, and Luciano, 6, will be
on the air on Kid's Day. "Any noises in the background will be Francesca
Rose--22 months," Peter Schipelliti said.

* Nevada club donates to The Big Project: In recognition of the ARRL and
President Haynie's commitment to bring Amateur Radio to the youth of
America, the Nellis Radio Amateur Club (NRAC) of Nevada voted to begin
financial support of the ARRL Education and Technology Program-- "The Big
Project." The club recently announced an initial donation of $150.
President John Bigley, N7UR, said NRAC graduates a new class of Technician
operators each year. The club also offers an annual General-class course.
Nets also conduct twice-weekly interactive code practice sessions on the
club's KC7TMC 147.06 and 449.875 repeaters, Bigley said. NRAC is
affiliated with Nellis Air Force Base. For more information, visit the
NRAC Web site <http://nellisrac.org/>.

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* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio Club: Visit Mailing Lists@... <http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/letter-list>. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)

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==>ARRL URGES INFORMED COMMENTS IN FCC BPL INQUIRY

The ARRL is urging amateurs to file well-thought-out, informed comments
when responding to the FCC's Broadband Over Power Line (BPL) Notice of
Inquiry (ET Docket 03-104). The FCC published its NOI on May 23. The NOI
asks how the FCC should regulate the delivery of broadband services to
homes and businesses using electrical wiring to conduct high-speed digital
signals. While the FCC has dubbed this technology Broadband over Power
Line, it's more commonly known as Power Line Carrier or PLC.

BPL would use building and/or overhead power lines to conduct HF and
low-VHF digital signals to network computers. The FCC has expressed its
unabashed enthusiasm for BPL, which it views as a competitive Internet
access point. Utilities consider BPL as another means to use existing
infrastructure to generate additional revenue.
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The NOI is not asking if BPL technology should be permitted. Under existing FCC rules, BPL systems may be built and used in the US right now. The FCC is asking how the rules might be changed "to promote and encourage new BPL technology," in the words of the NOI.

Present FCC Part 15 rules say that carrier-current systems--including BPL/PLC--need to meet the general radiated emission limits for unlicensed "intentional emitters." While the rules permit BPL at significant power levels, utilities would prefer that the FCC authorize even higher power levels. BPL systems under development and in field trials use spectrum between 1.7 and 80 MHz, but the NOI also asks whether BPL should operate on other parts of the spectrum as well.

As of mid-June, nearly 1000 comments already had been filed in the proceeding. The ARRL has urged amateurs who comment to outline the important uses they make of Amateur Radio and the impact strong interference from BPL could have at HF and low-VHF amateur frequencies.

Electric utility companies will operate many, if not most, BPL systems. ARRL members who have had experience dealing with power line interference and utilities' responses to complaints also may want to describe those experiences in their comments to the Commission.

Amateurs filing comments to the FCC NOI might want to consider these topics and points:

* Amateur Radio is a valuable resource that must be protected.

* Describe the uses you make of Amateur Radio, especially those with a public service or emergency communication aspect.

* The present FCC Part 15 limits for this technology already can result in substantial interference potential to amateur frequencies.

* BPL systems that radiate on wide swaths of spectrum and occupy entire neighborhoods have greater interference potential than localized systems, such as switching power supplies or electric motors.

* The FCC has promised to protect licensed users of the spectrum. We must hold them to that promise.

For more information, see "Understanding the FCC's Broadband Over Power Line (BPL) Notice of Inquiry" <http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2003/06/19/2/>. An ARRL white paper, "Calculated Impact of PLC on Stations Operating in the Amateur Radio Service" <http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/HTML/plc/files/C63NovPLC.pdf> provides technical details. The ARRL's Broadband Over Power Line resource page contains links to worldwide studies and other resources.

The ARRL has initiated an important Spectrum Defense Fund campaign to support activities to educate government officials on the potential threat that BPL poses to Amateur Radio. To find out more, or to support ARRL's efforts in this area, visit the ARRL's secure BPL Web site <https://www.arrl.org/forms/development/donations/bpl/>

The complete NOI is available on the FCC Web site <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-03-100A1.doc>.

Comments are due on or before July 7, 2003. Reply comments are due on or before August 6, 2003. Interested parties may submit electronically filed comments via the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>. Under ECFS Main Links, click on "Submit a Filing." In the "Proceeding" field, enter "03-104" and complete the required field. Comments may be typed into a form or you may attach a file containing your comments. Comments also may be submitted via e-mail, per instructions on the ECFS page.

==>60-METER RULES ADD NEW RECORD-KEEPING REQUIREMENT

When the five new 60-meter channels become available to US Amateur Radio operators at midnight (12 AM) local time on July 3, the rules will impose a new record-keeping requirement for hams. The requirement applies only to those using something other than a simple half-wave dipole for an antenna on the 5-MHz allocation.

According to §97.303(s), a half-wave dipole on the 5 MHz allocation will be presumed to have a gain of 0 dBd. "Licensees using other antennas must maintain in their station records either manufacturer data on the antenna gain or calculations of the antenna gain," the newest addition to the FCC's Amateur Service rules says.

Because the new rules also require hams to run no more than 50 W effective radiated power (ERP) on the new channels, the choice of antenna becomes an important compliance factor. The FCC rules stipulate, "For the purpose of computing ERP, the transmitter PEP will be multiplied with [sic] the antenna gain relative to a dipole or the equivalent calculation in decibels."

If you use a half-wave dipole--about 87 feet 3 inches for the "middle" channel according to the formula--setting your transmitter's power output power at up to 50 W peak envelope power (PEP) should ensure compliance.

Under no circumstances may amateurs on 5 MHz radiate more than 50 W ERP in any direction, so those choosing to employ gain antennas will have to "do the math" and calculate their ERP. They also will have to keep a record of such antenna gain calculations on file. This might include documentation such as output from a computer modeling program for a homebrew antenna design. For example, an amateur using an array for 5 MHz exhibiting a calculated or modeled gain of 3 dB would have to cut power to 25 W PEP to comply with the new rules.

Operating on 60 meters is the subject of the July 2003 QST "It Seems to Us . . ." editorial <http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2003/07/01/1/> by ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ. "If we demonstrate that we can use [the 60-meter channels] responsibly, cooperatively and in the public interest, there is no reason we cannot seek expanded access at an appropriate time," Sumner wrote. "If your personal operating practices are inconsistent with that, please do yourself and everyone else a favor and confine your operating to

the traditional bands."

The FCC Report and Order in ET Docket 02-98 is available on the FCC's Web site <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-03-105A1.doc>. The ARRL has posted a list of frequently asked questions concerning 5 MHz operation on the ARRL Web site <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/faq.html#sixty>

==>AMATEUR RADIO ON THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION LOGS 100TH SCHOOL CONTACT

The Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program reached a milestone June 12 with its 100th school group contact. Doing the honors was Expedition 7 NASA Science Officer and Flight Engineer Ed Lu, KC5WKJ. Lu took the controls of NA1SS aboard the space outpost to answer a dozen questions from students gathered at Lively District Secondary School in Sudbury, Ontario, Canada.

"I would choose to go on a mission to Mars," Lu told the students, answering a question about what mission he would pick if he had the choice. "Because I think that's the place in our solar system that has the best chance of having life besides our Earth, and I would love to go there to try and find that." Lu said that while a human spaceflight mission to Mars is not yet on NASA's schedule, he hopes to one day have the opportunity to journey there. "Maybe one of you kids down there will get a chance to do it if I don't get to go."

Lu says he sees a lot of things that are "incredibly interesting" from his vantage point in space, including looking down at Earth and viewing the northern and southern lights. But he said he hasn't been inspired to want to live in space indefinitely.

Aboard the ISS since late April, Lu is part of the first two-person crew headed by Expedition 7 commander Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP. They arrived aboard a Russian Soyuz vehicle, which also serves as the escape vehicle for ISS crew members. The Expedition 7 crew is scheduled to return to Earth in October.

Asked whom he would like to have accompany him into space if he could pick one person, Lu replied, "If I could bring one person with me, it would be my fiancee, and if I said anything else, boy would I be in trouble."

On Earth, Steve Gorecki, VE3CWJ, served as control operator. He had assistance from members of the Sudbury Amateur Radio Club, who helped to install antennas on the roof of the school's gymnasium and equipment inside. Students participating in the contact came from several area schools.

"It definitely had an impact on the kids," Gorecki told ARRL after the contact, "but it only dawned on them later what they'd actually done." Students involved were in grades 7 through 12.

On June 14, pupils at another Canadian school--École primaire de l'Apprenti-Sage in Québec--enjoyed a successful ARISS contact. Among other topics, the primary schoolers wanted to know how long Lu would be in space, if it hurt during liftoff on the Soyuz, his favorite activities in space and how the crew "drives" the ISS. Youngsters at the school had been studying space and space-related topics leading up to their scheduled contact. Members of the Club Radio Amateur de Québec (VE2CQ) <http://www.craq.qc.ca/> set up and managed the Earth station for the direct contact.

Gaëtan Trépanier, VE2GHO, handled control op duties as some 500 students and visitors looked on. A dozen students each got to ask a question before the ISS zipped over the horizon. "It was a resounding success," said Daniel Lamoreaux, VE2KA, the Radio Amateurs of Canada Quebec director who was on hand for the event. Lamoreaux is a member of the ARISS Educational Outreach/School Selection Committee.

On June 18, students at Kuise Elementary School in Amagasaki, Japan, chatted with Lu during a direct contact between NA1SS and 8N3ISS. Among other topics, youngsters wanted to know what country's time the crew followed aboard the ISS, whether zero gravity was "convenient" and if zero gravity changed the intensity of odors.

ARISS is an international project with participation by ARRL, NASA and AMSAT.

==>WELL-KNOWN CONTESTER, DXer DIES IN FALL FROM TOWER

Well-known contester and DXer Steve Miller, N8SM (ex-WD8IXE), of Prosper, Texas, died June 15 as a result of a fall while working on his Amateur Radio tower. He was 38. An ARRL member, Miller had extensive experience in tower work and antenna installation. With the assistance of several other hams, Miller had erected a 136-foot tower on his property and installed several antennas as part of his overall effort to build a competitive contesting station.

Details of the mishap that claimed Miller's life are not available. According to unofficial accounts, Miller had been working on his tower the morning of June 15, and, after a lunch break, told his wife, Radhicar, that he had another hour's work left. Later, she heard a noise from the yard and found her husband lying on the ground. Miller's wife called 911, but the rescue squad was unable to revive him.

ARRL antenna guru Dean Straw, N6BV--who had corresponded with Miller on several topics--was among those expressing shock and sadness at his death. "Steve was always most responsive, and he always had the most intelligent comments and questions concerning whatever technical topic we were discussing," said Straw. "I will miss his innate, contagious enthusiasm."

First licensed as WD8IXE in 1977 at the age of 12, Miller--an Ohio native--enjoyed contesting and DXing. He was routinely active during the CW weekends of the CQ World Wide, ARRL International DX and ARRL November Sweepstakes events. He also operated as J68AG from St Lucia in the

Caribbean and participated in a few DXpeditions, including several stints as a member of the J6DX team in the 1980s and 1990s. He was an ARRL DXCC Honor Roll member, with 332 entities confirmed (mixed).

In addition to ARRL, Miller belonged to the North Texas Contest Club <http://www.qsl.net/ntcc/> and 10-10 International <http://www.ten-ten.org/. Besides ham radio, he enjoyed playing jazz saxophone.

An Ohio State graduate, Miller worked for Texas Instruments as part of its broadband wireless access group in Dallas. Survivors include his wife and their young daughter. A memorial service was held June 19.

==>HAM'S TICKET SET ASIDE AS FCC INVESTIGATES ALLEGATIONS OF FALSE DISTRESS CALLS

The FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (WTB) has set aside the nearly month-old Technician-class license of a California man while it looks into allegations that the now-former licensee may have made false marine distress calls. In a June 3 letter, FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth notified Michael V. Swift of San Ramon of the WTB's action--taken on the bureau's own motion. The FCC granted Swift the call sign KG6QOB on May 1 and canceled his ticket May 29.

In his letter, Hollingsworth said the cancellation was "based upon evidence that you made numerous false distress calls on Channels 16 and 22A Marine frequencies." Hollingsworth warned Swift that in view of the WTB's action, he had no authority to operate Amateur Radio transmitting equipment.

Hollingsworth told ARRL that agents in the FCC's San Francisco office--in cooperation with the US Coast Guard--reportedly tracked transmissions on the marine channels to Swift's residence, where they interviewed him.

The FCC also sent a Warning Notice May 30 to Ronald E. Shapiro, N2CQT, of Kerhonkson, New York, citing information alleging that the licensee "deliberately interfered with and harassed operators on 3.906 MHz" on May 24.

"It appears that you were operating under some type of impairment," Hollingsworth wrote, "and during the transmissions played music, made transmissions to no one in particular and deliberately transmitted on top of ongoing communications." The FCC alleges the transmissions, which began at about 1 AM, continued for almost an hour.

Hollingsworth gave Shapiro 20 days to explain the circumstances of the operation detailed in the Warning Notice.

==>MARS OPERATIONS BEGIN IN IRAQ; MORE OPERATORS SOUGHT

The Military Affiliate Radio System (MARS) is poised to start the flow of messages between troops in Iraq and Kuwait and their families and friends back home. The first MARS licenses have been issued to soldier stations in

Iraq and Kuwait, and a broad range of frequencies has been assigned for MARS use. MARS also is operational in Afghanistan.

Daniel Wolff, assistant affiliate MARS coordinator for Europe, Africa and Southwest Asia, reports that four soldier licenses had been issued as of June 1 but he hopes there will be many more as active hostilities continue to wind down. These new operations will open up MARSgram and phone patch communications for troops stationed beyond the reach of e-mail and cell phones. Just about every company-size unit overseas has high frequency radio equipment in house--or, more likely, "in tent."

While preparedness to provide emergency or contingency communications backup now occupies first place, handling "morale and welfare traffic" is another role MARS members still can play. The only drawback is the shortage of stations to receive it. MARSgrams are being handled at least one-way. Those addressed to Iraq or Kuwait are transmitted by radio to the nearest MARS gateway station, then refiled into the Military Postal System for delivery. This shaves days or weeks off the time it takes a message going by mail.

Information on sending MARSgrams is available on the Army MARS Web site <http://www.netcom.army.mil/MARS>. Now that most hostile action has ceased, Wolff says, MARS should be among the organizations assuming a humanitarian and support role--if only there were more stations in the region.

FCC-licensed amateurs may apply for an overseas MARS license much as they would in the US, except that some additional information is required. Commanding officers may also apply for a MARS station license for their units and are exempt from the FCC Amateur Radio license requirement, he explained. Full information and application forms are available to overseas applicants by e-mailing Wolff <aem1wf@...> or for US amateurs by visiting the US Army MARS Web site <http://www.netcom.army.mil/MARS/>.--Bill Sexton, N11N/AAA9PC

==>SOLAR UPDATE

Heliophile Tad "That Lucky Ol' Sun" Cook, K7RA, Seattle, Washington, reports:

Low sunspot numbers and geomagnetic disturbances in the over-the-hill portion of the solar cycle continue. There are enough sunspots for some good HF propagation, but we are about three years past the cycle peak and about three and a half years ahead of the next sunspot minimum. Complicating the situation is continued high solar wind and flares, causing constant disturbance to geomagnetic conditions. HF operators generally want stable geomagnetic indices, such as a K index at three or below and daily A index of ten or less.

Average sunspot numbers dropped nearly 37 points from last week to 112.7 this week. Solar flux was also down. Not surprisingly given the conditions and all the reports, average planetary A index increased from

21 to 30. Space weather was remarkably mild on Thursday, June 19 with mid latitude and planetary K indices down to two or three. However, the forecast shows more of the same enhanced activity over the next few days, with a planetary A index of 25, 25, 20 and 20 for June 20-23. Solar flux should remain around 125 on those days. On June 20 we should enter a solar wind stream flowing from a coronal hole, which should cause those high A indices.

Sunspot numbers for June 12 through 18 were 168, 149, 91, 111, 91, 80, and 99, with a mean of 112.7. 10.7 cm flux was 163.5, 151, 133.5, 128.7, 122.6, 121.9, and 120.4, with a mean of 134.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 11, 11, 32, 20, 32, 50, and 54, with a mean of 30.

==>IN BRIEF:

* This weekend on the radio: Kid's Day, the All Asian DX Contest (CW), the SMIRK Contest, the AGCW VHF/UHF Contest and the DIE Contest are the weekend of June 21-22. JUST AHEAD: ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2003/rules-fd-2003.html>, the Marconi Memorial HF Contest, the QRP ARCI Milliwatt Field Day and the His Majesty the King of Spain Contest (SSB) are the weekend of June 28-29. The RAC Canada Day Contest is July 1. The Michigan QRP July 4th CW Sprint is July 4-5. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the Radio Frequency Interference (EC-006) and Satellite Communications (EC-007) courses opens Monday, June 23, 12:01 AM EDT (0401 UTC). Registration will remain open through Sunday, June 29. Classes begin Tuesday afternoon, July 1. Registration for the ARRL HF Digital Communications (EC-005) and VHF/UHF--Life Beyond the Repeater (EC-008) courses remains open through Sunday, June 22. Those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) course in the future can sign up to be advised via e-mail in advance of registration opportunities. To take advantage, send an e-mail to prereg@.... On the subject line, indicate the course name or number (eg, EC-00#) and the month you want to start the course. In the message body, provide your name, call sign, and e-mail address. Please do not send inquiries to this mailbox. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, hrobins@....

* Correction: In the item "Hudson, Atlantic Directors pulling out all stops on New York antenna bill," the telephone number for Senate Majority Leader Joe Bruno was incorrect. The correct number is 518-455-3191.

* Michigan gets new Section Manager: The ARRL Michigan Section has a new Section Manager. Former SM Dale Williams, WA8EFK, of Dundee, will pick up the reins from Debbie Kirkbride, KA8YKK, who has stepped down. Williams' appointment was effective June 17. "Debbie is resigning for health

reasons, and hopes to stay as active as the health issues allow her to be," said ARRL Field and Educational Services Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, in announcing Williams' appointment. "She regrets having to give up the position for now." Kirkbride was named Michigan SM last July after former SM Dick Mondro, W8FQT, became the Great Lakes Vice Director. Williams' appointment came with the recommendation of ARRL Great Lakes Director Jim Weaver, K8JE, Vice Director Mondro and Kirkbride. Williams had served previously as Michigan's SM from 1992 until 1996. He's now an Assistant Great Lakes Division Director and heavily involved in emergency communications. Michigan ARRL members may contact Williams via e-mail <dalew@...> or telephone, 734-528-3232.

* Space Station may be on the air during Field Day 2003: The Expedition 7 crew may be on the air from NA1SS during ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2003/rules-fd-2003.html> the weekend of June 28-29. "We don't know if the crew will be active or not, but give it a try," said ARISS Mentor Charlie Sufana, AJ9N. Sufana advises "good operating sense" and recommends that FD operators wait for the crew to finish a previous contact before calling. "You may be only hearing a station or two," he pointed out, "but they are hearing hundreds." Look for the ISS during Field Day during these time slots: Northern and Southeastern US, June 28, 1821-1842 UTC; Southern and Northeastern US, June 29, 1059-1117 UTC; Western US, June 29, 1233-1253 UTC; Northeastern US, June 29, 1723-1744 UTC; and Northwestern and Southern US, June 29, 1859-1920 UTC. ARRL Contest Branch Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, notes that Field Day contacts with the ISS crew do not count for satellite QSO bonus points, just contact credit. "Valid satellite contacts must be Earth-satellite-Earth contacts through a satellite transponder or repeater," he explained. (See Field Day rule 7.3.7.)

* ARRL's 2002 Annual Report is hot off the press! The League's 2002 Annual Report is currently available to members free of charge upon request. The report offers an overview of League activities for the year, messages from ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, and Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, along with ARRL's complete audited financial statements for 2002. Send requests--including your name, call sign and mailing address--to Media Relations Manager Jennifer Hagy, N1TDY, jhagy@.... The report also is available on-line as a PDF document <http://www.arrl.org/announce/annualreport/02ar.pdf>.

* FO-20 back in the land of the living: The Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL) FO-29 satellite command team has succeeded in recovering the satellite, which had been experiencing problems. The FO-29 command team staff succeeded June 16 in commanding the satellite's transmitter back on. FO-29 was reported sending a strong CW beacon, and the transponder is also available. The command team said the problem was likely caused by recent major solar flares. The command team continues to analyze data and is seeking FO-29 reception reports. Send telemetry reports to the command team, <lab2@....jp>. The analog transponder (Mode JA) uplink is 145.900 to 146.000 MHz; the downlink is 435.800 to 435.900 MHz. CW telemetry is at 435.795 MHz. FO-29 was launched on in 1996. For more

information, visit the JARL Web site <http://www.jarl.or.jp>.

* FCC announces improvements to the Electronic Document Management System:
The FCC has announced that its Electronic Document Management System (EDOCS) query page has been reorganized and redesigned to make it easier to search for FCC documents. A new feature linking errata to original documents also has been put into place. EDOCS now permits either "quick" or "advanced" searches. The quick search has a limited number of fields and displays the results in a short form. The quick search is best if you already know a docket number, delegated authority (DA) number or FCC number, or if you know specific words that appear in the document's title or description. The quick search also lets you search on a range of dates. The advanced search is much like the current EDOCS query, allowing users to search on a detailed list of data elements--individually or in combination. Adding fields to the search makes it more precise, and fewer documents are retrieved. Results for the advanced search can be displayed in three formats: condensed, full, and citation. The citation format contains citations to the FCC Record Index, FCC Reports 2nd Series, and the Federal Register. Links to EDOCS are available via the "search" link in the menu bar at the top of the FCC home page <http://www.fcc.gov> and on the resources page <http://www.fcc.gov/resources.html>. EDOCS is also listed on the Search Tools page at http://www.fcc.gov/searchtools.html. For assistance with EDOCS, or to report problems, send an e-mail to EDOCS Help, edocshelp@... or call (202) 418-0265.

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* The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur Radio Club: Visit Mailing Lists@... <http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/letter-list>. (NOTE: The ARRL cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this listserver.)

1222. Re: Fwd: [m_a_r_s] My material

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-22 10:18:41 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1220 Message: 1222

Hi Kailash,

Was all set to have a eyeball with you. Anyways, I
shall be dispatching it this week and shall mail you
the dispatch details.

73s.

Mehul.

--- Kailash Gupta <kailash_gupta@...> wrote:
> Dear Mehul,
>
> I left Mumbai by 2955 Mumbai-Jaipur Super Fast
> Express
> yesterday 17th and now I am at Jaipur. I could not
> contact you before leaving Mumbai. Please send the
> material by courier.
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> Thanks and with regards,
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> Hope to have eyeball some time
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> Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ
> Note: forwarded message attached.
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> _____
> Do you Yahoo!?
> SBC Yahoo! DSL - Now only $29.95 per month!
> http://sbc.yahoo.com

> ATTACHMENT part 2 message/rfc822
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> From: "kailash_gupta" <kailash_gupta@...>
> Date: Tue, 10 Jun 2003 18:51:37 -0000
> Subject: [m_a_r_s] My material
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> Dear Mehul,
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> I have not received anything till date, despite your
> promise to send
> by courier. Will you kindly send the material I had
> requested.
>
> Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ

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1223. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-23 14:41:30 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1223 Message: 1223

BRAND NEW RIGS SOON TO BE RELEASED!

NEW KENWOOD
HF RIG 160-6m
Similar concept to the TS-B2000, but much smaller.

AVAILABLE AUTUMN

NEW YAESU FT-8800M
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AVAILABLE AUTUMN

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AVAILABLE SOON!

Are you a geek? Are you a techno freak? Welcome home!
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1224. QST June'2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-24 11:28:45 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1224 Message: 1224

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QST - JUNE'2003 Contents :-
a.. An Affordable Az-El Positioner for Small Antenna
Build yourself an az-el antenna positioner for one third the cost of a commercial unit and make it easy to point that antenna. This article address the mechanical mounting of the antennas in an az-el configuration and the addition of a position feedback potentiometer and a simple control box with a digital readout. Although limited in performance, the whole system can be built for $250 if all new parts are purchased. If flea market parts are used, the whole thing can be built for under $100.... This az-el positioner will handle any small satellite array and the cost is reasonable.

b.. The FARA (one of the larger and more active radio clubs in the Cape Cod, Massachusetts area is the Flamouth Amateur Radio Association) HF Project
Would you like an economical and relatively easy to build 30W HF amplifier? For about $130 worth of parts you can give that QRP rig an extra 12dB of muscle!

c.. The Transverter - An Introduction to a useful device
Ever wonder how a transverter works? Building one could get you on that new VHF, UHF or microwave band. You'll be better informed, too, about some of the basic building blocks and circuits used in your present transceiver.

d.. Albania Revisited
Ten years after the first ZA1A operation, a group of Finnish operators returned to assess the state of Amateur Radio in Albania.

e.. Field Day's New Addition - Class 'F'
A significant change happens with Field Day'2003 as the new Class F station becomes active. Class F is designed to encourage ARES, RACES or local club groups to develop or test existing emergency plans with their Emergency Operations Centers (EOC).... To participate as Class F, the operation must be actively planned and coordinated with respresentatives of the ECO being activated. Class F is not intended to be for everyone. It is designed for those groups who wish to test their existing emergency plans during the Field Day event.

f.. Rocky Mountain Field Day
Radio-camping in the rarified air above 14,000 feet in the Colorado Rockies is fun, but as we discovered last year, it requires planning, physical effort - and luck with the weather - by John Nogatch, AC6SL

g.. The Protector
Have you ever connected power backward, had a power supply regulator fail or intermittently lose the DC input line to a rig? If so, you learned an expensive lesson. The protector is a small circuit that can be installed between any 12V radio and its 12V dc power source. The power source can be anything from an ac line-operated supply to a battery. It will protect the radio against overvoltage and from reverse polarity. It will also provide a delayed start, just in case you forgot to turn the radio off before you connected it to the power source.

h.. Public Service
- Public Service Honor Roll in Action

i.. Product Review -
a.. Yaesu FT-2800M 2-Meter FM Transceiver ($159.95)
The FT-2800M offers an impressive receiver and 65W of 2-meter transmit power in a hefty but simple package.

b.. NCS-3240 Multi-Switcher ($279.95)
The NCS-3240 may be of interest to amateurs with complex stations, particularly SO2R contesters.

c.. MFJ-461 Pocket CW Reader ($79.95)
The MFJ-461 is a handy accessory for deciphering well formed Morse Code, but users should have realistic expectations and carry a screwdriver.

j.. Software -
a.. WinCAP Wizard 3
While the software is "friendly" to some extent, you need to have a firm technical grasp to get the most out of WinCAP Wizard 3. Amateurs who are knowledgeable about HF propagation will find WinCAP to be an outstanding too, as will those who need highly accurate predictions for specific purposes (DXpeditioners and contesters come to mind). Casual users may find the WinCAP Wizard 3 learning curve a bit steep - perhaps too steep to justify the cost ($65).
http://www.taborsoft.com/

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1225. MARS Members Saves 32 Lives.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-30 14:08:51 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1225 Message: 1225

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When these four heros were interviewed by the media (AJTAK, STARNEWS, SAMNA etc) informed that they are part of MUMBAI AMATER RADIO SOCIETY's Disaster Management Team.

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MARS congratulates our heros for doing a wonderful job by serving the Mankind.

73
VU2NLF

1226. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS Members Saves 32 Lives.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-06-30 17:50:31 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1225 Message: 1226

HI ,

HEY GUYS IT WAS WONdEFUL TO KNOW ABOUT THE RESCUE OPERATIONS BY OUR THANR FREINdS , ANd FELLOW HAMS , IT WAS AN GRAET EFFORT, NO WORdS CAN BE ENOUGH FOR PRAISE,

MORAL OF THE STORY IF YOU ARE HAM , BE ON AIR ,YOU NEVER KNOW YOU WOULFd BE SAVING SOME BOdYS LIFE,

ANS WHATS MOST APPRECIATIVE IS , EVEN THOUGH ALL 4 PEOPLE dONT HOLd TICKETS , BEING ON AIR AT RIGHT TIME WAS SO IMPORTANT.

HATS OFF FREINDS

dE VU2 UGJ
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1227. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS Members Saves 32 Lives.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-01 04:10:29 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1225 Message: 1227

Congratulations! wonderful effort. i did see the headline i the TOI today.
Never imagined that MARS was involved in the efforts.
congratulations again!
cheers!
madhu

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1228. Digimit 2002 Transmitter by IV3NWV

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-01 10:08:31 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1228 Message: 1228
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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The DIGIMIT 2002 HF SSB/CW Transmitter

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Built-in Tx/Rx antenna switch and remote control interface

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and a bi-directional remote interface by means of which the transmitter can either control or be controlled by other communication equipments.

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1229. Happy Birthday - VU2VPQ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-03 07:03:35 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 262 Message: 1229

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its Founder Member Zarir Vesuna - VU2VPQ a very Happy Birthday

1230. IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-05 09:56:10 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1230 Message: 1230

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1231. MARS Classes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-06 15:32:20 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1231 Message: 1231

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

I am pleased to inform you that MARS has successfully launched its 2 batches of Ham Radio Classes. One at Churchgate and Other at Thane.

This year we have 43 students at Thane and 28 students at churchgate adding to 71 Students, which I feel is a good number. Both the batches are running quite smoothly, thanks to our active members and new SWLs of the last batch who are putting in a lot of time and efforts for the success of these batches.

The SWLs of our last batches at Thane & Churchgate are likely to get their tickets, probably by end of this month. I sincerely hope that these 61 SWLs upon getting their tickets will become active, especially on VHF and make of our wonderful city , a super active Ham Radio City MUMBAI of India.

The other good news is that the repeater funds sanctioned by Shri Satish Chandra Pradhan - VU2PDT are almost cleared, the necessary papers have be sent to the collecter for releasing the funds. In a very short time we hope to have these repeaters going (Andheri & Matheran).

MARS is also looking into importing the VHF handies at a very affordable prices (about Rs.3000/-) . I am sure most of our Hams and SWLs (Upon getting their tickets) will opt of these sets, which will allow them to work our repeaters.

The activity on VHF has recently gone down, there are a very few check in on the EARLY BIRDS NET and the NIGHT OWLS NET. I sincerely hope that the above good news will motivate the old timers to warm up their rigs and get on the air.

73
NLF

1232. Happy Birthday - M.A.R.S

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-07 04:22:21 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 267 Message: 1232

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1233. Re: [m_a_r_s] IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-07 11:38:13 UTC
From: NR Sharma
Topic: 1230 Message: 1233

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1234. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - M.A.R.S

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-07 11:56:29 UTC
From: srihari krishnan
Topic: 267 Message: 1234

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1235. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - M.A.R.S

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-07 13:20:26 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 267 Message: 1235

i suggest some introspection alongwith the celebrations!
good to think of how far the club has come in such a short time tho. and
appreciate the hard work of members.
let's not forget that we work best as a team!
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1236. Re: [m_a_r_s] IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-07 13:15:06 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1230 Message: 1236

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1237. Re: [m_a_r_s] IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-08 05:33:03 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1230 Message: 1237

Hey Madhu,

Dont joke now - I never knew that you also retired.

Mehul.

--- madhu rajan <madhurajan@...> wrote:
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1238. What's Happening ???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-07 23:09:37 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1238 Message: 1238

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

This is in reference to the mail posted by Vijay and then replied by sarla and madhu . I intended to ignore the mail, but it seems people are commenting and putting allegations without knowing any facts .

Firstly let me clarify that there is no backbiting, I go Thane of TEACHING and BITCHING, it so happened during one of sessions of thane batch, The SWLs of the last batch awaiting for their tickets have borrowed some VHF sets and are keenly monitoring the VHF activity. One of the SWLs asked as to why the NIGHT OWLS NET gets over in 5 to 10 minutes. Many hams come in by 9:40 / 45 and find that the net is over.

In reply I informed them that as far as vispy is concerned, he once told me that he takes some medicine which make him feel sleepy and since their are not many checkin he shuts down the net. As far as nafisa is concerned she checks in all the people on the air at one go (as it is there are hardly any hams check in) and therefore the net gets over very fast. As far as prashant is concern his case is just the opposite, he goes on and on.

All the points are my personal observations and they have been discussed with all the 3 net controllers, so there is no question of back biting. here we try to improvise and to increase the VHF activity.

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I hope this thing ends with my mail and nobody replies, if anyone is offended, my sincere apologies.!!!

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NLF

1239. Fw: [m_a_r_s] QST July'2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-08 08:51:57 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1239 Message: 1239

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1240. It happens only in 'W' land

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-08 11:28:58 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1240 Message: 1240
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Observing the Official Observers
- By Dave Hassler, K7000 [QST-July'2003]

Although not exactly the stuff of spy novels, the ARRL Official Observer Program maintains a vigilant, behind-the-scenes watch as a part of Amateur Radio's long tradition of self-policing.

Listen, rather than transmit, is the prime directive of an ARRL Official Observer.

It's the 00's job to monitor the amateur bands for operating that either falls outside of good amateur practice or demonstrates exemplary operating. The upshot? A simple, friendly postcard from the 00 to the operator in question.

They perform their function by the simplest of dictates: listen, rather than transmit. Their mission: help a fellow ham. And after a job is done, the only artifact left to speak of their presence is a small postcard. They are ARRL Official Observers, working behind the scenes to help maintain the traditional high standards of Amateur Radio.

In a spirit of friendliness and cooperation, the 00 monitors the amateur bands, keeping an ear and eye out for transmissions that do not fall within good engineering or operating practice.

The 00 just sends out a helpful postcard-an Official Observer Advisory Notice-outlining the observed problem. Maybe it's a key click or chirp, or perhaps an overly broad or over modulated signal. Maybe it's something more serious, like frequency instability. Hopefully, it's not something worse, such as a case of malicious interference.

Consistent with the friendly and helpful spirit on which the whole program is base, the 00 Advisory Notice cites the appropriate element of Part 97 rules and asks that the recipient "please take a few minutes to determine what equipment factors or operating practice" might have caused the problem. There's a "thank you" and room at the bottom for the 00 to sign and add a personal 73. No reply is necessary; although some recipients do choose to respond.

Helping hams help themselves is what it's all about. FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth. K4ZDH, said that as the main element and backbone of the Amateur Auxiliary to the FCC Enforcement Bureau, the ARRL Official Observer program has proven invaluable and is greatly appreciated. "It's one of the methods by which Amateur Radio is self-policing. Amateur Radio is a lot better off for them as they help other Amateur Radio licensee, not take their operating privileges for granted;' he said.

A Friendly Reminder

"I once sent a card to a station who keeps a regular schedule with his father in Africa," recalled Georgia Official Observer Coordinator Mike Swiderski, K4HBI "He had some splatter and a wide signal that was interfering with others. He sent back a very apologetic e-mail

that thanked me and explained how he was late for the sked and didn't tune up properly. He said he attached the [advisory] card to the front of his amp as a reminder to always tune up, no matter how late he gets to the radio."

Eastern Massachusetts OOC Mike Goldberg, KILJN, passed along this example of a typical incident that might get him, or one of his OOs, to send out an advisory card: "In the excitement of a contest you hear a call front a place you've been trying to work for a long time. You spot right on it, call and make a contact. Sometime later, a little card comes in the mail with a reminder that the other station was legally transmitting in his country, but you were out of band. A check of the log confirms it. It's not the kind of problem that changes the world, but a goof. "Well, I won't do that again soon!' you think."

And that's the end of it. It's a minor matter that's a one-time occurrence, a simple accident, Goldberg said. The types of problems that get an 00's major attention and many hours of his tune are those that are repeated and show a willful disregard for the rules.

ARRL Field and Regulatory Correspondent Chuck Skolaut, K0BOG, said that once a problem is identified as persistent, malicious and/or intentional, Official Observers collect evidence of the problem-typically in the form of audio recordings, but with other methods of documentation, as well and send it in to him at ARRL Headquarters. Skolaut verifies the data and circumstances of the problem and then forwards it on to the FCC for enforcement. He added that OOs themselves never embark on any kind of enforcement activity.

"This program is supposed to be a friendly way to bring a technical problem or a poor operating practice to a ham's attention,' Skolaut said. "You really have to be doing something intentionally bad before it gets to my office. It's not isolated things that get this far-it's those who repeatedly violate the rules, the habitual offenders."

Tools of the Trade

The equipment an 00 uses varies from station to station, but in addition to a solid transceiver at home, many Official Observers employ mobile transceivers, scanners, time-difference-of-arrival (TDOA) DF gear, GPS units, portable monitoring recording equipment, audio signal intercept and analysis units, various attenuators and filters and APRS. There are other vital tools a successful Official Observer must carry, Skolaut said, "To be a good 00 you need to have the desire to help fellow amateurs in a friendly manner, use common sense, be able to accept criticism and know your reward comes from helping others;' he said.

All that equipment definitely comes in handy. Michigan section OOC Donald Sefcik. N8NJE, said that the 00's documenting process can include a little field work at times. That's when the direction finding equipment comes into play. "In one situation up here, we had a problem with a kerchunker keying up a repeater and sometimes making transmissions without IDing," Sefcik said. "We had a local 00 listen and then DF him. Once he was pinpointed, the 00 sent word that essentially said, `We suspect you are the one doing this, it's not cool and please stop.' That was it and it was apparently enough, because we never heard that problem again. The ham in question realized the situation and it ended there."

The Goofy and the Good

Sometimes, however, the problems an 00 observes are truly off the 'scope. Swiderski shared this nugget from the Peach State:

"Recently, I was alerted to a questionable call sign and. using the info provided by the alerting station and research by myself and Chuck [Skolaut] at ARRL Headquarters. I had to agree that something was amiss geographically," he said. "I got in touch with the operator of the station in question and it turns out he had been using an inactive relative's call sign for over 15 years. But it has a good ending, as he is now a legally licensed Amateur Radio operator."

00s also observe a lot of good operating on the amateur bands. When an operator's signals and manner are exemplary, the 00 can send out a special "Good Operator Report." The card makes note of the time, frequency and mode of the transmission. and thanks the ham for the "excellent example of good amateur practice for others in the Amateur Radio Service.

Duane Traver, WV2B, the OOC for the Western New York Section, said a surprised and very pleased recipient of a Good Operator Report e-mailed him back some interesting comments. The operator said he'd lived in fear for 28 years of getting an FCC pink slip or a card from an 00. "Imagine my surprise when noticing toy card from an 00 was a good thing;" wrote "Murph" Murphy, WA1VKO "[It] will be in the forefront of my mind while operating that people are listening, and we're making an impression on them. It's up to us whether it is a positive or negative one. Thanks for taking the time to do this important work for our hobby."

Origins of a Tradition

The Official Observer program maintains the same philosophy today as it did from its beginnings in the 1920s. "Newcomers have entered our ranks. Reports have it that they are operating off wavelength using long, drawn-out calls and signing at infrequent intervals;' states an article in the October 1925 issue of QST "One of the most powerful agents in improving individual operating is individual, friendly, and constructive criticism.... A form postal card has been devised with instructions that the [SMsj appoint Official Observers.... Observers are instructed to use the postal, conscientiously and make observations carefully."

Official Observers had to pass a frequency measuring test to prove the accuracy of their own measuring equipment. The September 1934 issue of QST lists the 142 00 stations one could call upon "when you need to ask QRG'?" or who might send a card to a hair about "a.c. notes, ripple, broad spacing, violations of good practice," or other malady. The program grew to have separate Morse and phone observers and eventually had five different classes. The 1980s saw a streamlining of the program and the number of observer classes reduced to one.

ARRL and the FCC Field Operations Bureau (now the Enforcement Bureau) entered into a formal Memorandum of Understanding in a joint effort to improve compliance of the Amateur Service with FCC rules, that MOU created the Amateur Auxiliary to the FOB under the regulations of the Communications Amendments Act of 1982. Hollingsworth noted that the scope of the Official Observer program has been slowly broadening over the years. He said a two-way street has now developed to the point that the FCC sometimes calls upon Official Observers, through ARRL HQ, to perform specific monitoring duties, collect information and document over-the-air violations in their capacity as the Amateur Auxiliary.

Getting Involved as an 00

The qualifications of an Official Observer are relatively straightforward. An 00 candidate must have held a Technician or higher class amateur license for at least four years and he

recommended by the Section Manager. In addition, to be a part of the Amateur Auxiliary. a course of study must be completed, along with successful completion of an examination.

San Joaquin Valley OOC Victor Magana, N1VM, points out that the Official Observer program is not for every ham. "If a person's motivational interest is to wear a police officer's badge of authority, or to engage in confrontations on the air, they should just save themselves the embarrassment of their participation," he stated. "The program does not have a place for amateurs who want to be band cops' Magana added that the 00's job is to monitor without prejudice and courteously advise a fellow amateur through the post cards at his disposal. And the job ends there enforcement is solely the job of the FCC.

For those with a genuine love for Amateur Radio and a true desire to help others, the 00 program is a perfect place to be of service to the amateur community. Skolaut said the place to start is by contacting one's Section Manager and asking for information. Also, he noted that the application is available on-line at the ARRI. Web site. Point your browser to ww w.arrl.org/FandES/field/forms/fsd187/form.html to start the application process. Once it has been submitted, ARRL HQ staff will review the application and send it to the appropriate Section Manager for a recommendation. Additional information on the program can be found on the ARRL Web site at www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/oo.html.

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1241. Best wishes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-08 19:05:25 UTC
From: vu3wjm
Topic: 1241 Message: 1241

Dear Friends,
A big Happy Bday to MARS and congratulations to all those involved in saving the lives of trapped people near Thane. All just goes on to prove that Ham Radio is much more than a hobby and it is the spirit and dedication that plays a major role rather than the technology.
Even though not a member but I must confess that while on my last visit to Mumbai during Jan I greatly enjoyed the 2 meter activity and QSOs eyeball as well as on air with so many friend specially the late night ones, fondly remember one of my friend switching his PC and checking one site on internet I suggested in middle of the night Hi Hi!
Small things do crop up at times but best sorted out in true Ham spirit.
Keep up the good work it is really inspiring for small group here to see a real active organisation in MARS.
73s
Rahul VU3WJM
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UP Amateur Radio Society

1242. Happy Birthday - VU2MOO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-09 04:41:08 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1242 Message: 1242

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its Life Member Milind Mokashi - VU2MOO a very Happy Birthday

1243. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2MOO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-09 05:38:09 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1242 Message: 1243

HAAAPY BIRTHDAY MILIND!
CHEERS!
Madhu

HCL Beanstalk PCs. You could win one.
http://server1.msn.co.in/sp03/hclbeanstalktour/index.asp Interested?

1244. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2MOO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-09 05:43:22 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1242 Message: 1244

Hey Milind,

Many many happy returns to you. And when you go for a
toast today - remember that mug...

73s.

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1245. Re: [m_a_r_s] What's Happening ???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-10 16:48:23 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1238 Message: 1245

Hi All,

I could read all the mails today only. What I can say is that one has to prioritize evrywhere.I will be foolish I do not know what's my priorities are....so I am taking everything cool.... but not forgetting what I have committed to the society.....so once that commitments are over....well, I would like to keep it at my heart.....

BTW, regular members at Early Birds Net like to have a longer net....and we can't have a longer net without keeping the frequency busy....and if somebody feels that I do the talking myself, then it's,to the best my my knowledge, is incorrect.I infact ask the other members to talk...anything.....so that we keep ourself engaged. Again, I may be wrong.But anyway I am taking evrything cool!!!

73

Prashant

To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com

>To:
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] What's Happening ???
>Date: Tue, 8 Jul 2003 04:39:37 +0530
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>MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
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>Dear Members,
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>This is in reference to the mail posted by Vijay and then replied by sarla and madhu . I intended to ignore the mail, but it seems people are commenting and putting allegations without knowing any facts .
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>Firstly let me clarify that there is no backbiting, I go Thane of TEACHING and BITCHING, it so happened during one of sessions of thane batch, The SWLs of the last batch awaiting for their tickets have borrowed some VHF sets and are keenly monitoring the VHF activity. One of the SWLs asked as to why the NIGHT OWLS NET gets over in 5 to 10 minutes. Many hams come in by 9:40 / 45 and find that the net is over.
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Reconnect with old pals. Relive the happy times. With just one click.
(http://g.msn.com/8HMRENIN/2737??PS=)

1246. VHF Activity

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-11 08:02:33 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1246 Message: 1246

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

We are conducting 2 VHF nets in Mumbai, the "EARLY BIRDS NET" and the "NIGHT OWLS NET", Unfortunately not many people are checking in for these nets. I really wonder why ??? many of us are having VHF capability yet not many check in. You can check in on both the nets or atleast one ? if not everyday alteast once a week ? is it too much to ask ??
5 minutes of your time for our hobby once a week ? come on guys, do some justice to your callsign, many are dying to get one and you have it but don't use it.

If you are reading this mail, that means you are interested in our hobby, so please take a little initiative and get on air. if any help required to get on air, then do let us know and we are there to assist you, say for your antenna, power supply or RIG problem.

Many of us are trying to make the VHF nets interesting, for example, VU2ZRS few days ago, gave is the recipe for making Apple pie, VU2VAH, XYL of VU2HIT is going to give us recipe for Biryani on coming Wednesday and so on, You can also contribute, starting with joining us on 2 meters.

VHF activity is likely to go up in a big way in coming few months, Our proposed VHF repeaters will be up shortly, The funds for the same are expected very soon.

Once the repeaters are up, we will hams checking in our nets probably from Pune, Nasik and Gujarat, I am sure we have a great VHF future.

Looking forward to hearing you on 2 meters,

73
NLF

1247. Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF Activity

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-11 11:17:43 UTC
From: Jayesh Kharwar
Topic: 1246 Message: 1247

Hi Nilesh,

Please forgive my ignorance !!!! Can I have the Frequency and the times for the Nets

73's

VU2ESP
----- Original Message -----
From: VU2NLF
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2003 1:32 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] VHF Activity

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NLF

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1248. Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF Activity

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-12 16:03:32 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1246 Message: 1248

Hi Jayesh,

145.00 Mhz at 07:00 AM Early birds net.
145.00 Mhz at 09:30 PM Night Owls Net.

73
NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: Jayesh Kharwar
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2003 4:47 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF Activity

Hi Nilesh,

Please forgive my ignorance !!!! Can I have the Frequency and the times for the Nets

73's

VU2ESP
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1249. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS Classes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-15 13:54:30 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 1231 Message: 1249

Hai everybody,
Good job being done by many of us, specially NILESH I could
open the mail today , and saw 45 msgs, But many were full
of criticising, LETS be good HAMS. LETS DO GOOD THINGS,
LOVE ALL HUMAN BEINGS,

I THINK THIS IS MY FIRST MSG AFTER JOINING THE MARS AS LIFE
MEMBER,

MY BEST WISHES TO ALL,

NAMASTE.

BASAPPA

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My best wishes to you and your family members.

Send free SMS using the Yahoo! Messenger. Go to http://in.mobile.yahoo.com/new/pc/

1250. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS Members Saves 32 Lives.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-15 14:17:20 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 1225 Message: 1250

HELLO DEARS, I FELT PROUD TO HEAR THAT MY MARS FRIENDS WERE
INVOLVED IN SAVING THE LIVES OF 32 PEOPLE. I AM IN NATIVE
VILLAGE (NR KOLHAPUR)FOR MY DAUGHTER'S MARRIAGE (9TH JULY).
MY FRIENDS CONGRATULATED ME FOR THEIR EFFORTS, GREAT JOB
DONE.

MY HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THOSE FRIENDS INVOLVED
IN RESCUE OPERATION.

LETS KEEP DOING SUCH TYPE OF JOBS,

BRAVO ZULU,

BASAPPA
VU2NXM

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My best wishes to you and your family members.

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1251. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-15 17:42:30 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1251 Message: 1251

Hello fellow hams ,
I know am bit late on this , but nevertheless, woulD
like to share few things about the THANE MARATHON
RALLY , we MARTIAN , participateDfor raDio
communication.

Following are the one who particpateD,

VU2JPN JAIPRAKASH
VU2 LIB MAdHU
VU2 UGO SANdIP
VU2 HIT HUZEFA
VU3 AUA ARUN SINGH
VU2 UGJ MUKESH
SWL MICKY KORdE
SWL SAILESH PRAdHAN
SWL SAILESH DESHMUKH
SWL SANTOSH VEDANTE
SWL (CF0) MR VAIDYA
THANE BATCH STUdENT MS SRIVASTAV

Well at the out set let me mention this it was
wonDerfully controlleD exercise , control sation being

vu2 lib , maDhu , job well Done, and all others
performeD good , no hick ups , transmission was great
all arounD , anD we wre able to acheiive our job , in
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the good results

73 s
de vu2 ugj

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1252. Re: [m_a_r_s] (unknown)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-16 07:50:40 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 995 Message: 1252

Congratulations !!! to all the participants for a job well done, especially VU2LIB, who I am told did a wonderful job at the Control Station.

Keep it up ...!!!

73
NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars_acaDemy_2003@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2003 11:12 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] (unknown)

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1253. Night Owls' Net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-19 14:57:43 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 466 Message: 1253

Dear Friends,
In the Moonsoons, it has been noticed that many stations do not copy each other on 145.000 MHZ very well. A few of us did some frequency hopping one of these days and found that 145.400 MHZ worked out the best for most of us. Hence, on a trial basis, we plan to shift the Night Owls' Net to 145.400 MHZ from Mon. the 21st of July. If it works out the best for majority of us then we will keep that as the Net frequency or else come back to 145.000 MHZ. Hope u will join us in big numbers on the Net and help us make it more interesting. We have everyday the regular 10-12 check-ins which makes us wonder where is the Mumbai Hams and more especially the MARS population. Do join us on the Night Owls' Net in big numbers on 145.400 MHZ at 9:30 p.m. and increase the VHF activity and make it more lively. Looking forward to seeing u all on the Night Owls' Net every day.
With warm regards
VU2 WLL Vispi Mirza
VU2 NFS Nafisa Shikari

1254. Reminder of Night Owls Net frequency

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-21 13:28:40 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 1254 Message: 1254

Friends, just to remind u that from today the Night Owls' Net is on 145.400 MHZ and not on 145.000 MHZ. Hope to see u all on the Net.
Nafisa VU2 NFS

1255. [Fwd: [ARSI] Ham fest India 2003]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-07-27 14:34:22 UTC
From: NR Sharma
Topic: 1255 Message: 1255
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: [ARSI] Ham fest India 2003
Date: Tue, 22 Jul 2003 17:21:46 +0530
From: ARSI <arsimail@...>
Reply-To: ARSI-owner@yahoogroups.com
To: arsi@yahoogroups.com

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? We will be providing dormitory accommodation to 200 delegates @ Rs.
25/- per day, other hotel booking will be done as per the request done.

? There is a provision for stalls at the venue, so anybody interested
please contact.

? Please let us know yr any suggestion; it will be our pleasure to
organise in a better way.

? Good presenter/speaker and also good material to publish in the
souvenir are invited.

? We are going to write a letter to all A.R.S. in India so that they can
update their members on the development.

? All are requested to make announcement of this information on their
local 2 mtr or hf nets.

? Please view the attached file and forward this mail to other vu
friends, thanks.

With best 73s and regards.
-Pravin VU2CPV

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1256. Fwd: hello~! ham friend of mumbai, i'm HL1EJT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-01 15:53:15 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 1256 Message: 1256

Hi all,
Can any active HAM help HL1EJT -Park, he is DX visiter
in mumbai.

Thank you all
Kiran VU3KPL

--- ?ټ? <hl1ejt@...> wrote:
> From: "?ټ?"<hl1ejt@...>
> To: rajesh_bagwe@...,
> super1@...,
> zzend@...,
> kiran_padiyar@...
> Subject: hello~! ham friend of mumbai, i'm HL1EJT
> Date: Fri, 1 Aug 2003 04:40:37 +0900 (KST)
> hello~! mumbai ham friend.
>
> I see the Mumbai hamclub hompage in internet.
>
> so, I can sent by your e-mail address.
>
> introduce my self. my name is Park, I'm Amateur
> Radio operator of KOREA.
>
> My Callsign is HL1EJT.
>
> My Homepage : http://cwstudy.com
>
> I'm visit to Mumbai of India on 28th, july. Because
> business for
> company.
>
> I'm a research Engineer at the H/W for RF
>
> I'm currently working on the research for export
> CDMA Handsets Project
> in LG Electronics Inc.
>
> I have mapped out a plan for my stay about 20 days
> to 1 month.
>
> forecast, stay in 214 Lakeside Chalet Marriott
> Apt,Near Chinmayanand Ashram
> Powai, mumbai.
>

> I wish on the air at stay place in the hotel.
>
> you can help me a way about permission for Amateur
> Radion
> communication.
>
> I hope many QSO with india Ham Radio station. and
> surrounding nations.
>
> I'm 1'st class Ham radio operator in korea. I can
> receive 30 wpm of cw
> code.
>
> if I can't permission for Amateur Radion
> communication,
>
> I hope meet Ham Friends in the short distance area
> Mumbai.
>
> thinks for reading my e-mail message or phone.
>
> hope see you on the air or in india. look forward
> to your e-mail.
>
> ^^ bye and Good luck to you.
>
> best 73~! de Park, HL1EJT
>
>
> p.s. my hotel telephone no. : 022-5692-7214

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1257. New Tickets.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-04 17:41:47 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1257 Message: 1257

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

I am very pleased to inform you that today we have received 6 new tickets of the last years batch as under :-

MILIND KORDE - VU2IZO
ANISH KORDE - VU2OZO
VIJAY VIDYA - VU2CFO (Chief Fire Officer - Thane)
SANJAY KADAM -VU2KDM
SAILESH PRADHAN - VU2SFN
SAILESH DESHMUKH - VU2LOC

Congratulations to all the above hams on getting their tickets, I sincerely hope that all of you will become active ham radio operators.

All the other SWLs from the last years batch (churchgate & Thane) will be receiving their tickets very soon as they will be coming in batches in the next few days.

Looking forward to a very heavy ham radio activity in our Mumbai.

73
NLF

1258. Fw: [mars_academy_2003] vangaum

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-04 18:09:07 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1258 Message: 1258

----- Original Message -----
From: Anurag Chugh
To: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 10:25 PM
Subject: [mars_academy_2003] vangaum

http://www11.brinkster.com/lithiumhead/

hey ppl i have uploaded the vangaum batch photos at above site

@nurag

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1259. Fwd: [CQ_VU] New Winlink PMBO/node

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-05 08:39:50 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1259 Message: 1259

From: Abdul Rouf
To: vijaymotwane@...
CC: vu3dmp@...
Subject: Fwd: [CQ_VU] New Winlink PMBO/node
Date: Sat, 2 Aug 2003 11:59:24 -0700 (PDT)

Note: forwarded message attached.

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1260. Fw: [vusat] I'DAY GREETINGS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-15 05:50:12 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1260 Message: 1260

Wish all the HAMs (and upcoming ones) a very happy independence day !!

73s,

Mehul
VU2ICQ

1261. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-18 13:46:27 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1261 Message: 1261
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi All,

We are at the end of first half of our club year and club record shows that there are many members who have yet to pay their fees.

Collecting / sending fees, that too Rs.250/-, is definitely cumbersome; why not become a life member instead! You can call me on 25675226 or 35675226 if you want your fees to be collected.

Attached is the list of members who have forgotten to pay fees for 2003-04.All are requested to pay the fees at the earliest.

73' de Prashant

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1262. Fwd: [m_a_r_s] society dues

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-20 12:33:45 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1262 Message: 1262
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

>From: "Prashant Koli"
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] (unknown)
>Date: Mon, 18 Aug 2003 13:46:27 +0000
>

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1263. Frequency on HBO Channel

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-21 18:49:39 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 1263 Message: 1263

Anybody Know the Frequency?

A new movie involving amateur radio has made its appearance. According to the ARRL Web Extra movie editor, “Frequency is an imaginitive fantasy based on the complex relationship between fathers and sons.” The movie stars Dennis Quaid, who plays the dead firefighter father from the ‘60s.

The basic premise of this sci-fi thriller is apparently communication between the son, played by Jim Caviezel, and his dearly departed father on the ham bands during the peak of the sunspot cycle. It seems you have to stretch things a bit to include propagation through the time warp.

Never one to miss an opportunity, the ARRL believes that this movie will provide a public relations chance for local ham clubs. “Any ham club which can get it together to give demonstrations of ham radio in action in front of theaters playing Frequency should geet a lot of inter-action from the crowds leaving the movie. Since a number of equipment manufacturers are offereing prizes for the best ham demo, and since it’s a very entertaining film, any club with the ability should make arrangements ASAP for a ‘movie field day’. There is a terrific PR opportunity here.”

If you get a chance to see the movie, let me know what you think. One ham who saw it is quoted as saying that of all the “ham” movies he has seen (e.g., Contact), Frequency provides the best example of what the thrill of ham radio really is all about. It is a must-see film for all amateurs.
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Frequency on HBO Channel (Duration - 1:53 hr)

Frank Sullivan (Quaid, Traffic, Any Given Sunday), is a New York City firefighter who communicates with his son John Sullivan (Caviezel, Pay It Forward, The Count Of Monte Cristo, High Crimes) via short-wave radio. The only thing is, Frank died trying to fight a fire 30 years ago.

Their communication is a result of a freak of nature, and John uses it to warn his father of his impending death and thus saves his life. This, however, changes the pattern of time, and sets off a new sequence of unfortunate events, including the gruesome murder of John's mother.
Father and Son then work together from their respective time zones to make amends and to restore the pattern of time.

Brilliant performances by Quaid and Caviezel make this one a must see.

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http://www.arrl.org/survey.php3?pollnr=21
http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2001/11/15/1/
http://www.mediacircus.net/frequency.html

1264. Re: Frequency on HBO Channel

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-22 05:28:54 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1263 Message: 1264

Hi there Sandip,

I saw 'Frequency' long back...may be an year ago...when I read abt
this movie on QRZ.com.Ofcourse I saw it on VCD.Also , I had asked
Amazon.com to inform me when DVD version is launched which they did
promptly on release of DVD.Needless to say I didn't order it.

Prashant,VU2CBU

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> http://www.arrl.org/survey.php3?pollnr=21
> http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2001/11/15/1/
> http://www.mediacircus.net/frequency.html

1265. Another ham radio wala movie

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-23 08:14:52 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1265 Message: 1265

First, Thanks to UGO for the reminder and added info!

Another such feature motion picture film that possibly glamourises our hobby is 'Wind Talkers'.

As we all know, ham radio has its birth in surplus WW equipment.

73,
de VU2NHR
(Nirav)

1266. Annual Report

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-27 05:56:20 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1266 Message: 1266

Was just wondering if anybody would like to have a copy of MARS's
annual report for the year 2002-03 (if they have not collected for
some reason).
Please let me know directly on my id vu2cbu@... with your
complete snail mail details.
73' de Prashnat,VU2CBU

1267. Fw: 19715 Fq. 14:00 - 14:25 GMT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-27 13:02:39 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1267 Message: 1267

Dear YL/OM,

Please reply to OM RAY directly if you can help him or know anything about this below.

73,
de VU2NHR

----- Original Message -----
From: RAY (VU3ORN)
To: Nirav Sanghavi ~VU2NHR
Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 3:21 PM
Subject: 19715 Fq. 14:00 - 14:25 GMT

As per advice one of my friend from Bangladesh (S2), last Sunday the 24th August, 2003 I was monitoring the 19715 Frequency. Time was 14:00 to 14:25 GMT. My friend monitor this since 2000. We both confused why this transmission going on ? The mode of the receiver was AM as well as USB and my antenna was inverted "V". And I was getting QSO in Amateur term 59+ and DXing term 555. My friend informed me that this transmission is going-on everyday using same frequency and time.

Gist of the message is - One YL announcing phonetic codes of English alphabets. I am not sure but she was repeating 2-3 times all codes. She starts like this message Echo Juliet India, message Echo Juliet India, message Echo Juliet India.

So I request if you send me some positive inputs regarding this, that will helpful for us.

Thanks in advance,

Happy DXing and Hamming.

de

RAY (VU3ORN)
New Delhi.

1268. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-28 17:39:15 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1268 Message: 1268

HELLO FREINDS,

FreinDs as you are aware every year we Do
communication support for the GANESH VISARJAN at
girgaum chowpatty , this year too , we intenD to carry
out the same service with the same enthusiam ,for this

i woulD like to know the name of the HAMS , SWLS , who
woulD be willing to participate in the event , latest
by 4th of septemeber , so that we can have a breifing
meeting on SUNDAY THE 7TH SEPT .

Freinds please contact me directly on my cell no 98200
34431 , also those who have any equipments , like
hanDys or base stations Do let me know abt the same ,
which woulD help me in planning the teams for
Different locations.

Most important point to be noteD in this is that this
event is open to only those memebers of the society
who have all their dues cleared in all respect , any
person whose Dues are pending , will not be allowed to
participate and be an unneceessary QRM , in the event.

so please do the needful at earliest

DE VU2 UGJ

MUKESH JAITLEY

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1269. VUSAT Bird

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-29 07:45:59 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1269 Message: 1269

Hi OMs/YLs!!

VUSAT (also known as HAMSAT) - The first Indian Amateur Satellite Heading Towards space.

40Kg micro-satellite to be launched onboard PSLV(Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle) from Sriharikota launch range. It will be a co-passenger alongwith another remote sensing satellite (most likely IRS-P6) to be launched on the same vehicle

Likely launch date: 10,October 03 is announed yesterday by VU2NUD (AMSAT-INDIA Co-ordinator)

The proposed configuration for the Ham payload part only:
http://www.amsat-india.org/official/vusat.htm

HAMSAT CONFIGURATION::
http://www.amsat-india.org/official/vusat-beacon.htm

To know more about VUSAT - visit http://www.amsat-india.org/

I've attached few messages posted recently on the VUSAT egroup at the end of this message.

73s de VU2UGO

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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Date: Thu, 24 Jul 2003 08:30:34 -0000
From: "Nagesh Upadhyaya" <ham@...>
Subject: vusat frequencies

This is only pre-launch information:

After launch, vusat will have the following frquencies :

1> Main transponder -- 2>Dutch transponder
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* uplink -- 435.250MHz -- 435.250MHz;
*downlink -- 145.900MHz -- 145.900MHz;
*bandwidth-- 60KHz -- 60KHz;
*beacon -- 145.936MHz -- 145.860MHz;
*beacon type-- unmodulated carrier -- modulated with cw info

vusat will have uhf uplink and vhf downlink - mode B (U-V)

Only one of the transponders will be on at a time and has to be
identified by the beacon.

-nagesh, vu2nud

Date: Mon, 11 Aug 2003 05:51:27 -0000
From: "Nagesh Upadhyaya" <ham@...>
Subject: satnet

Remember the old days of satchat on 7.070MHz !
I will try to be available on the above frequecy on Sunday mornings
between 0745hrs to ....for any informal discussions on vusat.
Please join me and shoot questions.

-nagesh, vu2nud

Date: Fri, 22 Aug 2003 16:05:46 -0000
From: "Nagesh Upadhyaya" <ham@...>
Subject: vusat status

Hi all,
With the successful testing of Indian and Dutch
transponders, things are in good shape. Final integration of the
satellite started.
Have a look at the updated website www.amsatindia.org
Likely launch during October 2003
Look for great signals from vusat.

-Nagesh, vu2nud
Founder Co-ordinator, Amsat-India

Date: Sat, 23 Aug 2003 09:29:05 +0530
From: wmy@...
Subject: On Air Testing

Hi All,
With great pleasure,I wish to inform Amsat-India C0-0rninator OM.Air
Cmde
V.Subramanian (SUBBI VU2UV) and all others that on Thursday,21.8.2003 @
16.00
Hrs IST the flight model of the Indian Transponder was sucessfully tested on
Air
by the Amsat-Technical Committee and Upagrah Amateur Radio Club VU2URC(ISRO
Club
Station). Congrats to VU2POP, as he was the first person to get through the
transponder.The down-link signal level reported by VU2POP was

satisfactory.Sucessful two way link was established on FM,CW and
Sidebands.The
beacon signal level reported by POP was also satisfactory.
My sincere thanks to all other Bangalore Hams who stood by on the
frequency during the testing.After few more planned tests, the transponder
will
be switched on again in the comming days.The exact timings will be intimated
in
advance.

73's de Mani. VU2WMY
Techinical Committee, Amsat-India
Secretary, Upagrah Amateur Radio Club,VU2URC

Date: Wed, 27 Aug 2003 07:32:06 -0000
From: "Nagesh Upadhyaya" <ham@...>
Subject: vusat testing

Dear all,
Flight version of The Dutch(by Williams, PE1RAH)and Indian
transponders were tested "on-the-air" today at about 1100hrs (IST).
This is probably the last test prior to mounting them on vusat deck.
Both of them worked satisfactorily in CW/SSB/FM modes.
Hams VU2LX, VU2POP, VU2IR, VU2WMY/URC and others
participated in this important test and gave reports.
With the power packages also delivered for integration, now
the satellite will go for power-on tests.
73
de
Nagesh, VU2NUD
Co-ordinator, Amsat India

Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 04:36:29 -0000
From: "Nagesh Upadhyaya" <ham@...>
Subject: further status

Dutch transponder moves into clean room for integration.

Pre-launch orbital information:
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orbit: 817Km circular
inclination: 98.68deg
eccentricity:0.002deg
period:~7100sec

Likely launch date: 10,October 03

Nagesh, vu2nud
co-ordinator, Amsat India

Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 19:50:58 +0530
From: wmy@...
Subject: Vusat Testing

Hi All,
The Vusat flight Transponder(Dutch)by Williams was tested
sucessfully
"On the Air" on 27.8.2003 at 09:30 Hrs.The test was co-ordinated and
conducted
by Amsat technical Commitee and Upagrah Amateur Radio Club(VU2URC ISRO Club
Stn).Sucessful two way communication was established with VU2POP(Amsat-India
technical committee) on FM,CW and Sideband modes.Two way link between VU2LX
Lakshman(Amsat-India Member)was also established on FM mode. The signal
levels
about the beacon and the down link reported by both POP and Lakshman was
satisfatory. I once again thank POP for all his continued help and support
provided during the various stages of testing.Thanks to Lakshman for being
on
the Air to provide the signal report.

73's de Mani. VU2WMY.
Amsat-India Technical Committee,
Secretary,Upagrah Amateur Radio Club, VU2URC

1270. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-31 13:26:13 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1270 Message: 1270

HELLO GUYS

Am trying to experiment one thing specially for SWLS
who dont have handys or vhf sets , but if they want to
listen to qsos ,

here try Doing this

log on to yahoo chat , look for listing of HOBBIES ,
then go to user room list , you will find a room ,HAM
RADIO ,

now my rig will be on , as am able to receive all
sations on vhf , Deal is ,i get all qsos and my comp
mic is connected to it the rig speaker , sound thru
this comes into the yahoo room , now if u r connected
to this room , anD u use ur heaD phones or speakers u
might be able to listen the qso of hams going arounD
this is am just trying whether it works , hey if i
Dont answer ur mssgs , may be am away but my comp is
on
for the above reason

lets see whether it works
happy listening

De vu2 ugj

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1271. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-08-31 18:44:38 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1271 Message: 1271

hey guys
our exp about yahoo and vhf set was sucessful
VU2 PIC with me , also vu2 vvp , vu2 ugo ,
vu2sfn,operateD with me , infact vu2 pic transmitteD
also .

so freinds be on yahoo ,chat moDe, hobbies
&crafts-userroom - HAM RAdIO , say abt 9 30 at net
time .

so happy listening ,
73 s

De vu2 ugj
mukesh jaitley

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1272. Re: [m_a_r_s] (unknown)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-01 04:32:30 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 995 Message: 1272

Great going buddy - Keep it up.
----- Original Message -----
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, September 01, 2003 12:14 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] (unknown)

hey guys
our exp about yahoo and vhf set was sucessful
VU2 PIC with me , also vu2 vvp , vu2 ugo ,
vu2sfn,operateD with me , infact vu2 pic transmitteD
also .

so freinds be on yahoo ,chat moDe, hobbies
&crafts-userroom - HAM RAdIO , say abt 9 30 at net
time .

so happy listening ,
73 s

De vu2 ugj
mukesh jaitley

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1273. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-02 18:30:16 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1273 Message: 1273

HELLO FREINDS<

This for the peoples who have opted to join for <
GANESH VISARJAN event at chowpaaty on 9 th sept 03,
we will have a Breifing meeting on this sunday thats
7th sept at 10 00 am at BENGALEE GIRLS SCHOOL
CHURCHGATE. please make it a point to attenD where in
teams formed shall be made known , anD operations for
the event woulD be explained .

Also those who want to participate please give me your
names by latest 4th of sept which woulD enable me too
complete the team making exercise , also please Dont
come with requests regarDing that we shall operate for
few hours etc etc , please be mentally physically
prepareD for atleast 16 to 17 hrs work ie from 1200 in
the afternoon till 500 in the morn next day, take it
as a commitment anD not as any picnic .

Thanks a lot

De vu2 ugj

mukesh jaitley.

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1274. QSP from VU2OZO!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-04 08:51:36 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1274 Message: 1274

Hello Friends !!!

Myself Anish Korde VU 2 OZO. I am going for a Trek to Lohagad Fort, situated at Lonavala. This would be my 4 th trek this year. Me & my core team go for treks all year long. I have been in this hobby for the past 20 years & will remain to do so as long as all the beautiful people who want to enjoy nature, marvel at our country 's grandeur have no guidance as on how to go about on treks. So for all u people this is the right time I guess. My team is well equipped & well organized, so leave ur worries to us and come along for a breathtaking experience.

So for those of u who don't know me & are interested in the trek, I have given details below & a brief info on the majestic fort.

Trek Destination : Lohagad fort. (Lonavala, Malavli)
Duration : 1 day (nights travelling)
Date : 13th to 14th of September 2003.
Contribution : Rs. 150 /- only. Your contri includes travelling fares, 2 breakfasts & snacks & one lunch.
Assembly : Thane Station (W) - Ticket Counter, Platform No. 1. At 21:00 hrs.

We'll be leaving from Thane by the last passenger train to Poona. There will be no reservations 'cause treks are bound to be fun & not picnics. We would get down at Malavli & reach the base by 4 in the morning, have a short nap & proceed to climb the Fort at 6 in the morning after snacks. The Climb is very very easy & is graded for beginners. So we would reach the fort by max 10 o'clock. The Team will cook Maggi for Lunch, & after sight -seeing + snacks, we'll be heading back for home by 3 in the noon from the fort.

This is for all the HAM's :- there will be a exercise from atop the fort. I will be putting up a station on the fort, & will have QSO's with all stations from Mumbai, Pune, Nashik & Gujarat. QSO will start at 11:00 hrs & last for 2 hours.
We come back to lonavala & then proceed back to Mumbai, after shopping for the famous Chikki's. I have given a list of equipment to be carried along for the trek.

List of Equipment. :-
Sack - backpack or rucksack.
Extra Clothes in case of Rains.
Rubber or PVC soled shoes.
Rain-cheater or Wind-cheaters.
Plates, spoon, fork & mug.
Water bottles.
Camera if needed.

Little bit of snacks.

As for the further details, those could be discussed at the Meeting on the 7th of September 2003 at Bai Bengali Girls School at 10 : 00 hrs. Be sure to register before 4 th of Sep 2003, for the Ganpati Visarjan event conducted by M. A. R. S.
For trek Contact :-
Anish : 2534 63 22.
Saurabh : 20520945 / 55971373(after 9 p.m.)

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1275. Fwd: [sp100] ENJOY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-05 09:01:20 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1275 Message: 1275

>From: "dharmaraja ganeshan"
>Reply-To: sp100@yahoogroups.com
>To: sp100@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [sp100] ENJOY
>Date: 3 Sep 2003 10:31:28 -0000
>
>ENJOY......
>
>A survey was conducted by the U.N. worldwide.The only question
>asked was
>"Would you please give your most honest opinion about solutions to
>the food shortage in the rest of the world?"
>
>The survey was a HUGE failure.
>
>In Africa, they did not know what "food" meant.
>
>In Western Europe they did not know what "shortage" meant.
>
>In Eastern Europe they did not know what "opinion" meant.
>
>In the Middle East they did not know what "solution" meant.
>
>In South America they did not know what "please" meant.
>
>In Asia they did not know what "honest" meant.
>
>And in the USA they did not know what "the rest of the world"
>meant.
>_____
>Meet your old school or college friends from
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>
>

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(http://g.msn.com/8HMWENIN/2755??PS=)

1276. Quick PSK63 Contest

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-05 10:30:41 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1276 Message: 1276

DATE : Start 0000 UTC September 6 and end 2359 UTC September 6 2003

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 m.

Example : The suggested area for PSK63 operation on 20 meters is just above the PSK31 activity, or starting at 14072.5 and extending to the beginning of the
RTTY activity area at 14080. To do this, just set your transceiver to UPPER sideband, and the dial frequency to 14072.0. Use the same concept for the other bands .

Classes:
A: Single Operator / All Band
B: Single Operator / Single Band
C: SWL / All Band

For More Info visit :
Quick PSK63 Contest - http://www.netsync.net/users/obrienaj/quickpsk.htm
DigiPan Download Page - http://mywebpages.comcast.net/hteller/digipan/
A super-fast PSK mode for RTTY Contesting - http://www.qsl.net/kh6ty/psk63/

p.s. CQ WW DX Contest - SSB - 25-26 October, 2003

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1277. Ganesh Visarjan coverage on AJTAK

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-05 16:26:30 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1277 Message: 1277

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

AJTAK news service has covered our test run of Ham Radio communication support conducted on 5th Sept 2003.

The coverage will be AIRed on TV on 6th Sept 2003 from 7:30 AM onwards.

73

NLF

1278. Ganesh Visarjan Briefing on Sunday at 10:00 am

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-05 16:27:29 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1278 Message: 1278

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

You are aware that MARS provides vital communication support to the Traffic Police,Life Guards, First Aids, Ambulances etc.. during Ganesh Visarjan every year. It is one of our events where there is huge number of participations by our members.

This year once again we would be providing our communication network. VU2UGJ - Mukesh Jaitley has flaged off few mails regarding this event. few of our members have responded to the mail and given their confirmation of their participation. The list of the them is as under :-

VU2NLF, VU2UGJ, VU2HIT, VU2ZRS, VU2ICQ, VU2JPN, VU2NHR, VU3MWH, VU2LIB, VU23AUA VU2PIC, VU2IZO, VU2OZO, VU2SFN, VU2LOC, VU2KDM, VU2SXF, VU3PAN, VU2RIO

Supriya Tupe, Sachin Tupe, Deepak Pathak, Shantanu, Hufraid, Ulhas Parlikar, Mohmad, Mustafa, Anish Pancholi, Rahul More, Kapil, Pratnya Agarkar.

The Briefing meeting will be conducted on 7th Sept 2003 Sunday at 10:00 am at B.S.Bengelle Girls School, Churchgate. All the above participants are required to attend the meeting without fail, You participation in the event will be subject to your attending the briefing meeting. Anyone not attending the meeting will not be allowed to participate in the event and their will be no exceptions please note.

If you are interested to participate for the event and you name does not reflect in the above list, then please contact me immediately on 98205-47074. there will be no last minute entries.

73

NLF - (event manager).

1279. more confrimed participants for ganesh visarjan,.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-05 16:48:37 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1279 Message: 1279

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

Abhay shah, Rajesh Shethia, Rahim Bardai, Priya

all above confirmed, looking forward to having an eyeball with you on sunday

73

nlf

1280. Re: [m_a_r_s] more confrimed participants for ganesh visarjan,.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-06 07:50:50 UTC
From: zohar attari
Topic: 1279 Message: 1280
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1281. Re: [m_a_r_s] more confrimed participants for ganesh visarjan,.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-06 08:46:26 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1279 Message: 1281

Hi,

I had confirmed telephonically with Mukesh.

thnks,

Mehul.
----- Original Message -----
From: VU2NLF
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com ; mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, September 05, 2003 10:18 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] more confrimed participants for ganesh visarjan,.

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

Abhay shah, Rajesh Shethia, Rahim Bardai, Priya

all above confirmed, looking forward to having an eyeball with you on sunday

73

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1282. Life member since 1-5-2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-08 07:41:35 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1282 Message: 1282

The following memebrs have become Life member(s) since 1-5-2003:
Name Receipt No. Date
Firoze Tafti 320 01/05/2003
Firoze Patel 323 01/05/2003
Nikita More 326 07/05/2003
Neha Pawaskar 327 Do
Mukund Gubbi 334 02/06/2003
V.M/Vaidya 335 10/06/2003
Rajen Kavadia 336 Do
Prashant Koli 337 Do
Pranav Koli 338 Do
Pervez Mandroina 339 Do
Kapil Chandni 435 15/06/2003
Mukesh Jaitley 437 17/06/2003
Andrews Kariattil 438 17/06/2003
Sanjay Shinde 439 Do
Santosh Vedante 440 Do
Dr. Paresh Karia 444 28/06/2003
Vilas More 445 Do
Labhesh More 446 Do
Shailesh Pradhan 447 Do
Mehernosh Variava 460 03/08/2003
Nishant Varsani 382 06/09/2003

Thanks and congratulations.

73s
Prashant Koli
vu2cbu

1283. Article in Indian Express

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-07 13:40:43 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant (VU2HIT)
Topic: 1283 Message: 1283
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

http://cities.expressindia.com/mumbai.html

Look who'll be bay-watching

Hubert Vaz
Mumbai, September 7: Thirty young men and women will spend Tuesday keeping a watchful eye on the millions who descend on Girgaum Chowpatty to bid adieu to Ganesha.
Baywatch, Mumbai-ishtyle?
Well, almost. Only, the 30 are not ace swimmers. They're members of Mumbai Amateur Radio Society (MARS) who've been offering their help to police and civic authorities for the past 10 years, in rescue operations during visarjan.

Says Zyros Zend, chief coordinator of the arrangements made by the HAM radio operators, ''We have been given special permission to set up a machan-an elevated platform for a bird's eye view-at Chowpatty, for coordinating messages.''

Zend and his team of HAM radio operators will be perched at specified locations all over the beach as well as in boats deployed by the civic body.

If anybody is noticed drowning or in distress, messages will be flashed to all operators and help from the nearest booth will be rushed to the spot in minutes.

They'll also be helping kids separated from their groups or families.
''Since people who come walking and dancing for four or five hours are exhausted, there are many emergencies," Zend explains.

Their job is to receive information and coordinate with the lifeguards, ambulances and civic hospitals so that there's no delay in saving lives, he adds.

Secretary of the society Nilesh Rathod informs that HAM radio operators would also be positioned at C P Tank, Opera House, Prarthana Samaj, Lamington Road and Nana Chowk.

The team will get to work at noon on Tuesday and stay at their positions till 6 am the next day.

They had helped out following the recent stampede at Nashik and before that in remote Gujarat after the earthquake. Now, they're excited and ready for another hard day's work.

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(R) +91 22 23731646
(MOB) +91 98920 39969

1284. Re: [m_a_r_s] Life member since 1-5-2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-08 10:38:31 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1282 Message: 1284

More to add...
----- Original Message -----
From: Prashant Koli
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, September 08, 2003 1:11 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Life member since 1-5-2003

The following memebrs have become Life member(s) since 1-5-2003:
Name Receipt No. Date
Firoze Tafti 320 01/05/2003
Firoze Patel 323 01/05/2003
Nikita More 326 07/05/2003
Neha Pawaskar 327 Do
Mukund Gubbi 334 02/06/2003
V.M/Vaidya 335 10/06/2003
Rajen Kavadia 336 Do
Prashant Koli 337 Do
Pranav Koli 338 Do
Pervez Mandroina 339 Do
Kapil Chandni 435 15/06/2003
Mukesh Jaitley 437 17/06/2003
Andrews Kariattil 438 17/06/2003
Sanjay Shinde 439 Do
Santosh Vedante 440 Do
Dr. Paresh Karia 444 28/06/2003
Vilas More 445 Do
Labhesh More 446 Do
Shailesh Pradhan 447 Do
Mehernosh Variava 460 03/08/2003
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Thanks and congratulations.

73s
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1285. Re: [m_a_r_s] Article in Indian Express

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-08 11:47:42 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1283 Message: 1285

coooooooool!

cheers!
madhu

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1286. Import your Gear

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-08 16:24:14 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1286 Message: 1286

Hi All,

We are working on importing equipment in bulk so that each one of us get a better rate and latest stuff.

We would be primarily looking at importing the following models. The tentative price of each one is mentioned. This price is inclusive of the Duty concession available to amateurs.

IC 718 (More info at http://www.icomamerica.com/amateur/hf/ic718main.html) - Rs.28000/-

IC 706 Mark IIG (More info at http://www.icomamerica.com/amateur/hf/ic706mkiigmain.html) - Rs.53000/-

IC T90 Handy (More info at http://www.icomamerica.com/amateur/dualhand/ict90main.html) - Rs.16000/-

We would be trying to arrange for Bank Loan so that we can pay off the amount is easy EMIs. Interested HAMs may revert so that we can arrive at the total quantity of import.

73s,

Mehul Chovatia.

1287. Dress Code for Ganesh Visarjan.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-09 01:02:58 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1287 Message: 1287

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Participents,

Kindly wear White T-Shirt/Shirt on blue jeans/trouser to ensure uniformity, Adding Poncho,cap and ID Card will make it easy for the crowd to identify you as a Ham Radio Operator.

73 & Good Luck..

NLF

1288. More New Tickets.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-11 08:34:50 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1288 Message: 1288

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

We have received 16 more tickets for the batch of 2002.

FEROKH IRANI - VU2 WET - Station up in Pune. (Licence delivered)

SANTOSH VADANTE VU2 IES - Operational on Handy (To be Delivered)

MANDA PAWAR. - VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

DR. ANUKANTH MITTAL - VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

DR. PARESH KARIA - VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

VILAS MORE VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

KAPIL CHANDNI VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

HARSHA KULLAR VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

HARDEEP SINGH KHALSA VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

FEROZE PATEL VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

BRIJESH RAGHVAN VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

P.V.HARIDAS VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

MUKUND GUBBI VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

MILIND PARLIKAR VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

ASHOK PARAB VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

SANJAY SHINDE VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

Congratulations to all the above for getting the ticket, Nevertheless all the licences will remain with society till your station is up and operational (atleast on VHF). Once your station is up you may get in touch with us and your licence will be handed over to you.

You can avail all the help from the society for putting up your station, for example installations of your antennae and getting the radio equipment.

VU2ICQ has already posted a mail regarding import of equipment, you may contact VU2ICQ directly to book your set.

All the SWL from the batch of 2002 (Churchgate & Thane) are ADVISED to start your installations of your antennae and order your sets with VU2ICQ to avoid any delay after getting your tickets.. (Your ticket will be arriving shortly).

You guys have no idea how difficult it is to get the tickets, We got 22 tickets which were pending from last 3 years. The tickets were handed over to the swls on 1st Feb 2003, unfortunately not a single station from the 22 calls is on air. (reasons best known to them) All the efforts taken by the society has gone to waste.

Hence the society has decided not to hand over any further licences till their individual stations are up and ready for operations..!!

73

NLF

1289. Fw: [m_a_r_s] Import your Gear

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-11 11:45:53 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1289 Message: 1289

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----- Original Message -----
From: "ajay solanki" <ajay_solanki@...>
To: <mehul2k@...>
Sent: Tuesday, September 09, 2003 8:29 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Import your Gear

> Hi Mehul,
>
> That is a good price.
> Does it include a battery case or pack??
> I heard that if u take a show charger instead of the
> normal charger the cost works our less.
> Can u please check this out.
>
> Also can u find out the cost of
> additional batery pack,
> additional cell case,
> And external mike as accessories.
>
> What would be the delivery time approx.
> I would be interested in going in for a tri bander
> handy.
>
> Also can u get some price on the dual bander
> as on the tri bander u can transmitt only on the 2
> bands while the hf band would be for receiving only
> and if the price difference is high then dual would be
> preferable.
>
> I have given my money for being a life member to nlf.
>
> Regards,
> Ajay..
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> --- Mehul Chovatia <mehul2k@...> wrote:
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> Do you Yahoo!?
> Yahoo! SiteBuilder - Free, easy-to-use web site design software
> http://sitebuilder.yahoo.com
>

1290. Re: [m_a_r_s] Import your Gear

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-11 14:17:00 UTC
From: zohar attari
Topic: 1286 Message: 1290

Dear VU2ICQ,
Thank you for your info. about the set to be

imported for your fellow hams, I ZOHAR.K.ATTARI. (S.W.L.)

waiting for the ticket, would surley like go for my self

The set I am interested is IC 718. I will be happy if you

can help us in bank loan.

thaking you again

Zohar.k.Attari
Res:26103650
Office:23757508.

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1291. Ganesh Visarjan Debriefing Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-12 07:31:13 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1291 Message: 1291

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

Communication Support during Ganesh Visarjan was quite a success, about 50 Hams & SWLs participated in this event, Hearty congratulations to all the participents for a job well done.

The De-Briefing meeting will be held on Sunday 14th Sept 2003 at 10:00 Am at B.S.Bengelle Girls School, Churchgate.

All the team leaders are requested to bring their team report for the meeting, all the other participents are also requested to prepare there list of suggestions.

Please ensure to be present on time...!!

73

NLF

1292. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan Debriefing Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-12 08:53:43 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1291 Message: 1292
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hello Nilesh,

As you are aware about my itinerary, I wont be making it at De-breifing meeting. However pls find our team's report attached.

Thnks,

Mehul.
----- Original Message -----
From: VU2NLF
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com ; mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com ; mars_classes@...m
Sent: Friday, September 12, 2003 1:01 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan Debriefing Meeting

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1293. modification of fm rx for 145.0 MHz

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-12 09:03:34 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1293 Message: 1293
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

hello martians!

I got so many requests for the modification to be done in the FM receiver for 145.00 Mhz after the visarjan program, so finally i decided to post it on e-groups so that everyone can follow the modification.

I have attached a word file along with this mail which explains in a systematic manner the modification to be made.,....also i have inserted a few pictures to make it a lil more easier.

I hope you will be satisfied with this. If at all you have any doubts,please feel free to mail me or call me.

regards,

Ankur Puranik

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1294. Forms of Import of Ham Radio Equipment.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-12 12:47:14 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1294 Message: 1294

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

All members wishing to import HF/VHF rigs are required to attend the special meeting on sunday 14th sept 2003 at 11:00 AM at B.S.Bengelle Girls School, Churchgate.

Please bring a photocopy of your licence, You would be required to fill up the necessary forms for duty concession from W.P.C.

73

NLF

1295. Power Failure in Mumbai ???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-13 08:48:59 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1295 Message: 1295

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

You may be aware about the recent major power failure in USA. Hams were the only ones who could communicate and rightly so they did their bit..

Imagine a major power failure in Mumbai ??? how many of us are equipped to deal with it ?? I can guarantee my station and maybe VU2UGO & VU2UGJ, but what about you guys ?? do you have the capability to operate without the electrical power source ?? I know for a fact that most of you are not..!!!

MARS is on the panel of Disaster Management Plan of BMC... the million dollar question is what can we offer in case of emergency.. for disaster in Maharastra or Gujarat, we do have our core team which can mobilize in few hours notice and can provide communication on HF. But what about Mumbai itself ? are we geared to handle the situation?? In the recent Bomb Blasts we were so helpless thanks to no repeater in Mumbai. I was in Thane and I could not do anything to help. had there been a repeater maybe we would have done something..

Well the good news is our VHF repeaters will be up in the next couple of months for sure.. But what in case of a power failure ? The repeaters will have a battery back up system, but the question is do you have a backup ??

A couple of years ago, one of our SWL working for a networking company donated us with 20 batteries of 12V 65amp worth about Rs.1,50,000/-. we gave away those batteries free of cost to many of our members as a backup system for Shack. Unfortunately most of the batteries have packed up because our members have failed to maintain these batteries (periodically charging and discharging them). maybe because they are lazy, maybe because they don't know how or maybe simply because they were given for free and they just don't care..

The good news is that once again we have been offered 12V - 42amp sparingly used batteries but in excellent condition for Rs.600/- each. (Panasonic , Japan maintenance free). These are very good batteries ideally suited as a backup supply for your shack, also it is good for field operation (specially for scramble team members).

All members interested in them may get in touch with me ASAP, limited stock available. Please go for these batteries only IF you plan to MAINTAIN them, DO NOT waste our resources.. It is not every day you get this kind of offer, if you were to buy a brand new one, it would cost you about Rs.4000/-.

If you do not know how to maintain these batteries, please feel free to ask me and I will provide you with necessary instructions.. do not delay time is running out, you never know when the next emergency will occur..!!

73

NLF

1296. Fees for 2003-04

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-14 07:52:33 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1296 Message: 1296

Dear friends,

As you are aware that your society is doing yeoman's work to sustain interest
of hams from Mumbai and around by conducting many activities throughout the year. In order that our society should keep on doing such activities it is imperative that we pay our fees on time.
As per the society's records the following members have yet to pay their dues for 2003-04.

Minoo Contractor
Jyotika Dalal
Sudhir Kalkar
Rohit Arora
Kirti Doshi
Sandhya Koli
Anusuya Pullakudy
ASHOK R PARAB
CHANDER H BHATIA
DINESH CHAUDHARY
G M ZALKE
HARSHAD SURVE
J T D'SOUZA
KAUSHIK JAIMALANI
MILIND PARALIKAR
MRITYUNJAY HIREMATH
P V HARIDAS
R K BHATIA
RAHUL S MORE
S S INAMDAR
SACHIN JHUNJUNWALA
SAMSON RAMRAJKAR
SANJAY G KADAM
SANJEEVKUMAR KADAM
SURESH PUNYARTHI
VARGHESE WILSON
AJIT V.VORA
AMIT GUPTA
ANAND TRIVEDI
BALRAM WARRIER
BHARAT C.SHAH
CHARLES BARBOZA
DESHRAJ BHARMORIA
DILEEP PRABHAKARAN
GAUTAM KEDIA

HARDEEP SINGH KHALSA
JESAL DOSHI
RISHI LAL
SACHIN SURENDRAN
SAJIV KURUP
SAJJAD JIVANI
SHYAM KAPADIA
SUBRATA CHAKRABORTY
ZARTHUN ZEND
ZORBEN ZEND

It should also be noted that participation in society's events and also help to individual members will be restricted to only those who continue to be members i.e. those who have paid fees for the current year.

All the above members are earnestly requested to pay fees at the earliest.

73s
Prashant Koli,vu2cbu

1297. Hamfest India 2003 - Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-14 10:48:59 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1297 Message: 1297

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

The Hamfest India 2003 will be held on 8th & 9th November 2003 (Saturday & Sunday) at Gandhinagar, Gujarat. It is organised by Institute of Amateur Radio Gujarat.

For people who do not know about Hamfest, let me explain, Hamfest is a annual festival (once a year), where Hams from all over India get together for an eyeball. You may be talking to your fellow hams, but this a good opportunity to meet them in person. Usually the programme is for 2 days, where many topic related to our hobby are discussed and presentation are given on many subject. Usually there are many stalls for buying and selling equipment, awareness of new technologies etc..

The programme for his Hamfest 2003 is as under :-

PROGRAMME DAY - 1

09:30 Registration.

10:30 Inauguration.

11:15 Tea.

11:45 Session - I

01:30 Lunch

02:30 Session - II

04:00 Tea

04:30 Session - III

07:30 Dinner

08:30 Entertainment Programme.

PROGRAMME - DAY - 2

08:00 Breakfast

09:00 Session - I

10:30 Session - II

11.15 Tea

12:00 Session - III

01:30 Lunch

02:00 Valedictory function

03:00 High Tea.

The details of the sessions - I,II,II on first & second day are not yet declared, but some topics of discussions are Emergency Communication during disaster, Data Communication through HF and VHF, New evolution in the field of amateur radio & common issues pending with WPC.

MARS plans to participate in the HamFest in a big number, since we have a good 230 + members now. I am sure it would be a wonderful experience for all the licnenced hams and SWLs. I have already got 26 confirmations in today's Ganesh Visarjan De-briefing meeting. I am sure we would have anywhere from 50 to 75 members joining in and more hopefully.

The registration fee is RS.100/- only. MARS will be arranging transport and accommodation for all our members at cost. (we are planning to hire couple of Luxury Buses).

I therefore request all our members (Hams & SWLs) to join us for this Annual Festival. I assure you it will be great fun and a wonderful experience for all of us to be together and to have eyeball with many of our friends from all over India.

For registration kindly contact me directly on 98205-47074 or mailto:vu2nlf@bol.net.in

Lets us all go as a MARS Parivar..!!

73

NLF

1298. My address

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-15 14:36:49 UTC
From: ajay solanki
Topic: 1298 Message: 1298

Hi Prashant,

My address is as follows.
Ajay Solanki
Oracle India Pvt Ltd
NAC,
Block 3,
Prestige Blue Chip,
9 Housur Road,
Bangalore 29.

The company address is better as I receive it faster.

Regards,
Ajay...
VU2PAO

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http://sitebuilder.yahoo.com

1299. LEAD ACID BATTERY CARE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-16 06:45:58 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1299 Message: 1299

NOTE : This article is taken from http://www.emrg.ca

LEAD ACID BATTERY CARE

INTRODUCTION

Whether for remote operation, backpacking, special events or emergency use, there is a size and capacity of battery to fit all applications. What you do once you buy a battery will determine its useful life. Besides physical abuse, the two things that shorten battery life are over charging and under charging.

Gel Cell batteries are often used as a portable power source in ham radio. There are many sources for gel cell batteries, from flea markets to alarm supply stores to electronics specialty outlets. The price, size and condition will vary greatly.

The "gel cell" is a sealed lead acid battery. The electrolyte (acid) is stabilized by combining it with a gelling agent or by using an absorbent plate separator. This type of battery can usually be stored, used, charged and discharged in any position.

Some lead acid batteries are designed with a plate size imbalance or a catalyst, to help control gas generation and to aid in deep cycle recharging. These are known as "deep cycle" batteries. This type of battery is often associated with Marine use, where some batteries offer boat engine starting capacity and deep cycle capacity.

DOES AND DON?TS

Do Not charge batteries in a sealed container. ALL lead acid batteries, including gel cells, can produce hydrogen gasses.
Do Not use an automotive type battery charger for gel cells. The output voltage is too high and will overcharge the battery. Overcharging shortens battery life.
Do Not store a battery in a car in hot weather, under direct sunlight, in front of a stove or near a fire.
Do Not carry the battery by the terminal connections.
Do Not charge a battery beyond the time specified (if using the cycle method). If the battery is not fully charged even after being charged for a time longer than specified, discontinue charging and remove the battery from the charger.
Do Not discharge A 12 volt battery below about 10.5 to 10.7 volts (1.75 volts per cell x 6 cells). Sealed lead acid batteries will generally not tolerate repeated deep discharges.

Always charge a new battery before use
Always Install insulation covers on terminals to prevent shorts.
Always install a fuse in the cable connecting to the battery, to protect the battery and cable from shorts. Install the fuse on the battery end of the cable.
Always keep the battery clean.
Always charge a battery that has not been used for a long time. The battery gradually loses its capacity due to self discharge during storage. Periods over which the battery can be stored without charging are given below in relation to storage temperatures:

Below 20oC 9 months
20oC to 30oC 6 months
30oC to 40oC 3 months CHARGING

There are two considerations for charging a battery; how to charge it quickly and how to keep it charged. Before building or buying any battery charger, get a volt meter first. The only way to know what is really happening with the battery, is to measure the voltage levels. This is important over time, to ensure that the charger is operating properly and to detect battery deterioration.

Rapid charging of a battery requires a lot of user care or a charger designed for rapid charging. Batteries can be damaged if they are charged to fast or too long. Rapid chargers monitor the charging rate and voltage, and adjust the charging current during the charge cycle. Some chargers are designed to go into maintenace mode once the battery is fully charged which ensures that the battery is not overcharged, but is always ready when required.

Keeping a battery charged, ready for use, can be accomplished in several ways. This same charger can typcally be used to charge the battery as well, it just does it slowly, so it may take a day or more to reach a fully charged state. It is critical to understand the limits of your battery to ensure that the battery is not overcharged.

There are two options described in this document; build/buy a charger or use a regulated power supply with an adapter. Examples and details are provided

chargers available for
Chargers which
Lead acid batteries used for ham radio applications spend most of their time sitting on a shelf. The

The sections below describe the types of charging available, but this section jumps in with some solutions for mainting the battery.

TERMS

Battery Cycle

One cycle for a battery, is a discharge plus a charge

Amp-Hour Rating

Battery capacity based on the amp-hour rating, where the current in amperes is multiplied by the time in hours that current can be drawn.
For example a battery which delivers 2 amps for 20 hours, would have a 40 amp-hour rating. There are limits on the discharge current, so that a the example of a 40 amp hour battery does not mean 40 amps for 1 hour.

Deep Cycle Battery

This is a specially designed battery, which has thicker plates and a high density active material. The thick plates allow for reserve energy to be discharged, while not leaving the battery in a condition where it cannot be charged.
Typically the discharge is at a slow rate, such as for a trolling motor.

Float Voltage

A constant voltage applied to a battery to maintain its capacity. This is slightly lower than the batteries full capacity.

CHARGERS

There are three types of chargers for gel cell batteries:

Constant Current

A small constant current is maintained through the battery for a long period of time.
This type of charger is designed for a 12 to 16 hour charge time.
This is the most common and least expensive charger.

Constant Voltage

A constant voltage is maintained across the battery terminals.
When connected to the battery, there is a high initial charge current, which tapers off as the battery charges.
This type of charger usually completes its cycle in 2 to 4 hours and is terminated by a timer to prevent overcharging.

Constant Voltage & Current

The charge current and voltage vary as the battery is charged.
When the battery is connected, a moderately high charge current is supplied to the battery. The voltage rises as the battery is charged and the current is reduced. The state of charging will continue until the battery is removed. The maintenance current is required to make up for the batteries self discharge.
Charging time takes from 6 to 12 hours depending on the batteries original condition.

More elaborate chargers will also include temperature compensation. This is required because the batteries charging characteristics vary over a temperature range.CHARGING

There are two main charging methods for gel cell batteries:

Cycle Use
Float Use or Trickle Charge

Cycle Use

With the cycle use charging method, the battery is charged to its maximum capacity and is then removed from the charger. The battery is connected to a load when required, which will discharge the battery. The discharged voltage of the battery should not go below 10.5 to 10.7 volts (1.75 volts per cell x 6 cells).

When the battery is discharged, it is connected to the charger and is charged once again. The maximum charging voltage is 14.5 to 14.9 volts, depending on temperature (See table below). The typical value to use is 14.7 volts, which is the charge voltage at 25oC. Charging time is 6 to 12 hours, depending on the batteries state of discharge.

Charging Voltage-Temperature Table

0o C (320 F)

25o C (770 F)

40o C (1040 F)

15.4

14.7

14.2

The maximum charging current is equal to CA, where C is the batteries rated capacity and A is the initial current rating from the battery manufacturer. The recommended maximum charging currents are:

4 Ah = 0.3 x 4 = 0.12A (120mA)

7 Ah = 0.3 x 7 = 0.21A (210mA)WARNING: Do not exceed the maximum voltage or current and do not leave the battery on the charger beyond the typical 12 hour limit. This will cause the battery to overcharge, leading to permanent reduction of its capacity and premature failure.

Float Use

The float use method is often mixed with the trickle charge method, because both types use the same charging style. Float use means that the battery is permanently installed in the circuit with the load and the power supply/charger. When the power supply/charger fails, the batteries supply the power. This method is used by the telephone company to ensure that the phone system is always working.

Trickle charging is associated with a battery that is not connected to a load, but has a charger attached. The battery must be connected to the load when required. The charger is just that, a charger and is not capable of supplying power to the load. When the battery is attached to the load, the charger is removed.

The important difference of the float use method over the cycle use method, is that in the float use method, the battery is charged to a voltage that is below the maximum volts per cell for the battery. The typical float voltage is 13.4 to 14.1 volts, depending on temperature (See table below). The typical value to use is 13.7 volts, which is the charge voltage at 25oC.

Charging Voltage-Temperature Table

0o C (320 F)

25o C (770 F)

40o C (1040 F)

14.1

13.7

13.4

The battery has less capacity when charged under the float method, but it is possible to leave the charger attached without damaging the battery. This is the type of charger used in alarm systems. The charger is not sophisticated, it simply is designed not to exceed the

float voltage.NOTE : The above article is taken from http://www.emrg.ca

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Date: 2003-09-17 07:50:36 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant (VU2HIT)
Topic: 1300 Message: 1300

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1301. Re: [mars_classes] It is bizzare

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Date: 2003-09-16 08:53:29 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1301 Message: 1301

nice one... as messed up as you but we still recognize you... (joking)
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From: Huzefa Merchant (VU2HIT)
To: MARS ; mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com ; marsclasses
Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2003 1:20 PM
Subject: [mars_classes] It is bizzare

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[VU2HIT wrote]

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VU2NHR

1303. for general information only

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Date: 2003-09-16 17:21:48 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1303 Message: 1303

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VU2APR
Andhra Pradesh Amateur Radio Society,
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Somajiguda, Hyderabad-500482.

VU2ARC
Bangalore Amateur Radio Club,
59 South End Road,
Bangalore-560004.

VU2ARD
Amateur Radio Association Club,
71 B Pocket A 9 Kalkaji Extn.,
New Delhi-110019.
Phone No. 6991881

VU2ARS
Amateur Radio Society of India,
C/O. Sahruddin, VU2SDN 40,
Ghalib Apartments, Parwana Road, Pitampura,
Delhi-110034.
Phone No. 7018572

VU2BAC
Bhavans Amateur Radio Club,
Bhavans College, Munshi Nagar,
Andheri West,
Bombay-400058.

VU2BAR
Andhra Pradesh Science Centre,
59-1109 Gunfoundry,
Hyderabad-500029.

VU2BBB
Bombay Repeater Society,
104 Raj kiran, A Plot 1210, Yari Road,
Versova,

Bombay-400061.

VU2BEL
BEL Amateur Radio Club,
Opposite BEL School, BEL Estate,
Jalahal,
Bangalore-560013.

VU2BIT
Birla Institute of Technology Amateur Radio Society,
Mesra,
Ranchi-835215.

VU2BRA
Baroda Amateur Radio Club,
15 Shrey Nagar, Subhanpura,
Baroda-390007.

VU2BRC
BITS Radio Club,
Room M 34, Faculty Division 2,
Birla Institute of Tech & Science,
Pilani 333031.

VU2BRE
Bengal Radio Sports Club,
Apeejay School, 115 Park Street,
Calcutta-700016.

VU2BSG
C/O. Puspa Nadkarni,
Bharat Scouts and Guides HQ,
16 Ring Road, Indraprastha Estate,
New Delhi-110002.
Phone No.3317724

VU2CBE
Coimbatore Amateur Radio Station, 7
34 Avanshi Rd.,
Coimbatore-641018.

VU2CHC
Chandbagh Ham Club,
The Doon School,
Dehradun.

VU2CME
Amateur Radio and Electronics Club,
Calicut Medical College,
Calicut-673008.

VU2COE
Coep Amateur Radio Club,

Electronics and Telecom. Dept., College of Eng.,
Shivaji Nagar,
Pune-411005.

VU2CSC
Vikram A Sarabhai Community Science Centre Amateur Radio Club,
Naurangpura,
Ahmedabad-380009.

VU2CST
Andhra University Amateur Radio Station,
College of Science & Tech.,
Andhra University,
Vishakhapatnam-530003.

VU2DCA
Delhi Amateur Radio Club,
40 Yusuf Sarai,
Behind Ganga Automobiles,
New Delhi-110016.

VU2DVC
Doon Valley ARC,
DEAL, Raipur Road,
Dehradun-248001.

VU2ERS
Ernakulam Amateur Radio Society,
37/1603 Temple West,
Cochin-682031.

VU2FSM
Bhabatosh Maitra, VU2FSL, BITM,
19 A, Gurusaday Rd.,
Calcutta-700019.

VU2GHS
Garware Ham Station,
Garware Institute of Career Education & Development, Bombay University,
Vidhyanagari, Kalina, Santacruz East,
Bombay 400098.

VU2GJZ
Radio Amateur Club of CSME,
North East Hill University,
Bijni Campus,
Shillong-793003.

VU2GRD
Amateur Radio Club, G R Damodaran College of Science,
Kalaikathir Bldg., Avanashi Rd.,
Coimbatore-641037.

VU2GSO
Amateur Radio Club,
G S Institute of Technology and Science,
Indore-452005.

VU2GTR
The Globe Talkers Amateur Radio Club,
G T Hostel 1, Inner Circle Rd.,
Jamshedpur-831001.

VU2GWL
Amateur Radio Club,
Sathe Niwas, Apte Ki Paiga, Nai Sarak, Lashkar,
Gwalior-474001.

VU2HAC
Ham Radio Centre,
G T Road,
Guntur-522003.

VU2HCS
Amateur Radio Club,
Holy Cross Matriculation Hr. Sec. School,
Salem-636014.

VU2HRC
Ham Radio Centre, 2-26-10, Sri Nagar,
Kakinada-533003.

VU2HSG
Bharat Scouts and Guides Club,
S C Rly, Lallaguda,
Secunderabad-500017.

VU2IAR
Institute of Amateur Radio in Kerala,
Vandana, Kadavanthra,
Cochin-682020.

VU2IIS
Tata Institute of Electronics & Amateur Radio Club, 1st Floor,
Hobby Centre, Opp. Health Centre, I I Sc,
Bangalore-560014.

VU2IIT
Amateur Radio Club, 214 Students Activities Centre,
Indian Institute of Technology,
Kanpur-208016.

VU2IMX
Amateur Radio Club
T K M College of Eng,
Quilon-691005.

VU2IRL
Indian Radio Relay League,
K S Sitaramaiah & Sons Ltd., 29/1 Jaraganahalli,
Kanakapura Rd.,
Bangalore-560078.

VU2IWW
"India World Wide Net" Dr. P K John,
Valiyamannil House, Pariyaram, Kottayam,
Keral, India.

VU2JNA
JNA Wireless Association,
Swadi Automobiles, Petit Compound,
Nana Chowk,
Bombay-400007.

VU2JSS
Amateur Radio Club of Jeevashram School,
P.O. Ramakuppam,
Chittoor-517401.

VU2KAC
Karaikudi Amateur Radio Society,
10 Kannupillai St.,
Karaikudi-623001.

VU2KET
Hams of Karunya Inst. Of Technology,
Karunya Nagar, Post Alandurai,
Coimbatore-641101.

VU2KLA
Keral Amateur Radio League,
Gomathi Gardens, CCNB Rd.,
Alleppey-688010,

VU2LMS
SSM Lakshmiammal Matriculation School ARC,
Bye Pass Rd.,
Kumarapalayam-638183.

VU2MCO
Amateur Radio Club, Bishop Moore College, Kallumala,
Mavelikara-690110.

VU2MDU
Radio Amateurs of Madurai City Campus,
Madurai Klamaraj University, Alagarkoil Rd.,
Madurai-625002.

VU2MIT
MITS Amateur Radio Club,
Department of Electrical & Electronics Eng., Madhav Institute of Technology & Science,

Gwalior-474005.

VU2MKU
Madurai Kamaraj University Radio Club,
C/O. Deptt. Of Sociology,
Palkalai Nagar,
Madurai-625021.

VU2MRR
Madras Repeater Club,
49 G N Chetty Rd., T Nagar,
Madras-600017.

VU2NCP
NCST Ham Club,
National Centre for Software Technology, Gulmohar Cross Rd., 9, Juhu,
Bombay-400049.

VU2NCS
Amateur Radio Club,
Brahmaputra Hostel,
Indian Institute of Technology,
Madras-600036.

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NCSTC & Vigyan Prasar Amateur Radio Club, C-24, ASCI Building, New Delhi-110016.
Phone No. 6864103, 6967532,
FAX- 6965986
E-Mail: vigyan@...

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27 585 B P T Quarters, Reynolds Rd.,
Wadala, Bombay-400037.
Phone No. 7619565

VU2NLC
Enelcy Amateur Radio Club, Park Club,
Block-25,
Neyveli-607803.

VU2NRQ
Delhi ARC, C-320,
Sarojini Nagar,
New Delhi-110023.

VU2NRU
Erode Amateur Radio League,
37 Perudurai Rd.,
Erode-638011.

VU2NRW
Feroze Gandhi Polytechnic Amateur Radio Club,

Rae Bareli.

VU2NSA
Barrackpore Amateur Radio Club,
62/A, Tal Bagan Rd.,
24 Paraganas, P.O.
Nonachandanpukur-743102.

VU2NRO
6-3-1092/93 Raj Bhawan Rd.,
Somajiguda,
Hyderabad-500482.

VU2NTE
CALICUT city,
KERALA STATE

VU2OKS
Ham Radio Society,
B K M Science College,
Tithal Rd.,
Valsad-396001.

VU2QQ
Technology Amateur Radio Club,
Indian Institute of Technology,
Kharagpur-721302.

VU2RCA
Electronics Hobby Society,
Indian Institute of Technology, Hauz Khas,
New Delhi-110016.

VU2RCG
Rajkot Amateur VHF Club,
Tarachandra KSVG Rd.,
Rajkot-360002.

VU2RCP
ARC of Pune,
Dnyanpshwar Vidyapeeth,
Law College Compound, Film Institute Rd.,
Pune-411004.

VU2REC
Amateur Radio Club,
Karnataka Regional Engineering College,
Srinivas Nagar,
Surathkal-574157.

VU2RGC
Ragtime Club,
24 Pali Hill, Bandra,

Bombay-400050.

VU2RLI
Indian Amateur Radio League,
8/1 Angadi St., V P Colony, Ayanavaram,
Madras-600023.

VU2RSP
Radio Association of Scattered Amateur Members,
Kalyan, 218 Defence Colony,
Madras-600097.

VU2SAU
Spectrum Amateur Radio Club,
Jawaharlal Nehru National College of Eng.,
Navile,
Shimoga-577201.

VU2SCX
Radio Active League,
11 Kamla Society, Opp. S P Stadium,
Ahmedabad-380014.

VU2SIT
Siddaganga Amateur Radio Club,
S I T
Tumkur-572103.

VU2SLM
Salem Amateur Radio Club,
14 Mettu St.,
Salem-636001.

VU2SMA
South Madras Amateur Radio Telegraph Society,
5 Seethamma Rd., Alwarpet,
Madras-600018.

VU2SRC
Spic Nagar Amateur Radio Club,
Gymkhana, Spic Nagar,
Tuticorin-628005.

VU2SS
Amateur Radio Club, Military College of Telecommunication Eng.,
Mhow-453441.

VU2TAC
Telco Amateur Radio Club,
TELCO, Pimpri,
Pune-411018.

VU2TCR
Trichur Club of Radio Amateurs,
Room 1, Manuelsons Building, M O Rd.,
Trichur-680001.

VU2TEC
Amateur Radio Club,
College of Engineering,
Trivandrum-695016.

VU2TGE
T. E. C. Amateur Radio Club,
Govt. College of Eng.,
Trichur-680009.

VU2TRC
Thumba Amateur Radio Club,
Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre,
Thumba,
Trivandrum-695022.

VU2TVC
Trivundram ARC,
2/1452 Temple Rd.,
Gourisapattam Junction,
Trivandrum-695004.

VU2TVS
TVS Lakshmi Higher Secondary School ARC,
TVS Nagar,
Madurai-625003.

VU2URC
Upagrah Amateur Radio Club,
ISRO Satellite Centre, Airport Rd.,
Vimanapura,
Bangalore-560017.

VU2VHF
30 up Radio Club,
5 B Suresh Colony, SV Rd.,
Villeparle West,
Bombay-400056.

VU2VTO
Amateur Radio Club of Visveswarayya Industrial & Technological Museum,
Kasturba Rd.,
Bangalore-560001.

VU2WPY
Madhya Pradesh Amateur Radio and Electronics Institute,
D-11, Machna Colony, Shivaji Nagar,
Bhopal-462016.

VU2YMS
Montfort Higher Secondary School Amateur Radio Club,
Yercaud,
Salem-636601.

VU2ZB
Society for the Promotion of Amateur Radio,
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From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1304 Message: 1304

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regards , Ankur

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1305. q codes at a glance

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-17 04:15:43 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1305 Message: 1305

Amateur Radio Q-Codes
International Q Code is an abbreviated way to exchange a great deal of information with a simple code. The Q Code consists of three-letter groups with each group having a specific meaning. Each group begins with the letter Q. Auxiliary letter groups or numbers are also used to help define the information that is need or passed with certain Q Code three-letter groups.
The International Q Code can be arranged in three types of code groups according to the second letter in the three-letter Q Code.
The Q Code comprises :
A. General Codes, second letter of which is R, S, T or U. (Some used by Hams).
B. Maritime Service Codes, second letter of which is O, P or Q.
C. Aeronautical Codes, second letter of which is A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M or N.
Some common Q-Codes used by Amateur Radio Operators are:

Signal
Question
Answer, Advice or Order

QRG
Will you indicate my exact frequency in kilocycles?
Your frequency is ... kc.

QRH
Does my frequency vary?
Your frequency varies.

QRI
How is the tone of my transmission?
The tone of your transmission is ...
1. Good.
2. Variable.
3. Bad.

QRJ
Are you receiving me badly? Are my signals weak?
I cannot receive you. Your signals are too weak.

QRK
What is the legibility of my signals (1 to 5)?
The legibility of your signals is ... (1 to 5).

QRL
Are you busy?
I am busy (or busy with....). Please do not interfere.

QRM
Are you being interfered with?
I am being interfered with.

QRN
Are you troubled by static?
I am troubled by static.

QRO
Must I increase power?
Increase power.

QRP
Must I decrease power?
Decrease power.

QRQ
Must I send faster?
Send faster ... (words per min.).

QRS
Must I send more slowly?
Transmit more slowly ... (w.p.m.).

QRT
Must I stop transmission?
Stop transmission.

QRU
Have you anything for me?
I have nothing for you.

QRV
Are you ready?
I am ready.

QRW
Must I advise ... that you are calling him on ... kc?
Please advise ... that I am calling him on ... kc.

QRX
When will you call again?
I will call you again at ... hours (on ... kc.).

QRZ
By whom am I being called?
You are being called by ...

QSA
What is the strength of my signals (1 to 5)?
The strength of your signals is ... (1 to 5).

QSB
Does the strength of my signals vary?

The strength of your signals varies.

QSD
Is my keying correct? Are my signals distinct?
Your keying is incorrect; your signals are bad.

QSG
Must I transmit ... telegrams (or one telegram) at a time?
Transmit ... telegrams (or one telegram) at a time.

QSK
Shall I continue the transmission of all my traffic?
I can hear you between my signals. Continue: I shall interrupt you if necessary.

QSL
Can you acknowledge receipt?
I am acknowledging receipt.

QSM
Shall I repeat the last telegram I sent you?
Repeat the last telegram you sent me.

QSO
Can you communicate with ... directly (or through...)?
I can communicate with ... direct (or through...).

QSP
Will you relay to ...?
I will relay to ... free of charge.

QSV
Shall I send a series of VVV....?
Send a series of VVV.

QSX
Will you listen for ... (call sign) on ... kcs?
I am listening for ... on ... kcs.

QSY
Shall I change to ... kilocycles without changing the type of wave?
Change to ... kc. without changing type of wave.

QSZ
Shall I send each word or group twice?
Send each word or group twice.

QTA
Shall I cancel nr ... as if it had not been sent?
Cancel nr ... as if it had not been sent.

QTB
Do you agree with my word count?
I do not agree with your word count; I shall repeat the first letter of each word and the

first figure of each number.

QTC
How many telegrams have you to send?
I have ... telegrams for you or for ....

QTH
What is your position (location)?
My position (location) is ....

QTR
What is the exact time?
The exact time is ....
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1306. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-17 07:25:51 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1306 Message: 1306
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

guys
open it and enjoy

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1307. 230 + Members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-17 19:49:55 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 1297 Message: 1307

As a life member I am delighted to know that MARS has
230 + Members. Congratulations to all.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ

--- VU2NLF <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
> MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
> Dear Friends,
>
> The Hamfest India 2003 will be held on 8th & 9th
> November 2003 (Saturday & Sunday) at Gandhinagar,
> Gujarat. It is organised by Institute of Amateur
> Radio Gujarat.
>
> For people who do not know about Hamfest, let me
> explain, Hamfest is a annual festival (once a year),
> where Hams from all over India get together for an
> eyeball. You may be talking to your fellow hams, but
> this a good opportunity to meet them in person.
> Usually the programme is for 2 days, where many
> topic related to our hobby are discussed and
> presentation are given on many subject. Usually
> there are many stalls for buying and selling
> equipment, awareness of new technologies etc..
>
> The programme for his Hamfest 2003 is as under :-
>
> PROGRAMME DAY - 1
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> 09:30 Registration.
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> 10:30 Inauguration.
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> 11:15 Tea.
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> 11:45 Session - I
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> 01:30 Lunch
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> 02:30 Session - II
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> 04:00 Tea
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> 04:30 Session - III
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> 07:30 Dinner
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> 08:30 Entertainment Programme.
>
> PROGRAMME - DAY - 2
>
> 08:00 Breakfast
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> 09:00 Session - I
>
> 10:30 Session - II
>
> 11.15 Tea
>
> 12:00 Session - III
>
> 01:30 Lunch
>
> 02:00 Valedictory function
>
> 03:00 High Tea.
>
> The details of the sessions - I,II,II on first &
> second day are not yet declared, but some topics of
> discussions are Emergency Communication during
> disaster, Data Communication through HF and VHF, New
> evolution in the field of amateur radio & common
> issues pending with WPC.
>
> MARS plans to participate in the HamFest in a big
> number, since we have a good 230 + members now. I am
> sure it would be a wonderful experience for all the
> licnenced hams and SWLs. I have already got 26
> confirmations in today's Ganesh Visarjan De-briefing
> meeting. I am sure we would have anywhere from 50
> to 75 members joining in and more hopefully.
>
> The registration fee is RS.100/- only. MARS will be
> arranging transport and accommodation for all our
> members at cost. (we are planning to hire couple
> of Luxury Buses).
>
> I therefore request all our members (Hams & SWLs) to
> join us for this Annual Festival. I assure you it
> will be great fun and a wonderful experience for all
> of us to be together and to have eyeball with many
> of our friends from all over India.
>
> For registration kindly contact me directly on
> 98205-47074 or mailto:vu2nlf@...

>
> Lets us all go as a MARS Parivar..!!
>
> 73
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> NLF
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1308. Important note..!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-18 05:46:47 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1308 Message: 1308

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

All members of the above groups are requested to refrain from putting mails which are not related to our hobby of Ham Radio, This E Groups are exclusively for topic and infomation for Amateur Radio.

In past we have faced a lot of QRM because of the same, Although I understand that your intension may be very good to pass on good info to rest of your friends, but please avoid on this group.

We have received many complaint about the so called Junk mails (not related to ham radio), members not following the protocol will be removed from the group, please note.

VU2NLF, Moderator.

1309. Happy Birthday - VU2NHR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-18 05:58:14 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 337 Message: 1309

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its FOUNDER MEMBER NIRAV SANGHVI - [VU2NHR] a very Happy Birthday

1310. happy Birthday - VU2NAJ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-18 06:00:20 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1310 Message: 1310

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its HONORARY MEMBER NAJMA ISHRATI - VU2NAJ a very Happy Birthday

1311. Re: [mars_classes] happy Birthday - VU2NAJ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-18 06:11:26 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1311 Message: 1311

Hi Najma,

Wish you many many happy returns of the day.

Have a great day!!

Regds,

Mehul.

1312. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2NHR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-18 06:12:09 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 337 Message: 1312

Hi Nirav,

Wish you many many happy returns of the day.

Have a great day!!

Regds,

Mehul

1313. Simple 12volts , 30 Amps powersupply for your radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-18 07:04:38 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1313 Message: 1313
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

taken from http://www.mitedu.freeserve.co.uk/Circuits/Power/1230psu.htm

12 volts , 30 AMPS!!!

Using a single 7812 IC voltage regulator and multiple outboard pass transistors, this power supply can deliver output load currents of up to 30 amps. The design is shown below:
Notes:
The input transformer is likely to be the most expensive part of the entire project. As an alternative, a couple of 12 Volt car batteries could be used. The input voltage to the regulator must be at least several volts higher than the output voltage (12V) so that the regulator can maintain its output. If a transformer is used, then the rectifier diodes must be capable of passing a very high peak forward current, typically 100amps or more. The 7812 IC will only pass 1 amp or less of the output current, the remainder being supplied by the outboard pass transistors. As the circuit is designed to handle loads of up to 30 amps, then six TIP2955 are wired in parallel to meet this demand. The dissipation in each power transistor is one sixth of the total load, but adequate heat sinking is still required. Maximum load current will generate maximum dissipation, so a very large heat sink is required. In considering a heat sink, it may be a good idea to look for either a fan or water coo!
led heat sink. In the event that the power transistors should fail, then the regulator would have to supply full load current and would fail with catastrophic results. A 1 amp fuse in the regulators output prevents a safeguard. The 400mohm load is for test purposes only and should not be included in the final circuit.

refer circuit diagram attached

Note : To all MARTIANS please do the wiring very carefully and cross check all the components if properly installed, also use thick multi-stranded wires(wires that r used for mains) for wiring. Use diodes capable of carrying 100 Amps current. ordinary diodes will not do.Capacitors max voltage be 25 volts or more. Do not forget the fuse. 30 AMPS is very large current more than enough to cause a fire hazard. Also take care and see to it that both the supply terminals dont creat a short circuit.Use large Heat sinks for all six transistors and for the IC 7812 . Use a metal box only , which is well ventilated, as the power transistors inside need cooling , I recommend you to install a small fan inside(the ones used in the computer power supply SMPS). The fan will help better ventilation and help radiating heat out of the powersupply cabinet.

If u need any assistance pls feel free to mail me .. or call me

regards,

Ankur Puranik.

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1314. Hamless is no less of a ham

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-18 11:28:57 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1314 Message: 1314

> We have received many complaint about the so called Junk mails (not related to ham radio), members not following the protocol will be removed from the group, please note.
>
> VU2NLF, Moderator.

Dear NLF,

It was discussed (and subsequently decided) at a MARS meeting that info other than ham radio may be allowed when the google tips and tricks matter had come up. This is public knowledge and we all know that.

Does your email above unilaterally change things or do members of this group have a say?

It is important that ham radio is a social activity too. We could use some kind of majority vote here to decide whether the so-called "junk mails" (note plural) were really that junky and that our policy should change or otherwise. Then depending on whether the group membership is against it or not, we can implement.

It would help if the person/s (I assume there was no such large contingent) complaining should post the objection to the group or to the person/s who sent the "junk mail" off-list.

I don't think we can get worked up on the matter at this stage. Use of the delete button by the disturbed party/ies should suffice.

Another solution however is to have a spinoff group of hams (like say MARS-Hamless@yahoogroups.com) where people who are hams can share non-ham related stuff that we do on the air. This way all the chaps who do not wish to can keep away (and even miss out on possibly interesting traffic - what say ICQ?!).

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Ha(r)mlessly yours,
VU2 NHR

1315. Gratitude

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-19 03:07:01 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1315 Message: 1315

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> Hi Nirav,
> Wish you many many happy returns of the day.
> Have a great day!!
> Regds,
> Mehul

Dear NLF, ICQ, and others,

Thank you very much for the kind wishes via various media. I am truly privileged to have had your heartfelt wishes.

my best regards to all,
VU2NHR
(Nirav)

1316. Re: [m_a_r_s] Hamless is no less of a ham

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-19 04:03:13 UTC
From: NR Sharma
Topic: 1314 Message: 1316

Hi All,
I guess, non Ham messages should have the prefix"Non Ham" in them, so
that the delete click can be made use of by those who dont want to read
it. Maybe the moderator can introduce this rule.!!!
Sarla

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>Ha(r)mlessly yours,
>VU2 NHR
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>m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
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1317. Re: [m_a_r_s] Hamless is no less of a ham

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-19 05:09:28 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1314 Message: 1317

Hello martians,

My personal openion regarding the non ham mails being circulated is....its better if we make another group for non-ham mails, and the m_a_r_s@yahoogroups be maintained strictly for exchange of ham material only.

If at all anyone wishes to circulate a non-ham related material he/she will be free to do so on the non ham mailing group.

Also another important thing is a person who is strictly against receiving non-ham material has the freedom of NOT SUBSCRIBING to the non ham group , so that he/she will be automatically disconnected from spam or non ham mails.

I have only given my openion, the decision is upto the authorities.

regards,

Ankur Puranik.

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1318. Re: [m_a_r_s] (unknown)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-19 08:26:20 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1306 Message: 1318

Dear Friend

Your David C changed all the cards and fooled us.

Bye

JPN

ZYROS ZEND <zzend@...> wrote:
guys
open it and enjoy

ZYROS ZEND
FORTUNE COOKIE INDIA
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DHOBI TALAO
MUMBAI.
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1319. Happy Birthday - VU2UGO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-19 08:25:16 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 839 Message: 1319

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MARS wishes its FOUNDER MEMBER SANDIP ADIWAREKAR [VU2 UGO] a very Happy Birthday

1320. Re: [m_a_r_s] Hamless is no less of a ham

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-19 08:28:34 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1314 Message: 1320

good idea sarla, I am sure it will help
----- Original Message -----
From: NR Sharma
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, September 19, 2003 9:33 AM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Hamless is no less of a ham

Hi All,
I guess, non Ham messages should have the prefix"Non Ham" in them, so that the delete click can be made use of by those who dont want to read it. Maybe the moderator can introduce this rule.!!!
Sarla

Nirav Sanghavi wrote:

We have received many complaint about the so called Junk mails (not

related to ham radio), members not following the protocol will be removed
from the group, please note.

VU2NLF, Moderator.

Dear NLF,

It was discussed (and subsequently decided) at a MARS meeting that info
other than ham radio may be allowed when the google tips and tricks matter
had come up. This is public knowledge and we all know that.

Does your email above unilaterally change things or do members of this group
have a say?

It is important that ham radio is a social activity too. We could use some
kind of majority vote here to decide whether the so-called "junk mails"
(note plural) were really that junky and that our policy should change or
otherwise. Then depending on whether the group membership is against it or
not, we can implement.

It would help if the person/s (I assume there was no such large contingent)
complaining should post the objection to the group or to the person/s who
sent the "junk mail" off-list.

I don't think we can get worked up on the matter at this stage. Use of the
delete button by the disturbed party/ies should suffice.

Another solution however is to have a spinoff group of hams (like say
MARS-Hamless@yahoogroups.com) where people who are hams can share non-ham
related stuff that we do on the air. This way all the chaps who do not wish
to can keep away (and even miss out on possibly interesting traffic - what

say ICQ?!).

Another suggestion: Please do tell us who complaied. This way we can give them severe punishment - talking only about ham radio on a non-ham subject group comprising of radio hams. ;-)

Ha(r)mlessly yours,
VU2 NHR

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1321. Fw: Great Echo link

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-21 14:22:17 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 1321 Message: 1321

----- Original Message -----
From: "HP Kotian" <hpkotian@...>
To: "nafisa shikari" <nafisahs@...>; <vu2upx@...>;
<perviz@...>
Sent: Saturday, September 20, 2003 10:33 AM
Subject: Great Echo link

>
> Hi All
>
> At Hyderabad, they have set up a Echo link.
>
> A pc which is connected to the internet is connected to a 2m.
>
> With this, I have spoken to folks in US, Australlia, New zealand, Kuwait.
> All this morning.
> It is simply wonderful.
>
> Guys, rig up one at Mumbai too. Shall reach you too then.
>
> All one needs is a 2m. rig and you are on the top of the world.
>
> You will find information at
> www.niar.org
>
> Harish
>
>
>
>

1322. caps lying with MARS and articles returned undelivered

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-22 04:59:35 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1322 Message: 1322

Dear friends,

We have caps with the following call signs lying with us.

VU2NEH

VU2PYM

VU2AXB

VU2FZI

VU3SWL

VU2LSD

VU3ZJT

VU3NIK

VU2NHS

VU2SOF

VU2KGO

VU2OSR

VU2MYP

VU2YJM

VU2NQS

Does anybody know whom these call signs (and caps!) belong to?

Also

Envelopes/packets sent to the following members have come back undelivered:

Call sign/handle

Items sent

Reason for return

VU2WLL

CAP & ID CARD

Party has gone outstation

Dinesh Chowdhary

Dues notice

Person shifted elsewhere

G.M. Zalke

Dues notice

Person shifted elsewhere

Bhavana Kaul

Annual Report

Residence closed on 17th and 18th September

Samson Ramrajkar

Annual Report and Dues notice

Residence closed on 17 and 18

Ashish Raj Joshi

Cap

Residence closed on 16th and 17th

73s

Prashant Koli

The hottest things. The coolest deals. Get them online!
(http://g.msn.com/8HMAENIN/2740??PS=)

1323. Re: Fw: Great Echo link

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-23 07:14:43 UTC
From: Mehul
Topic: 1321 Message: 1323

Hi Nafisa,

This is pending from my side for some time now. We wanted to take help of Kunal to use his QTH for the same.

Will surely get it forward once I return this weekend.

Thnks,

Mehul.

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, "nafisa shikari" <nafisahs@h...> wrote:
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "HP Kotian" <hpkotian@r...>
> To: "nafisa shikari" <nafisahs@h...>; <vu2upx@q...>;
> <perviz@b...>
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> >
> > You will find information at
> > www.niar.org
> >
> > Harish
> >
> >
> >
> >

1324. happy bday sundeep . zrs

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-23 07:50:44 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1324 Message: 1324

dear ugo or dear sundeep
a very happy birthday to you and may you have anice evening with your family
and god bless you and may he always make your birthday a brighter one

take care

zyros zend

life memebership ka kya hua?

----Original Message Follows----
From: "VU2NLF" <vu2nlf@...>
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>, <mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com>,
<mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2UGO
Date: Fri, 19 Sep 2003 13:55:16 +0530

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MARS wishes its FOUNDER MEMBER SANDIP ADIWAREKAR [VU2 UGO] a very Happy
Birthday

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DHOBI TALAO
MUMBAI.
TEL.00-91-22-22035586
RES.00-91-22-22875741
FAX.OO-91-22-22025848
MOBILE. 9821025289

Yearning for ol' pals? For ol' school days?
http://www.batchmates.com/msn.asp Here's a surprise!

1325. Humor from www.ac6v.com

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-23 12:06:20 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1325 Message: 1325

These goodies are from Clinton Herbert AB7RG

"If at first you don't succeed, try calling CQ again."

"Hams never go senile, they just QSY a little with age."

"You know it's bad when... you start hearing CW all the time, and there really isn't any..."

"You're an addict when... You start carrying your HT with you everywhere, even into the bathroom..."

"There's no effective DSP or Notch Filter for a parrot!"

"There shortest distance between two paths depends upon propagation."

"The shortest distance between two paths is often a repeater or node."

"Elmer or complain, you choose. Which is more fun for you?"

"It's pretty bad when your baby's first words are; "CQ"!"

"It's pretty bad when your parrot starts calling CQ in CW. It's worse when your parrot starts imitating dead carriers and heterodynes. But the very worst thing is when your parrot racks up a higher score during a contest than you!"

"If you have a squawking bird in the background during a QSO, is this considered having a "chirp" on your signal?"

""Surprise" one of your friends twist both the Load and Plate controls fully clockwise while he's transmitting!"

Life's too short call CQ!"

"When in doubt, call CQ!"

"When in doubt, QRO."

"Communication is the key to happiness."

"Life getting boring? Post yourself to the local DX Cluster and see what happens!"

"You might be a ham if... You have more wire up and coax cable run than the electric company and the cable company combined."

"You know it's bad when you pick up the phone and say "QRZ?" instead of hello."

"I chase DX, therefore I am."

"You know it's bad when you tell a joke in person and end it with "HI HI"!"

"The more noise you make, the more contacts you rake!"

"There had better be Amateur Radio in Heaven when I become a SK or I'm coming back!"

"It's pretty bad when you sign your callsign instead of your name."

"When the band is seemingly "dead", try this: "QRZ? The P5 again please..."

"User: The confused operator reading bulletins on a BBS"
"Sysop: The operator sitting back and laughing at all the user typos on the BBS"

"If an antenna falls in the forest, and no one is there to see or hear it, does it's SWR change?"

"Think that nobody cares about you? Start tossing a dead carrier on your local repeater for an hour and see how many people suddenly take an interest in you..."

"DX IS!" or "Was", if you were too busy tuning up your amp and missed it."

"Yes Alex, I'll take "Things only an Amateur Radio Operator would know" for $1,000.00."

"Good Day: When you are DX'ing from a remote tropical island.
Bad Day: When the remote tropical island turns out to be Jurassic Park and a T-Rex comes after you."

"Good Day: When you avoid getting eaten by a T-Rex while DX'ing from Jurassic Park (TE0JP?)
Bad Day: When you realize a day later that you left your log book behind, with the T-Rex..."

"Good Day: When you and several of your DX'er buddies go off for an island DXpedition.
Bad Day: When your DX'er buddies form an alliance and vote you off the island."

"Good Day: When you get help from the friendly island natives when setting up your DXpedition.
Bad Day: When the friendly island natives turn out to be cannibals..."

"Good Day: When you are raking in DX stations and a P5 calls you.
Bad Day: When lightning strikes your antenna just as the P5 is calling you."

"You know it's bad when you start giving out RST reports when you are on the telephone."
"ESPQRP: Extra Sensory Perception QRP The TRUE QRP!"

"There's nothing to fear but fear itself. Well, that and poor propagation and a high K Index."

1326. [Fwd: [ARSI] INTERNATIONAL ACCIDENT REDUCTION DAY]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-24 14:33:45 UTC
From: NR Sharma
Topic: 1326 Message: 1326

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: [ARSI] INTERNATIONAL ACCIDENT REDUCTION DAY
Date: Wed, 24 Sep 2003 08:53:40 +0530
From: ARSI <arsimail@...>
To: arsi@yahoogroups.com

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From: "Patton, David NN1N" <nn1n@...>
To: "iaru-news" <iaru-news@...>

Posted on behalf of Gustavo de Faria Franco [mailto:pt2adm@...]

English copy.

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The Ministry of National Integration, by The National Secretary of Civil Defense, along with the Brazilian Amateur Radio League-LABRE, coordinators of the National Amateur Radio Emergency Network-RENER, will promote on October 4 and 5 an international amateur radio event celebrating the International Accident Reduction day.

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All Amateur Radio coleagues that contact ZY2A station and submit their QSL cards will receive special commemorative QSL cards by reply, celebrating the International Accident Reduction Day.

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73, Raj VU2ZAP Bangalore
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1327. with ref. to the 145 Mhz receiver

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-24 16:26:43 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1327 Message: 1327

hello to all @ mars

I intend to inform all people who have taken interest in the 145 MHz FM receiver, that the receiver is only ment to catch signals from near-by hams. It will not perform like a professional receiver. Being a commercial use receiver it is designed for wideband reception. Our transmissions in the VHF band are of narrowband in nature, so the receiver will be able to catch-up signals from close vicinity.(1 to 2 km maximum as tested on visarjan day at chowpatty) It also depends on the amount of power that the transmitter is throwing. Also some hams are using directional antenne for VHF. SO all these factors are going to affect the receivers performance.

I am working on to convert the receiver for narrowband reception, after which it will be able to perform more efficiently.

thankyou

Ankur Puranik

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1328. P5 etc.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-25 10:02:40 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1328 Message: 1328

So I had fun to read the humour that UGO sent and thank him for it.

Now what are the following -

HI HI
P5
K Index

Ok I know there are others who also don't know what these here. Any sniping at my ignorance will merit 30 lashes with a wet noodle. (BTW is there a Q-code for that?) :)

de
VU2NHR
(too lazy to google)

1329. 2 mt nbfm Rx

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-25 16:45:17 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1329 Message: 1329

Dear Ankur,
Hi!
Read about your FM RX project. Though I have not seen your mods but here are few tips you may find useful.
1. Simplest one i feel is conversion of low cost Scan type Chinese receivers. Abt Rs50-60 in Market.
2.These recievers used TDA7088 which is a souped up version of famous TDA7000 FM chip with scan feature thrown in.
3.IF of these sets is about 70 Khz selectivity is determined by RC elements.
4.It is possible to detect NBFM but IF needs to be converted to 5Khz.
5. Data for both chips is available over the net.
6.This link has data as well as NBFM detection application note.
http://www.semiconductors.philips.com/pip/TDA7000_V3.html
TDA7088 application notes here
www.smdicjmf.com/utc/icpdf11/TDA7088.pdf
7. If you intend to use other WBFM chip NBFM can be done by using a crytal of 10.7Mhz in place of quadrature detection element ie coil or resonator. More detected audio due to higher Q of crystal.
8.You can also make one from scratch using vhf frontend chips like TA7358, AN7213 with MC3361 as 2nd if and detector.

Fee free to discuss more on subject.
Best of luck

73
Rahul VU3WJM

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1330. Re: [m_a_r_s] P5 etc.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-26 09:30:20 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1328 Message: 1330

Hi!!

HI - HI = Telegraphic Laugh
"You know it's bad when you tell a joke in person and end it with "HI HI"!"

P5 = Country Prefix for North Korea (a rare DX entity)
http://www.qsl.net/n2vls/countryprefixes.html
"When the band is seemingly "dead", try this: "QRZ? The P5 again please..."

K INDEX = a daily index of geomagnetic activity for a specific station or network of stations
http://www.hfradio.org/propagation.html
"There's nothing to fear but fear itself. Well, that and poor propagation
and a high K Index."

73s de VU2UGO
----- Original Message -----
From: Nirav Sanghavi
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2003 03:32 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] P5 etc.

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1331. Amsat-India membership is opened FREE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-26 15:01:13 UTC
From: ajay solanki
Topic: 1331 Message: 1331

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very soon. On this special occassion, as a
complimentary measure and goodwill gesture,
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all Hams & SWLs. This is a limited-time offer!
However, membership forms are a must for
registration.
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Date: 2003-09-26 15:01:58 UTC
From: ajay solanki
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Regards,
Ajay...
VU2PAO

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1333. Re: [m_a_r_s] 2 mt nbfm Rx

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-28 09:48:36 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1329 Message: 1333

Dear Rahul

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2) The cheaply available chinese radios have a frequency scale which displays only 88-108 or 76- 108 in some cases....so even if your receiver is tuned to 145 Mhz there is no way you can know at what freq is the rx tuned at.

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4) The TDA 7000 is a narrowband IC but, the max freq it can go to is 110Mhz as shown in the data sheet. i havent tried out TDA 7000 so i really have no idea if it can go to 145.00 Mhz. If you can, please tell me if this ic is capable of tuning too 145.00Mhz so that i can experiment on it. Being a narrowband IC, it will help a lot.

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1334. Re: 2 mt nbfm Rx

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-09-29 11:04:54 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1329 Message: 1334

Dear Ankur,
Hi!
Now I get an idea of what you plan to make. Off late we have seen many chinese digital pocket trasistors available in market. The display unit is frequency counter type.
In order to convert it for NBFM operation we need to change the detector coil or resonator in detector stage by a quartz crystal. A 10.7mhz xtal I am not sure is available..Frequency counter will operate over this much extra frequency. Only drawback is that resolution is only 100khz, too much way off than 5khz steps required.
Long time ago I had made a receiver that had IF of 35mhz 2mhz wide. This was given to a TV IF amp + Detec. The afc out was connected to audio amp. Any signal appearing within the passband ie 2mt band was automatically locked on to by the AFC and audio could be heard.
While on the subject here is design for a 2Mt multimode rig I hope you would like it.
http://www.qsl.net/va3iul/2m_allmode.html
Experimentation is what the hobby is all about.
Best of luck.
73
Rahul VU3WJM

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:

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Topics in this digest:

1. Re: 2 mt nbfm Rx
From: "Ankur Puranik"

Message: 1
Date: Sun, 28 Sep 2003 15:18:36 +0530
From: "Ankur Puranik"
Subject: Re: 2 mt nbfm Rx

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thankyou

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1335. Re: Re: [m_a_r_s] Import your Gear

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-02 09:48:48 UTC
From: zohar attari
Topic: 1286 Message: 1335
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1336. Happy Dassera!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-04 06:47:50 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1336 Message: 1336

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1337. LIGHTNING PROTECTION

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-05 08:50:08 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1337 Message: 1337

LIGHTNING PROTECTION

First of all there is nothing as complete lighting protection. All a Ham can do is provide the highest level of protection as possible. Depending on your location, lightning may be a very common occurrence a very infrequent occurrence. But all areas have thunder storm now and then. Not all thunder storms have rainfall but that is not what we are interested in anyway. We are concerned with the damage potential of either an indirect or a direct lighting strike.

An indirect strike is simply a strike, for example, that hits a nearby power line and then feeds into your equipment. A direct strike, for example, might directly hit your antenna, come down the coax and destroy the equipment. Fires can start from both indirect and direct strikes. The chance of major damage and/or a fire is a little less with indirect strikes. But none-the-less, we all have to be vigilant about lighting. Even if there is no fire there is a high risk of the equipment getting damaged in some way or the other.

In Mumbai the lightning and thunderstorms is not very frequent, but they do occur. The first and foremost method of reducing the risk of lightning damage is proper grounding. A good ground should be as short as possible between the equipment and ground. Also your antenna/ tower should be properly grounded. These days most of the buildings have lightning protection system. This is nothing but a pointed rod errected at the top of the building which is connected to a thick metal strip which runs all the way down into the earth, where its connected to a huge copper plate. All you have to do is connect the errected pipe of your antenna to this thick metal strip which runs into the ground. Now do not connect the active elements of the antenna (i.e. do not connect the dipoles to ground coz ur antenna aint gonna work then, n you are gonna come and catch my neck . So connect the errecting pipe/support pipe of your antenna to the ground through a THICK COPPER WIRE. This wire should be a!
tleast 0.5cm in diameter...else you can use a multi stranded wire (each strand should be atleast 1mm in diameter). File the area of contact on both the metal pipe and the strip with a sand paper till you see the shine. See to it that both ends on the wire are properly screw fitted into your antenna support pipe and the grounding metal strip to avoid loose contact.

Once you are done with this then you stand much on the safer side. The best thing to do in case of intense lightening is to disconnect your rig from the antenna, coz u cant afford to take any chances. And you never know how good your grounding system will work incase of a strike. So its best to disconnect your equipment from the antenna, so the only discharge path to ground is through your antenna and the grounding strip, it will not enter your coaxial cable.

Lightning arresters are available in the market, but its not worth investing in that coz, in mumbai lightning & thunderstorms occurs only once or may be twice in a year. That too there is a rare possiblity that you will be unlucky and the lightning will chooze to strike your antenna. But its always better to be safe than sorry. So an effective grounding arrangement is enough protection against lightning. Its an easy task and non time

consuming.

Get GrOuNdEd!

Save ur rig!

Edited By ANKUR PURANIK

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1338. The high-school geography side of lightning

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-06 09:48:50 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1338 Message: 1338

Dear All,

Further to Ankur's (one more excellent) write-up on lightning, I would mention that lightning is caused MORE during that time of the year and in those regions where the static electricity build-up is higher.

This happens more in

1. regions away from water bodies (like the sea etc.)
2. during the onsetting and receding monsoons.

Therefore Bombay is less prone to lightning strikes compared to interior parts of the country AND we should be most careful in Bombay just before and during the onset of the monsoon AND during and just after the monsoon season is to end.

These are lightning prone times and places and the probability of a strike is higher then and there.

An easy precaution is to disconnect the rig from the antenna when not in use as Ankur mentioned.

After doing all this, follow the maxim we have heard before, NEVER ASSUME.

After that - PRAY.

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VU2NHR

ps: If lightning strikes an antenna/equipment, does the theory of ham radio karma mean one has not been faithful to the gentleman's part of the hobby?

1339. Hamfest 2003 Registration.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-07 08:53:36 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1339 Message: 1339

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

I have informed you earlier about the hamfest 2003 which is to be held on 8th & 9th Nov 2003 at Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

MARS plans to participate in a huge number, hence I once again request you to join us and be a part of a wonderful experience.

So far I have received 46 registerations, the last day for registering is on 12th OCT 2003, we have to plan for transportation and acommodation at the location.

All hams from thane region may contact Anish Korde - VU2OZO - 25346322 for registrations. Rest can contact me directly on 98205-47074.

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NLF

1340. Monthly Meeting for October 2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-07 09:04:59 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1340 Message: 1340

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The Monthly meeting of October 2003 will be held on 12th October 2003 at 10:00 hours at B.S.Bengelle Girls High School.

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:-
1. Hamfest 2003.

2. J.O.T.A.

3. Import of Ham Radio Equipment.

4. New Tickets.

Please attend the meeting on time.

73

NLF

1341. More new tickets

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-09 06:43:31 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1341 Message: 1341

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

We have received 8more tickets for the batch of 2002.

GAUTAM KEDIA VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

RAJESH SHETHIA VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

MUSTAFA BHANVADWALA - VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

JIGAR MEHTA VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

DEEPAK PATHAK VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

PRABODH DOSHI VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

RAHUL SANKAR ROY VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

UDAY SANKAR ROY VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

Congratulations to all the above for getting the ticket, Nevertheless all the licences will remain with society till your station is up and operational (atleast on VHF). Once your station is up you may get in touch with us and your licence will be handed over to you.

You can avail all the help from the society for putting up your station, for example installations of your antennae and getting the radio equipment.

VU2ICQ has already posted a mail regarding import of equipment, you may contact VU2ICQ directly to book your set.

All the SWL from the batch of 2002 (Churchgate & Thane) are ADVISED to start your installations of your antennae and order your sets with VU2ICQ to avoid any delay after getting your tickets.. (Your ticket will be arriving shortly).

You guys have no idea how difficult it is to get the tickets, We got 22 tickets which were pending from last 3 years. The tickets were handed over to the swls on 1st Feb 2003, unfortunately not a single station from the 22 calls is on air. (reasons best known to them) All the efforts taken by the society has gone to waste.

Hence the society has decided not to hand over any further licences till their individual stations are up and ready for operations..!!

73

NLF

1342. Attention new callsigns...!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-09 06:50:13 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1342 Message: 1342

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

The following members are required to attend the monthly meeting on 12th oct 2003 at B.S.Bengelle Girls school without fail.

SANTOSH VADANTE VU2 IES

MANDA PAWAR. - VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

DR. ANUKANTH MITTAL - VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

DR. PARESH KARIA - VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

VILAS MORE VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

KAPIL CHANDNI VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

HARSHA KULLAR VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

HARDEEP SINGH KHALSA VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

FEROZE PATEL VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

BRIJESH RAGHVAN VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

P.V.HARIDAS VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

MUKUND GUBBI VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

MILIND PARLIKAR VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

ASHOK PARAB VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

SANJAY SHINDE VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

GAUTAM KEDIA VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

RAJESH SHETHIA VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

MUSTAFA BHANVADWALA - VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

JIGAR MEHTA VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

DEEPAK PATHAK VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

PRABODH DOSHI VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

RAHUL SANKAR ROY VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

UDAY SANKAR ROY VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

ANUSUYA PULLAKUDY VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

NILESH DILIP JOSHI VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

TRUPTI NAIK VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

NEHA PAWASKAR VU2 ??? (Licence freezed)

failing which the society will NOT BE RESPONSIBLE for your licences..

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NLF

1343. people get on air!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-09 08:53:03 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1343 Message: 1343

TO those ppl who have got their tickets but not gone on air as yet. Mars as been taking real hard effort to get the tickets in a short span of time....dont waste their efforts...

below are few homebrew kit sellers also for those who cannot afford to get the costly rigs....check it out.....or order ur rig thru mars .... its the best option.
HAM equipment dealers
Home brewing kits

Adur Amateur Radio Club,
Mukalethu Matom, Adur - 691 523, Kerala, India.
Tel: +91 - 473 - 422358

Amateur Radio Association,
71-B, Pocket-A9, Kalkaji Extn, NewDelhi-110 019, India.

Electronic Research Association,
Shakar Bhavan, Kurla Industrial Esate, Ghatkopar,
Bombay - 400 086, India. Tel: +91-22-5116890 Fax: +91-22-5115810

Ham Radio Guild, (P.O. Box: 2267),
32/984, Manayil, Palarivattam, Cochin - 682 025,
India. Tel: +91 - 484 - 374489 Fax : +91 - 484 - 349873
E-mail: asc@...

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Hari Sankar.N.S.,
Sankar Nilayam, Ambikapuram, Palakkad -678 711,
India. Tel: +91 - 491- 510102.
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Indian Dealers

Anco Communications Ltd.,
B-41-42, ITI Industrial Estate, Mahadevapura, Bangalore -560 048, India.
Tel: +91-80-8512913, 8510439 Fax: +91-80-8510838.

Asiatic Imp-Ex Corporation,
PB #3218, M. G. Road, Cochin - 682 035, India.
Tel: +91-484-361327, 367260 Fax: +91-484-372692.

Basic Electronic Enterprises,
AF/3, New Empire Industrial Estate, Kondivita Road, J. B. Nagar, Mumbai - 400 059, India.
Tel: +91-22-8208389 Fax: +91-22-8208389.

Comex,
No.18, Binny Layout II stage, 4th cross, 9th Main, Vijayanagar, Bangalore - 560 040, India.
Tel/Fax: +91-80-3388073
E-mail: comex@...

Digitronics,
27, Shrungar Shopping Complex, M.G. Road, Bangalore - 560 001, India.
Tel: +91-80-5586006 Fax: +91-80-565537, 2216165.

Omega Communications,
GF-3, Prestige Shopping Archade, 371/A, Chamaraja Double Road,
Ramaswamy Circle, Mysore - 570 024, India.
Tel: +91 - 821 - 563042, 543703.

Parekh Micro Electronics (India) Limited
B-13 & 14, G.I.D.C Electronic Industrial Estate,
Sector 25, Gandhinagar-382 044, India.
Tel: +91-2712-29011/12/13 Fax : +91-2712-29014

Parekh Micro Electronics (I) Ltd.,(P-Mel),
151/3, 8th Main, Malleswaram, Bangalore - 560 003, India.
Tel: +91-80-3343052 Fax: +91-80-3349573.
Email: pmel.bng@...

RF Communications,
#878, 1E Main Road, Giri Nagar, IInd Phase, Bangalore - 560 085, India.
Tel: +91-80-6720396 Fax:+91-80-6610666 I.C. No. 203
E-mail: rfcom@...

Sanchar Antennas & Communication Systems,
Sai Plazza, Sant Nagar, East of Kailash, New Delhi - 110 065, India.
Tel: +91-11-6443440, 6232562, 6232563. Fax: +91-11-6232564.
E-mail: sancharsanchar@...

UMS Radio Factory Limited,
82-83, Avanashi Road, Peelamedu, Coimbatore - 641 014, India.
Tel: +91-422-570369, 575919 Fax: +91-422-576286.

Wireless Links,
Padma Junction, M.G. Road,
P.O. Box: 3427, Cochin - 682 035, India.

Wireless World,
365, Pradeep Mansion, Dr.B.A.Road, Lalbaug, Mumbai - 400 012, India.
Tel: +91-22-4710661, 4131446 Fax: +91-22-4713199.
E-mail: wireless_ajit_world@...
Dx Dealers

Blazer Electronic Centre,
#B1-17 Sim Lim Tower, 10 Jalan Besar, Singapore 208787.
Tel: +65-2966944 Fax: +65-2966945.

Multi Communication,
#03-40 Sim Lim Square, 1 Rochor Canal Road, Singapore - 188504.
Tel: +65-3391821/339 Fax: +65-3399881.

S T S Communications,
#03-07 Sim Lim Square, 1 Rochor Canal Road, Singapore - 188504.
Tel: +65-3363474, 3363653 Fax: +65-3363755.

E-mail: stscomm@...

Suneast Pte. Ltd.,
#B1-16 Sim Lim Tower, 10 Jalan Besar, Singapore 208787.
Tel: +65-2964233/4 Fax: +65-2960382.

Tecomart,
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1344. MARS on ZEE NEWS (hindi)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-10 14:04:00 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1344 Message: 1344

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

MARS and Ham Radio is likely to be featured on ZEE NEWS (Hindi) at 20:30 hours today (10/10/2003) or next morning (11/10/2003) try to catch it.

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NLF

1345. Hamfest Special

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-10 14:07:22 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1345 Message: 1345

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

All the members who have registered for the hamfest 2003 (or are going to register) please bring Rs.600/- if already registered or Rs.700/- if not yet registered, on sunday amount being the transportation charges as we need to make our reservations ASAP.

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NLF

1346. design your own 5/8 antenna

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-11 09:15:56 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1346 Message: 1346

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Design Your Own 5/8 Wave Vertical Antenna

0)
{
form.hw.value = num_freq;
}
else
{
form.hw.value = 0;
}
}

function sw2meters(form)
{
var num_freq;

form.numerator.value="178.308";
form.Measurement.value="Meters";

num_freq = eval(form.frequency.value);
num_freq = Math.round((form.numerator.value / num_freq) * 100) * .01;

if (num_freq 0)
{
form.hw.value = num_freq;
}
else
{
form.hw.value = 0;
}
}

function calclen(form)
{
var num_freq;
num_freq = eval(form.frequency.value);
num_freq = Math.round((form.numerator.value / num_freq) * 100) * .01;

if (num_freq 0)
{
form.hw.value = num_freq;
}
else
{
form.hw.value = 0;
}
}
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The 5/8 wave antenna consists of a vertical radiator which is fed at the base of the antenna. A matching device of some sort must be added between the antenna and the feedline if you wish to feed it with coax. Adding a coil in series with the antenna at the base is one such method of matching.

So why would anyone use a 5/8 wave antenna if they have to go through all that extra work? After all, a ground plane antenna provides a nicer match. There are a couple of answers. The first is GAIN. The computer shows that the antenna (mounted 1 foot above ground) has a gain of about 1.5 dBd higher than a dipole's gain (also mounted 1 foot above ground.)

The second reason you may want to use the 5/8 wave vertical is to obtain a lower angle of radiation. A half wave antenna's radiation peak angle is 20 degrees. You'll find that the 5/8 wave antenna's angle of radiation is just 16 degrees making it an even better dx antenna.

You may have noticed a pattern developing here. A quarter wave ground plane antenna has a radiation pattern that produces maximum gain at about 25 degrees and a half wave antenna drops that angle to 20 degrees, and the 5/8 wave antenna further drops that angle to 16 degrees. So why not just keep extending the antenna out to one full wave? Well it would be nice if it worked but unfortunately the wave pattern begins to create very high angles of radiation beyond 5/8 wave. So we've reached the maximum gain at this point and extending the antenna any further just reduces the gain where we want it (low angles). Of course if you are interested in very short skip, extending the antenna will produce nice gains over a dipole.

All antenna lengths depend on various factors. Some of these factors are:the height above ground, the diameter of the wire, nearby structures, the effects of other antennas in the area and even the conductivity of the soil.

This page allows you to calculate the length for a 5/8 wave antenna. It uses the standard formula, 585/f (178.308/f for metric) MHz to calculate the element lengths. If you've experimented with 5/8 wave antennas before and know of a better formula for your QTH, feel free to change the formula to suit. This formula is for a wire antenna. Of course if you construct your antenna out of tubing, the total length of the antenna will be shorter, for example I've found that 21.5 feet seems to give the maximum gain for a frequency of 28.5 MHz when using 1" tubing. And 22.5 feet seems to be the best length for wire at the same frequency. Since the formula calculates the antenna to be about 2 foot shorter, be sure to experiment and perhaps add a little to your final length.

Enter the formula for the antenna calculation

Switch to:

Divided by Freq MHz

Your 5/8 wave antenna's vertical length is

regards,

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1347. on zee news maybe today evening

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-11 10:48:24 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1347 Message: 1347

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

Last night due to unavailibility of a slot , MARS and Ham Radio was not featured on ZEE NEWS (Hindi) , but today maybe at 20:30 hours (11/10/2003) on Mumbai Fast.

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NLF

1348. Huma Race Documentary

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-17 09:09:00 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1348 Message: 1348

Hi friends,

While the conditions were good on 15mt a few days back, I had a opportunity to work W1ZY from Boston. I later realised thru his website that he is the producer of `The Human Race" TV documentary. He did not mention about it on the air !!

He has put up the audio file of my QSO with him on his website:

www.etecslo.com/humanrace/index.html (http://www.etecslo.com/humanrace/index.html).

Click on 10 oct 2003 and 15 mts. Thats when and where I had a qso with him. The new hams can judge it by hearing that file, that when the conditions are good. one can have a lot of fun on HF.

Since I do not have the urls of othe mars student groups, I request the concerned hams to forward this message to those groups too

73,

Vijay VU2VVP

Get Married! Search from 7 lakh Brides & Grooms. (http://g.msn.com/8HMAENIN/2755??PS=)

1349. Re: [m_a_r_s] Huma Race Documentary

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-17 11:47:50 UTC
From: NR Sharma
Topic: 1348 Message: 1349

Yes its interesting. He had my qso with him on the same site about 4
months ago. They have a big plan !!!! He is a friend of the Texas hams
that I know and it was fun catching up!!!
Sarla

vijay motwane wrote:

> Hi friends,
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> opportunity to work W1ZY from Boston. I later realised thru his
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> 73,
> Vijay VU2VVP
>
> ---
> Get Married! Search from 7 lakh Brides & Grooms.
> <http://g.msn.com/8HMAENIN/2755??PS=>
> Yahoo! Groups Sponsor
> ADVERTISEMENT
> click here
> <http://rd.yahoo.com/M=251812.4052765.5265175.1261774/D=egroupweb/S=1705063108:HM/A=1754
452/R=0/SIG=11tueh86m/*http://www.netflix.com/Default?mqso=60178324&partid=4052765>
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1350. Fw: The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 41

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-18 12:50:58 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1350 Message: 1350

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----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Letter Mailing List <letter-dlvy@...>
To: <info@...>
Sent: Saturday, October 18, 2003 3:17 AM
Subject: The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 41

> ***************
> The ARRL Letter
> Vol. 22, No. 41
> October 17, 2003
> ***************
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> IN THIS EDITION:
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> * +President Haynie says letters are key to legislation
> * +Ham yields license following alleged police radio interference
> * +New, two-ham crew ready to take over ISS reins
> * +Brazil will host next WRTC
> * +More details released on 3C0V team's ouster from Annobon
> * +First statewide SET in Florida deemed a success
> * Solar Update
> * IN BRIEF:
> This weekend on the radio
> ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course registration
> ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration
> JOTA! JOTA! JOTA!
> Papua New Guinea latest to drop Morse requirement
> Hams honored at Montana forest fire volunteers appreciation picnic
> DCC Proceedings available from ARRL
> Ham radio news is as close as your cell phone
>
> +Available on ARRL Audio News
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> ==>HAYNIE: LETTERS=VOTERS=SUPPORT ON AMATEUR RADIO LEGISLATION
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> ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, says the good news is that the number of
> House cosponsors for the Amateur Radio Spectrum Protection Act, HR 713,
> has topped 50. The Senate version of the legislation, S 537, now has eight
> cosponsors. The downside, Haynie says, is that the Spectrum Protection
> Bill as well as the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Consistency
> Act, HR 1478, will need many more cosponsors if either is to succeed.
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> "I'm frustrated," Haynie said this week. "Neither one of these bills is
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> ever going to see the light of day unless we get more cosponsors." While
> thanking those who already have done so, Haynie again encouraged ARRL
> members to not only urge their senators and representatives to cosponsor
> the bills but to write and ask them to actively support them.
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> "It's going to take 10,000 letters, it's going to take 50,000 letters or
> contacts," Haynie said. "To me, this is a no-brainer. This is something
> that's important to the future of Amateur Radio."
>
> Sponsored in the House by Rep Michael Bilirakis (R-FL) and in the Senate
> by Sen Michael Crapo (R-ID), the Spectrum Protection Act would require the
> FCC to provide "equivalent replacement spectrum" to Amateur Radio if the
> FCC reallocates primary amateur frequencies, reduces any secondary amateur
> allocations, or makes additional allocations within such bands that would
> substantially reduce their utility to amateurs.
>
> The latest House members to sign aboard HR 713 include representatives Jo
> Bonner (R-AL); John Peterson (R-PA); Albert Wynn (D-MD); George Nethercutt
> (R-WA); Jim Ramstad (R-MN); Barney Frank (D-MA); Todd Tiahrt (R-KS); and
> Fortney "Pete" Stark (D-CA). The latest Senate members to sign aboard S
> 537 are Carl Levin (D-MI) and Christopher Dodd (D-CT).
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> HR 713 has been referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the
> Internet. In June, Haynie testified before that panel, telling lawmakers
> that that hams have lost more than 100 MHz of VHF and UHF spectrum over
> the past 15 years and that another nearly 360 MHz of VHF and UHF spectrum
> "has been substantially compromised." S 537 has been referred to the
> Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
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> The Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Consistency Act, HR 1478--known
> informally as "the CC&R bill"--would require private land-use regulators
> such as homeowners' associations to "reasonably accommodate" Amateur Radio
> antennas consistent with the PRB-1 limited federal preemption. PRB-1 now
> applies only to states and municipalities. Introduced by Rep Steve Israel
> (D-NY), the bill has been referred to the House Commerce Subcommittee on
> Telecommunications and the Internet and now has 29 cosponsors.
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> Among the latest to get onboard HR 1478 are JD Hayworth (R-AZ); David
> Price (D-NC); Rep Mike McIntyre (NC); Anna G. Eshoo (CA-14); and Mark
> Udall (D-CO). No equivalent bill yet exists in the Senate.
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> Haynie says that if ARRL members value Amateur Radio and want these
> proposals to succeed, they'll make the time to write letters or send
> e-mails pushing for support of the three measures. "Peoples' own words and
> their own expressions are what's going to count, not some canned letter
> from Newington," Haynie said, while conceding that a form letter "is
> better than nothing." Haynie said a personally crafted letter or e-mail
> "adds a lot of weight."
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> Sample letters on the ARRL Web site for the Amateur Radio Spectrum

> Protection Act of 2003
> <http://www.arrl.org/govrelations/arspa.html#sample> and for the Amateur
> Radio Emergency Communications Consistency Act
> <http://www.arrl.org/govrelations/hr1478/sample-letter.html> cite Amateur
> Radio's role in public safety and emergency communication.
>
> "We'll do our part to get more organizations to support these bills,"
> Haynie said. The League has been contacting other organizations involved
> in public safety that have firsthand knowledge of the value of ham radio
> to the public and advocating their support. But, Haynie said, letters from
> individual voters get the most attention.
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> Cosponsorship is important while a bill is in committee, and Haynie
> suggests that a representative or senator who gets 40 or 50 letters from
> on a topic is going want to sign on to that bill.
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> "I can't emphasize enough the importance of that contact to the member of
> Congress from the constituents out there in the district," Haynie
> concluded, "because that's the ticket."
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> For guidance on the best methods of contacting your members of Congress,
> see "Communicating with Congress," by Derek Riker, KB3JLF, on the ARRL Web
> site <http://www.arrl.org/news/bandthreat/0304046.pdf> or in the April
> 2003 issue of QST (p 46).
>
> Additional information--including the bills' texts and information on how
> to write your congressperson or senators--is on the ARRL's "The Amateur
> Radio Spectrum Protection Act of 2003" Web page
> <http://www.arrl.org/govrelations/arspa.html> and on the "HR 1478, The
> Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Consistency Act of 2003" Web page
> <http://www.arrl.org/govrelations/hr1478/>.
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> Those writing their lawmakers on behalf of either bill are asked to copy
> their correspondence to the League via e-mail: Spectrum Protection Act, HR
> 713/S 637 <specbill03@...> or Amateur Radio Emergency Communications
> Consistency Act, HR 1478 <ccr-bill@...>.
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> ==>AMATEUR TO TURN IN TICKET IN POLICE RADIO INTERFERENCE CASE
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> The FCC says an Indiana amateur has agreed to relinquish his Amateur Radio
> operator license for two years as a result of allegations that he
> interfered with local police department radio transmissions. FCC Special
> Counsel Riley Hollingsworth outlined the terms of the agreement in a
> September 23 letter to Technician licensee Justin L. Whaley, KC9DCP, of
> Columbia City. According to the letter, the FCC notified Whaley last March
> that close-proximity direction finding evidence indicated that the
> licensee had interfered with the operation of the Columbia City Police
> Department radio system early this year.
>
> The agreement--which Whaley had not yet signed as of this week--calls on

> him to resolve the enforcement issues he faces by relinquishing his
> Amateur Radio operator license for two years. Whaley also must agree not
> to maintain an amateur station nor to use anyone else's station.
> Hollingsworth said that since Whaley shut down his station last March 28,
> the agreement would remain in effect until March 28, 2005. Hollingsworth
> requested that Whaley sign the letter and return it to the FCC along with
> his Amateur Radio license.
>
> The FCC meanwhile is seeking additional information from three other
> licensees who allegedly used ham gear to transmit on police or emergency
> frequencies.
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> Hollingsworth wrote General-class licensee Tom L. Christman, KB2NAV, of
> Albany, New York, on September 22 regarding a complaint from the Albany
> County Sheriff's Department's Office of Professional Standards. The FCC
> asked Christman, a sheriff's department maintenance worker, to respond to
> allegations that he used his ham radio transceiver to make transmissions
> on sheriff's department frequencies last December "without a legitimate
> purpose." The sheriff's department has requested that the FCC suspend or
> revoke Christman's amateur license.
>
> Hollingsworth also wrote two North Carolina Technician-class
> amateurs--Daniel E. Buchanan, KF4LNE, of Montreat, and Joseph S. "Shannon"
> Hutchins, KG4SXD, of Swannanoa--concerning complaints from the Black
> Mountain Police Department alleging that both had transmitted on police
> frequencies last February. The transmissions apparently were made using a
> handheld transceiver while Buchanan and Hutchins were in the same vehicle.
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> Documents from the Asheville/Buncombe County District Attorney's Office
> assert that the Black Mountain police channel had experienced "numerous
> transmissions" earlier this year on a police frequency (156.01 MHz)
> "including verbal profanity and racial slurs." A police officer who
> questioned Buchanan and Hutchins said they admitted transmitting on police
> frequencies. They later voluntarily signed statements to that effect in
> which each blamed the other for making the racial slur.
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> The District Attorney's Office statement said that one transmission last
> February 8, while police were attempting to respond to an auto accident
> involving multiple injuries, "prevented officers from communication with
> dispatch or each other."
> Hollingsworth this month also heard from amateurs in the Los Angeles area
> that some repeater owners are shutting down their machines due to alleged
> ongoing interference from Jack Gerritsen, formerly KG6IRO. The FCC
> Wireless Telecommunications Bureau set aside Gerritsen's license in 2001 a
> few days after granting it after learning that he'd been convicted the
> previous year on state charges of interfering with Los Angeles Police
> Department radio transmissions.
>
> Imprisoned, paroled and imprisoned again after breaking parole for
> allegedly having and operating radio equipment without a license,

> Gerritsen was released early due to jail overcrowding.
>
> Hollingsworth said the FCC continues to work the case, but he expressed
> frustration that Gerritsen was let out of prison again with no conditions
> or restrictions "even regarding radio, which is what he was in there for
> in the first place."
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> ==>NEW TWO-HAM ISS CREW SET TO HEAD INTO SPACE
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> The International Space Station (ISS) crew is getting ready to have
> company and to head back to Earth. Aboard the ISS since April, Expedition
> 7 Commander Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP, and NASA ISS Science Officer Ed Lu,
> KC5WKJ, this week have been preparing for the arrival of their
> replacements--the Expedition 8 team of Mike Foale, KB5UAC, and Alexander
> Kaleri, U8MIR. This week, the Expedition 7 crew also took time to extend
> wishes for good fortune to China's first astronaut, Yang Liwei.
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> "That is very good news. It's nice to see this happen," said Lu, during a
> conversation with ground controllers in which he also expressed wishes in
> Chinese that Yang Liwei "have a safe journey" in space. "From one
> spacefaring nation to another, we wish them congratulations." After
> sharing space with the ISS for 14 orbits, Yang's Shenzhou V space capsule
> landed safely in Mongolia October 16.
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> Foale, Kaleri and European Space Agency Astronaut Pedro Duque, KC5RGG, are
> set to head into space themselves Saturday, October 18, at 0538 UTC aboard
> a Russian Soyuz transporter. They'll launch from Baikonur Cosmodrome in
> Kazakhstan. After docking with the ISS on October 20 and a week of
> crew-change activity, Malenchenko, Lu and Duque will return to Earth
> aboard the Soyuz vehicle that's now attached to the ISS.
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> While Duque is onboard the ISS, he will attempt Amateur Radio on the
> International Space Station (ARISS) <http://www.rac.ca/ariss/> school
> group contacts October 23 with Ceip Seixalbo School and October 26 with
> the Casa de las Palabrabas museum, both in his native Spain. Duque will
> use the special event ED4ISS call sign issued to him by his native
> country.
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> The English-born Foale, 46, will serve as the Expedition 8 commander and
> NASA ISS science officer. Kaleri, 47, will be the Soyuz commander and ISS
> flight engineer. Both are Mir veterans with long-term spaceflight
> experience.
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> With the NASA shuttle fleet still grounded for another year, two-person
> crews will be the rule. The Soyuz, which carries three passengers, will
> remain the prime crew transport system. Russian Progress rockets will
> transport needed supplies. Foale and Kaleri will spend approximately six
> months aboard the ISS.
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> ARISS Russian delegate Sergej Samburov, RV3DR, completed final Amateur

> Radio training with the Expedition 8 crew on September 29 in Russia.
> Several US amateurs recently enjoyed casual contacts with NA1SS, as
> confirmed by Lu. They included KF4LGA, WB8OTH, N8DZM, and KG4IIE.
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> ==>BRAZIL TO HOST NEXT WORLD RADIOSPORT TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP
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> The next World Radiosport Team Championship (WRTC) will be held in 2006 in
> Brazil. That announcement came October 11 from the World Radiosport Team
> Championship Sanctioning Committee, the Liga de Amadores de Radio Emiss?o
> (LABRE) <http://www.labre.org/> and the Araucaria DX Group (GADX)
> <http://www.inepar.com.br/araucaria/radio.htm>. Steve Morris, K7LXC,
> chairs the WRTC Sanctioning Committee.
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> Last held in Finland in July 2002, the WRTC is a competition among
> two-person teams drawn from among the world's top Amateur Radio contest
> operators. This event brings competitors together in a single geographical
> area.
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> The on-the-air portion of the event is held in conjunction with the
> International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) HF World Championship
> <http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/rules-iaru.html>, although
> WRTC rules differ in some respects from those of the IARU event, and
> scoring is done separately.
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> WRTC stations run 100 W and have comparably modest antenna
> systems--typically a dipole for the low bands and a triband Yagi for the
> higher bands. The idea is to minimize the variables associated with radio
> contesting, thereby emphasizing each team's operating skills.
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> The WRTC 2006 competition will take place in the vicinity of
> Florianopolis, capital of the state of Santa Catarina in southern Brazil.
> "This event is open to everyone--competitor and spectator alike," said Oms
> Atilano, PY5EG of GDAX. "Everyone is invited to attend WRTC 2006." Atilano
> said a WRTC 2006 Web site is in the offing.
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> The contesting duo of Jeff Steinman, N5TJ, and Dan Street, K1TO, took home
> the WRTC gold for the third time in the 2002 event in Finland. Steinman
> and Street also topped the field of some 50 teams in WRTC 2000 in Slovenia
> as well as at WRTC 96 in the San Francisco Bay area of California. There's
> no word yet on whether they plan to compete in WRTC 2006.
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> ==>3C0V TEAM WAS GIVEN JUST HOURS TO LEAVE
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> The Daily DX <http://www.dailydx.com> reports this week that the Annob?n
> Island 3C0V DXpedition <http://personal.telefonica.terra.es/web/ea5yn/>
> team was given just a few hours to leave October 4 after the island's
> military commander reportedly objected to the Amateur Radio operators'
> presence. The 3C0V operation commenced September 26, and--until its abrupt
> and unceremonious termination--intended to continue until October 11.
> Before the shutdown, the four-member group managed to log numerous

> contacts on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meters. The Daily DX Editor Bernie
> McClenny, W3UR, spoke October 12 with team member Franz Langner, DJ9ZB,
> now safely home in Germany.
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> "Franz says the 3C0V crew first met with the governor of the island and
> the head of the military on their arrival there," McClenny reports. "At
> that time they had the approval to operate from both of these officials.
> Gifts were even presented." McClenny says the group had a "proper license"
> and a landing permit good for two years.
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> "On Saturday [October 4] at 10 AM local they were told they had two to
> three hours to take everything down and be ready to leave," McClenny said,
> adding that the demand came from the military commander of the island. A
> news update on the 3C0V Web site said military authorities frequently had
> interrupted the DXpedition.
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> After dismantling the equipment and antennas and leaving nothing behind,
> all four operators boarded a plane to Malabo, the capital of Equatorial
> Guinea. A part of Equatorial Guinea, Annob?n, is located in the Gulf of
> Guinea off Africa's west coast. The other 3C0V operators also have since
> returned home and are reported to be okay.
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> The 3C0V logs reportedly are safe and expected to eventually be loaded
> onto the 3C0V Web page. The DXCC Desk has not yet approved the 3C0V
> DXpedition for DXCC. EA5BYP kept open the possibility of a future attempt
> to activate Annob?n Island.
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> ==>HUGE POWER OUTAGE IS SCENARIO FOR FIRST STATEWIDE FLORIDA SET
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> For the first time, Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) members in all
> three Florida ARRL sections participated in a Simulated Emergency Test
> (SET) October 2-4. Appropriately enough--given the August 14 power outage
> in the Northeast--the scenario was a three-day statewide electrical power
> outage. A QNC ("All net stations copy!") went out to all Florida amateurs
> October 2 to advise of the SET. Also sent was a request from the Florida
> State Warning Point--which monitors for major incidents and
> emergencies--for status information from all Red Cross chapters in
> Florida.
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> "With no advance warning as to the nature of the emergency, amateurs
> across the state quickly responded to the requests," reported ARRL West
> Central Florida Section Manager Dave Armbrust, AE4MR. "Special nets were
> called and scheduled with checkins from stations operating on emergency
> power."
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> Armbrust said he was impressed by the number of stations that had
> emergency power capability. "A large number had generators and large
> quantities of fuel on hand," he said. "There is no question in my mind
> that if we had a statewide power outage, it would not mean that Amateur
> Radio would be off the air."

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> Armbrust said the SET clearly established that many Florida amateurs
> consider it essential to continue to be able to communicate when
> conventional power fails. "They have, at great expense to themselves, set
> up stations that will remain on the air in all but the most extreme
> circumstances," he said. "They will be there when we need them the most."
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> Armbrust reported "exceptional cooperation" among the three
> sections--Northern Florida, Southern Florida and West Central Florida. "We
> clearly proved that all ARES and National Traffic System (NTS) members in
> the state can work together as a single large team if a statewide disaster
> would require us to do so," he concluded.
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> ==>SOLAR UPDATE
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> Sun watcher Tad "Who can make the sun shine, on a cloudy day?" Cook, K7RA,
> Seattle, Washington, reports: Solar flux and sunspot numbers were lower
> this week, but the planetary A index was higher. In general, we like to
> see the reverse for favorable HF propagation. The planetary A index was
> low for October 9-12, but on October 14 and 15 conditions were quite
> stormy. This is because a coronal hole on the sun was spewing a strong
> solar wind, and the interplanetary magnetic field pointed south, leaving
> Earth vulnerable. Planetary A index was 48 and 42 on October 14 and 15,
> and Alaska's high-latitude college A index was 65 and 71.
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> When the sunspot count went to 24 on October 14, this was the lowest
> sunspot number since May 10 of this year, when it was 22. We should expect
> more days like this as the solar cycle declines.
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> Over the next few days, sunspot numbers and solar flux should rise, with
> solar flux values peaking around October 25 at 130. Solar wind over the
> next few days should cause more geomagnetic upset, with the October 17-22
> planetary A index pegged at 25, 20, 15, 15, 30 and 25.
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> Sunspot numbers for October 9 through 15 were 68, 79, 77, 35, 25, 24 and
> 29, with a mean of 48.1. The 10.7-cm flux was 110.8, 111.8, 105.8, 97.8,
> 94.4, 92.4 and 95.9, with a mean of 101.3. Estimated planetary A indices
> were 8, 5, 5, 6, 13, 48 and 42, with a mean of 18.2.
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> ==>IN BRIEF:
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> * This weekend on the radio: Jamboree On the Air (JOTA--see below), the
> JARTS World Wide RTTY Contest, the ARCI Fall QSO Party, the Worked All
> Germany Contest, the W/VE Islands QSO Party, the Asia-Pacific Sprint (CW),
> the RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest (CW) and the Illinois QSO Party are the weekend
> of October 18-19. JUST AHEAD: The CQ Worldwide DX Contest (SSB) and the
> 10-10 International Fall Contest (CW) are the weekend of October 25-26.
> The ARRL November Sweepstakes (CW) is the weekend of November 1-2. See the

> ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM
> Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for
> more info.
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> * ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration opens
> Monday, October 20, 12:01 AM Eastern Daylight Time (0401 UTC), for the
> Level III Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-003). Registration
> remains open through the October 25-26 weekend or until all available
> seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday,
> November 4. Thanks to our grant sponsors--the Corporation for National and
> Community Service and the United Technologies Corporation--the $45
> registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful
> completion of the course. During this registration period, approximately
> 50 seats are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served
> basis. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing
> Education (C-CE) <http://www.arrl.org/cce/> Web page and the C-CE Links
> found there. For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course
> Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, dmiller@..., 860-594-0340.
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> * ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration:
> Registration for the HF Digital Communications (EC-005) and VHF/UHF--Life
> Beyond the Repeater (EC-008) courses opens Monday, October 20, 12:01 AM
> Eastern Daylight Time (0401 UTC). Registration remains open through
> Sunday, October 26. Classes begin Monday, October 27. Registration for the
> ARRL Antenna Modeling (EC-004) course remains open through Sunday, October
> 19. Those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing
> Education (C-CE) course in the future can sign up to receive advance
> notification of registration opportunities. To take advantage, send an
> e-mail to prereg@.... On the subject line, indicate the course name
> or number (eg, EC-00#) and the month you want to start the course. In the
> message body, provide your name, call sign, and e-mail address. Please do
> not send inquiries to this mailbox. To learn more, visit the ARRL
> Certification and Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce>
> and the C-CE Links found there. For more information, contact
> Certification and Continuing Education Program Coordinator Howard Robins,
> W1HSR, hrobins@....
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> * JOTA! JOTA! JOTA! The 2003 Jamboree On The Air (JOTA)
> <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/jota.html> begins Saturday, October 18, at
> 0001 local time and ends Sunday, October 19, at 2359 local time. JOTA
> gives Amateur Radio operators and clubs a chance to let Boy Scouts and
> Girl Scouts (Cub Scouts, Brownies and Girl Guides are welcome) share
> experiences over the air with other scouts. It's also an opportunity to
> take part in a worldwide scouting tradition that's now in its 46th year.
> Maxim Memorial Station W1AW will be on the air for JOTA the afternoon of
> October 18. ARRL Educational Programs Coordinator Jean Wolfgang, WB3IOS,
> points out that ARRL has revamped the JOTA survey/log form
> <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/jotalog/>. JOTA participants are
> encouraged to complete and submit the form on the Web. Last year, more
> than 10,000 Scouts from around the US took part in JOTA. Details are on

> page 46 of the September issue of QST. Also see "Jamboree On The Air 2003
> is October 18-19" <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2003/09/21/1/>. For
> additional information, contact Jean Wolfgang, WB3IOS, jwolfgang@....
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> * Papua New Guinea latest to drop Morse requirement: Rick Warnett, P29KFS,
> reports that the Papua New Guinea Telecommunications Administration
> (PANGTEL) has deleted Morse code as a requirement for HF access. The
> decision came on October 6 and will be formally announced in the next few
> days, said Warnett--the International Amateur Radio Union representative
> for the Papua New Guinea Amateur Radio Society. "Some 30 to 40 new 'full
> calls' will now have access to HF radio and the international
> communication possible," Warnett said. In addition, Ireland, Switzerland,
> Belgium, the UK, Germany, Norway, the Netherlands, Austria, New Zealand,
> Australia, Luxembourg and Singapore have moved to drop their Amateur Radio
> Morse testing requirements. A recent Radio Amateurs of Canada survey
> <http://www.rac.ca/news/mresults.htm> indicated that two-thirds of the
> Canadian licensees responding to the survey want their country to drop the
> Morse requirement. In the US, the comment period on another seven separate
> Morse code-related petitions for rule making--some of which would
> altogether eliminate Element 1, the 5 WPM Morse test, from the Amateur
> Service rules (Part 97)--ends Friday, November 7. US amateurs may comment
> on the petitions--RM-10805 through RM-10811--using the FCC Electronic
> Comment Filing System (ECFS) <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>. See "FCC
> Invites Comments on Additional Morse Code-Related Petitions"
> <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2003/10/08/1/> for more information.
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> * Hams honored at Montana forest fire volunteers appreciation picnic:
> Amateur Radio's role in Montana's forest fires this past summer got
> official recognition this month when the US Forest Service and Helena-area
> businesses and organizations hosted an appreciation picnic. The event
> honored firefighters, law enforcement officers and community
> volunteers--including Amateur Radio operators--who assisted with
> firefighting efforts in Lewis and Clark, Powell, Jefferson, and Broadwater
> counties this summer. Individual hams recognized included Rollie Fisher,
> KC7WBP, and Jim Haslip, W7CK. Fisher set up at Lincoln's Hooper Park every
> day during the Lincoln Complex fires, providing current information to
> residents and visitors. He and his wife, Eenie KC7WBO, were among the many
> families forced to evacuate their homes because of the fire danger. Haslip
> has been an aerial fire spotter for 40 summers. Amateur Radio's support of
> Red Cross and other relief agencies during the fire emergency also
> received recognition. Lewis and Clark County Emergency Coordinator Bob
> Solomon, K7HLN, accepted a plaque on behalf of the Amateur Radio Emergency
> Service and the Capital City Amateur Radio Club. An estimated 300 people
> turned out for the event at the Lewis and Clark Fairgrounds. Dignitaries
> on hand included Montana Gov Judy Martz, Montana congressional staffers,
> county commissioners and others. Volunteer fire departments, county, state
> and federal fire and law enforcement agencies, and supporting agencies
> were recognized and awarded plaques that read, "United by Fire. The 2003
> Montana fire season was marked by volatile fire behavior and overwhelming
> response. We faced these challenges jointly as community members,

> volunteers, fire and law enforcement officials. With our collective and
> individual sense of pride, may we commemorate our efforts and remain
> united."
> * DCC Proceedings available from ARRL: So many amateurs contributed papers
> to the 2003 ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference the
> Proceedings--at 248 pages--was among the largest in the history of the
> event. Copies of the Proceedings of the 22nd ARRL/TAPR Digital
> Communications Conference now are available for $20 plus shipping via the
> ARRL on-line catalog <http://www.arrl.org/catalog/?item=9086>.
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> have Internet or e-mail access. Amateur Radio news is as close as your
> cell phone! Have a few minutes while you're waiting for the train, bus car
> pool or connecting flight too? Just call 860-594-0384 to stay informed.
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> delivery of The ARRL Letter--registered members should click on the
> "Member Data Page" link (in the Members Only box). Click on "Modify
> membership data," check or uncheck the appropriate boxes and/or change
> your e-mail address if necessary. (Check "Temporarily disable all
> automatically sent email" to temporarily stop all e-mail deliveries.)
> Then, click on "Submit modification" to make selections effective. (NOTE:
> HQ staff members cannot change your e-mail delivery address. You must do
> this yourself via the Members Only Web Site.)
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> sources:
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> * ARRLWeb <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/>. (NOTE: The ARRL Letter will
> be posted each Friday when it is distributed via e-mail.)
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> * The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur
> Radio Club: Visit Mailing Lists@...
> <http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/letter-list>. (NOTE: The ARRL
> cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this
> listserver.)
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1351. Fw: ARLS013 New two-ham ISS crew set to head into space

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-18 12:52:12 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1351 Message: 1351

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From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@...>
To: <info@...>
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Sent: Saturday, October 18, 2003 1:10 AM
Subject: ARLS013 New two-ham ISS crew set to head into space

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> Space Bulletin 013 ARLS013
> From ARRL Headquarters
> Newington, CT October 17, 2003
> To all radio amateurs
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> SB SPACE ARL ARLS013
> ARLS013 New two-ham ISS crew set to head into space
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> The International Space Station (ISS) crew is getting ready to have
> company and to head back to Earth. Aboard the ISS since April,
> Expedition 7 Commander Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP, and NASA ISS
> Science Officer Ed Lu, KC5WKJ, this week have been preparing for the
> arrival of their replacements--the Expedition 8 team of Mike Foale,
> KB5UAC, and Alexander Kaleri, U8MIR. This week, the Expedition 7
> crew also took time to extend wishes for good fortune to China's
> first astronaut, Yang Liwei.
>
> "That is very good news. It's nice to see this happen," said Lu,
> during a conversation with ground controllers in which he also
> expressed wishes in Chinese that Yang Liwei "have a safe journey" in
> space. "From one spacefaring nation to another, we wish them
> congratulations." After sharing space with the ISS for 14 orbits,
> Yang's Shenzhou V space capsule landed safely in Mongolia October
> 16.
>
> Foale, Kaleri and European Space Agency Astronaut Pedro Duque,
> KC5RGG, are set to head into space themselves Saturday, October 18,
> at 0538z aboard a Russian Soyuz transporter from Baikonur Cosmodrome
> in Kazakhstan. After docking with the ISS on October 20 and a week
> of crew-change activity, Malenchenko, Lu and Duque will return to
> Earth a week later aboard the Soyuz vehicle that's now attached to
> the ISS.
>

> While Duque is onboard the ISS, he will attempt Amateur Radio on the
> International Space Station (ARISS) contacts with two school groups
> in his native Spain. Duque will use the special event ED4ISS call
> sign issued to him by his native country.
>
> The English-born Foale, 46, will serve as the Expedition 8 commander
> and NASA ISS science officer. Kaleri, 47, will be the Soyuz
> commander and ISS flight engineer. Both are Mir veterans with
> long-term spaceflight experience.
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1352. Import of kits, bank loans

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-19 12:22:16 UTC
From: ajay solanki
Topic: 1352 Message: 1352

Hi,
Some of the Bangalore hams are interested in buying
the HF rigs if bank loans are available.
Any update on the bank loans??
And how the bangalore hams can apply for bank loans
from the bangalor bank branch.

Regards,
Ajay...

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1353. Happy Birthday - Rajeshree Sarvagod

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-20 11:55:38 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1353 Message: 1353

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its member RAJESHREE SARVAGOD - [S.W.L] a very Happy Birthday

1354. Happy Birthday - VU3MHC

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-20 11:57:02 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1354 Message: 1354

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its founder member MINOO CONTRACTOR - VU3MHC a very Happy Birthday

1355. Xtal Ceremony Invitation: VU3KPL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-20 16:04:43 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 1354 Message: 1355

Hi All,
Its great pleasure to Invite you all to my Xtal
Ceremony on 6th of Nov at Udupi(60KM North of
Mangalore).

Hope to see some of my ham friends at Xtal ceremony

73s
Kiran VU3KPL

Temp QTH: 'Padiyar Niwas', Pane Mangalore- 574231

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1356. Re: [m_a_r_s] Xtal Ceremony Invitation: VU3KPL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-20 16:26:39 UTC
From: NR Sharma
Topic: 1354 Message: 1356

Hiya Kiran,
How dare you have your Xtal ceremony so close to the Hamfest!!!!!!!hi
hi. Just joking. All the best my friend. God bless.
Sarla

kiran padiyar wrote:

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1357. Re: [m_a_r_s] Xtal Ceremony Invitation: VU3KPL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-21 05:16:46 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 1354 Message: 1357

Hi Kiran,

A HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU.

GOD BLESS YOU .

Parin (VU2PIC)

Parin J Gangar
39/A, Sitaram Niwas, 4th Floor,
Shiv Mandir Road,
Dombivli - East
Pin - 421 201
Maharashtra
India
Phone : 91 - 251 - 2 44 29 55

----Original Message Follows----
From: kiran padiyar
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Xtal Ceremony Invitation: VU3KPL
Date: Mon, 20 Oct 2003 09:04:43 -0700 (PDT)

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(http://g.msn.com/8HMAENIN/2746??PS=)

1358. Fw: [amsat-bb] Handheld Messaging via ECHO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-21 08:54:45 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1358 Message: 1358

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Interesting URLs related to Satellites :
http://www.pbase.com/tomcat/amsat_echo
http://www.hobbyspace.com/SatBuilding/
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----- Original Message -----
From: "Bob Bruninga" <bruninga@...>
To: <amsat-bb@...>
Sent: Monday, October 20, 2003 09:11 PM
Subject: [amsat-bb] Handheld Messaging via ECHO

Here is how we can use ECHO to support mobile and handheld global digital
communications:

MOBILE and HT Handheld DATA COMMUNICATIONS VIA ECHO 20 OCT
-------------------------------------------------------------------------
WB4APR

With the 8 Watt 9600 baud downlink from ECHO, the Amateur Satellite
Service will have handheld global message and data capability. Using the
Kenwood TH-D7 APRS HT or the TM-D700, mobile and handheld front panel
messaging, bulletins and brief email will be a reality using only the
stock rubber duck or typical mobile whip antenna. IE, Ham Radio's own
Satellite Phone!

Here are the digital 9600 baud capabilities of these radios in stand-
alone mode when used via ECHO:

FRONT PANEL DISPLAY OF SATELLITE INFO:
- Displays Satellite Status packet (20 characters)
- Displays Satellite Bulletins (up to 45 characters each)
- Displays distance and direction to ECHO (*)
- Displays direction of movement of ECHO (*)

FRONT PANEL DISPLAY OF OTHER USER STATION INFO:
- Displays 20 character station status
- Displays Bulletins or messages from other stations
- Displays distance and direction to other user
- Displays location and grid square of other station
- Displays type of station (MObile, HT, Fixed, Moving, etc)
- Displays station ICON (one of hundreds)
- Displays Direction and Speed of other mobiles
- Displays Antenna height, Gain, direction and power of other stations
- Displays Station location on GPS map (If GPS attached)
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FRONT PANEL MESSAGING CAPABILITIES:
- Send and receive text messages up to 45 characters (on the HT)
- Send and receive text messages up to 64 characters (on the mobile)
- Receive DX spots or any other tabular data (10 lines max)
- Send Email for delivery via the global APRS system into the internet

Of course, these are all the normal APRS functions of these radios
used terrestrially on the continental wide APRS frequencies. But
to use these radios via satellite during an ECHO pass, there are only
a few front panel MENU items that must be changed:

To RECEIVE (monitor downlink):

1) Simply tune the radio to ECHO's downlink frequency.
2) and change the baudrate setting to 9600 baud.

To TRANSMIT VIA ECHO:

3) Tune TX band to ECHO's uplink frequency
4) Set TNC to operate crossband and to ignore DCD

SATELLITE CONFIGURATION DETAILS: The only considerations for the
configuration of ECHO to support this tremendous global handheld
digital satellite capability are to configure ECHO for UI packet
digipeating as follows:

- Enable UI digipeating at 9600 baud
- Enable UI digipeating aliases of RELAY and WIDE
- Optionally program for 20 character ECHO status packets
- Optionally program for 45 to 64 character BULLETIN formats

I can provide the detail formats for the STATUS and BULLETIN formats
to be compatible with the receipt and disply capabilities of the
radios and assist the ECHO software engineers to optimize details for this
great potential application.

de WB4APR, Bob

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1359. JOTA Station at Shanti Nagar, Mira Road

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-21 08:59:05 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1359 Message: 1359
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi OMs/YLs!

Here is a brief report of my Station:

Total Number of Scout & Guides participated : 351
(All from the same school)

Total Number of VU JOTA Stations Contacted : 8
VU2NRO/LIC-LFA - Hyderabad
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VU2PLE - Mumbai
VU2UGJ - Mumbai
VU2BGS/WLP-AAF (Delhi HQ)
VU2HIT - Mumbai
VU2VJT - Kerala
VU2PLL - Kannur
(I also heard VU2ESY from Bhopal but was unable to contact him because he
was working with DX JOTA station)
(Also had a contact with VU2SMN - Suhas - Kolhapur on Sunday, who operated
JOTA station on Saturday and he was able to work with 15 DX JOTA stations)
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ST2KSS - Maga - Khartum, Sudan
9H1SVS - Josef - Malta

Souts & Guides at my location also simultaneously participated in other
activities like cooking, pioneering, book-binding etc.

73s de VU2UGO

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Interesting URL :
http://www.ham-shack.com/contents.html
posted by Binu on VUHAMS egroup.
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vu2ugo@...

Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1360. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA Station at Shanti Nagar, Mira Road

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-21 11:09:38 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1359 Message: 1360

great going ! probably the only true JOTA station from Mumbai

----- Original Message -----
From: VU2UGO
To: Undisclosed-Recipient:;@....in
Sent: Tuesday, October 21, 2003 2:29 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] JOTA Station at Shanti Nagar, Mira Road

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1361. Re: [m_a_r_s] Xtal Ceremony Invitation: VU3KPL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-21 14:02:12 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 1354 Message: 1361

Thank you very much Sarla,
In case you have Landlines of Hams from
Udupi/Manipal/Mangalore like PAI,SBJ, NAX, MTT, PTT
etc. Please mail them to me, I will invite them to the
ceremony. My Power supply is down so I am not on HF
now.

Best Regards
kiran

--- NR Sharma <coilnrs@...> wrote:
> Hiya Kiran,
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> Hamfest!!!!!!!hi
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1362. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA Station at Shanti Nagar, Mira Road

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-21 16:44:40 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1359 Message: 1362

HI UGO

Never haD doubts about your stations performance anD
also about you coming out with a colourful log ,
agree with nlf about yours being true jota station ,
next time on , you lead the event may be all others
folow your footstep , since you have set examples let
us follow you

De vu2 ugj
--- VU2NLF <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
> great going ! probably the only true JOTA station
> from Mumbai
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: VU2UGO
> To: Undisclosed-Recipient:;@...
> Sent: Tuesday, October 21, 2003 2:29 PM
> Subject: [m_a_r_s] JOTA Station at Shanti Nagar,
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1363. Change in Mobile Number

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-23 12:20:55 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1363 Message: 1363

Hi

Kindly note the change in mY mobile no
the new mobile no : 9892786110

Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT

1364. diwali wishes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-23 15:12:26 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1364 Message: 1364
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Ankur Puranik (Dip.Engg. Electronics & Telecommunications)
(B.E. Electronics & Telecomm. student)
131, 13th floor, Electric House, Colaba, Mumbai-400001.
mail me at : ankurpuranik@... or nasa66@...
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1365. Happy Birthday - VU2 KIZ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-24 06:04:05 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1365 Message: 1365

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its Life Member KAILASH GUPTA - VU2 KIZ a very Happy Birthday

1366. Happy birthday - Nilesh Dixit.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-24 06:04:45 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1366 Message: 1366

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its member NILESH DIXIT - S.W.L a very Happy Birthday

1367. Happy Birthday - Balram Warrior

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-24 06:05:33 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1367 Message: 1367

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its member BALRAM WARRIOR - S.W.L a very Happy Birthday

1368. CQ CQ Desperately seeking Homebrewers...!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-24 15:20:00 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1368 Message: 1368

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

Our society is going great guns. It is wonderful to see so many people working for the better of Ham Radio in Mumbai.

One place where MARS is lacking behind very badly is in the field of HOMEBREWING, we desperately need a team of homebrewers. There is so much to be done, we can really really provide cheap and affordable solutions for not so affordable Ham Radio Equipment.

For example, we have got these 15 green birds waiting to be fixed, vu3wjm - rahul has already done the spade work for us, the pre-programmed boards are here and so the the final stage transistors. All which needs to be done is to just put them together as per the instructions provided by rahul from lucknow.

We also have these 9.6 K packet radio modems, unfortunately there is some bug either in the software or the hardware, a little bit of effort by some of you guys could SLINGSHOT MARS into a new dimension of digital world.

I was kind of hoping that these things would be fixed before we all go for hamfest, then we can proudly say that we are at par with the hams around the world.

I therefore request all of you technical guys to come forward and help the society by putting your two bits.

In the last monthly meeting it was decided to form a core team of homebrewers. about 4 -5 hams and swls have already volanteered for the team.

All the Hams and SWLs interested to do so may please contact Ankur Puranik on

ankurpuranik@...

73

NLF

1369. HAPPY DIWALI!!!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-24 17:14:41 UTC
From: Nilesh Joshi
Topic: 1369 Message: 1369

HI FRIENDS!!!!!

HAPPY DIWALI TO ALL OF YOU & YOUR FAMILY!!!!!

MAY THIS DIWALI BRING LOTS OF WEALTH, JOY, HAPPINESS &
PROSPERITY IN YOUR LIFE!!!!!

HAPPY DIWALI!!!!!

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With Love & Regds....

Nilesh Joshi

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1370. VU2 KIZ and KG6SQR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-25 02:09:12 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 1365 Message: 1370

Thanks. I now have USA callsign also. KG6SQR

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ and KG6SQR
QTH : Santa Clara, California, USA

--- VU2NLF <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
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1371. Re: [m_a_r_s] VU2 KIZ and KG6SQR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-25 05:52:34 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1365 Message: 1371

congratulations on KG6SQR, if you are qrv on any band, maybe we can fix a sched

73
nlf
----- Original Message -----
From: Kailash Gupta
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, October 25, 2003 7:39 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] VU2 KIZ and KG6SQR

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Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ and KG6SQR
QTH : Santa Clara, California, USA

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1372. Fw: It's a great time to visit ARRL!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-25 05:55:10 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1372 Message: 1372
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Web site
To: info@...g
Cc: Subscribed ARRL Members: ;
Sent: Friday, October 24, 2003 9:05 PM
Subject: It's a great time to visit ARRL!

GREETINGS FROM ARRL HEADQUARTERS IN NEWINGTON, CONNECTICUT!

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1373. Happy Diwali

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-25 08:49:57 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 68 Message: 1373
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear Friends,

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NLF

1374. A VERY HAPPY DIWALI

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-25 10:56:34 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 379 Message: 1374

Dear Friends,
A very happy Diwali and a very happy and prosperous new year to you and yours.
Nafisa

1375. Digital SSB with any HF Radio!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-24 04:41:55 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 1375 Message: 1375
Attachments: 6 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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The AOR AR9800 could be the biggest revolution in HF radio since SSB replaced AM The ARD9800 is a modem unit that connects to the mic input of any transceiver. The user simply wires a connector for his particular transceiver, connects the speaker output of his transceiver to the modem and then connects the modem to a 12 VDC power source.

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WHY DIGITAL?
1. The ARD9800 provides NEAR FM QUALITY audio using SSB.
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WHAT ELSE DOES IT DO?
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Owner can use ARD9800 mic, or a mic of their choice (wired for ARD9800 input).

Package includes, modem, mic, cables, manual.

Specification Modulation method: OFDM
Band width: 300 Hz - 2500 Hz, 36 carriers
Symbol Rate: 20 mS (50 baud)

Guard interval: 4mS
Tone steps: 62.5 Hz
Modulation method: 36 carriers: DQPSK (3.6K)
AFC: +/- 125 Hz
Error correction: Voice: Golay + Hamming
Video/Data: Covolution + Reed-Solomon
Header: 1 Sec. 3 tones + BPSK training pattern for synchronization
Digital voice: AMBE2020 coder, decoder
Signal detection: Automatic Digital detect, Automatic switching
between analog mode and digital mode
Video Compression: AOR original adaptive JPEG
Video: NTSC Input/Output
Power requirements: 10 ~ 16 V DC, Approximately 200 mA Typ(@ 12 V DC)
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Serial port: RS-232C, 9600 bps, Asynchronous
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Connectors: Radio: Microphone output (level adjustable)
Speaker input (500 mV ~ 5 V p-p), PTT (Push To Talk)
Video IN/OUT: NTSC 1 V p-p (75 ohm)
MIC: Microphone input, Speaker output, PTT input
Others:: Signal Encryption for commercial applications
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1376. QST September'2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-25 19:06:16 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 1376 Message: 1376

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1377. Re: [m_a_r_s] VU2 KIZ and KG6SQR-Schedule

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-25 19:47:31 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 1365 Message: 1377

Nilesh,

Happy Diwali to everybody in MARS.

Thanks. I have Kenwood TH-D7AG FM Dual Bander with
TNC. It has APRS capability. If somebody is having
APRS capability may be we can have QSO. Another way is
to have satellite communication. I am QRV. Tell me
when and waht frequency.

Kailash, VU2KIZ and KG6SQR

--- VU2NLF <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
> congratulations on KG6SQR, if you are qrv on any
> band, maybe we can fix a sched
>
> 73
> nlf
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Kailash Gupta
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Saturday, October 25, 2003 7:39 AM
> Subject: [m_a_r_s] VU2 KIZ and KG6SQR
>
>
> Thanks. I now have USA callsign also. KG6SQR
>
> Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ and KG6SQR
> QTH : Santa Clara, California, USA
>
> --- VU2NLF <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
> > MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
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1378. HAPPY BIRTHDAY VU2NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-26 05:27:33 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 1378 Message: 1378

Mumbai Amature Radio Society wishes its founder member and 3 time Honorary Secretary Nilesh Rathod VU2 NLF a very happy birthday and all the very best.

1379. Re: [m_a_r_s] QST September'2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-26 05:50:40 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1376 Message: 1379

where is the library ???
----- Original Message -----
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
To: Undisclosed-Recipient:;@...
Sent: Sunday, October 26, 2003 12:36 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] QST September'2003

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1380. What do we do ???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-26 06:05:17 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1380 Message: 1380

----- Original Message -----
From: VU2NLF
To: Lokesh Khanna
Sent: Sunday, October 26, 2003 11:34 AM
Subject: Re: Happy Diwali

dear lokesh,

Well ! I have got the boards from vu3wjm and I have also got some transisters from vu2rnc, unfortunately here in mumbai, we don't have any good home brewer who could fix this stuff. maybe if rahul is coming to mumbai he can teach some of us to fix them, or if one of us is coming to delhi, you can do the needul.

As far as the repeater is concern, we have been sanctioned fund from one of our MP here, but some govt paper work is pending, in any case we are putting one repeater up from our society funds in a months time for sure.

do let me know if you are coming for hamfest at gandhinagar..

73
nilesh
----- Original Message -----
From: Lokesh Khanna
To: VU2NLF
Sent: Sunday, October 26, 2003 7:10 AM
Subject: RE: Happy Diwali

Dear Nilesh ,
Thanks for the greetings , and a very happy diwali and a prosperous New year to you and the family !
73s
Lokesh

PS Were you able to get the RCLs converted to the ham bands ?
What news of the Bombay repeater ?

1381. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 618

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-26 11:06:06 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1381 Message: 1381

Dear Friends,
Hello!
Wish you all a very happy and prosperous Diwali.
Like previous year I would be spending my winter vacations at Mumbai. Possibly I would book the tickets for 30 Dec. Looking forward to spend New Year eve amongst all my Mumbai friends. I would keep few days spare to get the Birds going, would be also getting along the DigiVU souncard interface.
And yes the handy would be there too.
Dear Sandeep nice to see people interested in modern techniques evolving in communication. The Digital rig is bit expensive but a simple arrangement and software can enable newcomers to receive SSB thru PC.
http://www.detomasi.it/en/project.html
With DSP involved you can expect very good results from even those small pocket Chinese receivers and almost negligible investment.
73
Rahul VU3WJM

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:

Message: 3
Date: Fri, 24 Oct 2003 10:11:55 +0530
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Subject: Digital SSB with any HF Radio!

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1382. vu2zrs wishes all a bang diwali

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-27 05:51:10 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1382 Message: 1382

dear mars memebers

i wish you all a bang of a diwali

from

vu2zrs

----Original Message Follows----
From: "VU2NLF" <vu2nlf@...>
Reply-To: mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
CC: <mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com>, <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [mars_classes] Happy Diwali
Date: Sat, 25 Oct 2003 14:19:57 +0530

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1383. Re: [m_a_r_s] CQ CQ Desperately seeking Homebrewers...!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-27 05:53:26 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1368 Message: 1383

dear mars members

when help is given help will be recieved

thank you
zrs

lets get the green birds flying

----Original Message Follows----
From: "VU2NLF" <vu2nlf@...>
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To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
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Date: Fri, 24 Oct 2003 20:50:00 +0530

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

Our society is going great guns. It is wonderful to see so many people working for the better of Ham Radio in Mumbai.

One place where MARS is lacking behind very badly is in the field of HOMEBREWING, we desperately need a team of homebrewers. There is so much to be done, we can really really provide cheap and affordable solutions for not so affordable Ham Radio Equipment.

For example, we have got these 15 green birds waiting to be fixed, vu3wjm - rahul has already done the spade work for us, the pre-programmed boards are here and so the the final stage transistors. All which needs to be done is to just put them together as per the instructions provided by rahul from lucknow.

We also have these 9.6 K packet radio modems, unfortunately there is some bug either in the software or the hardware, a little bit of effort by some of you guys could SLINGSHOT MARS into a new dimension of digital world.

I was kind of hoping that these things would be fixed before we all go for hamfest, then we can proudly say that we are at par with the hams around the world.

I therefore request all of you technical guys to come forward and help the society by putting your two bits.

In the last monthly meeting it was decided to form a core team of homebrewers. about 4 -5 hams and swls have already volanteered for the team.

All the Hams and SWLs interested to do so may please contact Ankur Puranik
on

ankurpuranik@...

73

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1384. Fw: ARLX010 Amateurs Aid Agencies in California Fire Emergency

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-29 05:04:18 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1384 Message: 1384

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----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@...>
To: <info@...>
Cc: <Subscribed ARRL Members: ;>
Sent: Wednesday, October 29, 2003 12:45 AM
Subject: ARLX010 Amateurs Aid Agencies in California Fire Emergency

> SB SPCL @ ARL $ARLX010
> ARLX010 Amateurs Aid Agencies in California Fire Emergency
>
> ZCZC AX10
> QST de W1AW
> Special Bulletin 10 ARLX010
> From ARRL Headquarters
> Newington CT October 28, 2003
> To all radio amateurs
>
> SB SPCL ARL ARLX010
> ARLX010 Amateurs Aid Agencies in California Fire Emergency
>
> Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) and Radio Amateur Civil
> Emergency Service (RACES) teams are assisting local authorities and
> relief organizations as fire has burned more than 500,000 acres in
> southern California. Authorities report 11 separate fires have
> erupted and more than a dozen people have died.
>
> ARRL San Diego Section Manager Kent Tiburski, K6FQ, estimated that
> about 100 ham ARES and RACES volunteers are participating in his
> section, where most of the fatalities took place. Amateurs are
> supporting the Red Cross and The Salvation Army and staffing six
> shelters throughout San Diego county. Additional hams have deployed
> to San Diego-area emergency management offices and hospitals.
>
> Communication is mainly taking place on VHF. The San Diego ARES Net
> has been activated on 7.233 MHz with 3.905 MHz as a backup. The
> Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network (SATERN) also has been
> using 7.233 MHz as a coordinating frequency.
>
> San Diego-Area SATERN Coordinator Paul Cook, N6RPF, reports that
> SATERN has helped with communication for a number of busy canteens
> in the San Diego area.
>
> In San Bernardino County, Orange SM Carl Gardenias, WU6D, said ARES
> volunteers have been supporting emergency communication in the
> county.
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>
> ARRL Los Angeles SM Phineas Icenbice, W6BF, reports ARES members
> from his section have been assisting volunteers in the Orange and
> San Diego Sections. Los Angeles SEC Dennis Smith, KA6GSE, says ARES
> volunteers from the section also are helping at Red Cross shelters
> in LA.
> NNNN
> /EX
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>

1385. Monthly meeting of November 2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-29 06:42:11 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1385 Message: 1385

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The Monthly meeting of November 2003 will be held on 2nd November 2003 at 10:00 hours at B.S.Bengelle Girls High School.

The Timings for the meetings are as follows:-
10 :00 am J.O.T.A - De-briefing meeting for participants

11:00 am Hamfest 2003. - Briefing meeting for Hams & SWLS going for Hamfest 2003.

12:00 am General Meeting.

Please attend the meeting on time.

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1386. Happy Birthday - VU2TAL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-29 06:44:06 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1386 Message: 1386

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its Life Member Dr. ANUKANTH MITAL - VU2TAL a very Happy Birthday

1387. Happy Birthday - Sagar Bhalerao

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-29 06:45:04 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1387 Message: 1387

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its member SAGAR BHALERAO - S.W.L. a very Happy Birthday

1388. Fw: NEW PRODUCTS available from ARRL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-29 06:53:33 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1388 Message: 1388
Attachments: 7 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Web site
To: info@...g
Cc: Subscribed ARRL Members: ;
Sent: Wednesday, October 29, 2003 2:13 AM
Subject: NEW PRODUCTS available from ARRL

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1389. Re: [m_a_r_s] caps lying with MARS and articles returned undelivered

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-29 20:35:55 UTC
From: srihari krishnan
Topic: 1322 Message: 1389

Hi Prashant,
My cap hasnt been delivered or received by me in person at al till now. Pls c if u have it and lemme know. Tks.-VU2 KQS

Prashant Koli <vu2cbu@...> wrote:

Dear friends,

We have caps with the following call signs lying with us.

VU2NEH

VU2PYM

VU2AXB

VU2FZI

VU3SWL

VU2LSD

VU3ZJT

VU3NIK

VU2NHS

VU2SOF

VU2KGO

VU2OSR

VU2MYP

VU2YJM

VU2NQS

Does anybody know whom these call signs (and caps!) belong to?

Also

Envelopes/packets sent to the following members have come back undelivered:

Call sign/handle

Items sent

Reason for return

VU2WLL

CAP & ID CARD

Party has gone outstation

Dinesh Chowdhary

Dues notice

Person shifted elsewhere

G.M. Zalke

Dues notice

Person shifted elsewhere

Bhavana Kaul

Annual Report

Residence closed on 17th and 18th September

Samson Ramrajkar

Annual Report and Dues notice

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73s

Prashant Koli

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1390. Re: [m_a_r_s] VU2 KIZ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-30 02:22:09 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 1365 Message: 1390

Nilesh,

My membership of MARS from vu2kiz@... is still
pending and I am member from kailash_gupta@....
Kindly approve my membership from vu2kiz@...

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ

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http://launch.yahoo.com/promos/britneyspears/

1391. Earth at Night

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-30 16:28:33 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1391 Message: 1391
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1392. Re: [m_a_r_s] VU2 KIZ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-30 06:36:13 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1365 Message: 1392

Hello Kailash,

Your ID - kailash_gupta@... is working. that is the reason why you are sending and receiving mails. You Id vu2kiz@... cannot be added to the group as till date, from Mumbai you cannot access Yahoogroups. The minute, I get the access I will replace your ID - kailash_gupta@... with your new ID vu2kiz@.... till then bear with us.

73
NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: Kailash Gupta
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2003 7:52 AM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] VU2 KIZ

Nilesh,

My membership of MARS from vu2kiz@... is still
pending and I am member from kailash_gupta@....
Kindly approve my membership from vu2kiz@...

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ

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1393. Monthly meeting at 11:00 A M

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-30 07:47:57 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1393 Message: 1393

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The Monthly meeting of November 2003 will be held on 2nd November 2003 at 11:00 hours at B.S.Bengelle Girls High School.

The J.O.T.A - De-briefing meeting is postponed due to unavoidable circumstances.
The agenda as follows:-

11:00 am Hamfest 2003. - Briefing meeting for Hams & SWLS going for Hamfest 2003.

12:00 am General Meeting.

Please attend the meeting on time.

73

NLF

1394. Hamfest 2003 - Gandhinagar

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-30 08:04:18 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1394 Message: 1394

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The Hamfest 2003 is at Gandhinagar on 8th & 9th November 2003. Listed below are the members who are joining for the Hamfest :-

The briefing will be held on sunday 2nd Nov 2003 at B.S.Bengelle School at 11:00 am (not 10:00 AM)
all the required to be present. the total expense is Rs.700/- (Rs.100/- for registration + Rs.600/- conveyance)
if you have not paid, please bring your money on sunday without fail.

If you wish to come and by any reason your name is not reflecting in the list below please contact me immediatly on 98205-47074, limited seats in one bogey (72 Only).

HANDLE CALLSIGN

1. NILESH RATHOD VU2NLF

2. ZYROS ZEND VU2ZRS

3. MUKESH JAITLEY VU2UGJ

4. HUZEFA MERCHANT VU2HIT

5. PRASHANT KOLI VU2CBU

6. RAJEN KAVADIA VU2RIG

7. SANDIP ADIWAREKAR VU2UGO

8. ARUNSINGH RAWAT VU3AUA

9. PRAVIN PANCHAL VU3PAN

10.P.V.JAIPRAKASH VU2JPN

11.NAFISA SHIKARI VU2NFS

12.RATNESH JAVERI VU2OUT

13.PANKAJ PASAD VU2RIO

14.GEORGE PHILIPS VU2GT

15.ANANTA MORE VU3MWH

16.PARIN GANGAR VU2PIC

17.JOSEPH KINNY VU3KNY

18.IVOR PEREIRA VU2IVO

19.ANISH KORDE VU2OZO

20.VIJAY VAIDYA VU2CFO

21.SANJAY KADAM VU2KDM

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30.MOHAMMED BHANVADWALA VU2LUB

31.RAJESH SHETHIA VU2WCS

32.SRIRAM NARAYANAN

33.SHIVKUMAR IYER

34.VIREN GADA

35.YOGESH THAKKAR

36.MANOHAR BHATIJA

37.ARUN FERRAO

38.AMIT MALGAONKAR

39.ARUN NARAYAN

40.PANKAJ SHAH

41.SALIAN HARSHA

42.ABHAY SHAH

43.MEHERNOSH VARIAVA

44.YAZAD BISNI

45.VAIBHAV PALANDE

46.RISHIKESH KAMAT

47.SHANTANU CHAND

48.ASLAM FURNITUREWALA

49.NILESH DIXIT

50.SURENDRA SHETE

51.MUKESH VAIDYA

52.DARSHAN HEMANI

53.GIRISH ZALKE

54.SAILESH HARDIKAR

55.HANMANT PANDE

56.GURURAJ SHANBHAG

57.SUJITKUMAR S.C.

58.KAUSHIK SANGHVI

59.ZOHAR ATTARI

60.NANDANI GANGAL.

61.RAJESHREE SARVAGOD.

62 NEVILLE SHROFF VU2NNF

63.NAPOLEAN MODI

64.YOGESH MEHTA VU2YJM

65.TIRANDAZ IRANI.

66.MANDA PAWAR VU2PWO

67.ARVIND MANDKE.

68.ULHAS PARALKAR.

69.DILIP BHANDARI.

70.ZORBEN ZEND.

71.ZARTHUN ZEND.

Please attend the meeting on time.
73

NLF

1395. More New Tickets.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-31 07:24:09 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1288 Message: 1395

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,

We have received 8 more tickets for the batch of 2002.

ISAAC SAMUEL VU3 ??? (Licence freezed)

RAJENDRA PITALE. VU3 ??? (Licence freezed)

DILIP BHANDARI VU3 ??? (Licence freezed)

VAIBHAV PALANDE VU3 ??? (Licence freezed)

MURUGAN GOUNDER VU3 ??? (Licence freezed)

JESAL DOSHI VU3 ??? (Licence freezed)

A SHIVMANIKAM VU3 ??? (Licence freezed)

JOHAR ATTARI VU3 ??? (Licence freezed)

Congratulations to all the above for getting the ticket, Nevertheless all the licences will remain with society till your station is up and operational (atleast on VHF). Once your station is up you may get in touch with us and your licence will be handed over to you.

You can avail all the help from the society for putting up your station, for example installations of your antennae and getting the radio equipment.

VU2ICQ has already posted a mail regarding import of equipment, you may contact VU2ICQ directly to book your set.

73

NLF

1396. Ha(r)mlessly yours

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-31 14:24:24 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1396 Message: 1396

This email has nothing to do with ham radio so all those who want to sneak up to NLF can do that and scream blue murder.

(grinning)

Ok - jokes apart -

1. NLF you can access yahoogroups through http://in.yahoogroups.com

2. If 1 above does not work try the following proxy servers given at the end after my name.

3. NLF, saar, would you allow Frozen for licences instead of Freezed? ;-)

Nirav
(who is not being smart-alecky by just trying some attempt at humour and nothing else - and occasionally help)

QUOTE
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following in
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oups.yahoo.com/

Otherwise, you can try any of the following:

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UNQUOTE

1397. Freezing of Licence

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-10-31 20:51:33 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 1288 Message: 1397

Dear Nilesh,

I congratulate you and the MARS team for promotion of Ham radio. You and the 9 member team which was the first to travel after the Gujarat earthquake had done excellent work. You and the team were also very friendly and kind to accept me as part of the team when I joined Vadodara station on the night of 26th January, 2001. Though out my participation in Gujart earthquake emergency communication our team did excellent work.

I had participated in scramble teams coming from Baroda and Jaipur, enjoyed and learnet a lot. Our membership has grown and I am happy to know that over 70 member team is going to Hamfest 2003 at Gandhinagar. I would have definately joined the group. But I am at present in California, USA.

I am life member of MARS and proud of MARS. In fact, I promote MARS at every forum possible. My presentation at the International Seminar on Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation jointly organised by UNDP, GOI and CII highlights MARS. The presentaiton can be seen on the UNDP website http://www.undp.org.in/UNDMT/dpm/Day%20Three/Session%20VII/Kailashgupta.ppt. You had agreed to put up the presentation on the MARS website but I could never find it.

ARRL's Pacificon Division had annual hamfest called PACIFICON 2003. www.pacificon.org. I presented a paper on October 19, 2003 and highlighted MARS. I can transmit the file if you would like to put up on the MARS website. I had also made presentation at a Santa Clara County Amateur Radio Association. On 6th Nov, I am making presentation at Milpitas amateur Radio and Electronics Society.

From all this you and everybody should conclude that I love MARS and want it to grow and do well. Because of my love to MARS, I want to suggest you NOT, repeat NOT, to freeze the licences. MARS objective is to promote ham radio. But MARS cannot freeze anybody's license. We don't have that authority. Only the licencing body, WPC, has that authority. WPC had sent the licenses to MARS in good faith to be delivered to

licence. Frezzing would tantamount to an illegal act.
I donot want MARS to tangle itself in slow moving
courts. Kindly consider my request and deliver the
licences to the rightful owners.

Thanks for reading.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ and KG6SQR
from California, USA

I did send the file to , the presentation is
--- VU2NLF <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
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> Congratulations to all the above for getting the
> ticket, Nevertheless all the licences will remain
> with society till your station is up and operational
> (atleast on VHF). Once your station is up you may
> get in touch with us and your licence will be handed

> over to you.
>
> You can avail all the help from the society for
> putting up your station, for example installations
> of your antennae and getting the radio equipment.
>
> VU2ICQ has already posted a mail regarding import of
> equipment, you may contact VU2ICQ directly to book
> your set.
>
> 73
>
> NLF
>
>
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>

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http://launch.yahoo.com/promos/britneyspears/

1398. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ha(r)mlessly yours

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-01 10:14:42 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1396 Message: 1398

thanks nhr ..!
----- Original Message -----
From: Nirav Sanghavi
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, October 31, 2003 7:54 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Ha(r)mlessly yours

This email has nothing to do with ham radio so all those who want to sneak up to NLF can do that and scream blue murder.

(grinning)

Ok - jokes apart -

1. NLF you can access yahoogroups through http://in.yahoogroups.com

2. If 1 above does not work try the following proxy servers given at the end after my name.

3. NLF, saar, would you allow Frozen for licences instead of Freezed? ;-)

Nirav
(who is not being smart-alecky by just trying some attempt at humour and nothing else - and occasionally help)

QUOTE
In order to access Yahoogroups from India, please type the
following in
to the location bar of your browser and click `go';

https://www.citizenlab.org/cgi-bin/nph-groups.cgi/001010A/http/gr
oups.yahoo.com/

Otherwise, you can try any of the following:

https://www.anonsurf.de/cgi-bin/nph-asurf.cgi/000100A/http/www.go
ogle.de/
https://dtw.ods.org/cgi-bin/nph-proxyb.cgi/000000A/http/www.googl
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images)
https://www.citizenlab.org/cgi-bin/nph-proxy.cgi/000011A/uggc://jjj.tbbtyr.qr/
<https://www.citizenlab.org/cgi-bin/nph-proxy.cgi/000011A/uggc://jjj.tbbtyr.qr/>(Without
images)
https://www.eopledaily.com/dmirror/http/www.google.de/
<https://www.eopledaily.com/dmirror/http/www.google.de/>
https://nhuanet.com/cgi-bin/nph-proxyb.cgi/000000A/http/www.google.de/
https://www.eopledaily.com/cgi-bin/nph-proxyb.cgi/000000A/http/www.google.de/
https://scron.virtualave.net/anonim/nph-proxy.cgi/00010/http/www.google.de/
<https://scron.virtualave.net/anonim/nph-proxy.cgi/00010/http/www.google.de/>
https://byelarus.com/cgi-bin/proxy/nph-proxy.cgi/000010A/http/www.google.de/
<https://byelarus.com/cgi-bin/proxy/nph-proxy.cgi/000010A/http/www.google.de/>
https://aburaghad.virtualave.net/dd1/nph-proxy.cgi/00010/http/www.google.de/
<https://aburaghad.virtualave.net/dd1/nph-proxy.cgi/00010/http/www.google.de/>
https://ym2400z.virtualave.net/cgi-bin/cgiproxy131/nph-proxy.cgi/000/http/www.google.de/

https://www.safegate.org/cgiproxy/nph-proxy.cgi/000010A/http/www.google.de/
(Without images)
https://falcon10.ath.cx/cgi-bin/proxy/nph-anon.cgi/000010A/http/www.google.de/
http://nadaily.com/cgi-bin/nph-proxyb.cgi/000010A/http/www.google.de/
https://66.216.96.84/cgi-bin/nph-proxy.cgi/000010A/687474703a2f2f7777772e676f6f676c652e64652f
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1399. Happy Birthday - VU2SFN

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-01 10:22:45 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1399 Message: 1399

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its Life Member SHAILESH PRADHAN - VU2 SFN a very Happy Birthday

1400. NLF's neighbour

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-02 18:44:08 UTC
From: kailash_gupta
Topic: 1400 Message: 1400

Nilesh,

In my earlier message I forgot to mention that I have special relationship with you. I was your neighbour in Bombay (now Mumbai) for 9 years. I am the Ham who was at the shortest physical distance from your QST.

Kailash

1401. Happy Birthday - Mani Bathija.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-03 05:20:46 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1401 Message: 1401

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its Life Member MANI BATHIJA - S..W.L a very Happy Birthday

1402. Happy Birthday - VU2JIG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-04 05:41:54 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1402 Message: 1402

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its Member JIGAR MEHTA - VU2 JIG a very Happy Birthday

1403. THE HOMEBREWING TEAM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-05 08:57:17 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1403 Message: 1403

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1404. Re: HOMEBREWING TEAM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-05 12:02:56 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1404 Message: 1404
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

great going ..!! all the best

73
nlf
----- Original Message -----
From: Ankur Puranik
To: nasa66@... ; vu2nlf@...
Sent: Wednesday, November 05, 2003 3:17 PM
Subject: HOMEBREWING TEAM

LETS MAKE MARS SHINE IN THE UNIVERSE OF HAM RADIO.

_____-Ankur Puranik

_____

With Ref. to mail from VU2NLF Dated: Fri ,Oct24 2003 regarding formation of a core team for homebrewing,

A team has been formed for homebrewing.

The team will be performing the following tasks.

1) Repairs

2) Modifications

3) Testing

4) Assembly.

The homebrewing team presently have following members.

1) ANKUR PURANIK

2) HUAFRAID BHATENA

3) SANTOSH THOMAS

4) GAUTAM KEDIA

5) SHRIRAM N

6) ULHAS PARALKAR

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Entry into the team is open for all members of MARS, and can join the team anytime.

lets work together and make MARS shine in the universe of ham radio!

regards,

Ankur Puranik

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1405. Hamfest 2003 Special...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-05 17:49:26 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1405 Message: 1405

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The list of all the members coming for Hamfest 2003 at Gandhi Nagar is Finalized. The participants are positioned into 6 groups of 10 + members each. All teams members are requested to follow the instructions of your team leader and coodinate with him for smooth & succesful trip to the Hamfest 2003.

All participants, please carry the following with you.

Your MARS Cap. (if not issued, the same will be given to you in the train)

Your I -D Card. (if not issued, please bring ID size photo, the card will be issued in the train)

Your personal clothes, toilet kits etc...

Your VHF Handy with charged batteries and spare batteries (Licenced Hams Only).

Your Amateur Radio Licence.

We will be leaving Mumbai on Friday (07/11/2003) at 21:20 hours from Bandra Terminus and coming back by Karnavati Express on Monday (10/11/2003) at 12:30 hours at Mumbai Central.

The Train Departure timings are as follows:-

Train Name : 915 - Poonam Special - 21:20 hours Bandra Terminus (All to reach station by 20:30 hours). The Train will reach Borivili at 22:02 hours - (all boarding from Borivili to reach station by 21:00 hours). We are all listed in Coach - S7.

Listed below are the names of all the participants, if you are coming and your name does not appear in the list, call me immediately on 98205-47074 before Thursday (06/11/2003) by 17:00 hours latest. After which all the extra tickets will be cancelled.

If your name is appearing BUT you are not coming, them contact me immediately on the above number before above time.

All Team Leaders are requested to be in touch with me.

NILESH RATHOD - VU2NLF - [GROUP LEADER] - 98205 - 47074.

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TEAM - [A].

MUKESH JAITLEY - VU2UGJ - [TEAM LEADER] - 98200 - 34431.

ANANTA MORE

VIJAY VAIDYA

SAILESH PRADHAN

PARESH KARIA

AMIT MALGAONKAR

SRIRAM NARAYANAN

ARUN NARAYAN

SHIVKUMAR IYER

ARUN FERRAO

JAGDISH MUKTHYAR. (Joining at Gandhinagar)

CHHAYA MUKTHYAR (Joining at Gandhinagar)

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TEAM - [B].

SANDIP ADIWAREKAR - VU2UGO - [TEAM LEADER] - 2491 8661 / 2868 4994

ARUNSINGH RAWAT

ANISH KORDE

SANJAY KADAM

A.K.MITAL

SANTOSH VEDANTE

SAILESH HALDIKAR.

HANMANT PANDE.

SACHIN SURRENDRAN

GURURAJ SHANBHAG

PARIN GANGAR - (Joining at Ahmedabad)

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TEAM - [C].

HUZEFA MERCHANT - VU2HIT - [TEAM LEADER] - 98827 - 86110

RAJEN KAVADIA

JOSEPH KINNY

KAPIL CHANDNI

MOHAMMED BHANVADWALA

ASLAM FURNITUREWALA

RAHIM BARDAI

MEHERNOSH VARIAVA

YAZAD BISNI

TIRANDAZ IRANI

ABHAY SHAH (Joining at Gandhinagar)

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TEAM - [D].

MEHUL CHOVATIA - VU2ICQ - [TEAM LEADER] - 98204-44991

GEORGE PHILIPS

SHAILESH DESHMUKH

NAFISA SHIKARI

MANDA PAWAR

NANDINI GANGAL

RAJESHREE SARVAGOD

MANOHAR BHATIJA

RISHIKESH KAMAT

SHANTANU CHAND (Joining at Gandhinagar)

NEVILLE SHROFF (Joining at Gandhinagar)

KAUSHIK SANGHVI (Joining at Gandhinagar)

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TEAM - [E].

P.V.JAIPRAKASH - VU2JPN - [TEAM LEADER] - 98921-86646

PRASHANT KOLI

SANDESH KAMAT

PRAVIN PANCHAL

ASHLEY BAPISTA

ZOHAR ATTARI

ANDREWS

SAGAR BHALERAO

SURENDRA SHETE

NILESH DIXIT

VAIBHAV PALANDE

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TEAM - [F].

PANKAJ PASAD - VU2RIO - [TEAM LEADER] - 98200-50135

YOGESH MEHTA

IVOR PEREIRA

RAJESH SHETHIA

VIJAY PATHAK

YOGESH THAKKAR

VIREN GADA

DARSHAN HEMANI

PANKAJ SHAH

ULHAS PARALKAR

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Lets hope that we have a great trip and lots of fun...

73

NLF

1406. Re: [mars_academy_2003] Hamfest 2003 Special...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-05 18:02:17 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1406 Message: 1406

Hi

correction to my mobile no: 9892 786110

Huzefa Merchant

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Huzefa Merchant
WEBSITE: www.qsl.net/vu2hit
Ham Radio Call Sign: VU2HIT
E-mail: vuhit@...
vu2hit@...
ICQ#: 81941713
MSN: vu2hit@...
Yahoo Messenger: vu2hit@...

TEL NO :

(O) +91 22 23460575 / 23459761
(R) +91 22 23731646
(MOB) +91 9892 786110

1407. Fwd: New Scientist

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-06 10:27:08 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1407 Message: 1407

From: john tull
To: Boyan lz1bj , Max , vijay motwane , oe6mbg , Puzant , Sabu , Curtis BURKE , Carl , David Chen/BA4RF , Fabian , Gus , "J.Laffey" , John , Kevin
Subject: Fwd: New Scientist
Date: Mon, 3 Nov 2003 05:55:42 -0800 (PST)

--- John wrote:
> Date: Mon, 03 Nov 2003 07:48:26 -0600
> From: John
> To: kd0jl1@...
> Subject: New Scientist
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http://www.newscientist.com/news/print.jsp?id=ns99994321
>

New Scientist

Sun more active than for a millennium
09:00 02 November 03 Exclusive from New Scientist Print Edition. Subscribe and get 4 free issues.
The Sun is more active now than it has been for a millennium. The realisation, which comes from a reconstruction of sunspots stretching back 1150 years, comes just as the Sun has thrown a tantrum. Over the last week, giant plumes of have material burst out from our star's surface and streamed into space, causing geomagnetic storms on Earth.

The dark patches on the surface of the Sun that we call sunspots are a symptom of fierce magnetic activity inside. Ilya Usoskin, a geophysicist who worked with colleagues from the University of Oulu in Finland and the Max Planck Institute for Aeronomy in Katlenburg-Lindau, Germany, has found that there have been more sunspots since the 1940s than for the past 1150 years.
Sunspot activity
Sunspot observations stretch back to the early 17th century, when the telescope was invented. To extend the data farther back in time, Usoskin's team used a physical model to calculate past sunspot numbers from levels of a radioactive isotope preserved in ice cores taken from Greenland and Antarctica.

Global warming

Ice cores provide a record of the concentration of beryllium-10 in the atmosphere. This is produced when high-energy particles from space bombard the atmosphere, but when the Sun is active its magnetic field protects the Earth from these particles and levels of beryllium-10 are lower.

There was already tantalising evidence that beryllium-10 is scarcer now than for a very long time, says Mike Lockwood, from the UK's Rutherford Appleton Laboratory near Oxford.

But he told New Scientist that when he saw the data converted to sunspot numbers he thought, "why the hell didn't I do this?" It makes the conclusion very stark, he says. "We are living with a very unusual sun at the moment."

The findings may stoke the controversy over the contribution of the Sun to global warming. Usoskin and his team are reluctant to be dragged into the debate, but their work will probably be seized upon by those who claim that temperature rises over the past century are the result of changes in the Sun's output (New Scientist, print edition, 12 April 2003). The link between the Sun's magnetic activity and the Earth's climate is, however, unclear.

Journal reference: Physical Review Letters (in press)

Jenny Hogan

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1408. additions to homebrew team

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-06 14:07:31 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1408 Message: 1408
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We have 3 more additions to our homebrewing team team.

1) Nilesh Malpekar

2) Parin Gangar

3) Anurag Chugh.

73s

Ankur Puranik

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1409. happy journey to all

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-06 15:24:12 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1409 Message: 1409

wish you all a happy journey!!!

regards

Ankur

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1410. Homebrew Team

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-06 15:33:22 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1410 Message: 1410

Hi!
Did I hear some one say homebrew !
Well count me in on part time basis from 1st Jan 2004-16th Jan . Lets get things rolling.
73
Rahul VU3WJM
PS: Good work lets aim for sky at least we will get thru to the clouds no small achievement under present scenario.

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1411. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-06 15:53:48 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1411 Message: 1411
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1412. Re: [m_a_r_s] Homebrew Team

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-07 05:50:52 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1410 Message: 1412

amen to that..
----- Original Message -----
From: Rahul Srivastava
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 06, 2003 9:03 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Homebrew Team

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1413. Re: [m_a_r_s] VU2 KIZ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-09 05:35:09 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta
Topic: 1365 Message: 1413

Nilesh,
I understand the access to Yahoogroups from Mumbai is
now allowed. Kindly replace my ID to vu2kiz@....
Thanks.
Kailash

--- VU2NLF <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
> Hello Kailash,
>
> Your ID - kailash_gupta@... is working. that
> is the reason why you are sending and receiving
> mails. You Id vu2kiz@... cannot be added to
> the group as till date, from Mumbai you cannot
> access Yahoogroups. The minute, I get the access I
> will replace your ID - kailash_gupta@...
> with your new ID vu2kiz@.... till then bear
> with us.
>
> 73
> NLF
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Kailash Gupta
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2003 7:52 AM
> Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] VU2 KIZ
>
>
> Nilesh,
>
> My membership of MARS from vu2kiz@... is
> still
> pending and I am member from
> kailash_gupta@....
> Kindly approve my membership from vu2kiz@...
>
> Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ
>
> _____
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1414. Workshop Bulletin

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-10 05:38:14 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1414 Message: 1414
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Current Happenings at the Radio Workshop

1) Digital Packet Radio Modem Problem Debugging

2) Working on the green birds.

3) Solution for HAM FRUSTRATION: - Cheap and Brand-new VHF base staions.

1) Digital Packet Radio Modems is under testing and debugging by our homebrewing team. Results should be out by a week or two depending on the nature of problem.
Hams are requested to kindly help the packet modem debugging team by lending the handys if required for testing.

2) The experimentation with the green bird is still on. Its not a single fault to be fixed there . Everyone is wondering as to so many months have passed and still the green birds are not on air. The reason being, not all green birds have a common fault which could be fixed easily. Every set has its own version of faults and problems which need to be analysed individually.
Every time we fix a fault in the radio set, we know this is not the end & there are many more to be fixed.
For eg: last week we got a green bird to transmit on the ham band, but no audio was herd, just a motor-boating sound could be heard. That got eleminated only by changing the complete microphone system from dymamic microphone to the condencer microphone. So a lot has to be done.
As said by VU2NLF Rahul has done the spade work for us without with it would be nearly impossible for us to even get the radio on HAM band. Thanks to Rahul.!

3) Possibly by this monthend, we will be able to find a soultion for our HAMs and SWL's and their frustration due to not so easily available and expensive VHF base station. And by December end we may be able to provide a brand new (ya i said BRAND-NEW) VHF base stn at a very affordable rate. So lets keep our fingers crossed and lets hope things workout well.

Thats all for & in the Workshop Bulletin.

73s
Ankur Puranik

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1415. news!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-11 13:09:27 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1415 Message: 1415

Martian God's Bring Hamfest 2004 to Mumbai!!!

and

Congratulations to VU2NLF for grabbing the best presentation award !!!

A loud round of applause for 'em ! ___/___

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1416. Re: [m_a_r_s] news!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-11 14:12:02 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 1415 Message: 1416

Hello there,

My heartiest congratulations to NLF for the Best
presentation award, and grabbing the hamfest 2004 in
Mumbai,

Congrats to all Mumbai ham friends for being there in Ahbd
for successful event.

Keep it up,

Namaste,

Basappa

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Yahoo! India Mobile: Download the latest polyphonic ringtones.
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1417. Presentation at Hamfest 2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-11 20:25:47 UTC
From: vu2kiz
Topic: 1417 Message: 1417

Nilesh,
Congratulation for best presentation award. Kindly send me a copy of your presetation. You are also requested to post your presentation on our website.
Kailash

1418. VU2KIZ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-11 20:32:39 UTC
From: vu2kiz
Topic: 1418 Message: 1418

Nilesh,
Thanks for transfering my membership through vu2kiz@.... Kindly update my details in the Members portion of this group, since members are not allowed to edit their details. Also update the details in the members file at the posted Files. My details are as follows:
Name: Kaialsh Gupta
Address: 3655 Pruneridge Av. #250
Santa Clara, CA 95051
USA
email: vu2kiz@...
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1419. Re: caps lying with MARS and articles returned undelivered

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-12 06:34:15 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1322 Message: 1419

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-13 02:56:52 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1421 Message: 1421

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Date: 2003-11-13 03:06:51 UTC
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-13 03:11:45 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1423 Message: 1423

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----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@...>
To: <info@...>
Cc: <Subscribed ARRL Members: ;>
Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2003 12:57 AM
Subject: ARLS014 ARISS Announces Roy Neal, K6DUE, ISS Commemorative Event

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> ARISS request that participants in the special event keep all
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1424. attn: homebrewing team...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-13 15:58:40 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1424 Message: 1424
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear friends,

A meeting has been called on for official discussion on homebrewing. All the members of the homebrewing team / radio workshop are requested to kindly be present for the meeting on Sunday , 16th November 2003 at 12:30 PM at B.S.Bengelle Girls School. Also people who are interested in joining the team be present. This meeting will be a part of the pre-scheduled meeting on Sunday.

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Ankur Puranik

for The Homebrewing Team.

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1425. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 631

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-13 18:15:28 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1425 Message: 1425

Sorry to have missed making it to Gandhinagar but, Hamfest 2004!! no way will be there.
Good work MARS and an extra pat on back to Nilesh.
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Date: Tue, 11 Nov 2003 18:39:27 +0530
From: "Ankur Puranik"
Subject: news!

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Date: Tue, 11 Nov 2003 14:12:02 +0000 (GMT)
From: VU2NXM
Subject: Re: news!

Hello there,

My heartiest congratulations to NLF for the Best
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Congrats to all Mumbai ham friends for being there in Ahbd
for successful event.

Keep it up,

Namaste,

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Date: Tue, 11 Nov 2003 20:25:47 -0000
From: "vu2kiz"
Subject: Presentation at Hamfest 2003

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> by voice (NA1SS) or packet (RS0ISS) through the end of December will
> be eligible for a special anniversary event certificate.
>
> Neal, a noted NBC news correspondent, producer and executive, had
> the vision to make Amateur Radio a permanent feature on human
> spaceflight missions. He chaired the Space Amateur Radio EXperiment
> (SAREX)/Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS)
> Working Group. Through his extensive NASA contacts, Neal was
> instrumental in convincing NASA management to fly Amateur Radio
> onboard the space shuttle.
>
> Human spaceflight took the first step to Neal's vision on November
> 28, 1983, with the launch of the first Amateur Radio station aboard
> the space shuttle Columbia. A few days later, astronaut Owen
> Garriott, W5LFL, became the astronaut to speak from space via ham
> radio.
>
> ARISS request that participants in the special event keep all
> contacts short. A subsequent announcement will provide details on
> QSLing and how to obtain certificates.
> NNNN
> /EX
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1426. Fw: ARLS015 UO-14 Satellite Declared Dead

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-14 06:32:52 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1426 Message: 1426

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----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@...>
To: <info@...>
Cc: <Subscribed ARRL Members: ;>
Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2003 7:53 PM
Subject: ARLS015 UO-14 Satellite Declared Dead

> SB SPACE @ ARL $ARLS015
> ARLS015 UO-14 Satellite Declared Dead
>
> ZCZC AS15
> QST de W1AW
> Space Bulletin 015 ARLS015
> From ARRL Headquarters
> Newington, CT November 13, 2003
> To all radio amateurs
>
> SB SPACE ARL ARLS015
> ARLS015 UO-14 Satellite Declared Dead
>
> The UO-14 satellite has been declared officially dead after nearly
> 14 years in orbit, the Mission Control Centre at the Surrey
> Satellite Technology Ltd (SSTL) Center for Satellite Engineering
> Research reported November 11.
>
> AMSAT-UK Chairman Martin Sweeting, G3YJO, said one of the NiCad
> battery cells became exhausted, which caused UO-14's transmitter to
> shut down due to undervoltage.
>
> The popular and heavily used FM satellite quit working in August.
> Ground controller Chris Jackson, G7UPN, was able to reset the
> satellite at one time, but he later determined that UO-14 had
> suffered a primary power system failure.
>
> Launched in 1990, UoSAT-OSCAR-14 pioneered the PACSAT communication
> concept as the first 9.6 kbps Amateur Radio data communications
> satellite. It became best known in recent years as an FM "easy sat"
> repeater. UO-14 completed over 72,000 orbits.
>
> The loss of UO-14 leaves amateurs with SO-41 and SO-50 as the only
> two LEO FM voice satellites now in operation, although the planned
> 2004 launches of the OSCAR-ECHO and VUSAT could help fill in the
> void. ECHO is planned for launch next March 31.
> NNNN
> /EX
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1427. updated list of the homebrew team

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-14 06:30:22 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1427 Message: 1427
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

THE HOMEBREWING TEAM / THE RADIO WORKSHOP TEAM

So far the homebrewing team consists of the following members. (as on 14/11/2003)

1) ANKUR PURANIK

2) HUAFRAID BHATENA

3) SANTOSH THOMAS

4) *RAHUL SHRIVASTAV (VU3WJM)

5) SHRIRAM N

6) NILESH MALPEKAR

7) GAUTAM KEDIA

8) *PARIN GANGAR (VU2PIC)

9) ULHAS PARALKAR

10) ANURAG CHUGH

11) SACHIN SUNRENDRAN

12) KAUSHIK SANGHAVI.

13) MANI BATHIJA.

Incase your name should have appeared in the above list but does not appear .. pls bring it to my notice.

73's

Ankur Puranik

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1428. Fw: [ans] ANS-313 Breaking News

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-14 08:41:40 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1428 Message: 1428

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

ANS-313

This is an addition to the ANS Bulletin for Sunday 9th September 2003. It Contains a press release published today (9th, November, 2003) by AMSAT-UK

SB SAT @ AMSAT $ANS-313.07
AMSAT-UK TO DONATE FUNDS FOR AMSAT-NA AND AMSAT-DL PROJECTS

AMSAT News Service Bulletin 313.07 From AMSAT HQ
SILVER SPRING, MD. November 9, 2003
To All RADIO AMATEURS
BID: $ANS-313.07

Press Release:

AMSAT-UK is funding the development of two new amateur radio satellites by donating ?10,000 to each of two projects in the USA and Germany. In accordance with their constitution, at their meeting on Sat 25 Oct 2003, the committee of AMSAT-UK decided to make an immediate donation of ?10,000 to the AMSAT-NA Project Echo Launch Campaign Fund. Also at the meeting they decided to earmark ?10,000 for transfer to AMSAT-DL to support the Phase 3 Express project when a suitable component for funding can be identified.

In making these grants, the committee, on behalf of all members of AMSAT-UK,

wish AMSAT-NA and AMSAT-DL every success with their projects.

The Project Echo satellite is due to be launched on 31 Mar 2004 on a Depnr rocket into low earth orbit. As well as an FM transponder, it will have various data modes, using S and L bands. Further details of the satellite are available at http://www.amsat.org/amsat/sats/echo/article-02-11.html

It is understood that Phase 3 E Express is likely to be launched in 2005/2006. It will be launch from an Arriane rocket, and will carry its own rocket motor which will eventually place it in a highly elliptical orbit, allowing radio amateurs access to its analogue transponder operating on 2m and 70 cms for hours at a time. It will also have a variety of other transmitters and receivers on higher
frequency bands. Further details at http://www.amsat-dl.org/p3e/

More information from J D Heck, G3WGM, Hon Sec AMAST-UK, Tel (44) 1258 453959, g3wgm@..., or JD Heck, Badgers, Letton Close, Blandford, Dorset, DT11 7SS

[ANS thanks the AMSAT-UK Committee for the above information]

/EX
73,
This weeks ANS Editor,
Dave Johnson, G4DPZ, g4dpz@..., www.g4dpz.com

Via the ans mailing list at AMSAT.ORG courtesy of AMSAT-NA.
To unsubscribe, send "unsubscribe ans" to Majordomo@...

1429. Hamfest 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-14 09:36:59 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1425 Message: 1429

Hi Rahul,
Nice to see your mail on the group.We all were hoping to
see you at Gandhinagar.I am sure you will make it to Mumbai for
Hamfest 2004.
By the way, OM Mr.Ajoy, VU2JHM is the first ham to register
himself as delegate for Hamfest 2004.As a matter of fact we have yet
to decide about delegate fees etc. but VU2JHM offered token amount
fo his registration.
Also there are many outstation hams we wish to be
associated with MARS.

73s de Prashant,VU2CBU

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, Rahul Srivastava <vu3wjm@y...> wrote:
> Sorry to have missed making it to Gandhinagar but, Hamfest 2004!!
no way will be there.
> Good work MARS and an extra pat on back to Nilesh.
> 73
> Rahul VU3WJM
>
> m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:
>
> To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
>
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> ---

>
> There are 9 messages in this issue.
>
> Topics in this digest:
>
> 1. news!
> From: "Ankur Puranik"
> 2. Re: news!
> From: VU2NXM
> 3. Presentation at Hamfest 2003
> From: "vu2kiz"
> 4. VU2KIZ
> From: "vu2kiz"
> 5. Re: caps lying with MARS and articles returned undelivered
> From: "Prashant Koli"
> 6. Re: Digest Number 630
> From: Rahul Srivastava

> 7. Hamfest 2003 at Gandhinagar Successful.
> From: "VU2NLF"
> 8. Hamfest 2004 in Mumbai.
> From: "VU2NLF"
> 9. Fw: ARLS014 ARISS Announces Roy Neal, K6DUE, ISS Commemorative
Event
> From: "VU2NLF"
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> Message: 1
> Date: Tue, 11 Nov 2003 18:39:27 +0530
> From: "Ankur Puranik"
> Subject: news!
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>
> Martian God's Bring Hamfest 2004 to Mumbai!!!
>
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> and
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>
> Congratulations to VU2NLF for grabbing the best presentation
award !!!
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> A loud round of applause for 'em ! ___/___
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> Click onthe image to chat with me
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> [This message contained attachments]
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> Message: 2
> Date: Tue, 11 Nov 2003 14:12:02 +0000 (GMT)
> From: VU2NXM
> Subject: Re: news!
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> Hello there,
>
> My heartiest congratulations to NLF for the Best
> presentation award, and grabbing the hamfest 2004 in
> Mumbai,
>
> Congrats to all Mumbai ham friends for being there in Ahbd
> for successful event.
>
> Keep it up,
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>
> Namaste,
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> Basappa
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> Yahoo! India Mobile: Download the latest polyphonic ringtones.
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> Message: 3
> Date: Tue, 11 Nov 2003 20:25:47 -0000
> From: "vu2kiz"
> Subject: Presentation at Hamfest 2003
>
> Nilesh,
> Congratulation for best presentation award. Kindly send me a copy

of
> your presetation. You are also requested to post your presentation
on
> our website.
> Kailash
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> Message: 4
> Date: Tue, 11 Nov 2003 20:32:39 -0000
> From: "vu2kiz"
> Subject: VU2KIZ
>
> Nilesh,
> Thanks for transfering my membership through vu2kiz@y... Kindly
> update my details in the Members portion of this group, since
members
> are not allowed to edit their details. Also update the details in
the
> members file at the posted Files. My details are as follows:
> Name: Kaialsh Gupta
> Address: 3655 Pruneridge Av. #250
> Santa Clara, CA 95051
> USA
> email: vu2kiz@y...
> Phone: +1 408 551 0704
>
> Kaialsh Gupta, VU2KIZ
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> Message: 5
> Date: Wed, 12 Nov 2003 06:34:15 -0000
> From: "Prashant Koli"
> Subject: Re: caps lying with MARS and articles returned undelivered
>

> Hi VU2KQS,
> I have only those caps as mentioned in the list.They were lying in
> the our cupboard at Avija.Anyway I shall get back to you soon.
> 73s
> Prashant,vu2cbu
>
>
> --- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, srihari krishnan
> wrote:
> > Hi Prashant,
> > My cap hasnt been delivered or received by me in person at al
till
> now. Pls c if u have it and lemme know. Tks.-VU2 KQS
> >
> > Prashant Koli wrote:
> >
> > Dear friends,
> >
> > We have caps with the following call signs lying with us.
> >
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> > VU2NEH
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> > VU2PYM
> >
> > VU2AXB
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> > VU2FZI
> >
> > VU3SWL
> >
> > VU2LSD
> >
> > VU3ZJT
> >
> > VU3NIK
> >
> > VU2NHS
> >
> > VU2SOF
> >
> > VU2KGO
> >
> > VU2OSR
> >
> > VU2MYP
> >
> > VU2YJM

> >
> > VU2NQS
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> >
> > Does anybody know whom these call signs (and caps!) belong to?
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> >
> > Also
> >
> > Envelopes/packets sent to the following members have come back
> undelivered:
> >
> >
> > Call sign/handle
> >
> > Items sent
> >
> > Reason for return
> >
> > VU2WLL
> >
> > CAP & ID CARD
> >
> > Party has gone outstation
> >
> > Dinesh Chowdhary
> >
> > Dues notice
> >
> > Person shifted elsewhere
> >
> > G.M. Zalke
> >
> > Dues notice
> >
> > Person shifted elsewhere
> >
> > Bhavana Kaul
> >
> > Annual Report
> >
> > Residence closed on 17th and 18th September
> >
> > Samson Ramrajkar
> >
> > Annual Report and Dues notice
> >

> > Residence closed on 17 and 18
> >
> > Ashish Raj Joshi
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> > Cap
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> > Residence closed on 16th and 17th
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> > 73s
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> > Prashant Koli
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> Service.
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> Message: 6
> Date: Wed, 12 Nov 2003 02:47:30 -0800 (PST)
> From: Rahul Srivastava
> Subject: Re: Digest Number 630
>
> Dear Ankur and friends,
> Hello!
> Ankur is right a fair amount of work needs to be done to get the

Green Birds on air as they have had their share of abuse in junk.
For benefit of all I once again give few common associated problems
and procedure.
> Ought to load this into files section but I love my India !!
>
> 1. Check the rig in its original condition and look for major
repairs.
> 2. Do not try to change it to HAM band, initially get it going on
original frequency.
> 3. RX section is sturdy I have not come across any set with defect
in this part, though Squelch may need some working upon.
> 4. Trimmers are fragile even though they appear to rotate but top
layer is only a deposit of film that often becomes loose with the
connecting screw resulting in to tuning.
> 5. PLL board needs special care and few have been found defective.
Symptom are no glow of LED or flashing LED.
> 6.Check the board with Orange wire supplying the PA board
disconnected as there is no SWR protection.
> 7.Mic gain is low and preset needs to be run almost full open.
> 8.Front panel has no wired earth connection but a small tin shield
over the Mic PTT connector if this becomes loose there is no audio
in TX or intermittent TX.
> 9. PTT Mic has two pole switch one for PTT and other for Mic
invariably one of the contact goes bad so either the rig only
transmit carrier with no audio or no tx at all.
> Shield plate again very important as it provides all ground
connection. I recommend wire the mic permanently and parallel the
switch and use it only for PTT.
> 10. Now connect a small 8-12pf capacitor from one end of VCO coil
to ground replace original board with the new EPROM board.
> 11.Channel select wire as viewed from front from L-R is Voilet,
brown,blue, green.
> Orange goes at top near 5V reg for Tx data change.
> 12. Set Ch10 and go into Tx adjust VCO coil for 3.7V on tune line
from PLL white flexible wire underboard to PLL from VCO. Check the
LED glows.
> 13 In RX adjust trimmer in VCO for 3.7V on Ch10 on tune V line.
> 14. Peak all trimmers in RX. Connect Qrange wire on PA and tune
the finals. The mica trimmers will have their screws in almost full
tight position.
> Hope this all helps.
> Meanwhile on topic of VHF rigs I have been told a Kenwood OEM
supplier from China is providing the same rigs for abt $100 rather
than its original cost of $250 . The Chinese cost is inclusive of
accessories that Kenwood provides as optional.
> http://www.kirisun.com/english/about.htm
> I feel it would be good to get a quote from him too. A bulk
purchase might even cost less.
> Lets get things moving.
> 73

> Rahul VU3WJM
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> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@egroups.com
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> There is 1 message in this issue.
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> Topics in this digest:
>
> 1. Workshop Bulletin
> From: "Ankur Puranik"
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> Message: 1
> Date: Mon, 10 Nov 2003 11:08:14 +0530
> From: "Ankur Puranik"
> Subject: Workshop Bulletin
>
> Current Happenings at the Radio Workshop
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> 1) Digital Packet Radio Modem Problem Debugging
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>
> 2) Working on the green birds.
>
>
> 3) Solution for HAM FRUSTRATION: - Cheap and Brand-new VHF base
staions.
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>
> 1) Digital Packet Radio Modems is under testing and debugging by
our homebrewing team.
> Results should be out by a week or two depending on the nature of

problem.
> Hams are requested to kindly help the packet modem debugging team
by lending the
> handys if required for testing.
>
>
> 2) The experimentation with the green bird is still on. Its not a
single fault to be
> fixed there . Everyone is wondering as to so many months have
passed and still the green birds are not on air. The reason being,
not all green birds have a common fault which could be fixed easily.
Every set has its own version of faults and problems which need to
be analysed individually.
> Every time we fix a fault in the radio set, we know this is not
the end & there are many more to be fixed.
> For eg: last week we got a green bird to transmit on the ham band,
but no audio was herd, just a motor-boating sound could be heard.
That got eleminated only by changing the complete microphone system
from dymamic microphone to the condencer microphone. So a lot has to
be done.
> As said by VU2NLF Rahul has done the spade work for us without
with it would be nearly impossible for us to even get the radio on
HAM band. Thanks to Rahul.!
>
>
> 3) Possibly by this monthend, we will be able to find a soultion
for our HAMs and
> SWL's and their frustration due to not so easily available and
expensive VHF base station.
> And by December end we may be able to provide a brand new (ya i
said BRAND-NEW)
> VHF base stn at a very affordable rate. So lets keep our fingers
crossed and lets hope things workout well.
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> Thats all for & in the Workshop Bulletin.
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> 73s
> Ankur Puranik
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> Message: 7
> Date: Thu, 13 Nov 2003 08:26:52 +0530
> From: "VU2NLF"
> Subject: Hamfest 2003 at Gandhinagar Successful.
>
> MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
>
> Dear Members,
>
> MARS participated in Hamfest 2003 in a big way, more than 67
members were present at the fest. It looked as if the fest was
organised by MARS with Classy MARS members in their Red & White T-
Shirts and Callsign caps. (hum red & white wallough ki baat hi kuch
aur hai).

>
> MARS also bagged the best presentation award. Unfortunately the
Gujarat hams had only 1 catagory for award, that was of best
presentation. Had there been more catagories such as (best club or
maximum particapation award), I am sure we would have bagged all of
them.
>
> Congratulations to all our MARS participants for make the trip
successful, We have set a precident for the rest of the ham club and
societies in India. I am sure in the coming Hamfest 2004, many clubs
and societies will try to replicate our performance.
>
> During our presentation on "Prepardness for Disaster Management",
a message to unite all the clubs and societies was clearly sent. The
response was very good as many hams approched us and have agreed to
the idea and are willing to work in tandem with us.
>
> MARS also managed to bring Hamfest 2004 to Mumbai, We got the bid
hands down, without any other bidder. (looking at our sheer strength
in number of participants, I guess nobody dared to compete).
>
> MARS was launched on the National Platform for the first time and
it has received the much due recognisation.
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> NLF
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> Message: 8
> Date: Thu, 13 Nov 2003 08:36:51 +0530
> From: "VU2NLF"
> Subject: Hamfest 2004 in Mumbai.
>
>
> MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

>
> Dear Members,
>
> Congratulations ..!!! , MARS have brought Hamfest 2004 to Mumbai,
The last time Hamfest was organised in Mumbai was way back in 1995,
much before MARS. After 9 years the Hamfest is back in Mumbai.
>
> Gujarat Hamfest 2003 has 425 participants, We are aiming at 2000 +
(2004 atleast). Hence it goes without saying a lot of efforts will
have to be put in by most of us.
>
> The "HAMFEST 2004 MANAGING COMMITEE" and the "HAMFEST 2004 TEAM"
will be formed shortly, all members interested in WORKING are
requested to kindly attend the meeting to be held on 16th November
2003 at 11:00 AM at B.S.Bengelle Girls School.
>
> We will require atleast 50 member team in order to make this
Hamfest 2004 a successful and memorable event.
>
> We have rocked Gujarat in Hamfest 2003, Its time to Rock India in
Hamfest 2004, so guys get ready for action..
>
> 73
> NLF
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> Message: 9
> Date: Thu, 13 Nov 2003 08:41:45 +0530
> From: "VU2NLF"
> Subject: Fw: ARLS014 ARISS Announces Roy Neal, K6DUE, ISS
Commemorative Event
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: ARRL Web site
> To:
> Cc:
> Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2003 12:57 AM
> Subject: ARLS014 ARISS Announces Roy Neal, K6DUE, ISS

Commemorative Event
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> > SB SPACE @ ARL $ARLS014
> > ARLS014 ARISS Announces Roy Neal, K6DUE, ISS Commemorative Event
> >
> > ZCZC AS14
> > QST de W1AW
> > Space Bulletin 014 ARLS014
> > From ARRL Headquarters
> > Newington, CT November 12, 2003
> > To all radio amateurs
> >
> > SB SPACE ARL ARLS014
> > ARLS014 ARISS Announces Roy Neal, K6DUE, ISS Commemorative Event
> >
> > The Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS)
> > international team has announced an on-the-air event to
commemorate
> > Roy Neal, K6DUE, who died August 16. ARISS requested that the ISS
> > Expedition 8 crew communicate from space with earthbound radio
> > amateurs during the November 29-30 weekend. Those contacting the
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> >
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1430. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-14 16:35:55 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1430 Message: 1430

HI FREINdS,

As there is meeting already announceD for , 16th nov
at 11 00 am , at bengalee girls high school , i take
upon this oppurtunity to , request al the swls anD
hams who participateD for JOTA , pls Do make it a
point to attend the meeting which will be sort of
thanks giving , also debreifing and certificate
awarDing ceremony all inclusive .

see ya all at meeting on sunday
73S
DE VU2 UGJ
MUKESH JAITLEY

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1431. Re: [m_a_r_s] updated list of the homebrew team

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-18 05:18:24 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1431 Message: 1431

great..!!! now what is the game plan ???
----- Original Message -----
From: Ankur Puranik
To: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com ; mars_classes@yahoogroups.com ; m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, November 14, 2003 12:00 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] updated list of the homebrew team

THE HOMEBREWING TEAM / THE RADIO WORKSHOP TEAM

So far the homebrewing team consists of the following members. (as on 14/11/2003)

1) ANKUR PURANIK

2) HUAFRAID BHATENA

3) SANTOSH THOMAS

4) *RAHUL SHRIVASTAV (VU3WJM)

5) SHRIRAM N

6) NILESH MALPEKAR

7) GAUTAM KEDIA

8) *PARIN GANGAR (VU2PIC)

9) ULHAS PARALKAR

10) ANURAG CHUGH

11) SACHIN SUNRENDRAN

12) KAUSHIK SANGHAVI.

13) MANI BATHIJA.

Incase your name should have appeared in the above list but does not appear .. pls bring it to my notice.

73's

Ankur Puranik

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1432. RFI : MARS T-Shirt

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-19 07:45:13 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1432 Message: 1432

Hi !!

If anyone of you have found new MARS-T-Shirts (2 Nos - XL size) at the B.G.HighSchool during the Sunday (16.11.2003) meeting, pls contact me (O) 56607375 (R) 28684994 or e-mail me direct.

tnx de VU2UGO

Interesting URLs of ISS :
http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/station/reference/radio/
http://www.spaceref.com/iss/
www.rac.ca/ariss
www.ariss.net
www.issfanclub.com
http://ariss.gsfc.nasa.gov/

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1433. Happy Birthday - Harsha Salian

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-20 04:13:27 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1433 Message: 1433

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its Member HARSHA SALIAN - S.W.L. a very Happy Birthday

1434. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - Harsha Salian

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-20 12:53:03 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1433 Message: 1434

Dear harsha

happy happy birthday to you

zyros vu2zrs

----Original Message Follows----
From: "VU2NLF" <vu2nlf@...>
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
CC: <mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com>, <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - Harsha Salian
Date: Thu, 20 Nov 2003 09:43:27 +0530

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1435. Happy Birthday - Rahim Bardai.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-21 07:12:42 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1435 Message: 1435

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its Member RAHIM BARDAI - S.W.L a very Happy Birthday

1436. Rock Climbing & Rappelling Sessions

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-21 07:04:57 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1436 Message: 1436
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Members,

Giriraj Mountianeering Club has organised a special programme of Rock Climbing & Rappelling Sessions

All members interested may directly contact the concerned persons as per the file attached.

73
nlf

1437. Hamming from USA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-21 15:03:10 UTC
From: ajay solanki
Topic: 1437 Message: 1437

Hi Guys
I would be travelling to Colorado for three weeks from
Dec1.
Can anyone tell me what I need to do if I have to work
stations from the local club.
Can I purchase a handy from US and get it back with
me.
(I mean what If I buy a second hand handy or HF
and what if I buy a new handy.)
What are the duties that I will have to pay and what
if I dont declare and the custum guys dont ask for
duty??
Any info??
Regards,
Ajay...

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1438. Happy Birthday - VU2PIG ....Oops.. VU2PIC

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-22 05:50:12 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1438 Message: 1438

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MARS wishes its Member PARIN GANGAR - VU2PIC a very Happy Birthday

1439. Listen to AIR FORCE ONE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-22 08:36:29 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 1439 Message: 1439

Any one interested, you can hear Air Force One on 6622 usb just
now,call is SAM28000.

I got the info from eQSO yahoo group.

73

IF IT HAS TO BE, IT IS UPTO ME !!!!!!

Parin J Gangar (VU2PIC)

39/A, Sitaram Niwas,
Shiv Mandir Road,
Dombivli - East
Pin - 421201
Maharashtra, India
paringangar@... Tel: 0251-2442955

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1440. pareen bday wow

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-22 08:57:32 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1440 Message: 1440

happy birthday pareen
god bless you
vu2zrs

----Original Message Follows----
From: VU2NLF <vu2nlf@...>
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
CC: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com, mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2PIG ....Oops.. VU2PIC
Date: Sat, 22 Nov 2003 11:20:12 +0530

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1441. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2PIG ....Oops.. VU2PIC

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-22 11:53:52 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 1438 Message: 1441

Thank you very much NLF.

This is the first time I have received Birthday Wishes from MARS ever since I have joined MARS.

Every year I used to see birthday wishes for others in my MailBox and wished I will also get one but HARD LUCK I never got them.

Thanks again !!!!!

Parin J Gangar
39/A, Sitaram Niwas, 4th Floor,
Shiv Mandir Road,
Dombivli - East
Pin - 421 201
Maharashtra
India
Phone : 91 - 251 - 2 44 29 55

----Original Message Follows----
From: "VU2NLF"
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To:
CC: ,
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2PIG ....Oops.. VU2PIC
Date: Sat, 22 Nov 2003 11:20:12 +0530

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MARS wishes its Member PARIN GANGAR - VU2PIC a very Happy Birthday

Find your first love. Rekindle past joys! Get in touch with batchmates.
(http://g.msn.com/8HMBENIN/2755??PS=)

1442. Re: [m_a_r_s] pareen bday wow

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-22 11:55:50 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 1440 Message: 1442

Thanks A LOT Zyros !!!!!

----Original Message Follows----
From: "ZYROS ZEND"
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] pareen bday wow
Date: Sat, 22 Nov 2003 08:57:32 +0000

happy birthday pareen
god bless you
vu2zrs

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From: VU2NLF
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
CC: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com, mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2PIG ....Oops.. VU2PIC
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1443. Fw: ARLS016 International Space Station Marks Five Years in Space

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-23 09:57:04 UTC
From: MARS
Topic: 1443 Message: 1443

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----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@...>
To: <info@...>
Cc: <Subscribed ARRL Members: ;>
Sent: Saturday, November 22, 2003 6:21 AM
Subject: ARLS016 International Space Station Marks Five Years in Space

> SB SPACE @ ARL $ARLS016
> ARLS016 International Space Station Marks Five Years in Space
>
> ZCZC AS16
> QST de W1AW
> Space Bulletin 016 ARLS016
> From ARRL Headquarters
> Newington, CT November 21, 2003
> To all radio amateurs
>
> SB SPACE ARL ARLS016
> ARLS016 International Space Station Marks Five Years in Space
>
> The International Space Station has been in space five years and has
> had Amateur Radio and a permanent crew onboard for three years as of
> this month. Since attaining orbit, the ISS has grown from a lone,
> uninhabited module into a continuously staffed, house-sized research
> facility.
>
> The Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program
> has been a part of the ISS since November 2000. The US, Russia,
> Canada, Japan and Europe have cooperated in making the ISS a reality
> as well as with making ARISS a success.
>
> The ARISS initial station gear went into space in September 2000. A
> month later, the FCC granted vanity call signs NA1SS and NN1SS to
> the International Space Station Amateur Radio Club for US ARISS
> operations. Russia has issued the call signs RZ3DZR and RS0ISS for
> ISS use.
>
> The capabilities of NA1SS also are slated to expand in the near
> future. Already on board is a Kenwood TM-D700E VHF/UHF transceiver.
> The unit will mean a significant boost to the power output of the
> ARISS initial station gear--from 5 W to 25 W. Additional gear,
> including SSTV hardware, tentatively is set for transport in
> January.
> NNNN
> /EX
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>

1444. Re: [mars_classes] Happy Birthday - VU2PIG ....Oops.. VU2PIC

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-23 10:47:13 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1444 Message: 1444

Hi Parin,

Wish you many many happy returns of the day...

Regds,

Mehul

----- Original Message -----
From: VU2NLF
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com ; mars_classes@...m
Sent: Saturday, November 22, 2003 11:20 AM
Subject: [mars_classes] Happy Birthday - VU2PIG ....Oops.. VU2PIC

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1445. [Fwd: RE: [vu2q8] YAESU dealer]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-25 12:25:06 UTC
From: NR Sharma
Topic: 1445 Message: 1445

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: RE: [vu2q8] YAESU dealer
Date: Tue, 25 Nov 2003 13:15:06 +0300
From: VP <viswaprabha@...>
Reply-To: vu2q8@yahoogroups.com
To: vu2q8@yahoogroups.com

I have downloaded a copy 7.6 MB of F840 now from a site called
http://212.159.46.133 It looks like that is an anonymous treasure of all
Tranciever/like manuals incl. HP/ICOM/yaesu etc.

The link of 840 here is

http://212.159.46.133/Yaesu/Service%20Manuals/YAESU.%20FT840.%20TRANSCEI
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http://www.qsl.net/n3sme/ft840.txt

FT840 Manual by Mail order. But Must pay and wait.....!

http://www.btinternet.com/~geoffrey.brown3/manuals/yaesuam.html

Yet another one such...
http://www.mauritron.plus.com/html/yaesu.html

A treasury of Technical Manuals Collection. Can be downloaded. But one
FT840 user manual found was in Russian!

http://www.cqham.ru/sch_eng.html

>From the Yaesu site,
http://www.yaesu.com/indexVS.cfm?cmd=DisplayProducts&ProdCatID=102&encPr
odID=EAQjWfPbeOM%3D&DivisionID=65&isArchived=0&currTab=tab_Description&c
urrDiv=DescriptionDiv&ExpandID=0,Description

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-----Original Message-----
From: Alex Chandy [mailto:alxchandy@...]
Sent: Monday, November 24, 2003 08:32 PM
To: vu2q8@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [vu2q8] YAESU dealer

Does anybody know who is the Yaesu dealer in Kuwait? Prof. Jayaram
recently got a FT840 txcvr and needs a technical manual and also
some connectors for it. So if anybody knows where I can get hold of
the same, kindly let me know.

73s
Alex

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1447. QST November'2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-26 07:11:43 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1447 Message: 1447

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QST - NOVEMBER'2003 Contents :-
a.. The Dangers of Cathode Keying - By Sam Karty, KD4VRS
Keying an older transmitter? Be Careful!
Most tube circuits are dangerous because of the high voltages they require does not imply that all transistors circuits are safe, since many transistor circuits do operate above 40V DC Many experienced hams might consider these precautions to be just plain old common sense, until they think about how often they could have been electrocuted while learning them. It is far better to discover these dangers by reading about them, rather than by experiencing them firsthand.
http://www.stanford.edu/~sshafer/LECTURES.DIR/Notes/Electrical%20Safety.Doc

b.. The Simple Superhet - By Ron D'Eau Claire, AC7AC
Is it possible to design an easy-to-build receiver that will demonstrate the basic concepts of the superheterodyne circuit and still give adequate performance?

c.. The Plumber's Half Square - By Douglas Stinson, KG6ADR
The half-square antenna has a bidirectional pattern with some gain and useful nulls. In crowded RF environments, this easy to construct antenna is an excellent choice.
www.cebik.com/hs.html

d.. My Big Homebrew Rig Project - By Robert B. Login, AA8A
Let's jump back to the 1950s when many an amateur - including this one - dreamed of a big rack-mounted kilowatt transmitter.

e.. Two Bands from One Dipole - By Marc C. Tarplee, N4UFP
A dual-band dipole design using no traps or coils.

f.. AO-40 for us Appliance Operators - By Bill Tynan, W3XO
Setting up a station for the OSCAR 40 satellite is easier than you think.
(W0LMD provides information on constructing patch feeds at
www.ultimatecharger.com/Dish_Feed_S.html)

g.. The QTH is Shanghai - By Ray Jacob, W2RJJ
Enjoying Amateur Radio from a different cultural point of view.

More information to obtain a visitors' operating permit from China is available at
www.crsa.org.cn

h.. Exercise and Ham Radio - Why Not? - By Paul Taenzer, VE6PY
It's no oxymoron. The author has been biking his way to fitness for 15 years... and he's still at it.

i.. Hams Redeem Old Transmitter at Fountain of Youth - By Paul Courson, WA3VJB
Historic radio station relocates and leaves behind a vintage Collins rig.
Related Web Sites : www.amfone.net www.amwindow.org www.radiohistory.org

j.. Two Anniversaries for Ham Radio in Space
This month marks the anniversaries of the first Amateur Radio communication aboard two space entities : a NASA space shuttle and the Mir space station.

k.. EmComm Classes Make the Grade - By Dave Hassler, K7CCC
ARRL emergency communications courses provide students with the right tools to begin participating effectively in emergency public service work.
www.arrl.org/cce

l.. The 2003 ARRL Frequency Measuring Test
www.arrl.org/w1aw/fmt/0210051.pdf

m.. An FT-817 Compact Fast Charger - By Phil Salas, AD5X
Don't wait 20 hours to recharge those FT-817 cells. Build your own versatile fast charger and have 16 more hours to operate!

n.. Changes to the 2003-2004 ARRL Contest Rules - By Dan Henderson, N1ND
A few new rules - and a strong emphasis on Good Operating Procedures.

o.. STRAYS

a.. Web Page for real time HF propagation - www.salsawaves.com/propagation

b.. New Books -
UP TWO - Adventures of a Dxpeditioner - www.idiompress.com
Arthur Collins, Radio Wizard - www.collinsbook.com
FCC Rule Book - www.arrl.org/shop
Independent Energy Guide - Electrical Power for Home, Boat & RV - www.arrl.org/shop

a.. Public Service
a.. ARRL SKYWARN Recognition Day
b.. Kentucky ARES assists in search for missing aircraft
c.. The 2002 Marine Corps Marathon
d.. A Temporary mobile groundplane for emergency response use

b.. Product Review -
a.. ICOM IC-703 PLUS HF Transceiver (www.icomamerica.com)
ICOM's new HF QRP transceiver adds 6 meters. This makes a great travel companion for CW and SSB operators (FM and AM too) at up to 10W out and with a competent general coverage receiver as well.

b.. QST Compares : 222MHz FM Transceivers from ADI, Alinco and Kenwood
Three commercially available 222MHz FM transceivers (ADI AR-247 / Alinco - DR-235 / Kenwood TM-331A) make it easy for amateurs to make better use of this quet VHF band. These radios offer function and peformance comparable to 146 MHz radios at a similar price. While each offers similar performance, they differ in features provided.

c.. New Products
a.. MultiNEC 2.0 Propagation Prediction Program with Antenna Modeling (www.qsl.net/ac6la/)

b.. Manual and Motor Driven Rotatable HF Dipoles from HI-Q (www.hiqantennas.com)

c.. HEIL Sound Proline Microphone Products (www.heilsound.com)

d.. QRP J-38 Telegraph Key (www.qrpj38.com)

e.. IC-706MKII-G Quick Reference Mini-Manual (www.niftyaccessories.com)

f.. AOR Digital HF Format Modem - (www.aorusa.com/comard9800.html)

g.. WA0JOW Transtenna Pro, Transmission Line Software (www.gbronline.com/transtenna)

h.. Ceramic Magnets from Metal & Cable Corp - (www.metal-cable.com)

i.. West Mountain Radio Rigrunner 4010S - (www.westmountainradio.com)

d.. Regular Features -
a.. Help Desk
b.. The Doctor is IN
c.. Short Takes (WXtoImg - www.weather.net.nz/wxtoimg, Amateur Contact Log - www.n3fjp.com)
d.. Hands-on Radio (Experiment #10 - Using SCRs - silicon controlled rectifier),
e.. Hints & Kinks (A Junk-box Mic Extension, PIC Programmer Corrections, More External Keying for the IC-706, Ten-Tec paragon Battery warning, A super glue solvent),
f.. Technical Correspondence
g.. The World above 50MHz (Day-to-Day Operating: Activity Nets),
h.. How's DX? (Missionary DXpeditioning - A Source of Satisfaction),
i.. Microwavelengths (24GHz - www.wa1mba.org)
j.. QRP Power (Resurrecting a QRP Classic - Part 2)
k.. Old Radio (1922 Armstrong Transatlantic Letter Found),
l.. OP-ED (Let's Put Radio Back in Ham Radio)
m.. At the Foundation, Happenings, Correspondence, Workbench, Feedback, Hamfest Calendar, Strays, 75-50 & 25 Years Ago, Contest Corral, Hamfest Calendar, Coming Conventions, Special Events, Ham Ads

1449. Happy Id

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-26 11:58:32 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1449 Message: 1449

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes you and your Family a very happy Id-ul-Fitr

1451. Happy Birthday - vu3kny

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-27 14:31:16 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1451 Message: 1451

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its Member JOSHEPH KINNY - VU3KNY a very Happy Birthday

1452. Happy Birthday - Dinesh Patel

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-27 14:31:52 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1452 Message: 1452

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its Member DINESH PATEL - S.W.L. a very Happy Birthday

1453. Welcome VU2GTE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-27 14:33:37 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1453 Message: 1453

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS welcomes Life Member ROOMY SHROFF - VU2GTE to our Ham radio parivaar.

1454. Fw: The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 47

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-27 15:18:57 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1454 Message: 1454

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----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Letter Mailing List <letter-dlvy@...>
To: <info@...>
Sent: Thursday, November 27, 2003 5:32 AM
Subject: The ARRL Letter, Vol 22, No 47

> ***************
> The ARRL Letter
> Vol. 22, No. 47
> November 28, 2003
> ***************
>
> IN THIS EDITION:
>
> * +ARRL on-line licensing course to debut soon
> * +FCC announces Wireless Bureau reorganization
> * +ARISS Roy Neal, K6DUE, special event starts November 29
> * +Expedition 8 commander predicts moon colonies
> * +FCC begins revocation proceeding for convicted murderer
> * +California club to host USA ARDF Championships
> * +ARRL Honorary Vice President Robert York Chapman, W1QV, SK
> * Solar Update
> * IN BRIEF:
> This weekend on the radio
> ARRL Emergency Communications course registration
> FCC begins "interference temperature" proceeding
> +AO-40 transponders off for a month
> IARU-R1 and CEPT Electronic Communications Committee to cooperate
>
> +Available on ARRL Audio News
>
> ============================================================
> NOTE: ARRL Headquarters is closed Thursday and Friday, November 27 and 28,
> for the Thanksgiving holiday. There will be no W1AW bulletin or code
> practice transmissions on those days. This week's editions of The ARRL
> Letter, ARRL Audio News and the DX and propagation bulletins are being
> distributed early. ARRL Headquarters reopens Monday, December 1. We wish
> everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday!--Rick Lindquist, N1RL
> ============================================================
>
> ==>ON-LINE LICENSING COURSE, LOBBYING KIT PART OF ARRL'S 2004 PLAN
>
> An on-line Amateur Radio licensing course--possibly bundled with ARRL
> membership--plus additional Certification and Continuing Education courses
> <http://www.arrl.org/cce/> are among the strategic objectives of the
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> League's 2004 Operational Plan. The League also plans to evaluate its
> existing ARRL on-line class offerings. The item was among several the ARRL
> Executive Committee (EC) designated to include in next year's plan when it
> met November 9 in Irving, Texas. Work on the licensing course already is
> under way, and the ARRL expects to announce its availability in the near
> future.
>
> At a mid-September strategic planning session, ARRL Board members agreed
> to let the EC pick the 2004 objectives to incorporate into the 2004
> Operational Plan. In the future, the full Board will handle the task.
> Other strategic objectives include development of a grassroots lobbying
> kit for ARRL members to use when approaching congressional representatives
> in their home districts on legislation affecting Amateur Radio and
> surveying served agencies such as relief organizations to identify their
> present and future emergency communications requirements and areas of
> Amateur Radio performance that may need improvement.
>
> The EC included some bottom-line related strategic objectives: That the
> League operate profitably to insure its future well being, and that it
> develop as ARRL Board policy a requirement that all new programs and
> services have a business plan and at least break even financially.
>
> In other matters, ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, told the EC that the League
> is close to signing a contract calling for independent testing and
> measurement of Broadband over Power Line (BPL) interference
> characteristics. Earlier this year, the FCC issued a Notice of Inquiry, ET
> 03-104, that enthusiastically endorsed the prospect of BPL, which the ARRL
> and others feel poses the potential of possibly severe interference to
> licensed HF radio services. The contract would include certification by
> professional engineers.
>
> The EC discussed and developed draft proposals to implement changes in US
> Amateur Radio rules in the wake of World Radiocommunication Conference
> 2003 (WRC-03). Among other significant changes, WRC-03 left it up to
> individual countries whether to require a Morse code test for access to
> amateur high-frequency allocations. The ARRL Board of Directors will
> discuss the EC's recommendations in detail at its January 2004 meeting.
>
> The EC also voted not to go forward with an appeal of FCC actions to
> permit expanded unlicensed Part 15 operations in the 24.05-24.25 GHz band.
> The ARRL had filed a Petition for Review October 22 with the US Court of A
> ppeals for the District of Columbia Circuit of two FCC orders that would
> allow certification of unlicensed 24-GHz equipment at field strengths 10
> times the level Part 15 rules now permit. After discussing the pros and
> cons of the case and the minimal prospects for a positive outcome, the
> Executive Committee voted to withdraw the League's appeal.
>
> Minutes of the November EC meeting are available on the ARRL Web site
> <http://www.arrl.org/announce/ec_minutes_472.html>.
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> ==>FCC REORGANIZES WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU
>
> The FCC has announced a reorganization of its Wireless Telecommunications
> Bureau (WTB) <http://wireless.fcc.gov/> "to more effectively support the
> FCC's strategic goals--broadband, competition, spectrum, media, homeland
> security and modernizing the FCC." The WTB administers the Amateur Radio
> Service (Part 97) and amateur licensing, but the changes are expected to
> be transparent to the amateur community. The Amateur Service now will be
> administered by the newly named Public Safety and Critical Infrastructure
> Division. D'wana Terry, formerly chief of the Public Safety and Private
> Wireless Division, will head the new division.
>
> "The bureau's portfolios have been redistributed along the lines of
> strategic goals, consolidating similar functions to focus resources
> better," the FCC said in a November 24 public notice. As a result of the
> reorganization, which the FCC approved November 13, WTB expands from five
> to six divisions: Public Safety and Critical Infrastructure, Spectrum
> Management Resources and Technologies, Auctions and Spectrum Access,
> Spectrum and Competition Policy, Mobility, and Broadband.
>
> In addition to the Amateur Service, the Public Safety and Critical
> Infrastructure Division will oversee Part 95, Marine, Aviation,
> Intelligent Transportation Systems, Public Safety Fixed Microwave, Public
> Safety and Private Land Mobile services and E911, among other areas.
> Responsibilities moved elsewhere include Fixed Microwave (Part 101),
> Instructional Television Fixed Service, the Multipoint Distribution
> Service, and the Multichannel Video Distribution and Data Service.
>
> The action reduces the scope and size of WTB's larger divisions and
> eliminates separate branches below the division level, while retaining
> their current functions. One of those was the Licensing and Technical
> Analysis Branch, headquartered in the FCC's Gettysburg, Pennsylvania,
> office. Among other tasks, that branch has handled the granting and
> issuance of Amateur Radio licenses and the vanity call sign program.
> Another was the Policy and Rules Branch at FCC Headquarters, which has
> been the home of Bill Cross, W3TN, an FCC figure well-known within the
> amateur community. Among other tasks, that branch has handled Amateur
> Radio rule making petitions and Part 97 rules interpretations.
>
> A potential plus of the new arrangement is that Cross now will work under
> another amateur licensee, Mike Wilhelm, WS6BR, who will report to Terry.
>
> The FCC said eliminating branches would promote greater management
> flexibility in deploying resources and lead to a flatter, more flexible
> organization without altering the bureau's overall mission. The Commission
> said it was able to carry out the reorganization by redeploying existing
> positions.
>
> WTB Chief John Muleta said the reorganization will result in "a
> mission-driven team that will be innovative in its approach to regulatory

> policies and customer service."
>
> ==>ROY NEAL, K6DUE, ARISS COMMEMORATIVE EVENT STARTS NOVEMBER 29
>
> An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) NA1SS special
> event to commemorate Roy Neal, K6DUE (SK), gets under way Saturday,
> November 29, with an ISS pass over the US West Coast. ARISS International
> Chair Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, says ARISS has provided ISS Expedition 8
> Commander Mike Foale, KB5UAC, with a list of potential passes for the
> November 29-30 weekend. (See the ARRL Web site
> <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2003/11/26/3/> for frequencies and pass
> times.)
>
> "It is our expectation that Mike will probably concentrate on a couple of
> passes over North America and/or Europe this weekend, but we cannot be
> sure of this," Bauer said. "So our advice is to be listening wherever you
> live in the world." ARISS requests that special event participants keep
> all contacts short.
>
> Bauer said Foale hopes to be on the air from NA1SS for the special event
> for about two passes per weekend through December. "This, of course, is
> completely contingent upon his schedule and other duties or issues that
> might crop up on ISS," he cautioned. Those contacting the ISS by voice
> (NA1SS) or packet (RS0ISS) through the end of December will be eligible
> for a special anniversary event certificate.
>
> Born Roy N. Hinkel, Neal--a former NBC News correspondent and
> executive--chaired the Space Amateur Radio EXperiment (SAREX)/Amateur
> Radio on the International Space Station Working Group and moderated many
> of its meetings. Through his extensive NASA contacts, he was instrumental
> in the 1980s to convince NASA management to fly Amateur Radio onboard the
> space shuttle.
>
> November 28 marks the 20th anniversary of the first Amateur Radio
> operation from space by astronaut Owen Garriott, W5LFL, from the shuttle
> Columbia. Amateur Radio communication from the ISS began three years ago
> this month, when Expedition 1 crew members Sergei Krikalev, U5MIR, and
> Bill Shepherd, KD5GSL, spoke with R3K, the Energia amateur station in
> Russia, and with NN1SS, the ISS ground station at Goddard Space Flight
> Center in Maryland.
>
> Bauer advised those working NA1SS to not request a certificate until ARISS
> releases QSL instructions. Additional information may be available on the
> ARISS Web site <http://www.rac.ca/ariss/>.
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> ==>EXPEDITION 8 COMMANDER ENJOYS FIRST SCHOOL GROUP QSO
>
> ISS Expedition 8 Commander Mike Foale, KB5UAC, took the controls of NA1SS
> aboard the International Space Station November 25 for his first school
> group contact. The QSO with youngsters at the Renmark Primary School in

> South Australia was arranged via the Amateur Radio on the International
> Space Station (ARISS) program. Foale predicted during his ham radio
> conversation with the Renmark pupils that humans would one day colonize
> the moon.
>
> "People should be living on the moon in another 10 years," Foale told the
> youngsters, and I hope some of them will be you." Foale and Russian
> cosmonaut Alex "Sasha" Kaleri, U8MIR, have been aboard the ISS for about
> one month. Foale said he's already a bit homesick, and he expects that to
> get worse after the Christmas holiday.
>
> The British-born Foale, who did a duty tour on the Russian Mir spacecraft
> in 1997, said he has wanted to be an astronaut since the age of six.
> "People laughed at me when I was a little boy, but I kept thinking about
> it and studied hard at school and eventually ended up getting to the ISS,"
> he said. Living aboard the space station, he explained, is "like living in
> a laboratory" and involves a lot of hard work.
>
> In response to one youngster who asked what it sounded like in space,
> Foale remarked that the sound of the air-circulating fans is pervasive.
> "We hear fans running all the time circulating air," he said. "One time,
> we turned off all the fans, and it was dead quiet." The fans are necessary
> because of a lack of convection currents in the spacecraft's microgravity
> environment. Foale pointed out to the students that the crew could not
> leave the fans off for very long without risking a dangerous buildup of
> carbon dioxide.
>
> The selection of food aboard the ISS is good, he said. "I went to boarding
> school in Britain," Foale quipped, "so I can eat most any food. The food
> here is better than boarding school."
>
> Foale also noted that he does not get bored in space and always has
> something to do in his off-time. In addition to e-mailing family and
> friends, he said he enjoys computer programming and also keeps a journal.
>
> Making the Renmark school group contact possible involved arrangements on
> two continents. Members of the Riverland Radio Club
> <http://www.rrc.org.au> in Australia assisted at the school, while
> operators at W6SRJ, the Santa Rosa Junior College Amateur Radio Club
> station, in California, handled the actual radio link with NA1SS. MCI
> provided two-way audio teleconferencing for the event. Will Marchant,
> KC6ROL, moderated the contact from Virginia.
>
> ARISS <http://www.rac.ca/ariss/> is an international project with
> participation and support from ARRL, NASA and AMSAT.
>
> ==>FCC THREATENS CONVICTED KILLER'S HAM TICKET ON "CHARACTER
> QUALIFICATIONS"
>
> The FCC has issued an Order to Show Cause to a Texas Amateur Radio

> licensee who's now serving a 32-year prison sentence for killing his wife
> in 1996. The FCC's show cause order released November 21 is the opening
> bell in a hearing process that could end with the revocation of the
> Advanced class license of Roger Thomas Scaggs, W5EBC. He must indicate
> within 30 days whether he plans to appear at a hearing on the matter to
> show cause why his license should not be revoked.
>
> "Mr Scaggs' murder conviction raises very serious questions as to whether
> he possesses the requisite character qualifications to be and to remain a
> Commission licensee and whether his license should be revoked," the FCC
> said. At one time reserved for assessing the fitness of broadcast
> applicants and licensees, the FCC's "character qualifications" standard to
> date has extended into the Amateur Radio arena only in a handful of cases.
> The Order asserts that the Commission has "consistently applied" character
> qualifications to Amateur Radio Service applicants. Three of the four
> examples it cites to support that claim involved
> telecommunications-related offenses, and one involved indecent assault
> upon and corruption of minors.
>
> The Order cites ?312(a)(2) of the Communications Act that says the FCC may
> revoke any license on the basis of "conditions coming to the attention of
> the Commission which would warrant it in refusing to grant a license or
> permit on the original application." Scaggs, 64, apparently was able to
> renew his ham ticket in the spring of 1998--the same year in which he was
> later convicted of murdering his wife, Penny. The FCC granted Scaggs'
> application for an administrative update--apparently a change of address
> from Austin to Gatesville, Texas. His license expires in 2008.
>
> The FCC reportedly only recently became aware of Scaggs' murder
> conviction, which could keep him behind bars at least until he's 75.
>
> Assuming that Scaggs or his attorney indicates that he will appear for or
> be represented at a formal hearing, the FCC will follow up with a Hearing
> Designation Order. Held before an administrative law judge, the hearing
> would consider evidence concerning the effect of Scaggs' felony conviction
> on his qualifications to remain an FCC licensee and, in light of the
> evidence, whether his license should be revoked.
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> ==>SANTA BARBARA CLUB TO HOST USA ARDF CHAMPIONSHIPS
>
> The Santa Barbara Amateur Radio Club will host the 2004 USA Amateur Radio
> Direction Finding (ARDF) Championships, ARRL ARDF Coordinator Joe Moell,
> K0OV, announced this week. Moell said the fourth annual USA ARDF event
> will be held next June in California.
>
> "Radio-orienteers from all over the country plus visitors from abroad are
> expected to attend," Moell said. "The competitive courses are open to
> anyone of any age from any country, with or without an Amateur Radio
> license."
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> Medals will be awarded in five age categories for male competitors and
> four for female competitors, in accordance with International Amateur
> Radio Union (IARU) rules. The competition, which will include both
> 80-meter and 2-meter events, gets under way June 16.
>
> After a day for practice and alignment sessions and opening ceremonies the
> full-length 2-meter competition will take place June 18. The 80-meter
> competition will take place the next day, followed by closing ceremonies.
>
> Moell says the USA Championships will occur just in time for final
> selection of ARDF Team USA 2004 members. Those chosen for Team USA will
> travel to the Czech Republic for the 12th ARDF World Championships,
> September 7-12. "Team positions will be filled based on performances in
> the 2004 events in California and the 2003 events in Ohio," he explained.
>
> One of North America's ARDF pioneers, Marvin Johnston, KE6HTS, will serve
> as general chair for the 2004 USA Championships. Johnston was a member of
> USA's first team to the 1998 ARDF World Championships held in Hungary and
> he won medals at the last two USA ARDF Championships.
>
> The hosting SBARC also "has an abundance of ARDF talent," Moell said. That
> includes club president Jay Hennigan, WB6RDV, who took gold in his age
> category on both 80 and 2 meters in this year's USA Championships in
> Cincinnati. Other SBARC medal winners include Scott Moore, KF6IKO, who won
> bronze on 80 and 2 meters in Cincinnati. SBARC will collaborate with the
> Los Angeles Orienteering Club (LAOC) to prepare maps and set up the
> start/finish areas for the competition.
>
> An official Web site for the 2004 Championships is under construction. It
> will contain complete rules and technical details, including competition
> frequencies, plus registration and lodging information. Information about
> transmitter hunting and US ARDF activities is available on Moell's Homing
> In Web site <http://www.homingin.com>.
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> ==>FORMER NEW ENGLAND DIRECTOR ROBERT CHAPMAN, W1QV, SK
>
> Former ARRL New England Director Robert York Chapman, W1QV, of Groton,
> Connecticut, died November 21. He was 96. Chapman served as New England
> Division Director from 1965 until 1975, when the ARRL Board of Directors
> elected him an ARRL Honorary Vice President. Chapman also was president
> emeritus of the ARRL Foundation, which he helped to found in 1973.
>
> "He was the 'grand old man' of Amateur Radio in Southeastern Connecticut
> 40 years ago when I became a ham," recalled ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ.
> Sumner said that during his tenure on the ARRL Board, Chapman championed
> ARRL life membership (he was a Charter Life Member) and, at the Board's
> May 1968 meeting, proposed the ARRL Five-Band DXCC Award as the epitome of
> Amateur Radio DX achievement.
>
> An ARRL member since 1923 and a ham since 1924 (as 1QV), Chapman served in

> the US Naval Reserve during World War II after studying at Columbia
> University and Johns Hopkins University.
>
> He was the director of the Acoustical Research and Development Division
> at the US Navy Submarine Base in Groton, where he led the program to
> develop silencing mechanisms for ships and was a Navy consultant in the
> field of acoustics.
>
> Chapman was a member and past president of the Tri-City Radio Club and
> chaired 21 consecutive club hamfests. He also was member of the A1
> Operator Club, the Quarter Century Wireless Association, the Old Old
> Timers Club and IEEE.
>
> Survivors include three sons, a daughter and a sister. The family invites
> memorial donations to the Poquonnock Bridge Baptist Church, South Road,
> Groton, CT 06340.
>
> ==>SOLAR UPDATE
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> Propagation guru Tad "When I Wanted Sunshine, I Got Rain" Cook, K7RA,
> Seattle, Washington, reports: This short propagation update is going out
> early, since ARRL headquarters will be closed Thursday and Friday for the
> Thanksgiving holiday. We'll report sunspot numbers, solar flux and A
> indices for November 20-26 in a subsequent bulletin during the week of
> December 1.
>
> Solar flux and sunspot numbers are expected to trend slightly lower than
> now. Solar flux for the past week has been running from 171 to 178, and
> for the CQ World Wide DX Contest CW the weekend of November 29-30, values
> should run 15 to 20 points lower.
>
> After settling down over the next two days, geomagnetic conditions are
> expected to be quiet, which should be great news for contesters.
>
> For a last-minute propagation assessment before the contest weekend, check
> the NW7US site <http://www.hfradio.org/propagation.html>. To see which way
> the interplanetary magnetic field is pointing, check SpaceWeather.com
> <http://spaceweather.com/>. This information appears under the heading
> "Interplanetary Mag. Field"--just below the sunspot number on the
> left-hand side of the page. If it is pointing north, which it was as of
> about 1630 UTC today, conditions should be fairly quiet and stable--even
> if there is a strong solar wind.
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> ==>IN BRIEF:
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> * This weekend on the radio: The CQ World Wide DX Contest (CW) is the
> weekend of November 29-30. JUST AHEAD: The ARRL 160-Meter Contest, the QRP
> ARCI Topband Sprint, the PSK31 Death Match, the TARA RTTY Melee and the

> TOPS Activity 80-Meter Contest are the weekend of December 6-7. The ARRL
> 10-Meter Contest is the weekend of December 13-14. See the ARRL Contest
> Page <http://www.arrl.org/contests> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar
> <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.
>
> * ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration opens
> Monday, December 1, 12:01 AM Eastern Time (0501 UTC), for the on-line
> Level I Emergency Communications course (EC-001). Registration remains
> open through the December 6-7 weekend or until all available seats have
> been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, December 16.
> Thanks to our grant sponsors--the Corporation for National and Community
> Service and United Technologies Corporation--the $45 registration fee paid
> upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the
> course. During this registration period, approximately 175 seats are being
> offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. Senior
> amateurs are strongly encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity.
> Those interested in taking an ARRL Certification and Continuing Education
> (C-CE) course in the future can sign up to receive advance notification of
> registration opportunities. To take advantage, send an e-mail to
> prereg@.... On the subject line, indicate the course name or number
> (eg, EC-00#) and the month you want to start the course. In the message
> body, provide your name, call sign, and e-mail address. Please do not send
> inquiries to this mailbox. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and
> Continuing Education Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce/> and the C-CE
> Links found there. For more information, contact Emergency Communications
> Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, <dmiller@...>; 860-594-0340.
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> * FCC begins "interference temperature" proceeding: The FCC has begun an
> inquiry and proposed rule making proceeding focusing on the concept of
> "interference temperature" as a means to quantify and manage interference
> among different services. The interference temperature model "takes into
> account the actual cumulative radio frequency energy from transmissions"
> and would "set a maximum cap on the aggregate of these transmissions," the
> FCC said in a public notice. The Commission's current primary approach to
> manage interference is to specify and limit the power output of individual
> devices. The FCC said the interference temperature approach "may
> facilitate more intensive use of the radio spectrum, creating the
> opportunities for new services and improving the predictability of any
> interference to existing services. The FCC has not yet released the Notice
> of Inquiry and Notice of Proposed Rule Making, adopted November 13 as ET
> Docket 03-237. The Commission will seek comment on various technical rules
> that would establish procedures and use the interference temperature model
> on a limited basis in the 6525-6700 MHz band and portions of the
> 12.75-13.25 GHz band.--FCC
>
> * AO-40 transponders off for a month: AO-40 now is in "hibernation mode."
> The ALON/ALAT is 45/24. Magnetorquing has ceased, and the satellite will
> begin drifting toward ALON of approximately 315 degrees. This will take
> approximately four weeks. This is done twice a year to keep the satellite
> healthy due to poor sun angles. Although the satellite's passbands are

> off, its beacon remains on and FEC telemetry is active whenever possible.
> According to AO-40 ground controller Stacy Mills, W4SM, the passbands
> should be back on in time for the Christmas holiday. The AO-40 team would
> like telemetry files. Send zipped files via e-mail to
> ao40-archive@....--Bruce Paige, KK5DO/AMSAT
>
> * IARU-R1 and CEPT Electronic Communications Committee to cooperate:
> letter: International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 (IARU-R1) and the
> Electronic Communications Committee of the European Conference of Postal
> and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT) this month signed a Letter
> of Understanding. The LoU sets out a number of areas for cooperation
> between Region 1 and CEPT whereby both entities "will work toward common
> European approaches on radio matters and will exchange information and
> hold meetings for this purpose," IARU-R1 said in a news release. The LoU,
> initially for a three year period, is renewable by mutual agreement. IARU
> Region 1 Chairman Ole Garpestad, LA2RR, said the Letter of Understanding
> "reinforces the already positive and constructive working relationship
> between IARU Region 1 and CEPT."--IARU
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> * ARRLWeb <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/>. (NOTE: The ARRL Letter will
> be posted each Friday when it is distributed via e-mail.)
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> * The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur
> Radio Club: Visit Mailing Lists@...
> <http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/letter-list>. (NOTE: The ARRL
> cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this
> listserver.)
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1455. welcome aboard VU2GTE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-28 13:22:21 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1455 Message: 1455

dear roomy
nice to know you have joined our club
73s vu2zrs

----- Original Message -----
From: VU2NLF <vu2nlf@...>
Date: Thursday, November 27, 2003 8:03 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Welcome VU2GTE

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> MARS welcomes Life Member ROOMY SHROFF - VU2GTE to our Ham radio
> parivaar.
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1456. Fan-tenna

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-28 17:47:13 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1456 Message: 1456

Message from ankurpuranik@... Forwarded as attachment

1457. Hamfest India 2004 Team Meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-29 11:46:57 UTC
From: VU2NLF
Topic: 1457 Message: 1457

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1458. Hamfest India 2004 Team Meeting.

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Topic: 1457 Message: 1458
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1460. Fw: Don't ask me Why I Fired My Secretary

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-29 17:47:59 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1460 Message: 1460
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Cloudeight Funletters, Misty Morning
HOPE THIS SHOULD NOT HAPPEN TO OUR MARS MEMBERS AND NLF DOES WISH EVERYONE FIRST SO.....

DON'T ASK ME WHY I FIRED MY SECRETARY ??????????
Two weeks ago was my 35th birthday and I wasn't feeling too hot that morning anyway.
I went to breakfast knowing my wife would be pleasant and say "Happy Birthday" and probably a present for me.

Forget "Happy Birthday", She didn't even say "Good Morning".
I thought, "Well, that's wives for you, the children will remember."
Children came in to breakfast and didn't say a word.

I started to the office I was feeling pretty low.
As I walked into my office my secretary, Janet, said,
"Good morning, boss. Happy Birthday."
And I felt a little better; someone had remembered.

I worked until noon. Then, Janet knocked on my door and said,
"You know, it's such a beautiful day outside and it's your birthday,
let's go to lunch, just you and me."
I said, "By George, that's the greatest thing I've heard all day.
Let's go."

We went to lunch. We didn't go where we normally go;
we went out to the country to a little private place.
We had two martinis and enjoyed lunch tremendously.

On the way back to the office, she said, "You know, it's such a beautiful day.
We don't need to go back to the office, do we?"
I said, "No, I guess not."
She said, "Let's go to my apartment."
After arriving at her apartment she said, "Boss, if you don't mind,
I think I'll go change." "Sure," I excitedly replied.
She went into the bedroom and, in about six minutes, she came out carrying a big birthday cake, followed by my wife, children, and dozens of our friends, all singing Happy Birthday.

And there I sat... on the couch... NAKED !!!!!!!!

Regards,

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Dear friends,

Just while surfing the net, I stumbled across this wonderful website.

http://www.heavens-above.com/

The beauty of this site is that it gives you the exact location, time, and day of each and every amateur satellite plus the ISS ofcourse, along with their UPLINK / DOWNLINK FREQ., beacon Freq., etc..

You simply have to register on the site, configure your location (i.e., enter your position in terms of LAT. and LONG. which the site does automatically upon selecting the location) and go on the main menu and click on the link RADIO AMATEUR SATELLITES and BINGO !!!!!! the complete list is in front of you.

I did the same and have downloaded the time - table for three days. No doubt I would be doing it every three days , but in case you wish to do it on your own, above is the procedure.

WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR OM? START GOING SATELLITE.

Observer's Location:

Mumbai (18.9670°N, 72.8330°E)
Local Time: Universal Coordinated Time -5:30 (GMT + 5:30)

Satellite Date Times Max. Altitude Downlink Frequencies (MHz)
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OPAL 30 Nov 14:23:43 14:31:34 14:27:39 24 WNW ?
JAS-2 30 Nov 14:28:59 14:39:22 14:34:23 44 WNW 435.800 - 435.900 CW/SSB, 435.910 FM
ISS 30 Nov 14:34:02 14:40:11 14:37:08 79 NW 145.800 FM
PANSAT 30 Nov 15:04:37 15:11:16 15:07:57 25 SSW not established
Uosat F 30 Nov 15:23:42 15:25:18 15:24:30 10 ENE 435.120 FM
Oscar 11 30 Nov 15:50:25 15:57:15 15:53:50 23 ENE 145.825 FM, Beacon 2401.500 USB
RS-15 30 Nov 15:56:17 16:17:52 16:07:15 59 ESE 29.354 - 29.394 USB, Beacon 29.352 USB
RS-13 30 Nov 16:57:24 17:05:35 17:01:30 18 E 29.460 - 29.500 CW/USB 29.504 USB, Beacon 29.458 USB
Uosat F 30 Nov 16:58:04 17:07:48 17:02:55 51 W 435.120 FM
Oscar 11 30 Nov 17:27:09 17:32:52 17:30:00 17 W 145.825 FM, Beacon 2401.500 USB
AO-27 30 Nov 18:06:48 18:14:09 18:10:29 20 ENE 436.795 MHz FM
RS-15 30 Nov 18:10:52 18:28:32 18:19:44 27 WNW 29.354 - 29.394 USB, Beacon 29.352 USB
RS-13 30 Nov 18:40:38 18:52:35 18:46:35 42 W 29.460 - 29.500 CW/USB 29.504 USB, Beacon 29.458 USB
Uribyol 2 30 Nov 18:59:57 19:10:19 19:05:09 70 ENE 436.500 FM
ITAMSAT 1 30 Nov 19:23:19 19:33:38 19:28:29 61 W 435.822 SSB
Oscar 14 30 Nov 19:30:52 19:40:21 19:35:37 38 ENE 435.070 FM, Uplink 145.975
AO-40 30 Nov 19:34:12 06:33:08 23:47:13 75 S Beacon 2401.320

AO-27 30 Nov 19:45:15 19:54:21 19:49:48 30 W 436.795 MHz FM
AO-7 30 Nov 19:56:04 20:10:30 20:03:17 34 ENE 29.400 - 29.500 MHz
Oscar 16 30 Nov 20:23:22 20:32:49 20:28:06 38 ENE 437.025 USB, Beacon 2401.1428
Oscar 14 30 Nov 21:12:16 21:17:46 21:15:01 14 W 435.070 FM, Uplink 145.975
Saudisat 1A 30 Nov 21:22:34 21:29:40 21:26:08 23 ENE 436.775 MHz
UOSAT-12 30 Nov 21:26:53 21:35:57 21:31:28 49 ENE 437.025 FM, 437.400 FM
Oscar 19 30 Nov 21:34:23 21:44:38 21:39:31 68 WSW 437.125 CW, 437.150 USB
AO-7 30 Nov 21:48:12 22:03:16 21:55:42 37 WSW 29.400 - 29.500 MHz
MAROC-TUBSAT 30 Nov 21:51:55 22:03:57 21:57:58 51 ESE 144.100 FM
Gurwin Techsat 1B 30 Nov 21:55:10 22:03:51 21:59:31 26 ENE 435.225 FM
TMSAT-1 30 Nov 22:03:51 22:12:45 22:08:18 28 ENE 436.925 FM
Oscar 16 30 Nov 22:04:39 22:10:17 22:07:28 15 W 437.025 USB, Beacon 2401.1428
PCSat 30 Nov 22:53:34 23:03:34 22:58:34 38 ENE 145.825 MHz
SAUDISAT 1C 30 Nov 23:00:30 23:03:25 23:01:57 11 ESE 436.800 MHz
Saudisat 1A 30 Nov 23:02:42 23:08:58 23:05:50 19 WSW 436.775 MHz
Sapphire 30 Nov 23:17:02 23:27:50 23:22:27 71 ENE 437.095 MHz 1200 baud AX-25 AFSK
Gurwin Techsat 1B 30 Nov 23:35:09 23:43:27 23:39:17 23 W 435.225 FM
JAS-1B 30 Nov 23:35:53 23:49:26 23:42:08 36 ESE 435.800 - 435.900 CW/SSB
MAROC-TUBSAT 30 Nov 23:37:30 23:44:42 23:41:06 16 WNW 144.100 FM
KITSAT 1 30 Nov 23:42:33 23:58:40 23:50:38 77 ENE 435.175 FM
TMSAT-1 30 Nov 23:44:06 23:52:04 23:48:04 22 W 436.925 FM
OPAL 30 Nov 23:51:01 23:54:41 23:52:51 12 ENE ?
ISS 01 Dec 00:19:18 00:25:21 00:22:13 75 W 145.800 FM
JAS-2 01 Dec 00:26:35 00:38:47 00:32:43 26 ENE 435.800 - 435.900 CW/SSB, 435.910 FM
SAUDISAT 1C 01 Dec 00:38:11 00:46:32 00:42:20 37 WNW 436.800 MHz
PCSat 01 Dec 00:38:22 00:44:59 00:41:40 16 WSW 145.825 MHz
RS-15 01 Dec 01:14:30 01:29:53 01:22:07 20 NE 29.354 - 29.394 USB, Beacon 29.352 USB
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KITSAT 1 01 Dec 01:42:01 01:48:29 01:45:15 13 WSW 435.175 FM
JAS-2 01 Dec 02:09:48 02:24:41 02:17:14 48 W 435.800 - 435.900 CW/SSB, 435.910 FM
RS-15 01 Dec 03:23:48 03:47:11 03:35:13 81 WSW 29.354 - 29.394 USB, Beacon 29.352 USB
Oscar 11 01 Dec 03:52:42 03:55:55 03:54:19 12 E 145.825 FM, Beacon 2401.500 USB
PANSAT 01 Dec 04:43:26 04:48:04 04:45:45 15 SSE not established
Uosat F 01 Dec 05:18:06 05:28:00 05:23:03 55 WNW 435.120 FM
Oscar 10/S400 01 Dec 05:26:23 06:17:26 05:56:04 79 SSE 145.825 - 145.975 CW/USB, Beacon 145.810 USB
Oscar 11 01 Dec 05:26:36 05:34:34 05:30:34 34 WNW 145.825 FM, Beacon 2401.500 USB
RS-15 01 Dec 05:44:17 05:48:45 05:46:30 11 WSW 29.354 - 29.394 USB, Beacon 29.352 USB
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Uribyol 2 01 Dec 07:25:01 07:35:23 07:30:10 75 E 436.500 FM
ITAMSAT 1 01 Dec 07:48:38 07:58:46 07:53:42 57 WNW 435.822 SSB
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Oscar 16 01 Dec 08:47:15 08:56:51 08:52:03 39 E 437.025 USB, Beacon 2401.1428

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ISS 01 Dec 15:09:23 15:11:56 15:10:38 12 NW 145.800 FM
RS-15 01 Dec 15:21:09 15:41:22 15:31:25 42 ESE 29.354 - 29.394 USB, Beacon 29.352 USB
JAS-2 01 Dec 15:21:55 15:26:12 15:24:05 12 WNW 435.800 - 435.900 CW/SSB, 435.910 FM
Oscar 11 01 Dec 16:11:02 16:19:17 16:15:09 43 ENE 145.825 FM, Beacon 2401.500 USB
Uosat F 01 Dec 16:20:02 16:29:50 16:24:56 55 ENE 435.120 FM
RS-13 01 Dec 17:23:12 17:34:58 17:29:05 40 E 29.460 - 29.500 CW/USB 29.504 USB, Beacon 29.458 USB
RS-15 01 Dec 17:33:25 17:53:22 17:43:28 38 WNW 29.354 - 29.394 USB, Beacon 29.352 USB
Uribyol 2 01 Dec 18:32:00 18:41:13 18:36:37 33 ENE 436.500 FM
AO-40 02 Dec 18:37:44 09:21:19 09:11:14 43 SSW Beacon 2401.320
ITAMSAT 1 01 Dec 18:55:02 19:05:22 19:00:13 64 ENE 435.822 SSB
Oscar 14 01 Dec 19:02:08 19:08:49 19:05:29 18 ENE 435.070 FM, Uplink 145.975
Oscar 10/S400 01 Dec 19:03:10 22:05:49 20:07:41 18 WSW 145.825 - 145.975 CW/USB, Beacon

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AO-7 01 Dec 19:04:07 19:04:35 19:04:21 10 ENE 29.400 - 29.500 MHz
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Oscar 19 02 Dec 09:27:36 09:37:42 09:32:39 54 E 437.125 CW, 437.150 USB
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Uosat F 02 Dec 15:43:29 15:50:40 15:47:04 20 ENE 435.120 FM
Oscar 11 02 Dec 16:32:09 16:40:52 16:36:31 87 ENE 145.825 FM, Beacon 2401.500 USB
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1462. Apologies !!!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-11-30 17:44:10 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 1462 Message: 1462

Dear friends,

It has been brought to my notice that the email regarding satellite time - table sent by me was too long and filled complete mail boxes of some hams.

I apologise for the inconvenience caused to them. Please save following link and get your cop of accurate time-table anywhere anytime.

www.heavens-above.com (http://www.heavens-above.com)

73s

Parin / VU2PIC

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1463. important all memebers .gooood news

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-05 06:52:26 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1463 Message: 1463
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1464. my new landline number

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-05 06:58:00 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 1464 Message: 1464
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1465. FW: [amsat_india] MARS EXPRESS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-08 02:43:51 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 1465 Message: 1465

Dear All,

The european MARS EXPRESS probe will arrive on Mars on Christmas Day and deploy the lander BEAGLE toward the Mars surface.

Joint preparations by the IUZ and the AMSAT-DL for this event have started months ago, because the 20 metre parabolic antenna is also deemed to be used as ground station for the AMSAT-DL future P5-A Mars Mission.

On Sunday, Nov. 16th, Germany saw a first ever event when a strong (40dB/Hz) 8.4 GHz signal of the MARS EXPRESS - at that moment 102 million kilometer distant - was directly received at Bochum over a number of hours.

It was the first time ever that a signal of an interplanetary deep space probe was received in Germany. It was probably also the first time ever that such a signal was received by amateur radio operators.

With this successful test the general functional and operational readiness of the 20 metre parabolic antenna in Bochum to serve as AMSAT-DL command station for the P5A Mars Mission has been proven. It will then be used to navigate the P5-A Satellite in 2007 safely towards Mars and to enter a Mars orbit.

Some more good news from our team in Bochum:

At Bochum some improvements were made to the receive

system, about +4 dB in fact. MARS EXPRESS was again

received at increased strength.

In addition MARS ODESSEY was heard on 8407 MHz; it is

in orbit about the red planet, so lots of doppler and

occultations.

A very good day indeed. It is early days, and there

are still aligments, calibrations and improvements to

come, but we basically have a high quality precision

instrument to be very proud of.

more at:

http://www.amsat-dl.org/p5a/p5a-bochum-eng.htm

73s Peter, DB2OS

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1466. 2M VHF BASE STN PROJECT STATUS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-11 06:38:20 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1466 Message: 1466
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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So lets keep our fingers crossed and hope everything works out fine...

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regards,

Ankur Puranik

RADIO WORKSHOP.

1467. Monthly Meeting not on 14th Dec 2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-13 23:15:17 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1467 Message: 1467

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The QTH for the Hamfest 2004 is not yet finalized and there is no immediate activity, hence the monthly meeting for december 2003 which was to be held on 14th Dec 2003 is hereby postponed till further notice please note..

73
NLF

1468. ****** Fox Hunt*********2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-17 14:15:00 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1468 Message: 1468
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1469. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-18 14:29:16 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1469 Message: 1469
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1470. Monthly Meeting on 21st Dec 2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-20 22:00:57 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1470 Message: 1470

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The Monthly meeting for December 2003 will be conducted on 21st Dec 2003 at 10:00 AM at B.S.Bengelle Girls School, Churchgate.

Congratulations to all the students who have cleared the ASOC Exams, those who did not , well not to worry better
luck next time. Kindly come to the meeting and collect your result sheets.

All the guys from the batches of 2002 whose tickets have come are requested to come for the meeting and collect your tickets. The list of the tickets was already announced earlier. Please come and take your licences lying with the society.

Please note that yahoo groups is not working very well, I myself being the moderator am not getting mails at time, hence pls call your friends and inform them about the meeting..

Note the meeting is at 10:00 AM.

73
NLF

1471. Greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-25 01:32:13 UTC
From: Ram
Topic: 1471 Message: 1471

Hello,
I wishing you & yours Merry Christmas and very Happy New Year 2004.
de
Ram
VU2RNC

1472. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-24 15:15:36 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1472 Message: 1472

Dear Hams,

Wish you all a merry christmas and a Happy New Year!!!

May the next year bring up our repeater!!!

Best Wishes
Shantanu Chand

1473. x-mas

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-24 17:42:23 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1473 Message: 1473

WISH YOU ALL A MERRY X-MAS!!!

...santa if you coming to colaba.. please get me a handy..(model no is IC-T90) .. ;)
73's
Ankur Puranik

[Beta] HelpClick onthe image to chat with me

1474. Re: [m_a_r_s] x-mas

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-24 18:22:35 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 1473 Message: 1474

Very Happy X'MAS to all of you.

For Ankur:- Reg Handy... NLF may ask you to hurry up the project, So most of the new licenced boys can get it on NEW YEAR
Pray most of the MARSians can celebrate the NEW YEAR with the handies which the project groooooup makes. hi hi

GOD BLESS YOU ,

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1475. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-25 08:42:06 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1475 Message: 1475
Attachments: 5 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear Friends,

Merry Christmas and Happy 2004

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NLF

1476. Re: [m_a_r_s] 2M VHF BASE STN PROJECT STATUS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-25 01:41:36 UTC
From: bal indi
Topic: 1466 Message: 1476

dear nlf,

glad to hear that the vhf base stations
will b ready soon. if u recall, i had made the payment
of Rs. 2k to u for the green bird base station in
march 2003. i have been reading the group mails, but
since i am still based in pune,i am unable to attend
the monthly meetings, nor do i have a computer to
check mails regularly where i stay. i hope to be on
the air pretty soon once the base station is ready.

-sumeet bal,pune

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1477. licences, results and monthly meeting january 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-28 01:43:45 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1477 Message: 1477

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The monthly meeting the new year shall be held on Sunday .. 4th January 2004 at 10:00 AM Sharp at B.S.Bengelle Girls School at Churchgate.. (The Doors of the class room will be closed at 10:00 AM Sharp, nobody will be allowed to enter after that.. please note)..

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:-

Distributation of Licences pending with the society.
Distributation of result sheets pending with the society.
Briefing meeting for Fox Hunt to be held on 25th/26th January at Lonavala (further details to be provided by ZRS)
Finalizing the list of team members for Disaster Management Plan of Mumbai (VHF Network).

We have tried using to pressure the new callsign holders to get on air, but we have failed completely, as they have no shame as they have showed no inclination to get on air.

The following licences are with the society, all the licence holders are required to attend the meeting and collect their licences, The society shall not be further responsible for them or their licences..

GAUTAM KEDIA

JIGAR MEHTA

DEEPAK PATHAK
PRABODH DOSHI

RAHUL SANKAR ROY

UDAY SANKAR ROY

MANDA PAWAR. -

DR. ANUKANTH MITTAL -

DR. PARESH KARIA -

VILAS MORE

KAPIL CHANDNI

HARSHA KULLAR

FEROZE PATEL

BRIJESH RAGHVAN

P.V.HARIDAS

MUKUND GUBBI

MILIND PARLIKAR

ASHOK PARAB

SANJAY SHINDE

GAUTAM KEDIA

NILESH DILIP JOSHI

NEHA PAWASKAR

TRIPUTI NIAK

RAJENDRA PITALE.

VAIBHAV PALANDE

MURUGAN GOUNDER

JESAL DOSHI

A SHIVMANIKAM

JOHAR ATTARI

KUNAL MASHRU

If the above new callsign holder don't collect their licences on 4th January 2004, their licences will be sent back to W.P.C New Delhi with the letter from the society stating " NOT INTERESTED"..

Further the results of last batches of 2003 were announced by VU2UGJ and the students were asked to collect their results sheets during the monthly meeting.. I regret to inform that only 15 out of 65 bothered to come and collect their results. It clearly shows that even these guys are not interested.....

It is quite obvious that the students have no sense of appreciation about efforts put in by many senior members of our society, One really wonders if at the end of the day none of this guys are planning to become active hams, then what is the sense in running the classes and pushing the papers for their licences..

The above incidents have totally demoralized the whole Education Commitee and hence it decided NOT to conduct any more ham radio classes... further more it is decided not to push any more paper work for licences, they may come at their own sweet time in the next 2 or 3 years.... for all we care.....!!! Happy New Year....

73

NLF

1478. FOX HUNT 2004 details . open soon

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-27 14:58:32 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1478 Message: 1478

Dear MARS members (Life members and ordinary members),

Please read this mail carefully don't party too much on the 31st New Year eve party night, because we have an important meeting on the 4th of January 2004 (happy new year)

One of the topic on the agenda of the 4th Jan meeting is the FOX HUNT 2004

Please read on: -

This will be the 3rd foxhunt MARS will be conducting on the 25 th and 26 th of JAN 2004 at lonavla
The past 2 foxhunts have been a 100 % success

All those interested in participating in the fox hunt please come by 10 am sharp on the 4th of January

MARS has only 15 direction finding equipment, so we will be having only 15 FOX HUNT teams

Each team will consist of 4 fox hunters that means 60 only 60 participants.

We will be conducting 1 treasure hunt and 4 fox hunts during 25 th and 26 th of January in lonavla and khandala , so each and every participant will get a chance to hold the vhf handy and antenna and hunt this time

READ AGAIN

"We will be conducting 1 treasure hunt and 4 fox hunts during 25 th and 26 th of January in lonavla and khandala , so each and every participant will get a chance to hold the vhf handy and antenna and hunt this time "

Since we have only place for 60 participants out of the full 200 plus MARS members we happily inform you that we have to register the participants according what they are able to provide to the MARS FOX HUNT 2004 and not what MARS FOX HUNT always provide them .

e.g. working vhf handy with display bar , car (cost of the petrol will be divided by the 4 participants in the car) , home brewed direction finding equipment with vhf handies , and of course my favorite LIFE MEMEBRSHIP and lastly if place remain ordinary membership .

Participants will be registered on 4th jan 2004 and allotted their teams and cars and etc etc etc

15 cars will leave together from mumbai on the 25 jan together and participate in a treasure hunt on reaching lonavala

Any member who can build his own direction finding equipment will be given preference, technical support and guidance by MARS and have a car and a team can join the foxhunt 2004

We will be testing the MARS DFE antennas on the 4th jan
We will testing your handies with the MARS DFE on the same day so bring your VHF handies

along
We will be allotting you your teams on the same day
We will be finalizing the details of the fox hunt 2004
We will be registering the participants by receiving their entry fees for the event
Entry fee will include veg. food and lodging for 2 days and also the winning prizes only Rs 500 /- per participant

Since we have participation limit we will be making teams on first come first bases in registering .

All those who have any questions about the fox hunt 2004 before the 4th jan meeting email me or call me on 9821025289 "incoming free hai "

73's

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1479. RE: [mars_academy_2003] New Year Greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-29 10:03:33 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1479 Message: 1479

Dear HARSHVARDHAN,

Yeh sab appko bhi mil jaye yeh meri shubkamana

just one addtion

Icom. 746 pro II ya filhall 706 rig mil jaye to jada behetar hoga.

Khair passand appni appni, Khayal appna appna,

73's

VU2 IZO [MICKY]

>From: "harshvardhan_k"
>Reply-To: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com
>To: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [mars_academy_2003] New Year Greetings
>Date: Sat, 27 Dec 2003 12:32:17 -0000
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>Hello All,
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> Aapko Is Naye Saal mein...
> Chandragupt Ki Shakti
> Meerabai Ki Bhakti
> Rajchandra Ka Gyan
> Karan Ka Daan
> Einstein Ki Buddhi
> Nobel Prize Ki Siddhi
> Gandhi Ki Ahimsa
> India Ki Parampara
> Vajpayee Ki Maryada
> Nizaam Ki Sampatti
> Michael Jordan Ki Salary
> Abdul Kalam Ki Vocabulary
> Bhagat Singh Ka Deshprem
> Sweetheart Ka Amarprem
> Microsoft Ke Share
> Rupiyo Ke Dher
> Tata Ke Senses
> Ambani Ke Licenses
> Birla Ka Bangla
> Daler Ka Bhangra
> Rajnikanth Ki Style
> Madhuri Ki Smile
> Amitabh Ki Personality
> Ratan Tata Ki Popularity

> Worldtour Ka Ticket
> Tendulkar Ka Wicket
> Administrator Ke Passwords
> Jokes Ke Forwards
> Mercedez Ki Car
> Diamond Ka Haar
> Aur Logon Ka Dher Saraa Pyar Prapt Ho...
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> Wish you a Happy New Year :)
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1480. NEW FOX HUNT DETAILS OPEN SOOOOON

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-30 08:21:41 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1480 Message: 1480

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Each team will consist of 4 fox hunters that means 60 only 60 participants.

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READ AGAIN

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Since we have only place for 60 participants out of the full 200 plus MARS members we happily inform you that we have to register the participants according what they are able to provide to the MARS FOX HUNT 2004 and not what MARS FOX HUNT always provide them .

e.g. working vhf handy with display bar , car (cost of the petrol will be divided by the 4 participants in the car) , home brewed direction finding equipment with vhf handies , and of course my favorite LIFE MEMEBRSHIP and lastly if place remain ordinary membership .

Participants will be registered on 4th jan 2004 and allotted their teams and cars and etc etc etc

15 cars will leave together from mumbai on the 25 jan together and participate in a treasure hunt on reaching lonavala

Any member who can build his own direction finding equipment will be given preference, technical support and guidance by MARS and have a car and a team can join the foxhunt 2004

We will be testing the MARS DFE antennas on the 4th jan
We will testing your handies with the MARS DFE on the same day so bring your VHF handies along
We will be allotting you your teams on the same day
We will be finalizing the details of the fox hunt 2004
We will be registering the participants by receiving their entry fees for the event
Entry fee will include veg. food and lodging for 2 days and also the winning prizes only Rs 500 /- per participant

Since we have participation limit we will be making teams on first come first bases in registering .

All those who have any questions about the fox hunt 2004 before the 4th jan meeting email me or call me on 9821025289 "incoming free hai "

73's

vu2 zrs

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Spread festive cheer. Download X'mas wallpapers.
http://server1.msn.co.in/sp03/christmas/downloads.asp Get into the mood!

1481. FOX HUNT AT WOOD LANDS HOTEL LONAVLA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-31 11:46:23 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1481 Message: 1481

dear members
please not ethis time we will be staying at WOOD LANDS hotel in lonavala
during the FOX HUNT 2004

PLEASE BE PRESENT ON THE 4 TH JANUARY FOR THE MEETING
THANK YOU

VU2ZRS

----Original Message Follows----
From: vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...>
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
CC: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com, mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] licences, results and monthly meeting january 2004
Date: Sat, 27 Dec 2003 17:43:45 -0800

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The monthly meeting the new year shall be held on Sunday .. 4th January 2004
at 10:00 AM Sharp at B.S.Bengelle Girls School at Churchgate.. (The Doors of
the class room will be closed at 10:00 AM Sharp, nobody will be allowed to
enter after that.. please note)..

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:-

Distributation of Licences pending with the society.
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(further details to be provided by ZRS)
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(VHF Network).

We have tried using to pressure the new callsign holders to get on air, but
we have failed completely, as they have no shame as they have showed no
inclination to get on air.

The following licences are with the society, all the licence holders are
required to attend the meeting and collect their licences, The society shall
not be further responsible for them or their licences..

GAUTAM KEDIA

JIGAR MEHTA

DEEPAK PATHAK
PRABODH DOSHI

RAHUL SANKAR ROY

UDAY SANKAR ROY

MANDA PAWAR. -

DR. ANUKANTH MITTAL -

DR. PARESH KARIA -

VILAS MORE

KAPIL CHANDNI

HARSHA KULLAR

FEROZE PATEL

BRIJESH RAGHVAN

P.V.HARIDAS

MUKUND GUBBI

MILIND PARLIKAR

ASHOK PARAB

SANJAY SHINDE

GAUTAM KEDIA

NILESH DILIP JOSHI

NEHA PAWASKAR

TRIPUTI NIAK

RAJENDRA PITALE.

VAIBHAV PALANDE

MURUGAN GOUNDER

JESAL DOSHI

A SHIVMANIKAM

JOHAR ATTARI

KUNAL MASHRU

If the above new callsign holder don't collect their licences on 4th January 2004, their licences will be sent back to W.P.C New Delhi with the letter from the society stating " NOT INTERESTED"..

Further the results of last batches of 2003 were announced by VU2UGJ and the students were asked to collect their results sheets during the monthly meeting.. I regret to inform that only 15 out of 65 bothered to come and collect their results. It clearly shows that even these guys are not interested.....

It is quite obvious that the students have no sense of appreciation about efforts put in by many senior members of our society, One really wonders if at the end of the day none of this guys are planning to become active hams, then what is the sense in running the classes and pushing the papers for their licences..

The above incidents have totally demoralized the whole Education Commitee and hence it decided NOT to conduct any more ham radio classes... further more it is decided not to push any more paper work for licences, they may come at their own sweet time in the next 2 or 3 years.... for all we care.....!!! Happy New Year....

73

NLF

ZYROS ZEND
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RES.00-91-22-22875741
FAX.OO-91-22-22025848
MOBILE. 9821025289

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1482. Happy New Year!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-31 12:55:50 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1482 Message: 1482

Dear All,

Here's Wishing All Members of the MARS Family a Very Happy New Year!!!
May the New Year bring up our repeater!!!
73
Shantanu Chand

1483. greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-01 05:06:52 UTC
From: Ram
Topic: 1483 Message: 1483

This message brings you and yours
every good wish for a year 2004
that will turn out to be a very special one,

HAPPY NEW YEAR
De
Ram(VU2RNC) &
Sandhya(VU3RNC)

1484. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy New Year!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2003-12-31 21:44:03 UTC
From: pmanani@vsnl.net
Topic: 1482 Message: 1484

Hi Friends!

Wish you all Very Happy and Prosperous New Year.
73
Prem- VU2XMX/VE6XMX

----- Original Message -----
From: Shantanu Chand <bombayboy400011@...>
Date: Wednesday, December 31, 2003 5:55 am
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy New Year!!!

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> 73
> Shantanu Chand
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1485. Happy 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-01 05:00:40 UTC
From: Kunal Mashru
Topic: 1485 Message: 1485

Hi All,

Wishing you all the very best for the Year 2004. Hope it brings you all the very best of health, wealth and prosperity.

Best regards,
Kunal Mashru(VU2KWE)

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1486. happy Birthday - VU2PYG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-01 20:59:39 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1486 Message: 1486

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

M.A.R.S wishes its Life Member ROHIT GADA [VU2 PYG] a very happy birthday.

1487. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-01 08:49:26 UTC
From: pmanani@vsnl.net
Topic: 1485 Message: 1487

Hi Kunal!
Do you remember me?
Very Happy New Year to you.
Praveen Manani (VU2XMX/VE6XMX)

----- Original Message -----
From: Kunal Mashru <kmashru@...>
Date: Wednesday, December 31, 2003 10:00 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy 2004

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1488. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-01 10:00:54 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1488 Message: 1488

Hi

HAPPY NEW YEAR

2004

73'S

VU2 IZO [MICKY]]

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(http://g.msn.com/8HMAENIN/2743??PS=)

1489. Happy New Year!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-01 10:26:58 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1482 Message: 1489

Hi Martians,

Wish you a very happy and prosperous new year 2004.

Thnks,

Mehul.

1490. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-01 10:29:11 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1485 Message: 1490

Hello Prembhai,

Many thnks for the greetings. Wish you and your family and very happy and prosperous new year ahead !!

Regds,

Mehul

1491. NeW YEar WiShes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-01 12:43:42 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1491 Message: 1491

Wishing all the family members of MARS a VERY HAPPY AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!!!!

May this new year bring in lots of handys , antennae , base stations, and repeaters.... ;)

From,

Ankur Puranik

[Beta] HelpClick onthe image to chat with me

1492. Fwd: mukesh jaitley dml 251203

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-02 14:58:56 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1492 Message: 1492
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1493. yagi for fox hunt.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-02 19:41:47 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1493 Message: 1493

3 ELEMENT YAGI FOR FOX HUNT

This is a great antenna for a few reasons.
VERY LOW COST
EASY ASSEMBLY
DURABLE AND EFFECTIVE

The construction of the antenna is really simple as you can see from the sketch above. The elements can be made of brass brazing rods or aluminium rods of 1/8" size. The driven element should be spaced at about 1/4" apart. The solder point should be no more than 1/4" thru the other end of the boom. The director and the reflector should be mounted 1/4" from the end of the boom respectivly. The boom is made of schedule 40 PVC. 3/4" works well. When you drill for the elements on each 18" piece of boom, make sure you account for the space inside the T coupler. The picture above shows the antenna for vertical polarization. You can mount it horizontally if you like. Signal attenuation is tremendous when horizontally polarized if you are tracking a vertical signal. The driven element is tunable to whatever frequency you want to TX on.
A simple and effective antenna thats worth building even if you want to use it for something else. I have even used it for packet in a quick fix. A little tuning and you in. Try it!!!!!
THE FINISHED PRODUCT

Source: ..taken from some web site... i dont remember..

Regards,

Ankur Puranik.
For
MARS Radio Workshop
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1494. Monthly meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-03 22:15:42 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 116 Message: 1494

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

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We all go for movies, do we after 15 or 30 minutes after the movie has started ? we don't do we ? we manage to reach on time in order not the miss the movie.... When we go out of station , do we reach the station after the train/ plane/ bus has left ? once again we make sure that we reach much before time so that we do not miss our journey..

So why is that we can't apply the same commitment for our meetings...!! think about it..!!!

73
NLF

1495. missed out pictures

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-03 11:35:38 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1495 Message: 1495
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

hello every1

some people on the mailing list have not received the pictures of the yagi construction.

I have attached these pictures with this mail.

hope you all get it this time

73's

Ankur Puranik

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1496. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-04 09:57:26 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1496 Message: 1496

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Radio Workshop Bulletin
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As comitted by Radio Workshop the 2-M VHF base station was ready on the 31 Dec 2003 by afternoon. A small demo was shown to our Resp. Sec. VU2NLF on the 31st itself, who has rated its performance as satisfactory.

Those who were present in the Sundays meeting got to see the rig on display. see this is one of the advantages of attening the meetings ;) ..also a few other professional models were on display...anyways..

All members who have got their results may start installing their antennae and laying the coaxial cable.

And to all those who have received their call signs please try and get on air soon.

all the best!

73's

Ankur Puranik

for

MARS Radio Workshop
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1497. Minutes of Monthly Meeting conducted on 4th January 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-05 06:22:02 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1497 Message: 1497

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

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and after the tea break they were allowed to attend for the second half of the monthly meeting. In all 57 members attended the meeting..

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Further the absentism of Managing Committee Members was discussed.. (As most of the MC members are not attending the monthly meeting). At least 3 MC members (NLF) & (CBU,AUA - Second half of the meeting) attended the meeting today, where as (RIG,UGJ,ICQ & SXF) choose to remain absent. The Monthly meeting of December 2003 was attended by only one MC member (NLF) , rest all were absent..

MARS has also not conducted it MC member meeting for last 4 months (which is to be conducted every month) and why so was also discussed..

It was unanimously decided that it is a good practice to close the doors for the monthly meeting at precisely 10:00 AM. so that the members who are attending the meeting on time don't waste the precious time for the late comers. All future monthly will be on 2nd Sunday of each month by default (any changes shall be informed with prior notice)..

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Further it was decided that the meetings will start precisely at 10:00 AM, regardless of who are not present (including NLF without exceptions). The Secretary will conduct the meeting, but in case he is absent the Chairman will preside over the meeting, In case even the chairman is not present, then the tresurer will do the honours.. if even the treasurer is not available, the any of the remaining managing committee member will conduct the meeting. If none of the MC members are present, then the meeting will stand cancelled and a casual get together will be in order.

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In all it was a productive meeting... it was nice to see 57 members at the meeting.. let us hope we have atleast twice as many in the next meeting from our 230 + members...

73
NLF

1498. Re: [mars_classes] Minutes of Monthly Meeting conducted on 4th January 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-04 18:34:39 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1497 Message: 1498

Hello FreinDs

just a correction , MEETINGS ARE ALWAYS TO BE
CONDUCTED BY CHAIRMAN , IF NOT AVAILABLE THEN ONLY BY
SECRETARY , BUT WE HAVE ALWAYS THE CASE WHERE CHAIRMAN
OR CHAIR PERSON WERE MISSING SO ITS KINd OF PATTERN
SET THAT SECREATARY CONdUCTS IN OUR CASE.

AND CLOSING OF DOORS IS RIDICULOUS ITS A CLUB MEETING
NOT AN SCHOOL CLASS , ANd ALL dECISIONS TAKEN WILL
HAVE TO BE RATIFIEd AGAIN AS ONLY 3OF 7 MCS WERE
THERE.

nothing more to adD .

De vu2ugj

ps: all letters in caps inDicate am bit vocal abt it
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1499. Amateur Radio Assists in Iran Earthquake Relief

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-05 04:31:29 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1499 Message: 1499

Amateur Radio Assists in Iran Earthquake Relief:
Turkey Amateur Radio Club President Aziz Sasa,TA1E, reports that three Amateur Radio operators joined the Turkish Relief Team that departed for the incident location--the city of Bam, some 600 miles south of Tehran--from Istanbul December 27 aboard a military aircraft. Local communications will be carried out on 2-meter simplex with HF operation on 14.270 MHz during the day and on 7092 kHz or 3777 kHz during hours of darkness. Soyhan Erim, TA2IJ, will handle HF operations at the Turkish Incident Command Post. He is part of the Ministry of Health team. Erdinç Sarimusaoglu, TA2RJ, is part of the AKUT Search and Rescue Team, while Mustafa Yuceturk, TA1CAN, is a member of the Istanbul Civil Defense Search-and-Rescue team. Also on site is Serdar Demirel, TA2NO, a member of the Ankara Civil Defense SAR team, who arrived earlier.

http://www.eham.net/articles/7326

1500. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-06 04:09:16 UTC
From: pmanani@vsnl.net
Topic: 1485 Message: 1500

Thanks Mehul!
Once again Very Happy New Year to you and all at home.
Prem

----- Original Message -----
From: Mehul Chovatia <mehul2k@...>
Date: Thursday, January 1, 2004 3:29 am
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy 2004

> Hello Prembhai,
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> Many thnks for the greetings. Wish you and your family and very
> happy and prosperous new year ahead !!
>
> Regds,
>
> Mehul
>

1501. Some Statics (without prejudice)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-07 04:27:54 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1501 Message: 1501

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

MARS was started by 25 founder members on 07/07/2000.

The attendence of the founder members as per our monthly attendance is as under:--

NAME: MEETINGS ATTENDED (out of 8 this year)

ZYROS ZEND ZEND. 5
GIRISH C.SHUKLA. ..... membership cancelled

NILESH M.RATHOD. ..(Secretary)..... 8

MINOO HOMI CONTRACTOR..... 0

PANKAJ RAVJI PASAD..... 1

NAFISA H.SHIKARI..... 0

NIRAV HASMUKH SANGHAVI..... 2

P.V.JAIPRAKASH..... 3

SARLA N.R.SHARMA..... 0

UDAYAN C.DESAI..... silent key

ZARIR BOMI VESUNA..... 0

ARUN SINGH RAWAT..(M.C. Member)..... 4

HUZEFA H.MERCHANT..... 4

SANDESH KAMAT.....(M.C.Member)..... 1

RATNESH NEELARATNA JAVERI..... 1

JYOTIKA D.DALAL..... 0

JAYESH KHARWAR..... 0

MADHU S.RAJAN..... 0

RAJEN PURSHOTTAM KAVADIA...(Chairman)..... 2

DR. SUDHIR GOPALKRISHNA SHENOY..... 0

MAHESH SHIVRAM VHATKAR .....membership cancelled

PRASHANT BARDINATH KOLI......(Treasurer)..... 4

MUKESH GOPALKRISHNA JAITLEY..(M.C.Member)..... 4

SANDIP BABAN ADIWAREKAR..... 2

MEHUL A.CHOVATIA.....(M.C.Member)..... 2

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1502. Re: [m_a_r_s] Some Statics (without prejudice)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-07 05:49:31 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1501 Message: 1502

Dear MARS Members,

After Looking at the statistics below i have some suggestions.

I am a memeber of the ALL INDIA GLASS MANUFACTURERS'FEDERATION. This is a body of all glass manufacturers' in India.

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All the best for the coming year!!
Regards
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1503. Re: [m_a_r_s] Some Statics (without prejudice)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-07 14:41:19 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 1501 Message: 1503

A small correction. I remember having attended at least 3 meetings. I am not sure about more.
Nafisa VU2 NFS
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com ; mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2004 9:57 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Some Statics (without prejudice)

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NAME: MEETINGS ATTENDED (out of 8 this year)

ZYROS ZEND ZEND. 5
GIRISH C.SHUKLA. ..... membership cancelled

NILESH M.RATHOD. ..(Secretary)..... 8

MINOO HOMI CONTRACTOR..... 0

PANKAJ RAVJI PASAD..... 1

NAFISA H.SHIKARI..... 0

NIRAV HASMUKH SANGHAVI..... 2

P.V.JAIPRAKASH..... 3

SARLA N.R.SHARMA..... 0

UDAYAN C.DESAI..... silent key

ZARIR BOMI VESUNA..... 0

ARUN SINGH RAWAT..(M.C. Member)..... 4

HUZEFA H.MERCHANT..... 4

SANDESH KAMAT.....(M.C.Member)..... 1

RATNESH NEELARATNA JAVERI..... 1

JYOTIKA D.DALAL..... 0

JAYESH KHARWAR..... 0

MADHU S.RAJAN..... 0

RAJEN PURSHOTTAM KAVADIA...(Chairman)..... 2

DR. SUDHIR GOPALKRISHNA SHENOY..... 0

MAHESH SHIVRAM VHATKAR .....membership cancelled

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1504. FOX HUNT INFORMATION 7/1/2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-07 15:06:31 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1504 Message: 1504

Dear members (FOX HUNTERS)

Good news the climate in lonaval and khandala is extremely cold and the weather should and will hold till the 25 th 26 th of jan 2004

On the day of the meeting of 4th jan 2004 itself we had 48 participants who registered for the FOX HUNT by paying in full amount of Rs 500 /- and some have paid a advance of Rs 250 /- THANK YOU (remaining money will be collected before the event or the day of departure .)

Many participants have tested their handies with the direction finding antennas with the fox
Many participants have confirmed the availability of their cars and handies

Please keep opening your mail for further details on the FOX HUNT 2004 and feel free to call 9821025289 for and questions

Till then

Bye 73?s

Vu2zrs
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1505. Re: [m_a_r_s] Some Statics (without prejudice)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-09 06:54:21 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 1501 Message: 1505

Dear Members,
As mentioned by my dear friend that 30 mins grace should be
allowed I think that it instead of 30 mins only 10 mins grace should be
allowed.As people than tend to make it a habit of coming late and meeting
would start late.Regarding the timings of the meeting I think that it should
start at the time mentioned and ending time should not be fixed as we have
to reach conclusions to the agenda of meeting and take some important
decissions have to be taken.
I am in full agreement with my friend on the attendance of
commitee members if they don't attend more than 75% of meeting they should
be stripped of their posts and also on other suggestions.
I hope that this mail be taken in a very positive way for the
development of our club.
73's
De VU3SOB
(Dhaval Patel)

>From: Shantanu Chand <bombayboy400011@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Some Statics (without prejudice)
>Date: Wed, 7 Jan 2004 05:49:31 +0000 (GMT)
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1506. QST December'2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-09 09:14:35 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1506 Message: 1506

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1507. 9/1/2004 FOX HUNT more details . open soon

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-09 13:57:21 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1507 Message: 1507

dear memebers

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27. ULHAS.B.PARALKAR
28. SAURABH .B.SHAH
29. RISHIKESH KAMAT
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31. PRIYA GOPALKRISHNA
32. NILESH MALPEKAR
33. AMIT MALGAONKAR
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1508. 9/1/2004 FOX HUNT details open

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Date: 2004-01-09 13:59:55 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1508 Message: 1508

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1509. Re: Some Statics (without prejudice)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-09 18:46:31 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1501 Message: 1509

dear nafisa,

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1510. 3 more tickets.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-10 21:02:43 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1510 Message: 1510

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

We are pleased to inform that 3 more tickets have arrived..from the batch of 2002.

MINAL MADIGERI - VU2 MUF
SUPRIYA TUPE - VU2 MIV
SHYAM KAPADIA - VU2 KPE

Now very few tickets are pending from the batch 2002, mainly due to missing nationality certificates, which is being looked into, very soon all the tickets will be cleared by the W.P.C. whom we are very greatful for processing MARS tickets in a very short time.

73
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1511. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Some Statics (without prejudice)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-10 14:26:41 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1501 Message: 1511

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> > To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> > Cc: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com ;
> mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2004 9:57 AM
> > Subject: [m_a_r_s] Some Statics (without
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-10 14:27:06 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1501 Message: 1512

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1513. 12/1/2004 FOX HUNT vhf handies available . open soon

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-11 06:05:41 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1513 Message: 1513

dear fox hunter

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please note we need 5 more handies to have a total of 15 teams hunting in lonavla and khandala

do ask around for the same and let me know 9821025289

73's
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----- Original Message -----
From: ZYROS ZEND <zzend@...>
Date: Friday, January 9, 2004 7:27 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] 9/1/2004 FOX HUNT more details . open soon

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1514. Re: [m_a_r_s] 12/1/2004 FOX HUNT vhf handies available . open soon

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-11 06:55:28 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1513 Message: 1514

Oye ZRS,

Forgot my name in the handy list. Brand new handy leke gayela hai - aur apna naam bhi nikaal diyela hai - bolu kya Musa bhai ko....

Regds,

Mehul
----- Original Message -----
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2004 11:35 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] 12/1/2004 FOX HUNT vhf handies available . open soon

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1515. vhf handy IC 2N for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-11 06:53:25 UTC
From: ajay solanki
Topic: 1515 Message: 1515

Hi
I would like my VHF handy ICOM IC2N.
It is in good working condition.
It has given me good company in all the events.
It has manual dial for adjusting frequency.
Manual repeater shift.
I had purchased it for 4500
I would like to sell it at 3900
I am in Bombay on 15th and 16th of Jan.

If anyone has the email id of GT please mail it to me
as some of the bangalore hams need it.

Regards,
Ajay..

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1516. Re: 12/1/2004 FOX HUNT vhf handies available . open soon

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-12 05:31:17 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1513 Message: 1516

Hi Mehul,
Not to worrey abt ZRS's mail.Probably the hams who are
bringing their own handies have been listed.

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Prashant,VU2CBU

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> From: ZYROS ZEND <zzend@h...>
> Date: Friday, January 9, 2004 7:27 pm
> Subject: [m_a_r_s] 9/1/2004 FOX HUNT more details . open soon
>
> > dear memebers
> >
> > please note the names of all the registered participants of
the
> > FOX HUNTERS
> >
> > 1. AMIT MALGAONKAR
> > 2. HUZEFA H.MERCHANT.
> > 3. NAFISA SARKARI
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> > 36.MEHERNOSH V
> > 37. YAZAD MISTRY
> > 38. ASHLEY
> > 39. ZORBEN ZEND
> > 40. ZARTHUN ZEND
> > 41. PRIYA M
> > 42. JAYESH KARWAR
> > 43. RAJENDRA PILLA
> >
> > Please do pardon me if your names are spelt wrong but they
will
> > be
> > corrected.
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> > If there are any members who names i have missed out please
do
> > call me on
> > 9821025289 and let me know
> >
> > CARS OFFERED FOR FOX HUNT:-
> >
> > some members have very kindly put there cars for this FOX
HUNT
> > team LIST
> > BELOW
> >
> > 1] MILIN KORDE
> > 2] MUKESH JAITLEY
> > 3] RAJESH SETHIA
> > 4] JAYESH KARWAR
> > 5] ABHAY SHAH
> > 6] PRASHANT KOLI
> > 7] ASLAM FURNITUREWALA
> > 8] FAROOQ IRANI
> > 9] MOHAMED BHANDVADVALA
> > 10]
> > 11]
> > 12]
> > 13]
> > 14]
> > 15]
> >

> > PLEASE NOTE we are falling short of 6 cars . please come
forward
> > withthe
> > car if you have one and can borrow one .
> > If we are not able to get the total cars then the
transportation
> > to Lonavla
> > will be altered
> >
> > Well that all hunters any one i have missed out in the names
> > please call me
> > 9821025289
> >
> > 73's
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> > vu2zrs
> > vu2nlf
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> > ZYROS ZEND
> > FORTUNE COOKIE INDIA
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> > Feeling like a vacation? Then you are in the right place.
> > http://www.msn.co.in/Travel/ Get the best travel deals here!
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1517. HAM EQUIPMENT FOR SALE.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-13 15:18:04 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 1517 Message: 1517
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1518. Scramble Team Pics

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-18 03:36:46 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant
Topic: 1518 Message: 1518

The pics of Scramble Team exercise are uploaded on the following URL:

http://photos.groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/lst?.dir=/Scramble+Exercise+16+jan/District+Collectorate+SATARA&.src=gr&.view=t&BCID=m_a_r_s

Huzefa Merchant

1519. SUPER-HIT BIRTHDAY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-19 14:29:55 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1519 Message: 1519

WISHING VU2HIT A VERY BIRTHDAY !!!

From Ankur Puranik
[Beta] HelpClick onthe image to chat with me

1520. ham equipment for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-19 16:31:10 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 1520 Message: 1520
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1521. HAPPY BIRTHDAY HIT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-20 06:14:16 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 1521 Message: 1521

WISHING VU2HIT A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND A PROSPEROUS AND HEALTHY YEAR AHEAD
AND MAY GOD FULFILL ALLL YOUR WISHES.

DE VU3SOB
(DHAVAL PATEL)

Meet a mate. Find a soulmate. http://www.msn.co.in/Romance/ Or just chat a
while.

1522. Re: [m_a_r_s] HAPPY BIRTHDAY HIT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-20 07:11:17 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1521 Message: 1522

dear hit
when were you born and how come you did not tell me
we could have had a party for you also well next time sir
happy bday
zrs

----- Original Message -----
From: DHAVAL PATEL <mschumaker2001@...>
Date: Tuesday, January 20, 2004 11:44 am
Subject: [m_a_r_s] HAPPY BIRTHDAY HIT

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> YEAR AHEAD
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> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/
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> To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com
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> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to:
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1523. re: Disaster management - TEAM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-20 17:17:21 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 1518 Message: 1523

Hello all there !!

Namaste.

The emergency exercise was conducted very outstandingly,

It seems You all were well prepared, well trained,

Lot of HAMS appreciating the disciplined communication You have carried out. Well Done.

(I too got some of the BONUS points , after all I am also a MARS life member).

Keep it up,

GOD BLESS YOU,

Basappa Arabole

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1524. Re: [m_a_r_s] re: Disaster management - TEAM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-21 13:04:26 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1518 Message: 1524

DEAR FOX HUNTERS

here is some important information read on

List of items to be carried by all fox hunters 2004

1] MARS caps and t-shirts to be worn (contact vu2 hit 9892786110 if you do not have
2] MARS id cards
3] personal toilet kits and medicine
4] no hand bags allowed only knap sacks or haver sacks or back packs or shouler sling bags. Your both hands have to be free
5] sun glasses
6] warm cloths
7] 4 pencil cell batteries (not rechareable ones)
8] a torch or flash light is compulsory for all members since we will be doing a FOX HUNT in the night
9] comfortable shoes eg. Jogging , walking tennis shoes
10] a sling water bottle to carry your own personal water while doing fox hunt
11] long pants jeans
12] please wear long socks with your shoes . Why? We will tell you
13] BE AS LIGHT IN YOUR BAGGAGE SINCE YOU WILL HAVE TO CARRY IT
14] cup, plate, spoon

We are all leaving by the indriyani express from MUMBAI CST to lonavla on the 25 th morning from platform no 9 .

IN LONAVLA WE HAVE LUXURY BUS FOR THE 2 DAYS TO TAKE US AROUND SO RELAX

Reporting time at mumbai CST (vt) 5.00 a.m.) the train also stops at dadar and thane and kalyan

Boogie number is sc 5 seats numbers from 1-50

Trains leaves CST at 5.40 am

Dadar at 5.53 am

Thane 6.16 am

Kalyan 8.05 am

If you miss the train by a new alarm clock

All participants have to report to CST at 5 am Sharp AT ENTRANCE OF PLATFORM NO.9

Those who want to get on from thane or Kalyan please call me to confim it

We will be returning by train Deccan express sc4 Monday 26 th

List of participants

1. AMIT MALGAONKAR
2. HUZEFA H.MERCHANT. (HANDY)
3. RAJENDRA PILLA
4. MUKESH JAITLEY
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if i have missed out your name please call me 9821025289

special thanks to hams who are unable to participate but have given there equipment for the use during the FOX HUNT 2004

MEHUL CHOVATIA
PRASHANT KHOLI
KIRAN PANDIYAR
DR DOSHI

MAYUR BHATIA
FAROOQ IRANI
JAIPRAKASH

ANY ONE WISHES TO PARTICIPATE CALL 9821025289 AND GET REGISTERED if you have not

VU2ZRS
VU2NLF

p.s. pardon for spelling mistakes in names and letter

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1525. Simulated Disaster Communication Exercise, Satara, Jan'2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-22 11:33:44 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1525 Message: 1525
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi OMs/YLs,

MARS successfully conducted the 3 days Simulated Disaster Communication Exercise on 16 to 18th January, 2004 at SATARA District, Maharashtra. Total Four teams operated from field and one from Mantralaya, Mumbai.

1. VU2NLF (Leader), VU2IZO, Aslam, Ankur - Location : Koyna Dam
2. VU2HIT (Leader), VU2IES, Ulhas - Location : Distric Collector Office at Satara
3. VU2OZO (Leader), VU2PIC, VU3AUA - Location : Village Mendh near Karad
4. VU2UGO (Leader), VU2SFN, Anish Pancholi - Location - Village Chore-Marli
5. VU2ZRS (Leader), VU2UGJ, VU2CBU, Abhay - Location : Mantralaya

I would like to Congratulate:

- all the teams for successfully putting up their station in-time at their locations and operating it for 3 days (FRI/SAT/SUN) using the batteries (without power supply) in SSB and digital modes (like psk31 & sstv) on 40/80m band.

- the new callsign holders (Anish-VU2OZO, Micky-VU2IZO, Shailesh-VU2SFN, Santosh-VU2IES) and SWLs (Abhay, Aslam, Ankur, Anish, Ulhas) who joined the MARS ARES Team in this event.

Thanks to :

- my team mates Shailesh-VU2SFN & Anish Pancholi-SWL (specially for their efforts on Day-1 for arranging spare battery at my location) (and also surviving for 3 days with me on biscuits, cakes, bread & jam, puri, farsan) :-)

- Mukesh-VU2UGJ for his Laptop (which was used for digital communication at my location)

- Resident District Collector, Satara (for stay & food arrangements at Circuit House, at the end of Day-3).

Special thanks goes to Nilesh-VU2NLF (Event Leader) for designing this exercise (which includes coordination with the participants, their travel arrangements, preparation of schedule & time envelopes, helping team leaders to prepare their gear and many more), getting WPC approval for temporary shift of station, liasioning with Govt. of Maharashtra (Relief & Rehabilitation Cell) and his help provided to Koyna Dam officials for their wireless station setup.

Thanks also goes to MARS members (Vijay-VU2VVP, Rajan-VU2RIG, Basappa-VU2NXM, Jagdish-VU2KIB) from Mumbai who monitored and made contact with ARES teams on HF.

My experience of this Field Day:
I was carrying my HF/VHF gear (for the first time in a backpack approx 24kg) and 34AH battery (separate approx.15kg) from Mumbai. I charged that battery using a solar panel for 4.5hrs (in between the two scheds) on Day-2. The panel was put up on the tower near grampanchayat for telephone connection which was lying unused. This battery supported my

TS-50 & Laptop very well (uptill 11.22V).

Things I learnt from this Exercise:
1. Optimum use of RF power (it's very tricky when you have only 10/50/100W setting in the rig like Ts-50)
2. It was my first hand experience to operate QRP.
3. Always put up 2M setup with external antenna for local communication, even if you are not in direct 2M contact with other teams.

Things I'm planning to implement in future:
1. Alternate arrangement for charging battery (may be small portable solar panel)
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3. Update the info related to ARES and disaster communication with the help of Internet (e.g. egroups like "hfpack")
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Here are few links of the projects found on internet -
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http://members.tripod.com/MaSATERN/emergency_gear.htm

Photos :

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2. SFN & Anish busy in the shack doing the excercise

3. With Local Villagers

4. Assembly Point at Collector's office Satara

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1526. good show vu2ugo

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-22 14:15:32 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1526 Message: 1526

dear vu2ugo
the photo says it all
keep it up

vu2zrs
----- Original Message -----
From: VU2UGO <vu2ugo@...>
Date: Thursday, January 22, 2004 5:03 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Simulated Disaster Communication Exercise, Satara, Jan'2004

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1527. all fox hunter and mars

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-24 12:29:22 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1527 Message: 1527
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1528. Fwd: Re: [CQ_VU] VU2AJ - Dutt, Silent Key

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-24 15:55:43 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1528 Message: 1528
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1529. Re: [CQ_VU] VU2AJ - Dutt, Silent Key

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-24 15:59:54 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1529 Message: 1529

Shocked to know about the sad demise of Dutt jee. May his soul rest in peace.

73s

Mehul
VU2ICQ

----- Original Message -----
From: VU2JOS
To: niarindia@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2004 7:05 PM
Subject: [CQ_VU] VU2AJ - Dutt, Silent Key

Dear Friends,

OM Dutt, VU2AJ became a Silent Key today afternoon in Hyderabad at around 3.30 pm due to heart attack. The funeral will take place to night at around 7.00 pm.

He retired as the Director General of Overseas Communications Service, now known as VSNL.

He became a ham very long back and his amateur radio licence no. was 45 (as per Radcom 2000 callbook). He used to be very active from Mumbai in CW and SSB and has won dozens of International awards.

May his soul rest in peace.

Condolences from National Institute of Amateur Radio.

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73

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-28 10:50:53 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1530 Message: 1530
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a.. New Products
a.. 2004 Shortwave Frequency Guide - www.klingenfuss.org (532p, $39.95+)
b.. 2004 Guide to Utility Radio Stations - www.klingenfuss.org (600p, Euro45+)
c.. EchoMac 1.12 Program written for MacOS-X - www.DogParkSoftware.com/EchoMac
d.. SGC MAC-200 Master Antenna Controller - www.sgcworld.com
e.. The Super Frequency List on CD-ROM - www.klingenfuss.org (Euro25+)
f.. MFJ-993 IntelliTuner Automatic Antenna Tuner from MFJ - www.mfjenterprises.com

NEWS AND FEATURES

a.. "It Seems to Us..." Nine Decades

a.. ARRL in Action - Dave Hassler, K7CCC
"Big Project" in Georgia; W1RFI hits BPL Highway; more.

a.. Baker Island, K1B - Crabs, Seabirds and Radio - Srecko (Fex) Moric, YU1DX
Braving high winds, unrelenting sun and thousands of hungry crabs, a group of hams from seven nations put K1B on the DX map. Its hard to find a more remote speck of land that Baker Island. That's one of the reasons it hadn't been activated until a multinational group of hams decided to brave the crabs, sun and wind to set up what became a record-breaking effort.

a.. "...And We Had Crystals" - Richard J. Thompson, Jr
"Without crystals, there was radio; with crystals, there was communications."
The development of the thin wafers of quartz we now take for granted played a significant role in the Allied victory in World War II.

a.. Seeing Things : A Short History of Panoramic Reception - Gil McElroy, VE3PKD
Before DigiPan, there was panoramic reception, invented by a French Ham in 1932.

a.. The Challenge of Being a Little Pistol - Rod Vlach, NN0TT
DXing with a kW and a couple of beams is okay... but a knock-your-socks-off stations is not required!

a.. Zen and the Casual RTTY Contester - Steve Ford, WB8IMY
You can enjoy the upcoming ARRL RTTY Roundup-with or without a big time station.
Don Hill - www.aa5au.com/rtty
RCKRTTY - www.rckrtty.de
WRITELOG - www.writelog.com
MMTTY - www.qsl.net/mmhamsoft/
TruTTY - www.dxsoft.com
MixW - www.nvbb.net/~jaffejim/mixwpage.htm

a.. Happenings - Rick Lindquist, N1RL
Virginia startup sparks ARRL response; FCC Commissioner clarifies "Broadband Nirvana" remarks; Amateur Enforcement; more

QST WORKBENCH

a.. The Doctor is IN
Routing power cables in a car; installing emergency power in a repeater; a crystal for a vintage rig; more

a.. The Help Desk
The Considerate Operator's Frequency Guide

a.. Short Takes - Steve Ford, WB8IMY
Multi-PSK digital-mode software (www.members.aol.com/f6cte/ - 1.42mb download size)

a.. Could You Use a Low Power AC Wattmeter? - Bob Shrader, W6BNB
Build this wattmeter and learn how much power your station equipment actually draws.

a.. Amateur Radio Glossary - Steve Ford, WB8IMY
A single page guide to common hamspeak.

a.. Hand-on Radio - H.Ward Silver, N0AX
Experiment #12 - Field Effect Transistors (FETs) -
www.arrl.org/tis/info/html/hands-on-radio/

a.. Hints & Kinks - Robert Schetgen, KU7G
Alternative parts for the Tuna Tin Transmitter; window line support; increasing lamp life; more

OPERATING

a.. Results, 2003 June VHF QSO Party - Bill Seabreeze, W3IY
b.. 18th Annual School Club Roundup 2004 - Lew Malchick, N2RQ

c.. Results, 2003 ARRL August UHF Contest - Dan Henderson, N1ND

DEPARTMENTS

a.. Public Service
a.. Ham Radio was ready for Isabel
b.. The Story from Manassas, Virginia

a.. How's DX
Project Star Reach - The Five Star DXers Association's 3B9C - Rodriguez DXpedition
www.fsdxa.com/3b9c

a.. The World Above 50MHz
Fly Me to the Moon; On the Bands; Here and There; more

a.. Microwavelengths
The Microwave Low Noise Amplifier - Part 1

At the Foundation - Old Radio - YL News - SKs - 75,50 & 25 Years Ago - Coming Conventions - Hamfest Calendar - New Books - Special Events - Contest Corral

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1531. New file uploaded to m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-29 06:56:39 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 58 Message: 1531

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
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Regards,

vu2ugo <vu2ugo@...>

1532. FW: Fwd: [ODXG] ARLD003 DX news

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-30 09:43:26 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1532 Message: 1532

From: john tull
To: Boyan lz1bj , Max , vijay motwane , oe6mbg , Puzant , Sabu , Curtis BURKE , David Chen/BA4RF , Fabian , Gus , "J.Laffey" , Kevin
Subject: Fwd: [ODXG] ARLD003 DX news
Date: Thu, 22 Jan 2004 12:54:37 -0800 (PST)

--- W1AW Mailing List
wrote:
> To: vk4yn@yahoogroups.com
> CC: W1AW List: ;
> From: "W1AW Mailing List"
>
> Date: Thu, 22 Jan 2004 14:11:11 -0500
> Subject: [ODXG] ARLD003 DX news
>
> SB DX @ ARL $ARLD003
> ARLD003 DX news
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> ZCZC AE03
> QST de W1AW
> DX Bulletin 3 ARLD003
> From ARRL Headquarters
> Newington CT January 22, 2004
> To all radio amateurs
>
> SB DX ARL ARLD003
> ARLD003 DX news
>
> This week's bulletin was made possible with
> information provided by
> HA0HW, the OPDX Bulletin, The Daily DX, 425DXnews,
> DXNL, WA7BNM and
> Contest Corral from QST. Thanks to all.
>
> SWAZILAND, 3DA0. A group of amateurs are QRV as
> 3DA0DX from Madevu
> camp near Mbabane until late January. Activity is
> on all bands,
> including 160 meters and VHF. QSL via ZS5WI.
>
> TONGA, A3. A35RE has been QRV on 20 meters CW
> between 0900 and
> 1100z. QSL via HA8IB.
>
> TAIWAN, BV. Tatsuhiko, JD1BKQ will be active as

> BW3/JD1BKQ during
> the CQ WW 160-Meter CW contest as a Single-Op/Low
> Power entry. QSL
> via JR3PZW.
>
> NAURU, C2. Udo, C21HC is generally QRV on 20 meters
> CW around
> 0600z. QSL via DL9HCU.
>
> ANGOLA, D2. Fernando, D2BB has been QRV on 20
> meters SSB around
> 1800z. QSL via W3HNK.
>
> CAPE VERDE, D4. Al, 4L5A will be QRV as D4B in the
> CQ WW 160-Meter
> DX CW/SSB contests, as well as the ARRL DX CW/SSB
> contests. QSL via
> K1BV.
>
> GERMANY, DA. Bernd, DL6FBL and Joerg, DL8WPX will
> be QRV as DL6FBL
> in the CQ WW 160-Meter CW contest as a Multi/Single
> entry. QSL via
> operators' instructions.
>
> TAJIKISTAN, EY. Nodir, EY8MM plans to be QRV in the
> CQ WW 160-Meter
> CW contest. QSL via K1BV.
>
> ECUADOR, HC. Rick, NE8Z is QRV as HC1MD from
> Tumbaco until January
> 28. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW and
> SSB, with emphasis
> on the newer bands. Rick will soon have access to 6
> meters and will
> be monitoring 50110 kHz after January 26. QSL via
> K8LJG.
>
> ANTARCTICA. Michele, IK7JGQ is QRV as KC4/IK7JGQ
> from Baia Terra
> Nova station until January 31. He can usually be
> found on 20 meters
> around 1730 to 1800z. QSL via operator's
> instructions.
>
> US VIRGIN ISLANDS, KP2. Rick, K6VVA will be QRV as
> KP2CW in the CQ
> WW 160-Meter CW contest from the QTH of KV4FZ. QSL
> to home call.
>

> SOUTH ORKNEY ISLAND. Henry, LU4DXU expects to be
> QRV as AY1ZA from
> Laurie Island, IOTA AN-008, from the Orcadas del Sur
> Base beginning
> around January 27 until February 29. Activity will
> be on 160 to 10
> meters, including the newer bands, using CW, SSB and
> RTTY. QSL to
> home call.
>
> LUXEMBOURG, LX. Manfred, DK2OY and Helmut, DK6WL
> will be QRV as
> LX5A in the CQ WW 160-Meter CW contest as a
> Multi/Single entry. QSL
> via LX1RQ.
>
> PALAU, T8. Kazu, JH6WDG will be QRV as T88AQ from
> January 27 to
> February 2. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters
> using CW and SSB.
> QSL to home call.
>
> CAMEROON, TJ. Oscar, IK2AQZ, Giuliano, IK2OPW and
> Mario, IW2HUZ are
> QRV as TJ1GA until January 30. Activity is on 80 to
> 6 meters using
> SSB and PSK31. QSL via IK2AQZ.
>
> UZBEKISTAN, UK. Serge, UK8DAN has been QRV on 160
> meters around
> 0130z. He has also been active on 17 meters around
> 1130z.
>
> TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, VP5. George, HA5JI, Geo,
> VE3NZ and Lali,
> VE3NE are QRV as VP5/homecalls until January 29.
> They will be QRV
> in the CQ WW 160-Meter CW contest as VP5JI. QSL all
> calls via
> HA8FW.
>
> IRAQ, YI. Kaspars, YL1ZF is active as YI9ZF from
> Baghdad for the
> next 6 to 8 months. He prefers CW but may also
> operate using RTTY
> as well. QSL via SM1TDE.
>
> THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL January VHF
> Sweepstakes, CQ WW
> 160-Meter CW Contest, REF French CW Contest and the

> BARTG RTTY
> Sprint are all scheduled for this weekend. Please
> see January QST,
> page 98 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest websites for
> details.
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1533. FW: Fwd: [ODXG] [425ENG] 425 DX News #663 * Calendar

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-01-30 09:44:55 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1533 Message: 1533

From: john tull
To: Boyan lz1bj , Max , vijay motwane , oe6mbg , Puzant , Sabu , Curtis BURKE , David Chen/BA4RF , Fabian , Gus , "J.Laffey" , John , Kevin
Subject: Fwd: [ODXG] [425ENG] 425 DX News #663 * Calendar
Date: Fri, 16 Jan 2004 14:42:31 -0800 (PST)

--- 425list@... wrote:
> To: vk4yn@yahoogroups.com
> From: 425list@...
> Date: Fri, 16 Jan 2004 23:35:54 +0100 (CET)
> Subject: [ODXG] [425ENG] 425 DX News #663 * Calendar
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> engine that allows you to search anything you
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> Edited by I1JQJ
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> PERIOD CALL
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> till 20/01 8J1RF: Dome Fuji Base (AN-016)
> 663
> till 24/02 CE9R: "Frei Montalva" base (South

> Shetlands) 662
> till 31/01 DP1POL: Neumayer Station
> (Antarctica) * by DL5XL 659
> till 18/01 FO/A: Tubuai (OC-152), Austral
> Islands * by OHs 661
> till 31/12 HA2004EU: special event call
> 663
> till December HF0QF and HF0POL: "H. Arctowski"
> base (So. Shetlands) 662
> till 28/02 IA0PS: "Baia Terra Nova" Antarctic
> Station 658
> till April IR7LH: Italian lighthouses * by
> IK7JWX 651
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> 657
> till ?? KC4AAA: Amundsen-Scott Base (South
> Pole) 663
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> 663
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> 663
> till 2004 R1ANZ: "Mirny" Base (WABA UA-07)
> 608
> till 18/01 T20RE: Tuvalu (OC-015) * by HA9SD
> and HA9RE 658
> till 29/02 V31YN and V31GW: Belize * by DJ4KW
> and DK9GG 661
> till Dec VK0DX: Davis Station (Antarctica) *
> by VK4LL 659
> till 26/01 XT2OP: Burkina Faso * by VE4JOP
> 663
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> 659
> till ?? YI9ZF: Iraq * by YL1ZF
> 663
> 13/01-19/01 KG4DX: Guantanamo * by W4WX
> 660
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> 16/01-30/01 C56/G0VUH: The Gambia
> 662
> 16/01-30/01 TJ1GA: Cameroon * by IK2AQZ,
> IK2OPW, IW2HUZ 663
> 16/01-18/01 RK3DZJ/3 and R3ARS/3: "Kerzhenskiy"
> National Park 663
> 17/01-20/01 CE6TBN/8: Wellington Island

> (SA-032) 662
> 17/01-31/01 G4RCG/HI9 and KI7VR/HI9: Dominican
> Republic 662
> 17/01-18/01 Hungarian DX Contest (CW/SSB)
> ***
> 17/01 LZ Open Contest (CW)
> ***
> 18/01 CT1GFK, CT1GPQ, CT2IHP, CT2IUA,
> CT1EHX: Ilha do Barro 663
> 19/01 PA: EU-146 * by ON6UM, ON4LO,
> ON4LN, ON4BAG 661
> 20/01-20/03 9Q0AR: Democratic Republic of Congo
> * by SM5DIC 663
> 20/01-04/02 A35RE: Tonga (OC-049) * by HA9SD
> and HA9RE 658
> 20/01-25/01 CA5UBP: Bio-Bio Region group
> (SA-070) 663
> 20/01-28/01 KG4AS: Guantanamo Bay * by N4SIA
> 663
> from 20/01 VP8CMH/MM, South Georgia, South
> Orkneys * by GM0HCQ 658
> 21/01-27/01 PR0F: Fernando de Noronha (SA-003)
> * by W5SJ 663
> 22/01-28/01 HC1MD: Ecuador * by NE8Z
> 663
> 22/01-27/01 LU1DZ/L, LU6UO/L, LW2DX/L:
> Corrientes province 663
> 24/01 PA: Schouwen Duiveland (EU-146) *
> by ONs 663
> 24/01-18/02 PJ6/PA0VDV: Saba (NA-145)
> 660
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> 663
> 24/01-25/01 BARTG RTTY Sprint Contest (RTTY)
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> 24/01-25/01 CQ 160-Meter Contest (CW)
> ***
> 24/01-25/01 REF Contest (CW)
> ***
> 26/01-29/02 AY1ZA: South Orkneys (AN-008) * by
> LU4DXU 659
> 27/01-02/02 T88AQ: Palau (OC-009) * by JH6WDG
> 663
> 28/01-15/02 4V200YH: Haiti (NA-096) * by DLs
> 651
> 29/01-06/02 J3/AA1M and J3/W1USN: Grenada
> 663
> 31/01 UBA DX Contest (SSB)
> ***
> January 9A4KF: Pakleni Islands (EU-016)

> 661
> January II0RAI/#: special event stations
> 660
> 01/02 North American Sprint Contest (CW)
> ***
> 02/02-06/02 V31YN/P: Lighthouse Reef (NA-123) *
> by DJ4KW and DK9GG 661
> 02/02-08/02 XU7ACY: Cambodia * by NO2R
> 662
> from 03/03 XF4IH: Socorro (NA-030),
> Revillagigedo 660
> 05/02-09/02 XF1K: Sonora State South group
> (NA-166) 663
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> 09/02-20/02 9M6/PA0RRS: East Malaysia (OC-088)
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> 13/02-25/02 ZK3: Tokelau * by I2YSB, I2MOV,
> IK1AOD, IK2DIA 653
> 18/02-24/02 FS/hc and FS5UQ: St. Martin
> (NA-105) * by Ws 663
> 20/02-02/03 9M2/PA0RRS: Penang Island (AS-015)
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> 21/02-28/02 C6ASB: Treasure Cay (NA-080),
> Bahamas * by AK0M 663
> 21/02-06/03 FM/F5MNW: Martinique (NA-107)
> 663
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> 662
> 01/03-08/03 T32I and T32BI: East Kiribati * by
> KH6GMP and KH6DFW 657
> 01/03-12/03 XU7AJV & XU7TZG: Koh Poah (AS-133)
> * ON4AJT & ON6TZG 657
> 06/03-12/03 5V7C: Togo * by
> F5CW,F4AJQ,F5TVG,F5JSD,F8BUI,F5VHQ 661
> 15/03-19/03 VK4FRI: Fraser Island (OC-142)
> 647
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> 661
> 29/03-05/04 C56JJ: The Gambia * by PA9JJ
> 663
> March-April 9M8: Pulau Satang Besar (OC-165) *
> by 9M2/G3TMA et al. 657
> March-April V8: Pulau Muara Besar (OC-184) * by
> 9M2/G3TMA et al. 657
> from 04/04 T33C: Banaba (OC-018)
> 663
> 11/04-18/04 TM6ILE: Groix Island (EU-048 * by

> F5SGI 663
> 17/04-18/04 GX4NOK/P: Inner Farne Island
> (EU-109) 657
> 18/04-01/05 7Q7: Malawi * by G4AXX, GU4CHY,
> G4JVG, M5RIC 663
> 23/04-05/05 OX/DL2SWW and OX/DL2VFR: Maniitsoq
> Island (NA-220) 661
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1534. happy birthday VU2ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-02 09:04:30 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1534 Message: 1534

DEAR ZYROS (VU2ZRS),

WISH YOU A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

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1535. RE: [m_a_r_s] happy birthday VU2ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-02 15:29:03 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 1534 Message: 1535

DEAR ZYROS,

WISH YOU A MANY MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE DAY.

PARIN

Parin J Gangar
39/A, Sitaram Niwas, 4th Floor,
Shiv Mandir Road,
Dombivli - East
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India
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From: "Ankur Puranik"
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: "mars academy", "mars classes", "mars main group"
Subject: [m_a_r_s] happy birthday VU2ZRS
Date: Mon, 02 Feb 2004 14:34:30 +0530

DEAR ZYROS (VU2ZRS),

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1536. fox hunt results and report

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-04 11:47:43 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1536 Message: 1536
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1537. Welcome - VU2JHM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-05 06:27:29 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1537 Message: 1537

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS welcomes Life member LION AJAY - VU2JHM

Thank you for joining the MARS Family.

1538. Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-05 06:24:25 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 191 Message: 1538

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

The monthly meeting for Febuary shall be held on Sunday .. 8th Febuary 2004 at 10:00 AM Sharp at B.S.Bengelle Girls School at Churchgate..

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:-

10:00 Distributation of Licences pending with the society.
10:05 Distributation of result sheets pending with the society.
10:15 De- Briefing meeting for Fox Hunt held on 25th/26th January at Lonavala (further details by ZRS)
11:00 Tea Break.
11:15 Enrollment of members interested and committed for Disaster Management Team of MARS.
11:30 Any other topics with the permission of the chair.
12:00 Meeting ends..

73
NLF

1539. Re: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Management Team

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-06 01:59:19 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ
Topic: 191 Message: 1539

Feb. 06, 2004

Nilesh,

Please renew my enrolment (if there is any such procedure) in the Disaster Management Team of MARS. I am interested and committed for Disaster Management. I have completed Introductory, Intermediate and Advanced Amateur Radio Emergency Communication Courses of the ARRL in last quarter of 2003. In the Intermediate and Advanced Courses I scored 100% marks and first rank not only in my batches but among all the batches. I may probably be only Indian Ham who have completed Advanced Amateur Radio Emergency Communication Course of ARRL.

At present I am at Jaipur and am not able to attend the Montly Meeting on 8th Feb. However, I shall participate in any emergency drill.

I am interested and committed to go anywhere in India, if god forbid, any disaster does occur.

Please reply.

73

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ and KG6SQR
C56, Shastri Nagar, Opp TPS
Jaipur 302 016
Phone: (0141) 228 1888

--- vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...> wrote: > MUMBAI
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1540. vu2zrs Welcomes - VU2JHM to MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-06 05:44:08 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1540 Message: 1540

DEAR VU2JHM
WELCOME ABOARD MARS
SHOULD HAVE A EYE BALL CONTACT AGAIN
VU2ZRS
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...>
Date: Thursday, February 5, 2004 11:57 am
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Welcome - VU2JHM

> MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
>
> MARS welcomes Life member LION AJAY - VU2JHM
>
> Thank you for joining the MARS Family.
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Fortune Cookie India
300 , cawasji hormasji patel street
marine lines
mumbai 2
tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

1541. Re: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Management Team

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-06 05:52:50 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 191 Message: 1541

dear fox hunters
there will be fox debreifing on the 8th of feb at bengalli girls high school after 10 am .
please be on time
please get your photos of the fox hunt if taken by you to be viewed by all those who came for the fox hunt and all

vu2 zrs

----- Original Message -----
From: "Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ" <vu2kiz@...>
Date: Friday, February 6, 2004 7:29 am
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Management Team

> Feb. 06, 2004
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> Nilesh,
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> Please renew my enrolment (if there is any such
> procedure) in the Disaster Management Team of MARS. I
> am interested and committed for Disaster Management. I
> have completed Introductory, Intermediate and Advanced
> Amateur Radio Emergency Communication Courses of the
> ARRL in last quarter of 2003. In the Intermediate and
> Advanced Courses I scored 100% marks and first rank
> not only in my batches but among all the batches. I
> may probably be only Indian Ham who have completed
> Advanced Amateur Radio Emergency Communication Course
> of ARRL.
>
> At present I am at Jaipur and am not able to attend
> the Montly Meeting on 8th Feb. However, I shall
> participate in any emergency drill.
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> I am interested and committed to go anywhere in India,
> if god forbid, any disaster does occur.
>
> Please reply.
>
> 73
>
> Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ and KG6SQR
> C56, Shastri Nagar, Opp TPS
> Jaipur 302 016
> Phone: (0141) 228 1888
>
> --- vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...> wrote: > MUMBAI

> AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
> >
> > Dear Friends,
> >
> > The monthly meeting for Febuary shall be held on
> > Sunday .. 8th Febuary 2004 at 10:00 AM Sharp at
> > B.S.Bengelle Girls School at Churchgate..
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> > The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:-
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> > 10:00 Distributation of Licences pending with the
> > society.
> > 10:05 Distributation of result sheets pending with
> > the society.
> > 10:15 De- Briefing meeting for Fox Hunt held on
> > 25th/26th January at Lonavala (further details by
> > ZRS)
> > 11:00 Tea Break.
> > 11:15 Enrollment of members interested and committed
> > for Disaster Management Team of MARS.
> > 11:30 Any other topics with the permission of the
> > chair.
> > 12:00 Meeting ends..
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1542. FW: [RADIOHAMS] New timing of AIR Net India

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-09 05:37:45 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 1542 Message: 1542

Some announcements

----Original Message Follows----
From: VU2JOS
To: niarindia@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [RADIOHAMS] New timing of AIR Net India

Date: Sun, 8 Feb 2004 06:52:16 -0800 (PST)

Dear Friends,

From Monday, 9th February 2004, AIR Net India will be
conducted at 7.00 pm IST (130 UTC) on 14.150 MHz.

This replaces 7.30 pm IST (1400 UTC) on 14.160 MHz.

(Info from VU2CBE/KNK via VU3BAO)

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73
Jose Jacob, VU2JOS
National Institute of Amateur Radio
Raj Bhavan Road, Hyderabad 500082, India

Telefax: 91-40-23310287. EchoLink-Node 133507 VU2NRO

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1543. Happy Birthday - VU2RIG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-10 08:46:15 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1543 Message: 1543

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
MARS wishes its Founder Member & Chairman Shri Rajen Kavadia - VU2 RIG a very Happy Birthday

1544. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2RIG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-10 13:29:31 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1543 Message: 1544

HELLO RAJAN
MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE dAY

--- vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
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1545. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2RIG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-10 15:06:09 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1543 Message: 1545

Dear VU2RIG,

Wish you a very happy birthday. May this year spring up more antennae on your roof and the air keep buzzing with your call.

Regards

Shantanu

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Yahoo! Groups Links

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m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

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1546. RE: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2RIG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-11 20:36:38 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1543 Message: 1546

Dear Big Brother

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

The Rajan Sisters

----Original Message Follows----
From: "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@...>
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
CC: <mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com>, <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2RIG
Date: Tue, 10 Feb 2004 14:16:15 +0530

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Access Hotmail from your mobile now.
http://server1.msn.co.in/sp03/mobilesms/ Click here.

1547. RFID technology

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-13 14:20:59 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1547 Message: 1547

What is Radio Frequency Identification (RFID)?

A basic RFID (Rasystem consist of three components:

An antenna or coil
A transceiver (with decoder)
A transponder (RF tag) electronically programmed with unique information

The antenna emits radio signals to activate the tag and read and write data to it. Antennas are the conduits between the tag and the transceiver, which controls the system?s data acquisition and communication. Antennas are available in a variety of shapes and sizes; they can be built into a door frame to receive tag data from persons or things passing through the door, or mounted on an interstate toll booth to monitor traffic passing by on a freeway. The electromagnetic field produced by an antenna can be constantly present when multiple tags are expected continually. If constant interrogation is not required, the field can be activated by a sensor device.

Often the antenna is packaged with the transceiver and decoder to become a reader (a.k.a. interrogator), which can be configured either as a handheld or a fixed-mount device. The reader emits radio waves in ranges of anywhere from one inch to 100 feet or more, depending upon its power output and the radio frequency used. When an RFID tag passes through the electromagnetic zone, it detects the reader?s activation signal. The reader decodes the data encoded in the tag?s integrated circuit (silicon chip) and the data is passed to the host computer for processing.

RFID tags come in a wide variety of shapes and sizes. Animal tracking tags, inserted beneath the skin, can be as small as a pencil lead in diameter and one-half inch in length. Tags can be screw-shaped to identify trees or wooden items, or credit-card shaped for use in access applications. The anti-theft hard plastic tags attached to merchandise in stores are RFID tags. In addition, heavy-duty 5- by 4- by 2-inch rectangular transponders used to track intermodal containers or heavy machinery, trucks, and railroad cars for maintenance and tracking applications are RFID tags.

RFID tags are categorized as either active or passive. Active RFID tags are powered by an internal battery and are typically read/write, i.e., tag data can be rewritten and/or modified. An active tag?s memory size varies according to application requirements; some systems operate with up to 1MB of memory. In a typical read/write RFID work-in-process system, a tag might give a machine a set of instructions, and the machine would then report its performance to the tag. This encoded data would then become part of the tagged part?s history. The battery-supplied power of an active tag generally gives it a longer read range. The trade off is greater size, greater cost, and a limited operational life (which may yield a maximum of 10 years, depending upon operating temperatures and battery type).

Passive RFID tags operate without a separate external power source and obtain operating power generated from the reader. Passive tags are consequently much lighter than active tags, less expensive, and offer a virtually unlimited operational lifetime. The trade off is that they have shorter read ranges than active tags and require a higher-powered reader.

Read-only tags are typically passive and are programmed with a unique set of data (usually 32 to 128 bits) that cannot be modified. Read-only tags most often operate as a license plate into a database, in the same way as linear barcodes reference a database containing modifiable product-specific information.

RFID systems are also distinguished by their frequency ranges. Low-frequency (30 KHz to 500 KHz) systems have short reading ranges and lower system costs. They are most commonly used in security access, asset tracking, and animal identification applications. High-frequency (850 MHz to 950 MHz and 2.4 GHz to 2.5 GHz) systems, offering long read ranges (greater than 90 feet) and high reading speeds, are used for such applications as railroad car tracking and automated toll collection. However, the higher performance of high-frequency RFID systems incurs higher system costs.

The significant advantage of all types of RFID systems is the noncontact, non-line-of-sight nature of the technology. Tags can be read through a variety of substances such as snow, fog, ice, paint, crusted grime, and other visually and environmentally challenging conditions, where barcodes or other optically read technologies would be useless. RFID tags can also be read in challenging circumstances at remarkable speeds, in most cases responding in less than 100 milliseconds. The read/write capability of an active RFID system is also a significant advantage in interactive applications such as work-in-process or maintenance tracking. Though it is a costlier technology (compared with barcode), RFID has become indispensable for a wide range of automated data collection and identification applications that would not be possible otherwise.

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Source : Association for Automatic Identification and Mobility

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1548. Re: [m_a_r_s] RFID technology

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-14 06:37:37 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 1547 Message: 1548

This really has immense potential in next generation tracking devices.. Example like Toll Gates at Mumbai Entries, where there may be gates at all.. All Number plates with Passive/Active RFID devices can be charged by remote sensors. And at the month end Licensee can be chargeg accordingly hhi hii

Thank Ankur for your Usefull inputs on the Group..
Kiran
VU3KPL

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1549. how about a 100" TV in just Rs. 500

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-16 09:29:20 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1549 Message: 1549

http://bigscreentv.20m.com/photo.html

hey guys...this is really amazing and it really works.....i have tried it out myself and it works satisfactorily....just that u gotta invert your tv upside down and the image shows left as right and vice versa....(mirror)

I had an old fresnel lens that i experimented with....and it works amazing..!!! the lens costs around 400-500 rupees.

so u have a 100" tv @ home in just 500 rupees...try it out...

regards,

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1550. VHF Repeater is up and working

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-19 12:17:41 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1547 Message: 1550

dear friends,

You would be pleased to know that our MARS VHF new Repeater is up and working with very good results.. The temperarory operating frequency is 144.200 Mhz with + 600 Khz Shift.

As on now the repeater is operational from my QTH (NLF at Tardeo, south Mumbai) but soon it would be shifted to Andheri.

We would be conducting a test run for its coverage and accessability on Saturday at 2 Pm. All Mumbai hams are requested to kindly be on air at 2pm and help us in this coverage survey. You MUST use your handy and try to trigger the repeater, preferably from your street level, and NOT use your external antenna. Triggering the repeater with your external antenna will not serve the purpose, then you might as well talk directly with the other station.

We would be setting up stations at Andheri and thane, to check the coverage.

The beauty of a repeater is WHEN you can use it from any street nuk and corner of our city. We soon hope to have a VHF coverage from all corners of Mumbai using a VHF HandHeld Set using rubber ducky.

please be on air on saturday and help us to acheive our goals.

73
NLF

1551. QST - FEBRUARY'2004 | VOL 88 | NO 2

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-20 09:14:27 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1551 Message: 1551
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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TECHNICAL
a.. Homebrewing - Surface Mount Style - Ed Kessler, AA3SJ (www.qsl.net/aa3sj)
They're everywhere, and they're tiny. But SMDs need not be a daunting challenge to work with. There is no denying that components are getting smaller; some are obtainable only in surface mount devices (SMDs). AA3SJ tells how to use a common Dremel tool to make the PC boards to accept them.
www.embres.com
www.dremel.com
www.easystreet.com/w7zoi/smtbb.html

a.. The Well Adjusted Ham - Tom Morton, W5TOM
Ensure that you are where you think you are by calibrating your VFO.
NCH Toner - www.nch.com.au/tonegen/index.html
Hamalyzer - www.hamalyzer.com
WWV - http://boulder.nist.gov/timefreq/stations/iform.html
NIST Time & Frequency Services - http://boulder.nist.gov/timefreq/general/pdf/1383.pdf

a.. "A Historic Receiver from a Radio pioneer - Fred Schnell" - Dan Clark, W9VV
Delving into a regenerative receiver from the 1920s once owned by a history-making member of the ARRL staff.

a.. Power and Antenna Gain on 60 Meters - L.B.Cebik, W4RNL (www.cebik.com)
How to determine allowable power levels on our new band - if your not using a dipole.

a.. A Mobile Antenna Base with Internal Capacitive Matching - Phil Salas, AD5X
A no-holes solution to installing an effective mobile antenna.

a.. Digital Slow-Scan Television - Ralph Taggart, WB8DQT
Use your computer and some new software to explore this new image mode.
KB9VAK's presentation at 2000 Dayton Hamvention - www.svs.net/wyman/examples/HDSSTV/
DIGISSTV - www.kiva.net/~djones/digisstv
DIGTRX - www.kiva.net/~djones/digtrx.htm

a.. Product Review - Joel R. Hallas, W1ZR
a.. Elecraft KPA 100 - 100W upgrade for the K2 transceiver
Elecraft has increased the flexibility of their popular K2 transceiver by providing a 100W option. QRP capability is not lost, and an easy reconfiguration restores QRP operation whenever needed.

b.. AOR ARD9800 Digital HF voice modem
AOR brings amateur HF SSB into the digital age with its ARD9800 digital voice modem.

a.. New Products
a.. Digital Electronics Course on CD (www.sierraradio.com)
b.. Elecraft XG1 Receiver Test Oscillator / S-Meter Calibrator (www.elecraft.com)
c.. Lithium-ion Cordless Rotary Tool (www.dremel.com)

a.. New Advertisements
a.. The ARRL Operating Manual for Radio Amateurs - New 8th Edition

NEWS AND FEATURES

a.. "It Seems to Us..." BPL Update

a.. ARRL in Action - Dave Hassler, K7CCC
SC section links up with statewide website; NYC/LI "tower team" scores another victory; WWA section manager testifies on BPL before state senate committee; more

a.. Public Service, VU-Style, or Goddess Durga and the Radio Ham - Nilanjan Majumdar, VU2HFR
Kolkata, formerly Calcutta, is home to the annual Durga Puja festival - the perfect opportunity for the Calcutta VHF ARS to provide public service.

a.. Three Flags Mobiling, from ALCAN to the Yucatan - Part 1 - David A Rosenthal, N6TST (www.ridgenet.net/~n6tst)
A trip to Yukon and Alaska by way of the desolate ALCAN highway without ham radio? No Way!
More info at : www.pgarc.org
http://saralink.ca/index.html
www.kl7kc.com/~kl7kc/repeat.html
www.hiway16.com/radio/index.htm
www.karc.ca

a.. These Field Volunteers are Far Afield! - Dave Hassler, K7CCC
Beyond-in some cases far beyond-the continental US, a dedicated corps of ARRL volunteers face unique challenges while preparing for and dealing with emergencies.
www.arrl.org/sections/index.html

a.. Announcing the 13th Annual McGan Award - Jennifer Hagy, N1TDY
The deadline to nominate a ham who has excelled at promoting Amateur Radio in the medi is May 21.

a.. How to Avoid Contest Score Shrinkage - H.Ward Silver, N0AX
"What the heck happened to my score? Some tips to help avoid unwelcome surprises.
Dancing with the Robot - www.arrl.org/contests/e-mail.html
Cabrillo - www.kkn.net/~trey/cabrillo/

a.. Happenings
FEMA; BPL will "severely impair" essential HF operations; Spectrum Protection Act gains new cosponsors; FCC news; Media Hits; more.

QST WORKBENCH

a.. The Doctor is IN
Installing ladder line; dealing with conductive interference and noise in a mobile installation; more

a.. Short Takes - Steve Ford, WB8IMY
PSKMeter Kit - www.ssiserver.com/info/pskmeter

a.. Do you do Zulu? - J.D.Harper, K6KSR
Use the right time every time - UTC.
US Naval Observatory - http://tycho.usno.navy.mil

a.. Hand-on Radio - H.Ward Silver, N0AX
Experiment #13 - Attenuators - www.arrl.org/tis/info/html/hands-on-radio/
Reference Data for Radio Engg - www.microwaves101.com/encyclopedia/attenuators.cfm
Audio Attenuator : www.arrl.org/tis/info/pdf/9506033.pdf

a.. An Automatic Audio Volume Leveler - Larry Coyle, K1QW
A easily adjustable "black box" that keeps audio output level.

a.. Hints & Kinks - Robert Schetgen, KU7G
Pyrite crystal radio; adding 60 meters to a Butternut vertical; QRP on the cheap; more

OPERATING

a.. 2003 IARU World Championship Results - Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA

DEPARTMENTS

a.. How's DX
Why the Seychelles became my Favorite Holiday Destination

a.. The World Above 50MHz
Flares in October...

a.. OP-ED
Finding a place to operate Phone on a Contest Weekend

a.. Public Service
Amateur Radio at the Twin Cities Marathon
http://msuarc.egr.msu.edu/kb8zqz/packet

Technical Correspondence - At the Foundation - Old Radio - SKs - 75,50 & 25 Years Ago - Coming Conventions - Hamfest Calendar - New Books - Special Events - Contest Corral

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1552. FW: [RADIOHAMS] AIR Net at 7.30 pm from today

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-26 05:04:35 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 1552 Message: 1552

----Original Message Follows----

From: VU2JOS

To: niarindia@yahoogroups.com

Subject: [RADIOHAMS] AIR Net at 7.30 pm from today

Date: Wed, 25 Feb 2004 19:21:44 -0800 (PST)

Dear Friends,

The timing of AIR Net is being changed again from today February 26, 2004. The new timing is 7.30 pm (1400 UTC) and frequency is 14150 kHz.

This information was received from OM Yan VU2CBE/KNK, one of the regular net controllers.

(Till yesterday it was at 7.00 pm IST and before that it was at 7.30 pm)

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73
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1553. Ham Radio Equipment

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From: vu2nlf
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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

Many members especially the new callsigns have been asking for availibility of radio equipment, listed below are the equipment available in India.

TRANSRECEIVERS

Specification : AS PER R/C
Validity : 30/09/2004
Estimated Drawal.: 83.00 (in Crores)

Name of the firm : MOTOROLA INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED
& Address : 2S/B, BANNERGHATTA MAIN ROAD,
SARRAKI INDL. AREA, J.P. NGR.,
3RD PH, BANGALORE-560076
Telephone No. : 080-6587676/77
Parallel R/C No : 14050301/092004/M1649/1403
& Date : 10/10/2003
Terms of delivery: FOR Dest.
Sale Tax : AS PER CL.NO.7 OF THE R/C.
Excise Duty : NOT APPLICABLE
(Rs.)
(MOTOROLA) VHF HH T.R MODEL GP2000 WITH FULL ALPHANUMERIC KEYPAD 9750.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF HH T.R MODEL GP2000 WITH LIMITED KEYPAD 7250.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF PORTABLE T.R MODEL GP328 11150.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF PORTABLE T.R MODEL GP328 WITH LI-ION 1200MAH BTY. 13600.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF PORTABLE T.R MODEL GP328 WITH SCRAMBLER MODULE 22100.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF PORTABLE T.R MODEL GP329, FR 136-174MHZ,16 PROG. CH. 11300.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF PORTABLE T.R MODEL GP329, WITH LI-ION 1200MAH BTY. 13600.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF T.R MODEL GP338, FR 136-174/403-470/450-527 MHZ 14500.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF PORT.T.R MODEL GP338, WITH LITHIUM ION 1200 MAH BTY. 16800.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF T.R MODEL GP339, FR 136-174 MHZ 14500.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF PORT T.R MODEL GP339 WITH LI-ION 1200 MAH BTY. 16800.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF PORT T.R MODEL GP900 FR 66-88MHZ, 16 CHANNEL 16182.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF SET MODEL GM338 FR 136-174 MHZ 12950.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF SET MODEL GM338 FR 136-174 MHZ WITH DTMF MICROPHONE 13950.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF SET MODEL GM338 WITH SCRAMBLER MODULE 24500.00
(MOTOROLA)VHF MOB.SET MODEL GM339 FR 136-174/403-470/450-527MHZ 13450.00
(MOTOROLA)VHF MO.SET MODEL GM339 WITH DTMF KEYBOARD+DTMF MICROPHONE 14450.00
(MOTOROLA)VHF REPEATER STN. WITH 2 NOS OF GM950 MOBILE RADIO ETC. 60900.00
(MOTOROLA)VHF REPEATER STN. WITH 2 NOS OF GM338 MOBILE RADIO ETC. 60900.00
ADVANCED DESKTOP CONTROLLER(CONSOLE) MODEL MC2000 74900.00
(MOTOROLA) UHF HF TR MODEL GP2000+FULL KEYPAD+FR 403-440/435-480MHZ 11200.00

(MOTOROLA) UHF PORT.TR MODEL GP328, FR 403-470/450-527 MHZ 11650.00
(MOTOROLA) UHF PORT.TR MODEL GP328 WITH LI-ION 1200MAH BTY 14750.00
(MOTOROLA) UHF PORT.TR MODEL GP328 WITH BUILT-IN SCRAMBLER 23300.00
(MOT.)UHF HH TR GP338 FR 136-174/403-470/450-527/29-42/35-40 MHZ 14500.00
(MOT.)UHF PORT. TR MODEL GP338 WITH LITHIUM ION 12 MAH BTY. 16800.00
(MOT.)UHF PORT.HH TR CONVEN./TRUNKING PORT.MTX638 FR 806-870 MHZ 14500.00
(MOT.)UHF PORT.HH TR CONVEN./TRUNKING PORT.PRO7350 FR 806-870 MHZ 14500.00
(MOT.)MOB UHF PORT TR GM338 12.5/25 KHZ CHANNEL SPACING 13950.00
(MOT.)MOB UHF TR GM338 WITH DTMF KEYPAD & DTMF MICROPHONE 14950.00
(MOT.)MOB UHF TR GM338 WITH BUILTIN SCRAMBLER 25850.00
(MOT.)CONVENTIONAL, TRUNKING MOBILE TR MAXTRAC 888 17110.00
(MOTOROLA) UHF REPEATER STN. WITH 2 NOS.GM950 MOBIL RADIO ETC. 62640.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF REPEATER STN. WITH 2 NOS.GM338 MOBIL RADIO ETC. 62640.00
(MOTOROLA) VHF SET GP308(FOR RLY.) FR 136-174/403-470/450-527 MHZ 13500.00
(MOTOROLA) MOB.VHF SET GM950I, FR 136-174 MHZ 11450.00
(MOTOROLA) MOB.VHF SET GM950I WITH BUILT-IN SCRAMBLER MODULE 24500.00
(MOTOROLA) MOB. VHF SET GM950I+ FR 136-174/66-88 MHZ 11450.00
(MOTOROLA) MOB. VHF SET GM950I+ WITH SCRAMBLER MODULE 24500.00
(MOTOROLA) MOB. UHF SET GM950I+ WITH SCRAMBLER MODULE 25850.00
(MOTOROLA) MOB. UHF SET GM950I WITH SCRAMBLER MODULE 25850.00

Name of the firm : SURYA TELECOM PVT. LTD.
& Address : 204, S.C.O. 91-92-93,SECTOR-5,
PANCHKULA-134109

Telephone No. : 0172-573852
Parallel R/C No : 14050301/092004/S2689/1407
& Date : 01/10/2003
Terms of delivery: FOR Station of disp.
Sale Tax : PRESENTLY CST @4% AGAINST
FORM C.
Excise Duty : NOT APPLICABLE
(Rs.)
(SURYA)VHF FM HAND HELD TR VX-160V 7192.00
(SURYA)VHF FM HH TR VX-400 SIMILAR TO INTL.PROD.VX110/VX150/VX188 11300.00
(SURYA)VHF FM HH TR VX-300 7950.00
(SURYA)VHF FM BASE/MOBILE TR VX-2000, FR 134-160/146-174 MHZ 10440.00
(SURYA)UHF FM HH TR VX-160U, FR 400-300/440-470/450-490/485-512 MHZ 10900.00
(SURYA) UHF-FM HH TR VX-400 FR 400-430/440-470/450-490/485-512 MHZ 10900.00
(SURYA) UHF-FM BASE/MOBILE TR VX-2000,FR 400-430/450-480/480-512 MH 11600.00
(SURYA)15W/100W HF SSB STAT./MOB./MAN PACK SYSTEM-6000 TR, 90000.00

Name of the firm : SANCHAR ANTENNAS & COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS
& Address : SAI PLAZA, SANT NAGAR,
EAST OF KAILASH,
NEW DELHI-110065
Telephone No. : 011-26232562
Parallel R/C No : 14050301/092004/S2705/1404
& Date : 10/10/2003
Terms of delivery: FOR Station of disp.
Sale Tax : PRESENTLY CST EXTRA @ 4%

AGAINST FORM C/D. CST WITHOUT
C/D IS 12%. THE PRESENT RATE
OF LST IS 12%.
Excise Duty : NIL
(Rs.)
(KENWOOD) VHF HH TR TK2107 WITH 1100 MAH NI-CD BTY KNB-15A 7850.00
(KENWOOD) VHF HH TR TK2107 WITH 1600 MAH NI-MH BTY KNB-20N 7950.00
(KENWOOD) VHF HH TR TK278 WITH 1100 MAH NI-CD BTY KNB-15A 10000.00
(KENWOOD) VHF HH TR TK278 WITH 1600 MAH NI-CD BTY KNB-20N 10100.00
(KEN.)VHF HH TR TK278 & 1600 MAH NI-CD BTY KNB-20N+RR DESKTOP CHAR. 14095.00
(KEN.)VHF HH TR TK278+TRANSCRYPT SAG/JCB SCRAMBLER+1100MAH NICD BTY 21900.00
(KEN.)VHF HH TR TK278+TRANSCRYPT SAG/JCB SCRAMBLER+1600MAH NIMH BTY 21950.00
(KEN.)VHF HH TR TK-270G WITH 1100MAH NI-CD BTY.KNB-15A 11100.00
(KEN.)VHF HH TR TK-270G WITH 1600MAH NI-CD BTY.KNB-20N 11200.00
(KEN.)VHF HH TR TK-270G+TRANSCRYPT.+SCRAMBLER+1100MAH NICD BTY KNB- 21950.00
(KEN.)VHF HH TR TK-270G+TRANSCRYPT.+SCRAMBLER+1600MAH NICD BTY KNB- 22000.00
(KEN.)VHF HH TR TK-280(PLAIN)WITH 1600 MAH NI-MH BTY.KNB-21N 11275.00
(KEN.)VHF HH TR TK-280(DTMF) WITH 1600 MAH NI-MH BTY.KNB-21N 11200.00
(KEN.)VHF HH TR TK-7100 WITH PLAIN MIC ETC. 11400.00
(KEN.)VHF HH TR TK-7100 WITH DTMF MIC ETC. 11850.00
(KEN.)MOB.VHF TR TK260G WITH PLAIN MIC & TRANSCRYPT SCRAMBLER 24300.00
(KEN.)MOB.VHF TR TK760G WITH DTMF MIC 11875.00
(KEN.)MOB.VHF TR TK760G WITH DTMF MIC+TRANSCRYPT SCRAMBLER 24400.00
(KEN.)MOB.VHF TR TK780 WITH DTMF MIC 15500.00
(KEN.)MOB.VHF REPEATER TKR-750 57700.00
(KEN.)UHF HH TR TK-3107 WITH 1100MAH NI-CD BTY. KNB-15A 8400.00
(KEN.)UHF HH TR TK-3107 WITH 1600MAH NI-CD BTY. KNB-20N 8500.00
(KEN.)UHF HH TR TK-370G WITH 1100MAH NI-CD BTY. KNB-15A 11100.00
(KEN.)UHF HH TR TK-370G+TRANS.SCRAMBLER+1100MAH NICD BTY.KNB-15A 23150.00
(KEN.)UHF HH TR TK-370G WITH 1600MAH NI-MH BTY. KNB-20N 11200.00
(KEN.)UHF HH TR TK-370G+TRANSCRYPT SCRAMBLER+1600MAH NI-MH BTY. 23200.00
(KEN.)VHF HH TR TK-380 WITH 1600MAH NI-MH BTY. KNB-21N 11200.00
(KNE.)UHF HH TR TK-480 WITH 1600 MAH NI-MH BTY. 11200.00
(KNE.)MOB.UHF TR TK 860G WITH PLAIN MIC & TRANSCRYPT SCRAMBLER 25700.00
(KNE.)MOB.UHF TR TK 860G WITH DTMF MIC 13950.00
(KEN.)MOB.UHF TR TK 860G WITH DTMF MIC & TRANSCRYPT SCRAMBLER 25750.00
(KEN.)MOB.UHF TR TK 880G WITH DTMF MIC 13990.00
(KEN.)MOB.UHF TR TK-990 WITH DTMF MIC 13990.00
(KEN.)UHF REPEATER TKR-850 59400.00
(KEN.)HF TRANSRECEIVER TK-80 43400.00

Name of the firm : MEGNOSTAR TELECOMMUNICATION PVT. LTD.
& Address : 310-PADMA TOWER-II,
RAJENDRA PLACE,
NEW DELHI-110008
Telephone No. : 25710633
Parallel R/C No : 14050301/092004/M1592/1409
& Date : 01/10/2003 EDI
Terms of delivery: Free delevery
Sale Tax : PRESENTLY CST @ 4% EXTRA

AGAINST FORM C/D AND LOCAL
SALES TAX @12%.
Excise Duty : INCLUSIVE
(Rs.)
(MEGNO)VHF HH TR MODEL MS-F3 7940.00
(MEGNO)VHF MOBILE/BAS MODEL MS-F310 11890.00
(MEGNO)VHF REPEATER STN. MOODEL MS-VR310 53800.00
(MEGNO)UHF HH TR MODEL MS-F4 11100.00
(MEGNO)UHF MOBILE/BASE MODEL MS-F410 13990.00
(MEGNO)UHF REPEATER STATION MODEL MS-UR410 58800.00
(MEGNO)HF TR MODEL MS-707, 100W/15W(ADJUSTABLE FROM 5W TO 100W 43390.00
(MEGNO)DUAL BAND VHF/UHF TR MODEL MS-2350H 26990.00

Name of the firm : DATAPRO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LIMITED
& Address : EL-21, ELECTRONIC ZONE,
J BLOCK MIDC, BHOSARI,
PUNE-411026
Telephone No. : +91(020)7121403
Parallel R/C No : 14050301/092004/D0877/1410
& Date : 01/10/2003 EDI
Terms of delivery: FOR Station of disp.
Sale Tax : CST @ 4% EXTRA. TO BE CHARGED
EXTRA IN MAHARASTRA IF
APPLICABLE. LST APPLICABLE AS
PER PREVAILING RATES.
Excise Duty : INCLUSIVE
(Rs.)
(DATAPRO) P-IV PC BASED FOUR PORT DATA TERML.COMN.EQPT(BILINGUAL) 65000.00
DATA INTERFACE RADIO MODEM 42000.00
(DATAPRO)AUTOMATIC MESSAGE SWITCHING S`WARE FOR FOUR PORT OPERATION 50000.00
(DATAPRO)STAND ALONE TP LINE INTERFACE UNIT 49500.00
EXTERNAL LINE INTERFACE UNIT FOR TELEPRINTER 12000.00

Name of the firm : VXL TECHNOLOGIES LTD.
& Address : 20/3, MATHURA ROAD,
FARIDABAD-121006

Telephone No. : 0129-2305600,01
Parallel R/C No : 14050301/092004/V0539/1411
& Date : 10/10/2003
Terms of delivery: FOR Dest.
Excise Duty : NOT APPLICABLE
(Rs.)
(VXL)VHF FM HH TR DJ-195 WITH 1500 MAH NI-MH BTY. 7190.00

Name of the firm : TECHNO SERVICES
& Address : 210, PHASE-IV, UDYOG VIHAR,
GURGAON-122015
HARYANA
Telephone No. : 25555465(DELHI)
Parallel R/C No : 14050301/092004/M1506/1412

& Date : 10/10/2003
Terms of delivery: FOR Dest.
Sale Tax : PRESENTLY CST @ 4% AGAINST
FORM D, OTHERWISE @ 12% AND
LST @ 12% IS APPLICABLE.
Excise Duty : ED NOT PAYABLE EXTRA. PRICES
PRICES ARE FIRM & FIXED.
(Rs.)
RECH.NI-MH BTY 1200 MAH FOR GP300/MTX638/PTX600/GTXLTR 895.00
RECH.NI-CD BTY 1200 MAH FOR GP300/MTX638/PTX600/GTXLTR 895.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY 1300 MAH FOR GP300/MTX638/PTX600/GTXLTR 1100.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY 1600 MAH FOR GP300/MTX638/PTX600/GTXLTR 1185.00
RECH.NI-CD BTY 1100 MAH FOR GP300/MTX638/PTX600/GTXLTR 840.00
RECH.NI-CD BTY1200 MAH FOR M`LA GP300/MTX638/PTX600 WITH S`NG CLIP 915.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY1200 MAH FOR M`LA GP300/MTX638/PTX600 WITH S`NG CLIP 915.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY1600 MAH FOR M`LA GP300/MTX638/PTX600 WITH S`NG CLIP 1285.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY1800 MAH FOR M`LA GP300/MTX638/PTX600 WITH S`NG CLIP 1785.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY 1450MAH FOR M`LA GP328/GP338/GP329/GP339/MTX900 ETC. 1280.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY 1200MAH FOR M`LA GP328/GP338/GP329/GP339/MTX900 ETC. 1195.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY 1600MAH FOR M`LA GP328/GP338/GP329/GP339/MTX900 ETC. 1440.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY 1800MAH FOR M`LA GP328/GP338/GP329/GP339/MTX900 ETC. 2240.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY 1300MAH FOR M`LA GP328/GP338/GP329/GP339/MTX900 ETC. 1275.00
RECH.BTY NI-ION 1400MAH FOR M`LA GP328/GP338/GP329/GP339/MTX900 ETC 4850.00
RECH.BTY.NI-ION 1500MAH FOR M`LA GP328/GP338/GP329/GP339/MTX900 ETC 6300.00
RECH.NI-CD 1200MAH FOR MOTOROLA GP68 745.00
RECH.NI-MH 1200MAH FOR MOTOROLA GP68 750.00
RECH.NI-MH 1600MAH FOR MOTOROLA GP68 1000.00
RECH.NI-MH 1800MAH FOR MOTOROLA GP68 1780.00
RECH.NI-CD 700 MAH FOR MOTOROLA GP68 710.00

Name of the firm : INDIAN BATTERIES
& Address : 125, MODERN INDUSTRIAL ESTATE
(MIE), BAHADURGARH-124507

Telephone No. : 01276-267016
Parallel R/C No : 14050301/092004/I0939/1413
& Date : 10/10/2003
Terms of delivery: FOR Dest.
Sale Tax : PRESENTLY CST @ 4% AGAINST
FORM D TO BE SUPPLIED WITH SO,
OTHERWISE @ 12% AND LST @12%
IS APPLICABLE.
Excise Duty : ED NOT PAYABLE EXTRA. PRICES
ARE FIRM & FIXED.
(Rs.)
RECH. NI-CD BTY 700MAH FOR WEBEL/PHILIPS/SXA PORTPHONE T.R. 580.00
RECH. NI-CD BTY 800 MAH FOR WEBEL/PHILIPS/SXA PORTPHONE T.R. 580.00
RECH. NI-CD BTY 1000 MAH FOR WEBEL/PHILIPS/SXA PORTPHONE T.R. 885.00
RECH. NI-CD BTY 700 MAH FOR PWSL TACHPHONE T.R 580.00
RECH. NI-CD BTY 800 MAH FOR PWSL TACHPHONE T.R 580.00
RECH. NI-CD BTY 1000 MAH FOR PWSL TACHPHONE T.R 885.00

RECH. NI-CD BTY 800 MAH FOR SIMOCO/PHILIPS PR710 OR PR709 T.R 645.00
RECH. NI-MH BTY 1200 MAH FOR SIMOCO/PHILIPS PR710 OR PR709 T.R 745.00
RECH. NI-CD BTY 1200 MAH FOR M`LA G300/MTX638/PTX600/GTXLTR T.R. 705.00
RECH. NI-MH BTY 1200 MAH FOR M`LA G300/MTX638/PTX600/GTXLTR T.R. 675.00
RECH. NI-MH BTY 1600 MAH FOR M`LA GP300/MTX638/PTX600/GTXLTR T.R. 999.60
RECH. NI-MH BTY 1600 MAH FOR M`LA GP300/MTX638/PTX600/GTXLTR T.R. 1290.00
RECH. NI-CD BTY 1200 MAH FOR M`LA GP68 790.00
RECH. NI-MH BTY 1600 MAH FOR M`LA GP68 1060.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY 1800 MAH FOR MOTOROLA GP68 1790.00
RECH.NI-CD BTY 1200 MAH FOR S`AR/K`WOOD/PWSL TK278/TK378/TK270G ETC 690.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY 1200 MAH FOR S`AR/K`WOOD/PWSL TK278/TK378/TK270G ETC 1100.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY 1600 MAH FOR S`AR/K`WOOD/PWSL TK278/TK378/TK270G ETC 1300.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY 1450 MAH FOR GP328/338 OR PTX700/PTX760 ETC. 1260.00
RECH.NI-MH BTY 1600 MAH FOR GP328/338 OR PTX700/PTX760 ETC. 1640.00

Name of the firm : ETOSHA PAN,
& Address : 209, MUNISH PLAZA, 20,
ANSARI ROAD, NEW DELHI-110002

Telephone No. : 011-23256698
Parallel R/C No : 14050301/092004/E0659/1414
& Date : 10/10/2003
Terms of delivery: FOR Station of disp.
Sale Tax : PRESENTLY CST PAYABLE EXTRA @
4% AGAINST FORM D/C, ELSE @12%
AND IN HARYANA LST @ 4%
AGAINST FORM B-II,ELSE @12%.
Excise Duty : NIL
(Rs.)
NI-CD BTY. 700 MAH FOR PWSL TACHPHONE-M HH TR 665.00
NI-CD BTY. 800 MAH FOR PHILIPS/WEBEL PORTPHONE SXA HH T.R 669.00
NI-CD BTY. 1000 MAH FOR PHILIPS/WEBEL PORTPHONE SXA HH T.R 950.00
RE.NI-CD BTY 1200 MAH FOR MOTOROLA GP-300 HH TR. 790.00
RE.NI-MH BTY 1200 MAH FOR MOTOROLA GP-300 HH TR. 790.00
RE.NI-MH BTY 1600 MAH FOR MOTOROLA GP-300 HH TR. 1100.00
RE.NI-CD BTY 1200 MAH FOR MOTOROLA GP-68 HH TR. 740.00
RE.NI-MH BTY 1100 MAH FOR K`WOOD TK2107/TK3107/TK260 ETC. HH T.R. 760.00
RECH. VRLA-SMF BTY. OF 12V, 7AH CAP. 725.00

Name of the firm : APPLIED COMMUNICATION & CONTROLS
& Address : 109, SHIVA MARKET, NEAR
MADHUBAN CHOWK, PITAMPURA,
DELHI-110034
Telephone No. : 27024522
Parallel R/C No : 14050301/092004/A1896/1415
& Date : 10/10/2003
Terms of delivery: FOR Station of disp.
Sale Tax : CST EXTRA @ 4% AGAINST FORM
C/D. LOCAL SALES TAX @ 12%.
Excise Duty : NOT APPLICABLE.
Discount : FOR ORDER ABOVE RS.1.00 LAKHS

& UPTO RS.5.00 LAKHS-1%.
FOR ORDERS EXCEEDING RS.5.00
LAKHS-1.5%
(Rs.)
RECH. NI-CD BTY. FOR MOTOROLA GP-300/MTX638 ETC.HH TR WITH 1200 MAH 644.00
RECH. NI-MH BTY. FOR MOTOROLA GP-300/MTX638 ETC.HH TR WITH 1200 MAH 644.00
RE.NI-CD BTY.FOR WEBEL/PHILIPS SXA P`PHONE HH TR WITH 700 MAH CELL 598.00
RE.NI-CD BTY.FOR PWSL T`PHONE HH TR WITH 700 MAH CELL 598.00
RE.NI-CD BTY.FOR ICOM ICF3/ICF4/M`STAR MSF3 ETC.WITH 1050MAH CELL 1198.00

Name of the firm : PREMIER BATERY CORPORATION,
& Address : D-1/10, MAYAPURI INDL. AREA,
NEW DELHI-110064

Telephone No. : 28111686
Parallel R/C No : 14050301/092004/P1193/1416
& Date : 10/10/2003
Terms of delivery: FOR Station of disp.
Sale Tax : CST EXTRA @ 4% AGAINST FORM
C/D. LOCAL SALES TAX EXTRA
@ 10%.
Excise Duty : NIL
(Rs.)
RE.NI-CD BTY.FOR PWSL T`PHONE HH TR WITH 700MAH CELL 660.00
RE.NI-CD BTY.FOR PWSL T`PHONE HH TR WITH 800MAH CELL 770.00
RE.NI-CD BTY.FOR WEBEL P`PHONE HH TR WITH 800MAH CELL 770.00

Name of the firm : GREEN CIRCLE ENTERPRISES
& Address : FLAT NO. 4,A BLOCK,P.NO. 13,
GR.FLR., JAGGAMMAL KOIL STREET
CHINMAYA NAGAR, CHENNAI-600092
Telephone No. : NIL
Parallel R/C No : 14050301/092004/G0862/1417
& Date : 10/10/2003
Terms of delivery: FOR Dest.
Sale Tax : CST EXTRA @ 4% AGAINST FORM
C/D. PRESENT RATE OF LST IS
16% EXTRA
Excise Duty : ED NIL UPTO 1.00 CRORE
TURNOVER.
Discount : ABOVE 200 PIECES =1.0%.
(Rs.)
24V/4 AHC RECH. NI-CD BTY. 6250.00
NI-CD BTY. FOR GP-300 890.00

Name of the firm : ARYA COMM.& ELECTRONICS SERVICES PVT. LTD.
& Address : 1101-1104, KAILASH BUILDING,
26, K.G. MARG,
NEW DELHI
Telephone No. : 23317320
Parallel R/C No : 14050301/092004/A1801/1418

& Date : 10/10/2003
Terms of delivery: FOR Station of disp.
Sale Tax : CST EXTRA @ 2% AGAINST FORM
C/D. THE PREVAILING LST IN
ANDHRA PRADESH IS 4%. FOR MORE
DETAILS PLEASE REFER CL7 OF RC
Excise Duty : NOT APPLICABLE
(Rs.)
(ARYA)TRANSCRYPT SC20-460 SERIES SCRAMBLER 11650.00
(ARYA)TR30-3000 SERIES MODEM WITH CABLES AND SOFTWARE 51300.00
(ARYA)FIELD GUN 67000.00

Name of the firm : MARATHON INDIA LIMITED
& Address : D-248, BEHARI MARG, BANI PARK,
JAIPUR-302016

Telephone No. : 0141-201464
Parallel R/C No : 14050301/092004/M1556/1419
& Date : 10/10/2003 EDI
Terms of delivery: FOR Dest.
Sale Tax : EXTRA AS APPLICABLE.
AT PRESENT 4% AGAINST FORM C/D
AND WITHOUT FORM 12%.
Excise Duty : PRICES ARE INCLUSIVE OF E/D.
(Rs.)
NI-CD BTY. OF 700 MAH FOR WEBEL/PHILIPS(PORTPHONE) 593.00
NI-CD BTY. OF 700 MAH FOR PWSL(TACHPHONE) 593.00
NI-CD BTY. OF 700 MAH FOR RCL 593.00
NI-CD BTY. OF 800 MAH FOR WEBEL/PHILIPS(PORTPHONE) 593.00
NI-CD BTY. OF 800 MAH FOR PWS(TACHPHONE) 593.00
NI-CD BTY. OF 800 MAH FOR RCL 593.00
NI-CD BTY. OF 1000 MAH FOR WEBEL/PHILIPS(PORTPHONE) 875.00
NI-CD BTY. OF 1000 MAH FOR PWSL(TACHPHONE) 875.00
NI-CD BTY. OF 1000 MAH FOR MELTRON RT-41H 875.00
NI-CD BTY.1100 MAH FOR K`WOOD TK278/TK378/TK260/TK360/TK270 ETC.HH 685.00
NI-CD BTY.1200 MAH FOR PHILIPS LP15/MOTOROLA GP300 & GP-68 685.00

Name of the firm : TRANSRECEIVERS INDIA LTD.
& Address : CJ-147, SECTOR-II,
SALT LAKE CITY,
KOLKATA-700091
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(K`BROS)100W HF TR ICOMIC-78+HAND MIC, FR 1.6-29.999999 MHZ. 43401.00

1554. VHF Repeaters - Phase - II

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-26 16:32:13 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1554 Message: 1554
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

You must be aware that our repeater No.1 is operational from South Mumbai on 144.200 Mhz + 600 Khz. Our repeater No.2 is likely to up by Sunday at Andheri and our repeater No.3 in another 15 days at Thane. The Matheran Repeater and the ECHO LINK Repeater are also likely to be up very soon.

Many were excited and 3 days ago there were 17 checkins on the "NIGHT OWLS NET", 2 days age there were 11 checkins, 1 days ago there were 5 , today also there were only 5. Today the whole day nobody used the repeater.

One wonders if these repeaters that we are putting up, will they be really used ? or are we wasting our time and money ?

73

NLF

1555. Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF Repeaters - Phase - II

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-27 05:29:40 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1554 Message: 1555

Dear NLF,

Amateur radio is a hobby. I guess when HAMs have spare time after their work and family life, they would come on air.

There are a certain group of people who are dying to get on air as of now but don't have their tickets

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I completely agree that if so much time, effort and money has been invested in the repeater it should atleast have some activity! Maybe HAMS could find time to get on air just while travelling as Anurag put in his mail. A lot of us spend time on the road just getting from one place to another. Could this time not be used for QSO?

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In the end, I feel if more hams would get on air it would be encouraging not only for the senior hams who have put in so much effort to get this hobby off the ground but also to new comers who might then develop and interest for the hobby just by listening to you on the train or bus, say for example.

Cheers

SC

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1556. Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF Repeaters - Phase - II

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-28 00:59:48 UTC
From: pmanani@vsnl.net
Topic: 1554 Message: 1556

Hi Buddy!
Put up the echlink one first!
Prem
XMX

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...>
Date: Thursday, February 26, 2004 9:32 am
Subject: [m_a_r_s] VHF Repeaters - Phase - II

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> Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
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1557. Two Antennas

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-02-28 05:14:46 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1557 Message: 1557

Two antennas meet on a roof, fall in love, and get married. The ceremony wasn't much, but the reception was brilliant.

1558. Re: [m_a_r_s] QST - FEBRUARY'2004 | VOL 88 | NO 2

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-03 02:43:50 UTC
From: pmanani@vsnl.net
Topic: 1551 Message: 1558

Hi !

Enjoy Ham Songs!
http://www.lastres.com/html/music.html

Prem VU2XMX

----- Original Message -----
From: VU2UGO <vu2ugo@...>
Date: Friday, February 20, 2004 2:14 am
Subject: [m_a_r_s] QST - FEBRUARY'2004 | VOL 88 | NO 2

> Now available in MARS Library!!
>
> QST - FEBRUARY'2004 Contents :-
>
> TECHNICAL
> a.. Homebrewing - Surface Mount Style - Ed Kessler, AA3SJ
> (www.qsl.net/aa3sj) They're everywhere, and they're tiny. But
> SMDs need not be a daunting challenge to work with. There is no
> denying that components are getting smaller; some are obtainable
> only in surface mount devices (SMDs). AA3SJ tells how to use a
> common Dremel tool to make the PC boards to accept them.
> www.embres.com
> www.dremel.com
> www.easystreet.com/w7zoi/smtbb.html
>
> a.. The Well Adjusted Ham - Tom Morton, W5TOM
> Ensure that you are where you think you are by calibrating your VFO.
> NCH Toner - www.nch.com.au/tonegen/index.html
> Hamalyzer - www.hamalyzer.com
> WWV - http://boulder.nist.gov/timefreq/stations/iform.html
> NIST Time & Frequency Services -
> http://boulder.nist.gov/timefreq/general/pdf/1383.pdf
> a.. "A Historic Receiver from a Radio pioneer - Fred Schnell" -
> Dan Clark, W9VV
> Delving into a regenerative receiver from the 1920s once owned
> by a history-making member of the ARRL staff.
>
> a.. Power and Antenna Gain on 60 Meters - L.B.Cebik, W4RNL
> (www.cebik.com) How to determine allowable power levels on our
> new band - if your not using a dipole.
>
> a.. A Mobile Antenna Base with Internal Capacitive Matching -
> Phil Salas, AD5X
> A no-holes solution to installing an effective mobile antenna.

>
> a.. Digital Slow-Scan Television - Ralph Taggart, WB8DQT
> Use your computer and some new software to explore this new
> image mode.
> KB9VAK's presentation at 2000 Dayton Hamvention -
> www.svs.net/wyman/examples/HDSSTV/ DIGISSTV -
> www.kiva.net/~djones/digisstv DIGTRX -
> www.kiva.net/~djones/digtrx.htm
> a.. Product Review - Joel R. Hallas, W1ZR
> a.. Elecraft KPA 100 - 100W upgrade for the K2 transceiver
> Elecraft has increased the flexibility of their popular K2
> transceiver by providing a 100W option. QRP capability is not
> lost, and an easy reconfiguration restores QRP operation whenever
> needed.
> b.. AOR ARD9800 Digital HF voice modem
> AOR brings amateur HF SSB into the digital age with its
> ARD9800 digital voice modem.
>
> a.. New Products
> a.. Digital Electronics Course on CD (www.sierraradio.com)
> b.. Elecraft XG1 Receiver Test Oscillator / S-Meter Calibrator
> (www.elecraft.com)
> c.. Lithium-ion Cordless Rotary Tool (www.dremel.com)
>
> a.. New Advertisements
> a.. The ARRL Operating Manual for Radio Amateurs - New 8th
> Edition
>
>
> NEWS AND FEATURES
>
> a.. "It Seems to Us..." BPL Update
>
> a.. ARRL in Action - Dave Hassler, K7CCC
> SC section links up with statewide website; NYC/LI "tower team"
> scores another victory; WWA section manager testifies on BPL
> before state senate committee; more
>
> a.. Public Service, VU-Style, or Goddess Durga and the Radio Ham
> - Nilanjan Majumdar, VU2HFR
> Kolkata, formerly Calcutta, is home to the annual Durga Puja
> festival - the perfect opportunity for the Calcutta VHF ARS to
> provide public service.
>
> a.. Three Flags Mobiling, from ALCAN to the Yucatan - Part 1 -
> David A Rosenthal, N6TST (www.ridgenet.net/~n6tst)
> A trip to Yukon and Alaska by way of the desolate ALCAN highway
> without ham radio? No Way!
> More info at : www.pgarc.org
> http://saralink.ca/index.html

> www.kl7kc.com/~kl7kc/repeat.html
> www.hiway16.com/radio/index.htm
> www.karc.ca
>
> a.. These Field Volunteers are Far Afield! - Dave Hassler, K7CCC
> Beyond-in some cases far beyond-the continental US, a dedicated
> corps of ARRL volunteers face unique challenges while preparing
> for and dealing with emergencies.
> www.arrl.org/sections/index.html
>
> a.. Announcing the 13th Annual McGan Award - Jennifer Hagy, N1TDY
> The deadline to nominate a ham who has excelled at promoting
> Amateur Radio in the medi is May 21.
>
> a.. How to Avoid Contest Score Shrinkage - H.Ward Silver, N0AX
> "What the heck happened to my score? Some tips to help avoid
> unwelcome surprises.
> Dancing with the Robot - www.arrl.org/contests/e-mail.html
> Cabrillo - www.kkn.net/~trey/cabrillo/
>
> a.. Happenings
> FEMA; BPL will "severely impair" essential HF operations;
> Spectrum Protection Act gains new cosponsors; FCC news; Media
> Hits; more.
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>
> QST WORKBENCH
>
> a.. The Doctor is IN
> Installing ladder line; dealing with conductive interference and
> noise in a mobile installation; more
>
> a.. Short Takes - Steve Ford, WB8IMY
> PSKMeter Kit - www.ssiserver.com/info/pskmeter
>
> a.. Do you do Zulu? - J.D.Harper, K6KSR
> Use the right time every time - UTC.
> US Naval Observatory - http://tycho.usno.navy.mil
>
> a.. Hand-on Radio - H.Ward Silver, N0AX
> Experiment #13 - Attenuators - www.arrl.org/tis/info/html/hands-
> on-radio/
> Reference Data for Radio Engg -
> www.microwaves101.com/encyclopedia/attenuators.cfm Audio
> Attenuator : www.arrl.org/tis/info/pdf/9506033.pdf
>
> a.. An Automatic Audio Volume Leveler - Larry Coyle, K1QW
> A easily adjustable "black box" that keeps audio output level.
>
> a.. Hints & Kinks - Robert Schetgen, KU7G

> Pyrite crystal radio; adding 60 meters to a Butternut vertical;
> QRP on the cheap; more
>
> OPERATING
>
> a.. 2003 IARU World Championship Results - Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA
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> DEPARTMENTS
>
> a.. How's DX
> Why the Seychelles became my Favorite Holiday Destination
>
> a.. The World Above 50MHz
> Flares in October...
>
> a.. OP-ED
> Finding a place to operate Phone on a Contest Weekend
>
> a.. Public Service
> Amateur Radio at the Twin Cities Marathon
> http://msuarc.egr.msu.edu/kb8zqz/packet
>
> Technical Correspondence - At the Foundation - Old Radio - SKs -
> 75,50 & 25 Years Ago - Coming Conventions - Hamfest Calendar - New
> Books - Special Events - Contest Corral
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> vu2ugo@...
> Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1559. Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF Repeaters - Phase - II

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-03 16:13:25 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1554 Message: 1559

Dear Shantanu,

confirmed that no such rule is applicable for handies

main thing is that you shoud be able to answer or overrule the person or cop

73's

Micky [VU2 IZO]

>From: Shantanu Chand
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>CC: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com, mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF Repeaters - Phase - II
>Date: Fri, 27 Feb 2004 05:29:40 +0000 (GMT)
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1560. Cars and Handy

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-03 16:25:52 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1554 Message: 1560

Dear IZO,
Thanks i am sure that would have helped a lot of hams who were hesitating to use their handies while in their cars. I hope now MARS can see some "mobile" action as well.

I just hope they use their mobile rigs responsible and drive safe.

Thanks once again IZO.

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1561. RE: [mars_academy_2003] re:what is a ham?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-04 18:36:02 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1561 Message: 1561

THANKS VISHAL GREATE INFO

73'S

IZO [MICKY]

>From: vishal shah
>Reply-To: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com
>To: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [mars_academy_2003] re:what is a ham?
>Date: Thu, 4 Mar 2004 13:58:50 +0000 (GMT)
>
>hi!friends how r u all?this is my first mail.recently
>i camed across a book in which i camed to why a
>amateur radio operator is called a ham.i din't know
>this earlier & i am sure many of them also don't know
>the reason of this.the reason why an amateur radio
>operator is called a ham is that the three initials
>relate to the name of three great radio experimenters.
>H stands for hertz who practically demonstrated the
>existence of electro magnetic waves in 1888.
>A stands for armstrong who developed a resonant
>oscillator circuit for radio frequency work, &
>M stands for marconi ,the 1909 nobel laureate
>physicist,who in the year 1901 established the first
>transatlantic radio contact.
> source:manorama year book 2002.
>i hope those who din't knew liked this info of mine.
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1562. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-05 16:06:34 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1562 Message: 1562

WISHING YOU ALL

A VERY HAPPY

AND COLOURFUL HOLI

MICKY KORDE [VU2 IZO]

INDIA TODAY @ Rs. 5 for 5 years ! Subcribe Now ... (http://g.msn.com/8HMAENIN/2743??PS=)

1563. Re: [m_a_r_s] Cars and Handy

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-09 14:36:01 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1554 Message: 1563

keep dreaming...!!

nlf
----- Original Message -----
From: Shantanu Chand
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, March 03, 2004 9:55 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Cars and Handy

Dear IZO,
Thanks i am sure that would have helped a lot of hams who were hesitating to use their handies while in their cars. I hope now MARS can see some "mobile" action as well.

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b.. To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

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1564. Happy Birthday - VU3SOB

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-09 15:01:19 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1564 Message: 1564
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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MARS WISHES DHAVAL PATEL - VU3SOB A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

1565. Happy Birthday Kishor Masurkar

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-09 15:02:09 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1565 Message: 1565
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

MARS WISHES KISHOR MASURKAR - S.W.L. A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

1566. caps for distribution

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-11 06:22:39 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1566 Message: 1566

Hi friends,

The caps bearing following call sign will be brought for distribution at the next monthly meeting on. The rightful claimant is requested to collect the same at the venue, subject to the condition that he/she is not in arrears of fees.

1) VU2BIG
2) VU2CDP
3) VU2FEO
4) VU2GID
5) VU2HKL
6) VU2JIG
7) VU2NDZ
8) VU2NGO
9) VU2PWP
10) VU2TMA
11) VU2UDR

73s
Prashant Koli
Vu2cbu

1567. Membership dues

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-11 06:31:22 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1567 Message: 1567

Dear friends,

The following 41 ordinary / student (2002 batch) members have
not paid fees for the year 2003-04 even after repeated reminders.
They are requested to renew membership within a week or else their
membership will be cancelled.

Sr. Mem.No. Call Sign Name
1. 16 VU2JYO Jyotika Dalal
2. 37 VU2CBV Sudhir Kalkar
3. 41 VU2CCH Rohit Arora
4. 53 VU2KBD Kirti Doshi
5. 55 VU2CBW Sandhya Koli
6. 69 SWL ASHOK R PARAB
7. 70 SWL CHANDER H BHATIA
8. 72 SWL DINESH CHAUDHARY
9. 76 SWL HARSHAD SURVE
10. 77 SWL J T D'SOUZA
11. 78 SWL KAUSHIK JAIMALANI
12. 82 SWL MILIND PARALIKAR
13. 84 SWL MRITYUNJAY HIREMATH
14. 87 SWL R K BHATIA
15. 88 SWL RAHUL S MORE
16. 89 SWL S S INAMDAR
17. 90 SWL SACHIN JHUNJUNWALA
18. 93 SWL SAMSON RAMRAJKAR
19. 96 SWL SANJEEVKUMAR KADAM
20. 101 SWL SURESH PUNYARTHI
21. 105 SWL VARGHESE WILSON
22. 109 SWL AJIT V.VORA
23. 110 SWL AMIT GUPTA
24. 111 SWL ANAND TRIVEDI
25. 112 SWL BALRAM WARRIER
26. 113 SWL BHARAT C.SHAH
27. 115 SWL BHAVNA KAUL
28. 117 SWL CHARLES BARBOZA
29. 120 SWL DESHRAJ BHARMORIA
30. 121 SWL DILEEP PRABHAKARAN
31. 124 SWL GAUTAM KEDIA
32. 125 SWL HARDEEP SINGH KHALSA
33. 128 SWL JESAL DOSHI
34. 138 SWL RISHI LAL
35. 139 SWL SACHIN SURENDRAN
36. 140 SWL SAJIV KURUP
37. 141 SWL SAJJAD JIVANI

38. 144 SWL SHYAM KAPADIA
39. 145 SWL SUBRATA CHAKRABORTY
40. 148 SWL ZARTHUN ZEND
41. 150 SWL ZORBEN ZEND

Prashant Koli
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1568. Cancelled membership

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-11 10:31:18 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1568 Message: 1568

Hi there again!

Some of our memebrs have called me and they wanted to know if there
are any members whose membership has been cancelled.
Yes,Sir!!The list is as follows:

Sr. Membership No. Call Sign Name Member Type
1. 2 VU2LNZ Girish Shukla Cancelled
2. 10 VU2AUU Udayan Desai SK Cancelled/exp.
3. 21 VU2IIA Mahesh Vhatkar Cancelled
4. 29 VU2KGO K G Rao Cancelled
5. 30 VU2ITT Vijay Daiya Cancelled
6. 34 VU2VRB Russ Balaporia Cancelled
7. 39 VU2PTM Vikrant Patil Cancelled
8. 40 VU2HEC Ashish Joshi Cancelled
9. 43 VU2VVJ Vijaylaxmi Motwane Cancelled
10. 46 VU2PAO Ajay Solanki Cancelled

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1569. hams needed for rally

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-12 04:56:58 UTC
From: bal indi
Topic: 1569 Message: 1569

dear OMs and YLs,
a rally may take place on sunday
from south mumbai. Hams may be needed for
co-ordinating the event. interested people may please
contact Ketan Mehta, VU2KQY on +919820190210.
prereqisite is that u should have ur own handy.

73s
-de Bal, VU2 UZI, Pune

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1570. Monthly Meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-12 06:08:52 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 22 Message: 1570
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

The Monthly Meeting of March 2004 shall be held on Sunday, 14th March 2004 at 10:00 AM Sharp. The meeting will be conducted at the usual location, B.S.Bengelle Girls School, Churchgate.

The Agenda for the Meeting will be as follows:-

1. Discussions and Suggestions on VHF Activity in Mumbai.

2. Import of affordable Ham Radio Equipment (latest Info with simple solutions).

3. Preliminary preparations for the A.G.M to be held on 1 May 2004.

4. Preliminary preparations for the Hamfest 2004 (dates and QTH ready).

5. Any other topic with the permission of the Chair.

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1571. IARU Celebrates World Amateur Radio Day

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-12 09:58:49 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1571 Message: 1571

>>> IARU Celebrates World Amateur Radio Day <<<

Friday, April 18, is World Amateur Radio Day, celebrated each year on the anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU http://www.iaru.org/). The IARU is the worldwide federation of national Amateur Radio organizations representing radio amateurs in 158 countries. On this, the 78th anniversary of its inaugural meeting in Paris, the IARU dedicates World Amateur Radio Day to the radio amateurs, educators, and administrators who use Amateur Radio to support technology education in the classroom. Such programs are not confined to the developed countries. They are even more valuable in countries where telecommunications technology is not yet commonplace and where natural disasters and other calamities can overload or even disrupt regular communications circuits.

Radio technology offers many tools for teachers as they bring technology into the curriculum. In schools without internet connections, Amateur Radio can help with interactive communications and shortwave reception. Teachers can inject fun while helping students learn basic electricity and regional geography. Social studies teachers can use Amateur Radio and shortwave receivers to teach about different cultures the world over. Earth science and physics teachers can use radio to teach electricity and electronics, radio wave propagation, weather and atmospheric science. Language arts teachers may use radio to supplement writing, speaking and listening skills while providing access to numerous foreign languages from the lips of native speakers.

With almost three million licensees, in nearly every country on Earth, the Amateur Service provides an ample reservoir of expertise for use in classrooms throughout the world. (IARU news release)

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GEM NET WORLDWIDE CONTEST'2004

"GEM" is acronym for General Emergency Medical Net conducted daily on 7.080 Khz at 22.00hrs (16.30 UTC) in India to handle General, Emergency and Medical Traffic.

This contest is to celebrate the World Amateur Radio Day on 18th April, 2004 and 15 years of GEM Net on September 21, 2004 and to popularize it all over the world and help the needy people with Emergency Nets.

For More INFO visit : http://www.niar.org/gemnet/contest.html

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1572. ARRLWeb The Amateur Radio Crossword Puzzler - Units, Units Everywhere!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-12 09:58:55 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1572 Message: 1572
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ARRLWeb: The Amateur Radio Crossword PuzzlerThe Amateur Radio Crossword Puzzler

By H. Ward Silver, N0AX
June 20, 2003

Units, Units Everywhere!

If the ministrations of the local meteorologist is keeping you under the weather, here's a good opportunity to meter your mastery of metrology instead. This quiz is full of units, their abbreviations, and combinations thereof. How do you measure up?

Ward Silver, N0AX, (aka The Metonymic Master of Meter) authors--among numerous other things--the Amateur Radio Crossword Puzzler, which appears twice a month on the ARRL Web site. He can be reached by e-mail at n0ax@... or by surface mail at Aetherworks Publishing, 22916 107th Ave NW, Vashon, WA, 98070.

Across

1. one-thousandth
4. transmitter (abbr.)
6. one-billionth
9. unit of reactive power
10. rush
11. 1 across times 12 across
12. unit of inductance
13. metal used in wires (chemical symbol)
17. units of light intensity
19. number of events per unit time
21. ambulance medical personnel
22. weight of one microliter of water
23. distance from bottom to top
24. prefix of Middle Eastern country
26. type of ac voltage measurement
28. prefix of neighbor to 25 across
30. bipolar junction materials
32. ac variation on power supply output
33. thread direction
34. unit of power
36. measure of impedance match
37. make a msitake
38. draw power from

40. prefix meaning all or every
42. OD minus twice wall thickness
44. unit of capacitance
47. a billion
49. units of weight
51. a speed that rhymes with race
52. not you
53. units of electromotive force
57. divide in two
58. units of current

Down

2. make longer
3. don't let this grow on your tower
4. attempt
5. not working properly
6. 6 across times 12 across
7. billionth of a meter
8. units of resistance
10. unidirectional current
12. unit of frequency
14. 360 of these in a circle
15. a million
16. measures with a moving needle
18. one-tenth of 56 down
20. type of engineer
25. resistance to ac current
27. earliest mode of transmission
29. 1 across squared squared
30. measure of acidity
31. unit of pressure
33. greek letter that moves your boat
34. how heavy an object is
35. slang for math of angles
39. audio frequency
41. opposite of stereo
43. to quench oscillations
45. light, common metal (chemical symbol)
46. power ratio to one milliwatt
48. written description of performance standard
50. units of time
53. voice unit (abbr.)
54. between QRP and HP
55. Antimony (chemical symbol)
56. 2.5 of these make an inch

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1573. Be QRV on 80/30M Bands!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-12 11:24:32 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1573 Message: 1573
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

3790-3800 and 10100-10150 KHz (80/30M) operating permission extended till 31-7-2004 and assignment of spots 50.350 & 50.550 MHz of 6M band has been withdrawn vide WPC's Letter No.J-22011/1/2000-WF dt.06.11.2003 as per their Letter to ARSI.

Thanks to VU2ZAP for putting up this info/file on ARSI EGROUP's file section.

1574. Fw: ARLS005 A glimmer of hope for AO-40

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-12 16:02:58 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1574 Message: 1574

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----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@...>
To: <info@...>
Cc: <Subscribed ARRL Members: ;>
Sent: Thursday, March 11, 2004 9:18 PM
Subject: ARLS005 A glimmer of hope for AO-40

> SB SPACE @ ARL $ARLS005
> ARLS005 A glimmer of hope for AO-40
>
> ZCZC AS05
> QST de W1AW
> Space Bulletin 005 ARLS005
> From ARRL Headquarters
> Newington, CT March 11, 2004
> To all radio amateurs
>
> SB SPACE ARL ARLS005
> ARLS005 A glimmer of hope for AO-40
>
> A weak "noise" on the AO-40 2.4-GHz beacon frequency has raised
> hopes that AO-40 may still be alive. AO-40 has been silent since
> January 27 (UTC), in the wake of a precipitous voltage drop. The
> satellite's controllers believe that one or more shorted battery
> cells are at the root of the problem.
>
> Colin Hurst, VK5HI, of the AO-40 command team reports that on March
> 9 between 0310 and 0320 UTC (orbit 1541) he "noted a noise peak of 4
> to 5 dB" in the vicinity of the expected beacon frequency after he'd
> issued a transmitter reset command sequence to the satellite. "The
> width of this peak was about 5 kHz," he said. After listening for
> about 15 seconds, he issued a command to shut down the transmitter,
> and the noise peak disappeared.
>
> Hurst said he also transmitted several commands involving the
> auxiliary batteries but did not attempt to turn the beacon on again.
> "This tends to suggest that the IHU [Internal Housekeeping Unit
> computer] and L Band [1.2 GHz] receiver are operational," he said.
>
> The AO-40 command team theorizes that a cell in the main battery
> pack has shorted, clamping the bus voltage below the point where it
> can operate the satellite. The spacecraft's auxiliary batteries are
> believed to be in parallel with the main batteries, and commands
> sent so to swap to the auxiliary batteries have been unsuccessful.
> AO-40 Earth stations are continuing to send commands to the
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> satellite in order to switch the batteries.
>
> Updates on AO-40 are available on the AMSAT-DL Web site,
> http://www.amsat-dl.org/journal/adlj-p3d.htm .
> NNNN
> /EX
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1575. Fw: ARLD010 DX news

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-12 16:04:27 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1575 Message: 1575

----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@...>
To: <info@...>
Cc: <Subscribed ARRL Members: ;>
Sent: Friday, March 12, 2004 2:08 AM
Subject: ARLD010 DX news

> SB DX @ ARL $ARLD010
> ARLD010 DX news
>
> ZCZC AE10
> QST de W1AW
> DX Bulletin 10 ARLD010
> From ARRL Headquarters
> Newington CT March 11, 2004
> To all radio amateurs
>
> SB DX ARL ARLD010
> ARLD010 DX news
>
> This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by
> HB9AAP, NC1L, W1NK, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, The Daily DX,
> 425DXnews, DXNL, WA7BNM and Contest Corral from QST. Thanks to all.
>
> SWAZILAND, 3DA. Look for Frosty, K5LBU, Chuck, W4GMY, Paul, N0AH,
> and Don, W0DM to be QRV as 3DA0CF, 3DA0CG, 3DA0AX and 3DA0DM,
> respectively, from March 13 to March 21. Activity will be on 160 to
> 10 meters, including the newer bands, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31.
> QSL to home calls.
>
> DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO, 9Q. Gus, SM5DIC is QRV as 9Q0AR until
> March 20. Of late he has been active on 20, 17, 15 and 10 meters
> using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via SM5BFJ.
>
> TAIWAN, BV. Amateurs BV8BC, BV8BM, BV8BQ, BV8CM, BX8AAA and BM8BTM
> are active as BV9O from Orchid Island, IOTA AS-155, until March 15.
> QSL direct via BV8BC.
>
> MADEIRA ISLANDS, CT3. Rosel, DL3KWR and Hardy, DL3KWF are QRV as
> CT3/homecalls until March 18 from Ilha da Madeira, IOTA AF-014.
> Activity is generally during their late afternoon and evening hours,
> mainly on the newer bands using CW. QSL to home calls.
>
> ANGOLA, D2. Joao, CT1BFL and Durval, CU3BW are working in the
> capital city of Luanda during the next six months and are QRV as D2U

> and D2DB, respectively. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL
> via EA7JX.
>
> JERSEY, GJ. Ron, G4DIY and Lee, G0DBE will be QRV as GP0STH from
> March 15 to 20. QSL via G4DIY. Meanwhile, Pete, K8PT and Craig,
> K3PLV are QRV as MJ/homecalls until March 17. Activity is on all
> bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home calls.
>
> SWITZERLAND, HB. During 2004 the Swiss Amateur Radio Club, USKA, is
> QRV as HB75A in celebration of its 75th anniversary. QSL via
> operators' instructions.
>
> SWEDEN, SM. Special calls SC0AG, SC1AG, SC2AG, SC3AG, SC4AG, SC5AG,
> SC6AG and SC7AG are QRV throughout the year to celebrate the 30th
> anniversary of the Scandinavian CW Activity Group. QSL via
> operators' instructions.
>
> WEST KIRIBATI, T30. Rolf is QRV as T30ZF and has been active on 20
> meters from around 0700 to 0900z. He has also been QRV on 40 meters
> around 1600z. QSL via DK2ZF.
>
> MALI, TZ. Boe, TZ6BOE has been QRV on 20 meters around 1730z. QSL
> via LA7OF.
>
> UZBEKISTAN, UJ. Fedor, UK9AA has been QRV on 160 meters around
> 0130z. QSL direct.
>
> CANADA, VE. Special event station VB5C is QRV until March 30 to
> commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Canadian Curling Brier. QSL
> via VA5DX.
>
> IRAQ, YI. Jerry, K6MD is licensed as YI9MD and expects to be in
> Mosul until January 2005. QSL via W6OAT.
>
> THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The Pesky Texan Armadillo Chase, YL
> International Single Sideband System QSO Party, RSGB Commonwealth CW
> Contest, AGCW QRP Contest, Oklahoma QSO Party, SOC Marathon Sprint,
> North American RTTY Sprint, UBA Spring CW Contest, NSARA Contest and
> the Wisconsin QSO Party will certainly keep contesters busy this
> weekend. Please see March QST, page 100 and the ARRL and WA7BNM
> contest websites for details.
> NNNN
> /EX
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1576. Report on Hamfest 2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-13 10:20:42 UTC
From: Nirav Sanghavi
Topic: 1576 Message: 1576

A new report has come up on the ether. I know that this report is not adequate. Any body know if it is entirely true.
http://www.niar.org/qst.html

Or was my feeling proud of our MARS winning the Best Presentation Award something gone in vain? http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/message/1417

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de VU2NHR

1577. Fw: The ARRL Letter, Vol 23, No 11

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-13 12:21:47 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1577 Message: 1577

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To: <info@...>
Sent: Saturday, March 13, 2004 4:23 AM
Subject: The ARRL Letter, Vol 23, No 11

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> The ARRL Letter
> Vol. 23, No. 11
> March 12, 2004
> ***************
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> IN THIS EDITION:
>
> * +North Carolina hams get face time with FCC chairman on BPL
> * +ARRL welcomes visit by Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, and Bob Heil, K9EID
> * +Middle schoolers put NA1SS in their log
> * +Hawaii ham radio antenna bills attracting mainland's attention
> * +Weak signal raises hopes for AO-40's revival
> * +Ham radio community aids injured amateur
> * +Bob Sutherland, W6PO, SK
> * Solar Update
> * IN BRIEF:
> This weekend on the radio
> ARRL Emergency Communications course registration
> +Scott Redd, K0DQ, heads to new job in Iraq
> Congressman-ham gets father's call sign
> Barton replaces Tauzin
> HQ staffers get IC-7800 preview
> Eastern VHF/UHF Conference set for April
>
> +Available on ARRL Audio News
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> ============================================================
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> ==>A CLOSE ENCOUNTER OF THE BPL KIND WITH FCC CHAIRMAN
>
> A Broadband over Power Line (BPL) home demonstration in the Raleigh, North
> Carolina, area March 5 provided an opportunity for area amateurs to take
> their concerns about the technology to FCC Chairman Michael Powell face to
> face. While ARRL Public Information Officer Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, doesn't
> believe his brief encounter with the FCC head and amateurs' longer
> discussions with Commission and electric utility staffers will stop or
> slow the seeming BPL juggernaut, they were valuable anyway.
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> "We consider the day successful in the context that we were able to speak
> directly with several high-level FCC officials, key Progress Energy
> officials and the CEO of Amperion--a BPL provider," Pearce said.
> "Long-term success will be measured by how much of a problem BPL poses to
> Amateur Radio, or how much of a problem is avoided."
>
> While Pearce says he only spent about 30 seconds with Powell, he did tell
> the chairman that amateurs believe BPL's interference potential has been
> understated and will prove more difficult to resolve than the FCC has
> suggested in its February BPL Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM). "What
> I didn't know when I talked to him," he added, "was that a question that
> we had sent to the local newspaper had been posed earlier in the day at a
> press conference about interference."
>
> Powell had responded to the question by saying the FCC would not let BPL
> interfere with critical services, the Raleigh News & Observer reported.
> "The question is whether it does, and to what extent, and what limits can
> be placed to make sure it doesn't," Powell said. "We've been fully
> committed to only allowing things within the range of what we're convinced
> won't create impermissible interference."
>
> But Powell went on to say that if BPL can provide broadband access
> anywhere there's a power outlet, "We're not going to be easily dissuaded
> from doing something that has that much potential."
>
> Progress Energy and BPL partner Amperion now are operating three field
> test sites in Wake County south of Raleigh. Acting on a tip, Pearce and
> several other area amateurs--ARRL Technical Specialist Frank Lynch, W4FAL,
> among them--showed up at the prearranged BPL demonstration at a residence
> near Fuquay-Varina.
>
> While Pearce witnessed the demo inside, others, including Wake County ARRL
> Emergency Coordinator Tom Brown, N4TAB--an engineer--stayed outside to
> chat with Powell Senior Legal Advisor Chris Libertelli. Brown said the
> "outside" delegation reiterated the amateurs' belief that BPL industry
> claims are misstated and wrong. "Overall," he said, I think we were
> successful in illuminating a few issues and opening more doors instead of
> closing them."
>
> Pearce told ARRL that a few hams--most a half-mile or so away from the
> field test sites--already have identified BPL interference on 10 and 12
> meters. But he was unsuccessful in getting Powell or others in the FCC
> delegation to take a quick spin in his mobile radio-equipped vehicle to
> show him what BPL sounded like "from our perspective." The FCC officials
> suggested instead that the amateurs arrange a similar demonstration in
> Washington.
>
> Pearce and Brown believe that BPL is not technologically mature enough to
> ensure the sort of "interference mitigation" the FCC envisions in its
> NPRM. "Everyone is relying on the vendors' claims that their technology

> can solve all the problems," Pearce said. Brown concurred. "It's not
> anywhere near as adaptive as they would lead you to believe it is or want
> you to--by absence of further information--allow you to delude yourself,"
> he said. "It's not there yet."
>
> Pearce said he was happy to be able to put "a human face" on Amateur
> Radio's side of the issue. "We know they heard us and that we made a good
> impression," he said. "We hope it was a deep one as well."
>
> ==>EAGLES' JOE WALSH, WB6ACU, ENJOYS FIRST VISIT TO ARRL
>
> Well-known amateur and musician Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, of The Eagles, this
> week visited ARRL Headquarters for the first time in his 43 years as a
> ham. Accompanying Walsh to Newington March 5 and 6 was ham radio audio
> expert and manufacturer Bob Heil, K9EID. Both are ARRL Life Members.
> Besides touring ARRL, Walsh and Heil spent part of their weekend operating
> W1AW with ARRL staff members during the ARRL International DX Contest
> (Phone).
>
> "I'm looking forward to a pileup," Walsh said beforehand. He says he was
> bitten by the contest bug during a visit to the station of Ali Al-Futtaim,
> A61AJ, in the United Arab Emirates. "There were 50 guys at a time calling
> me, and before I knew it, I looked up and three hours had passed and I'd
> been logging 350 QSOs an hour," he recalled. "Then I realized what
> [contesting] was all about. It was like, 'Wow!' You just have to do it to
> understand how much fun it is."
>
> At W1AW, Walsh hopped from band to band working the contest, while Heil
> took the quieter route of ragchewing on 17 meters. He also assisted the
> contest effort by repairing a couple of headsets. Walsh and Heil at one
> point put W1AW on AM on 40 and 75 meters. During the contest, more than a
> few operators took a moment to say hello to Walsh or to tell them they
> were fans.
>
> Walsh said his HQ tour proved to be an eye opener. "You read all the
> different things in QST--the DX columns and technical articles--but people
> don't realize that there are a number of departments, and they're staffed
> with real people, the many people that it takes to put out QST and provide
> [member] services."
>
> Walsh also marveled at Hiram Percy Maxim's rotary spark gap transmitter
> "Old Betsy," now residing in the W1AW lobby. "It's special just sitting
> here at W1AW, soaking up 100 years of Amateur Radio," he remarked. "It's
> everything I expected it to be, and I've met a lot of great people."
>
> Walsh, who's also performed with The James Gang and enjoyed a solo career,
> says he got into Amateur Radio in 1960, shortly after moving to New York.
> Becoming a radio amateur was a pivotal point in his life, he said, and his
> personal experience was one of the reasons he's become a donor to the ARRL
> Amateur Radio Education and Technology Program

> <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/tbp/>. Recalling how the kindness of his
> Elmer, Jim Walden, then W2IEY and now W6ESJ, had enriched his life back
> when he was the new kid in town, Walsh said he wanted to somehow pay it
> back.
>
> "I feel that I need to pass that kindness along and that's why I got
> involved in the Education and Technology Program," he said.
>
> Walsh said he envisions "some kid like me--new in town and new in
> school--and there's going to be a ham station there. I want there to be
> something there for him." Walsh said he worked hard for his license, and
> he's enjoyed Amateur Radio over the years.
>
> "I don't want those traditions and that fellowship to be lost," he said.
> "I'll do what it takes to have that survive."
>
> More information about Walsh's and Heil's visit is on the ARRL Web site
> <http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2004/03/11/1/>. A commemorative QSL
> card is available for those who worked W1AW during the contest. QSL
> requests go to W1AW, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. Please include a
> self-addressed, stamped envelope with each request.
>
> ==>SOUTH CAROLINA MIDDLE SCHOOLERS LOG SUCCESSFUL SPACE CONTACT
>
> Students at a South Carolina middle school who spoke via ham radio with
> the International Space Station this week enjoyed the experience so much
> they're already eager to do it again. On March 8, youngsters at DuBose
> Middle School in Summerville questioned ISS Crew Commander Mike Foale,
> KB5UAC, about life aboard the space outpost. The contact was arranged via
> the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program.
> Operating from NA1SS, Foale told the sixth through eighth graders that he
> was able to see prominent features of South Carolina from his vantage
> point in space. He said the ISS crew can see eclipses and other planets in
> space as well.
>
> "The moon just went by Jupiter, and it was really an amazing sight to see
> as I was going into the dark side of Earth," Foale said. The ISS was
> passing above the US West Coast at the time. In a follow-up reply, he
> described the inky darkness of the cosmic void and how stars and planets
> appear. "It is totally black in space," he said. "There are some parts of
> space where there are no stars visible at all, because there are gas
> clouds out there in the galaxy. And that is so dark, it's hard to
> imagine." Foale said stars appear brighter and more colorful from space
> than they do from Earth.
>
> One youngster wanted to know if astronauts could wear such appliances as
> hearing aids, braces or contact lenses in the zero-gravity environment of
> the ISS. "Actually, I wear ear plugs just because it's noisy up here,"
> Foale replied. "If I had braces, they wouldn't be a problem, and lots of
> astronauts do wear contact lenses."

>
> As he's indicated in past ARISS school group contacts, Foale said he
> "absolutely" would like to participate in a future mission to Mars, but he
> said he expected that job would fall to younger generations. "I do believe
> you and your classmates and your friends have a better chance of doing
> that than I do," he said.
>
> When the 10-minute contact was done, DuBose eighth-grade science teacher
> Alene Wilkins, KG4NKD, called it "the best experience I have had since I
> started teaching."
>
> Bill Hillendahl, KH6GJV, and Herb Sullivan, K6QXB, handled Earth station
> duties at W6SRJ in California. An MCI teleconference circuit relayed
> two-way audio between the two coasts.
>
> ARISS <http://www.rac.ca/ariss> is an international educational outreach
> program with US participation from ARRL, NASA and AMSAT.--some information
> provided by Charlie Sufana, AJ9N
>
> ==>MAINLANDERS KEEPING EYE ON HAWAII AMATEUR RADIO ANTENNA BILLS
>
> Two Amateur Radio antenna bills are continuing to progress through the
> Hawaii State Legislature. House Bill 2773 would allow Hawaiian amateurs
> living in condominiums to install antennas on their units under certain
> guidelines. HB 2774 would permit antenna installations, with conditions,
> by Hawaiian amateurs living in subdivisions subject to homeowners'
> association covenants, conditions and restrictions (CC&Rs).
>
> The progress of both bills also is under close scrutiny by amateurs on the
> mainland. The ARRL submitted testimony on the bills' behalf when they were
> heard last month by the Hawaii House Committee on Consumer Protection and
> Commerce, chaired by their sponsor, Rep Ken Hiraki.
>
> ARRL Pacific Section Manager Kevin Bogan, AH6QO, says the two measures
> passed a third reading in the House and are continuing their legislative
> journey in the Senate, where they passed first reading March 9. The bills
> likely will be referred to the Senate Consumer Protection and Housing
> Committee.
>
> "Several hams are working on the text of amendments to the bills, so the
> bills aren't as broad and will have more chance of passing," Bogan said.
> What he termed a "small working group of hams" also plans to visit
> committee members to acquaint them with the bills, once they're referred,
> ask for their support and answer questions. Bogan is calling on Hawaii
> amateurs to draft e-mails or letters to their state senators or to even
> visit them, if convenient.
>
> "We aren't preparing form letters as we feel it is much more effective to
> say it in your own words," he added.
>

> Bogan is asking hams in Hawaii to develop written testimony in preparation
> for an eventual Senate hearing and to attend the hearing, once scheduled.
> He reminded amateurs to be sure to reference the bill numbers and their
> descriptions when writing lawmakers and to clearly state why they're
> seeking their support. He also asked amateurs to e-mail
> <kbogan@...> him to report any correspondence or contacts with
> lawmakers regarding the bills.
>
> Both bills are available on the Hawaii State Legislature Web site: HB
> 2773:
> <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/site1/docs/getstatus2.asp?billno=HB2773>;
> HB 2774:
> <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/site1/docs/getstatus2.asp?billno=HB2774>.
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> ==>A GLIMMER OF HOPE FOR AO-40
>
> A weak "noise" on the AO-40 2.4-GHz beacon frequency has raised hopes that
> AO-40 may still be alive. AO-40 has been silent since January 27 (UTC), in
> the wake of a precipitous voltage drop. The satellite's controllers
> believe that one or more shorted battery cells are at the root of the
> problem.
>
> Colin Hurst, VK5HI, of the AO-40 command team reports that on March 9
> between 0310 and 0320 UTC (orbit 1541) he "noted a noise peak of 4 to 5
> dB" in the vicinity of the expected beacon frequency after he'd issued a
> transmitter reset command sequence to the satellite. After listening for
> about 15 seconds, he issued a command to shut down the transmitter, and
> the noise disappeared. Hurst said he also transmitted several commands
> involving the auxiliary batteries but did not attempt to turn the beacon
> on again.
>
> "This tends to suggest that the IHU [Internal Housekeeping Unit computer]
> and L Band [1.2 GHz] receiver are operational," Hurst said.
>
> The AO-40 command team theorizes that a cell in the main battery pack has
> shorted, clamping the bus voltage below the point where it can operate the
> satellite. The spacecraft's auxiliary batteries are believed to be in
> parallel with the main batteries, and AO-40 Earth stations have been
> attempting to command the satellite to switch to the auxiliary batteries.
>
> Updates on AO-40 are available on the AMSAT-DL Web site
> <http://www.amsat-dl.org/journal/adlj-p3d.htm>.
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> ==>HAM COMMUNITY RALLIES TO HELP INJURED AMATEUR
>
> The Amateur Radio community has rallied to the aid of well-known Colorado
> 6-meter operator and ARRL member Mike Newbold, K0YO. Newbold, 52, is
> recovering from injuries he received last December in Baja, Mexico, at the
> hands of assailants who beat him savagely, stole his vehicle and radio
> gear--virtually everything he owned was in his pickup truck--and left him

> for dead. Now back home, he's had lots of support from the amateur
> community.
>
> "My ham friends are some of the best in the world," Newbold said. "I am
> making great progress on a long road which is made easier by their
> kindness." His main physical problem is his eyesight, which suffered as a
> result of head injuries received in the attack. Most of his medical
> expenses are being covered.
>
> Newbold's friend Gary Yantis <gyantis@...>, W0TM, has been tracking
> Newbold's progress and set up a Web page <http://www.w0tm.com/k0yo> that
> provides information for those interested in assisting K0YO. "Well wishes
> have meant as much, or more, to Mike than replacement of any of the items
> that were stolen," Yantis says. "He mostly needs to hear from people who
> care."
>
> Newbold retired early from coal mining due to medical problems that have
> kept him largely unemployed. He resides in modest circumstances in a
> remote area, and ham radio, which Newbold took up in 1995, has provided
> him with "a window to the world," Yantis said. Newbold's son, Travis, is
> KC0VQJ, and the two sometimes keep in touch via ham radio. K0YO is also an
> avid QRPer, DXer and CW op, among other things.
>
> One bright spot for Newbold when he returned home from his hospital stay
> in California was a QSL card from Hawaii--the last one needed for Worked
> All States on 6 meters.
>
> Cards, letters or e-mails can be sent to Mike Newbold <newbold@...>,
> 27200 Rte 14, Oak Creek, CO 80467.--some information provided by Phil
> Kirchbaum, N0KE
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> ==>MOONBOUNCE PIONEER BOB SUTHERLAND, W6PO, SK
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> Robert I. "Bob" Sutherland, W6PO (ex-W6UOV), of San Mateo, California,
> died January 11. He was 78. An active VHF-UHF operator in the 1960s
> through the 1980s, Sutherland was on the West Coast end of the first
> Amateur Radio moonbounce (EME) contact in 1960 when the Eimac Radio Club's
> W6HB and W1BU worked each other on 1296 MHz EME. An employee of tube
> manufacturer Eimac for nearly 50 years, Sutherland developed some of the
> more famous Eimac tube-based amps.
>
> "His contributions to the Amateur Radio field are legendary," said
> well-known VHF-UHF and EME operator Dave Olean, K1WHS. Olean says that
> while most amateurs know Sutherland for his EME work and his Eimac
> accomplishments, "most of his great deeds went unnoticed by many except
> for the legion of moonbounce operators whom he helped along the way."
> Olean says he was one of them, recalling how Sutherland helped him set up
> an EME station for 432 MHz.
>
> An ARRL member, Sutherland authored several articles for Ham Radio

> magazine, including "Design Data for a Two-Kilowatt VHF Linear" in 1969
> and "High-Performance 144-MHz Power Amplifier" in 1971. He also wrote "A
> High-Power Cavity Amplifier For The New 900-MHz Band" for QST in 1982.
> Sutherland was the recipient of the Central States VHF Society's John T.
> Chambers Award in 1977 for "his dedicated efforts in bringing EME
> technical information to amateurs worldwide through distribution of the
> famous Eimac EME Notes," which remain in circulation within the EME
> community along with his amplifier designs.
>
> Former QST "The World Above 50 MHz" Editor Bill Smith, W5USM, recalled
> Sutherland as "a modest, kind man of considerable intelligence with
> passion for his professional and Amateur Radio work." He credited
> Sutherland with much of the success moonbounce enjoys today. "He was
> accessible and willing to help," Smith said, adding, "I suggest looking
> toward the moon and saying, 'Thank you, Bob. Well done.'"
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> ==>SOLAR UPDATE
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> Sun gazer Tad "Tequila Sunrise" Cook, K7RA, Seattle, Washington, reports:
> Average daily sunspot numbers dropped from the week February 26-March 3 by
> nearly 24 points, and average daily solar flux was about the same, down by
> slightly more than two points. On March 9, Earth passed into a solar wind,
> and geomagnetic indices rose. At mid latitudes HF bands were probably
> usable on March 9 and 11 but not on March 10. In Alaska, however, the
> bands probably sounded dead.
>
> This propagation--or lack of it--is normal for Alaska, at least when
> geomagnetic conditions are active or stormy. Those magnetic lines of force
> converge toward the poles, and all that energy gets concentrated, yielding
> polar cap absorption. The convergence and concentration was intense enough
> this week that aurora was visible down into northern parts of the "Lower
> 48."
>
> Over the next few days geomagnetic conditions should settle down.
> Predicted planetary A index for March 12-15 is 20, 15, 10 and 8. Solar
> flux should drop down to around 100 by the beginning of the week (Monday,
> March 15).
>
> A large sunspot, number 570 is moving into the center of the visible solar
> disk, directly facing Earth. It is a possible source of flares.
>
> Sunspot numbers for March 4 through 10 were 53, 55, 61, 53, 55, 40 and 56,
> with a mean of 53.3. The 10.7 cm flux was 97.5, 106.7, 104.5, 106.1,
> 107.8, 108.7 and 112.6, with a mean of 106.3. Estimated planetary A
> indices were 7, 8, 5, 6, 6, 21 and 40, with a mean of 13.3.
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> ==>IN BRIEF:
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> * This weekend on the radio: The YL-ISSB QSO Party (SSB), the RSGB
> Commonwealth Contest, the AGCW QRP Contest, the Oklahoma and Wisconsin QSO
> parties, the SOC Marathon Sprint, the North American Sprint (RTTY) the UBA
> Spring Contest (CW) and the NSARA Contest are the weekend of March 13-14.
> JUST AHEAD: The RSGB 80 Meter Club Championship (SSB) is March 18. The
> Virginia QSO Party, the 10-10 International Mobile Contest, the BARTG
> Spring RTTY Contest, the SARL VHF/UHF Contest, the Russian DX Contest, the
> AGCW VHF/UHF Contest, the CLARA and Family HF Contest, the UBA Spring
> Contest (6 M), the 9K 15-Meter Contest, the Spring QRP Homebrewer Sprint
> are the weekend of March 20-21. The CQ World Wide WPX Contest (SSB) is
> March 27-28. See the ARRL Contest Branch page
> <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar
> <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.
>
> * ARRL Emergency Communications course registration: Registration opens
> Monday, March 15, 12:01 AM Eastern Time (0501 UTC), for the Level III
> Emergency Communications on-line course (EC-003). Registration remains
> open through the March 20-21 weekend or until all available seats have
> been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, March 30. Thanks
> to our grant sponsors--the Corporation for National and Community Service
> and the United Technologies Corporation--the $45 registration fee paid
> upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the
> course. During this registration period, approximately 50 seats are being
> offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. To learn
> more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE)
> <http://www.arrl.org/cce/> Web page. For more information, contact
> Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG,
> dmiller@..., 860-594-0340.
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> * Scott Redd, K0DQ, heads to new job in Iraq: Retired Vice Admiral Scott
> Redd, K0DQ, has been appointed deputy administrator and chief operating
> officer of the Coalition Provisional Authority (CPA) in Baghdad, Iraq.
> Redd, an ARRL member who lives in Marietta, Georgia, is one of two deputy
> administrators reporting to CPA Administrator L. Paul Bremer. Redd will
> direct the CPA's programs for the reconstruction of Iraq's infrastructure.
> That task includes awarding $18.4 billion in contracts through the project
> management office for major improvements to Iraq's electricity, oil,
> transportation, water resources, education, housing and construction, and
> communications networks, a CPA news release said. He also will be
> responsible for policy affecting Iraq's security programs. Those include
> the new Iraqi Army, the Iraqi Civil Defense Corps, Iraqi Border Patrol and
> Facilities Protection Services. Redd retired from the US Navy in 1998 as
> director of strategic plans and policy for the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
> During 36 years of active duty, he commanded eight organizations, founded
> the Navy's Fifth Fleet--the first new US Navy fleet in more than 50
> years--and served in several senior Pentagon positions. Redd also led all
> U.S. Naval forces in the US Central Command from 1994 until 1996. The 1966
> graduate of the US Naval Academy and Fulbright scholar was the keynote
> speaker for ARRL's second donors' reception held in conjunction with
> Hamvention 2003.

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> * Congressman-ham gets father's call sign: Rep Greg Walden (R-OR), one of
> the two hams in Congress, has a new call sign. With the assistance of
> ARRL, Walden was able to obtain his father's former call sign, W7EQI, via
> the vanity call sign program. A General class licensee and an ARRL member,
> Walden formerly held WB7OCE. The congressman's father, Paul E. Walden,
> died in March 2003. He had been licensed since 1934. Walden, a
> broadcaster, is a member of the House Subcommittee on Telecommunications
> and the Internet.
>
> * Barton replaces Tauzin: Texas Republican Rep Joe Barton was named the
> new chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee
> <http://energycommerce.house.gov/> on February 25. He replaces Louisiana
> Republican Billy Tauzin, who announced last month that he was stepping
> down as chairman and would not run for re-election in November. Energy and
> Commerce is the parent committee of the House Subcommittee on
> Telecommunications and the Internet, which is considering two Amateur
> Radio-related bills: HR 713, the Spectrum Protection Act of 2003, and HR
> 1478, the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Consistency Act of 2003.
> Barton also serves on the House Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the
> Internet, but he has not yet signed on as a cosponsor of either HR 713 or
> HR 1478.
>
> * HQ staffers get IC-7800 preview: Members of the ARRL Headquarters staff
> got a hands-on preview of the not-quite-yet-released ICOM IC-7800
> transceiver, thanks to Icom Engineering Manager John Gibbs, KC7YXD. Gibbs
> visited Headquarters March 4 with a pre-production model of his company's
> new top-end Amateur Radio HF plus 6-meter transceiver. Among its multitude
> of features, the IC-7800 offers a seven-inch color TFT display, two
> independent receivers, a spectrum display, CW autotune, and RTTY and PSK31
> capability just by plugging in a keyboard. The IC-7800 will replace the
> venerable IC-781 as the capstone of Icom's Amateur Radio product line. In
> terms of performance, Gibbs claims the IC-7800 will offer third-order
> intercept (IP3) performance in the +40 dBm range and two-tone, third-order
> intermodulation distortion dynamic range well in excess of 100 dB.
> Although a retail price has not yet been firmed up, it's anticipated that
> owning an IC-7800 will set buyers back less than $11,000. Musician Joe
> Walsh, WB6ACU, and audio expert and manufacturer Bob Heil, K9EID, were
> among the operators as the IC-7800 saw action at W1AW during the ARRL
> International DX Contest (Phone) March 6-7. The IC-7800 will be the focus
> of Icom's Hamvention exhibit May 14-16, and it could be on the market in a
> month or so.
>
> * Eastern VHF/UHF Conference set for April: The 30th annual Eastern
> VHF/UHF Conference, sponsored by the North East Weak Signal Group
> <http://www.newsvhf.com/>, will be held April 16-18 at the Radisson Hotel
> in Enfield, Connecticut. The conference has been moved from August to
> April to help eliminate conflicts with other ham radio activities and
> vacation schedules. Guest speakers, articles for the conference
> Proceedings, volunteers and prize donations are being solicited. Confirmed

> speakers include ARRL Contest Branch Manger Dan Henderson, N1ND, on the
> status of ARRL VHF/UHF contesting and awards; Jeff Klein, K1TEO, "16 Years
> of Contesting From Connecticut;" Gerald Youngblood, AC5OG, "Software
> Defined Radios SDR-1000 Beta" and Fred Stefanik, N1DPM, "Yagis: Bigger
> isn't Always Better." More information is on the Eastern VHF/UHF
> Conference Web page <http://www.newsvhf.com/vhfconf.html>.
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> be posted each Friday when it is distributed via e-mail.)
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> * The QTH.net listserver, thanks to volunteers from the Boston Amateur
> Radio Club: Visit Mailing Lists@...
> <http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/letter-list>. (NOTE: The ARRL
> cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this
> listserver.)
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1578. Life Membership Details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-14 13:11:24 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1578 Message: 1578

Dear MARS Committee,

I am an SWL from the 2003 MARS Academy batch. Sometime in August 2003 i had paid up my fees for life membership. Till today i have not got my membership number nor have i got my receipt.

After consulting both the secretary and the treasurer i am still confused to what is happening. As i understand, I am entitled to a SWL cap, a MARS T-shirt(I had also registered for Hamfest 2003) and ofcourse a temporary id card.

Will some one please enlighten me on the progress of the same.

Thanks and regards

Shantanu Chand

1579. Re: [m_a_r_s] Cancelled membership

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-14 14:58:34 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ
Topic: 1568 Message: 1579

March 14, 2004

Prashant,

As a life member of MARS, I would like to know whether
the memberships lapsed because of non payment or were
really cancelled? If cancelled, what were the reasons?

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ & KG6SQR

--- Prashant Koli <vu2cbu@...> wrote: > Hi
there again!
>
> Some of our memebrs have called me and they wanted
> to know if there
> are any members whose membership has been cancelled.
> Yes,Sir!!The list is as follows:
>
> Sr. Membership No. Call Sign Name Member Type
> 1. 2 VU2LNZ Girish Shukla Cancelled
> 2. 10 VU2AUU Udayan Desai SK Cancelled/exp.
> 3. 21 VU2IIA Mahesh Vhatkar Cancelled
> 4. 29 VU2KGO K G Rao Cancelled
> 5. 30 VU2ITT Vijay Daiya Cancelled
> 6. 34 VU2VRB Russ Balaporia Cancelled
> 7. 39 VU2PTM Vikrant Patil Cancelled
> 8. 40 VU2HEC Ashish Joshi Cancelled
> 9. 43 VU2VVJ Vijaylaxmi Motwane Cancelled
> 10. 46 VU2PAO Ajay Solanki Cancelled
>
>
> Prashant Koli
> vu2cbu
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>

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Go to: http://in.insurance.yahoo.com/licspecial/index.html

1580. VHF Activity Statistics.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-15 07:34:22 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1580 Message: 1580

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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

We are trying our best to increase VHF Activity in our wonder city Mumbai. In order to do so we are in process of installing 5 new repeaters for Mumbai. 1. South Mumbai . 2. Andheri. 3. Thane. 4. Matheran. 5. Echo Link.

Repeater No.1 is already functional, No.2 will go on line by Thursday Latest. 3. will go online by 31st March and No.4 before the A.G.M (1st of May 2004). The echo link will be installed after looking at the demand as the society will have to shell out Rs.1000/- approx every month for the Internet Lease Line.

We have also provided enough information for buying new rigs. The imports procedures have now be simplified and it is very easy to import any Ham Radio Equipment, further the list of all the dealers, models and prices in India have already been posted on the group.

Inspite of all this we feel sad to state that there is hardly any VHF activity in Mumbai, We have 111 + members with valid callsign, Another about 15 new callsigns on the way, but not even 20 are active, just about 10 are regulars. listed below are the status of all our valid members.

Please note this information is to best of my knowledge, there may be discrepancies, hence members are requested not be wise guys and start commenting on them, instead do something useful and help us activating other members.

NAME CALLSIGN VHF- CAPABILITY STATUS.

ZYROS ZEND ZEND. VU2ZRS YES RARE - DX

NILESH M.RATHOD. VU2NLF YES ACTIVE

MINOO HOMI CONTRACTOR. VU3MHC YES ACTIVE

PANKAJ RAVJI PASAD. VU2RIO YES INACTIVE

NAFISA H.SHIKARI. VU2NFS YES NET CONTROLLER

NIRAV HASMUKH SANGHAVI VU2NHR YES INACTIVE

P.V.JAIPRAKASH. VU2JPN YES SEMI ACTIVE

SARLA N.R.SHARMA. VU2SWS YES INACTIVE

ZARIR BOMI VESUNA. VU2VPQ YES INACTIVE

ARUN SINGH RAWAT. VU3AUA YES SEMI ACTIVE

HUZEFA H.MERCHANT. VU2HIT YES SEMI ACTIVE

SANDESH KAMAT. VU2SXF YES SEMI ACTIVE

RATNESH NEELARATNA JAVERI. VU2OUT YES INACTIVE

JYOTIKA D.DALAL. VU2JYO YES INACTIVE

JAYESH KHARWAR. VU2ESP YES INACTIVE

MADHU S.RAJAN. VU2LIB YES QSYed to 'W' land

RAJEN PURSHOTTAM KAVADIA. VU2RIG YES INACTIVE

DR. SUDHIR SHENOY. VU2REK YES INACTIVE

PRASHANT BARDINATH KOLI VU2CBU YES ACTIVE

MUKESH GOPALKRISHNA JAITLEY VU2UGJ YES ACTIVE

SANDIP BABAN ADIWAREKAR VU2UGO YES ACTIVE

MEHUL A.CHAUATIA. VU2ICQ YES INACTIVE

KIRAN PADIYAR VU3KPL YES INACTIVE

RAJESH RATNAKAR BAGWE VU2QIJ YES INACTIVE

DHAVAL MARKAND PATEL. VU3SOB YES INACTIVE

YOGESH MEHTA VU2YJM NO INACTIVE

IVOR SIMON PEREIRA VU2IVO NO INACTIVE

RAPHEL PUPESH JASSANI VU2UNO YES INACTIVE

PANCHAL PRAVINKUMAR VU2PAN YES SEMI ACTIVE

SUDHIR KESHAVRAO KALKAR. VU2CBV YES INACTIVE

NEVILLE NOSHIR SHROFF. VU2NNF YES INACTIVE

ASHISH RAJ JOSHI. VU2HEC YES INACTIVE

ROHIT ASHOK ARORA. VU2CCH YES INACTIVE

VIJAY ARUN MOTWANE. VU2VVP YES ACTIVE

KUNAL RAJENDRA MASHRU VU2KWE YES INACTIVE

JAGDISH GATULAL MUKHTYAR. VU2KIB YES SEMI ACTIVE

AJAY AVINASH SOLANKI. VU2PAO YES qth Bangalore

MILIND MOKASHI. VU2MOO YES INACTIVE

SUMEET BAL. VU2UZI YES QSYed to Pune

ANANTA RAGHUNATH MORE. VU3MWH YES ACTIVE

KAILASH RAMKISHORE GUPTA. VU2KIZ YES QTH Jaipur

KIRTI BHAILAL DOSHI. VU2KBD YES INACTIVE

GAUTAM SHIVKUMAR JANI VU3GAC YES INACTIVE

SANDHYA PRASHANT KOLI. VU2CBW YES INACTIVE

PRANAV PRASHANT KOLI VU3PPE YES INACTIVE

ANUSUYA JAIPRAKASH PULLAKUDY VU2AQP YES INACTIVE

PARIN JAYANT GANGAR VU2PIC NO INACTIVE

SHRIHARI KRISHNAN VU2KQS YES INACTIVE

ROHIT VALLABHJI GADA VU2PYG YES SEMI ACTIVE

KINNY JOSEPH ALEX VU3KNY YES INACTIVE

VISPI JEHANGIR MIRZA VU2WLL YES NET CONTROLLER

GEORGE PHILIPS VU2GT YES RARE DX

NAJMA ZAKI ISHRATI VU2NAJ YES QTH Hyderabad

AMRUTLAL DAHYABHAI MANEK VU2ADW YES INACTIVE

A SIVAMANICKAM VU3CAO NO INACTIVE

ASHOK R PARAB VU2PWP NO INACTIVE

KAPIL CHANDNI VU2MIG NO INACTIVE

DR. ANUKANTH MITTAL VU2TAL NO INACTIVE

DR. PARESH KARIA VU2POK NO INACTIVE

MANDA R PAWAR VU2PWO NO INACTIVE

MILIND KORDE VU2IZO YES ACTIVE

MILIND PARALIKAR VU2ETC NO INACTIVE

MINAL MADIGERI VU2MUF NO INACTIVE

MUKUND GUBBI VU2GBI NO INACTIVE

P V HARIDAS VU2HBN NO INACTIVE

SANJAY G KADAM VU2KDM YES INACTIVE

SANJAY SHINDE VU2HIM NO INACTIVE

SANTOSH VEDANTE VU2IES YES ACTIVE

SHAILESH PRADHAN VU2SFN YES ACTIVE

SHAILESH S DESMUKH VU2LOC NO INACTIVE

SUPRIYA TUPE VU2MIV NO INACTIVE

RAJENDRA PITALE VU3PIT NO INACTIVE

V M VAIDYA VU2CFO YES SEMI ACTIVE

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NEHA PAWASKAR VU2NEH NO INACTIVE

ROOMY SHROFF VU2GTE YES RARE - DX

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1581. Re: [m_a_r_s] Life Membership Details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-15 07:58:15 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1578 Message: 1581

dear shantanu,

You point is well taken, You Life Membership fee in cash is lying with me, Your membership is No. 171. I will clear the matter with the treasurer and I am sure your receipt and other stuff will be issued to you shortly.

All other Life members who have paid their fees and have not got there receipts, membership no. ID cards etc may please come forward and clear there pending issues.

Further I request all the members to make their payments directly to the Treasurer, (as I end up doing the work of the Secretary and the Treasurer). Please also make your payments in Cheque so that there is proper accountability. Our society is growing hence proper paper work would help us in improvising the services.

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NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: Shantanu Chand
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, March 14, 2004 6:41 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Life Membership Details

Dear MARS Committee,

I am an SWL from the 2003 MARS Academy batch. Sometime in August 2003
i had paid up my fees for life membership. Till today i have not got
my membership number nor have i got my receipt.

After consulting both the secretary and the treasurer i am still
confused to what is happening. As i understand, I am entitled to a
SWL cap, a MARS T-shirt(I had also registered for Hamfest 2003) and
ofcourse a temporary id card.

Will some one please enlighten me on the progress of the same.

Thanks and regards

Shantanu Chand

Yahoo! Groups Links

a.. To visit your group on the web, go to:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/

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c.. Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to the Yahoo! Terms of Service.

1582. New poll for m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-15 11:20:35 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 740 Message: 1582

Enter your vote today! A new poll has been created for the
m_a_r_s group:

Reasons for HAMS not coming on
air.Please enter the reason why you
feel HAMS in Mumbai are not coming on
air even with the repeater up. Your
identity will not be known so go ahead
and give your frank opinions.

o No Time
o No Equipment
o Lack of Interest
o Family Pressure
o Other Activities

To vote, please visit the following web page:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/surveys?id=1186970

Note: Please do not reply to this message. Poll votes are
not collected via email. To vote, you must go to the Yahoo! Groups
web site listed above.

Thanks!

1583. Poll

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-15 11:24:36 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1583 Message: 1583

Dear All,

Please visit the "Polls" link and give us your feedback on why you feel HAM VHF activity is dying in Mumbai. The poll is absolutely confidential and no identity will be know. So go right ahead and let MARS know the real reasons for this.

73

Shantanu Chand

1584. FW: Fwd: Fwd: Fwd: Check your Eye site...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-15 14:14:18 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1584 Message: 1584

>From: "gauri lawand"
>To: abhi1301@..., chiragsaiya@..., prabhug@..., alishaluv@..., lakshmimurli@..., merrymeera@..., vu2izo@..., sachdev_sumeet@..., sonu_127@...
>Subject: FW: Fwd: Fwd: Fwd: Check your Eye site...
>Date: Sun, 14 Mar 2004 10:59:30 +0000
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>>From: "priya k"
>>To: izaz_aziz@..., benbeck07@...,
>>gauri2808@..., jayeshmp@...,
>>pradus_007@..., tprashanth@...,
>>thakker_sachin@..., sajk@...,
>>sonali_p12@..., bhoir_v@...,
>>timakk@...
>>Subject: FW: Fwd: Fwd: Fwd: Check your Eye site...
>>Date: Thu, 04 Mar 2004 18:18:38 +0530
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1585. thanks

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-15 14:19:38 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 1585 Message: 1585

thanks for giving the access (although after a long wait)

ULHAS
PHONE : 2431 1367
WORK : 24072295 OR 24092556
CELL : 98206 22237

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1586. co-ax

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-16 02:18:50 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1586 Message: 1586

anybody interested in this co-ax may contact ulhas kanade directly.

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----- Original Message -----
From: ulhas kanade <ulhaskanade@...>
To: MARS <info@...>
Sent: Monday, December 22, 2003 8:13 PM
Subject: Re:

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> Hi Nilesh
> Sorry for late reply i have RG 8u in unused condition
> 17m i am expecting 500/- for the same
> 73's
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> --- MARS <info@...> wrote:
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> > just tell me your asking price..
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> > 73
> > nlf
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: ulhas kanade <ulhaskanade@...>
> > To: MARS <info@...>
> > Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2003 9:52 AM
> > Subject: Re:
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> > > Hi Nilesh
> > > i do not know about the current cost of the cables
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> > > > > Nilesh, VU2NLF
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> > > > > ----- Original Message -----
> > > > > From: ulhas kanade <ulhaskanade@...>
> > > > > To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
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> > Regards
> > Ulhas Kanade
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> > Do you Yahoo!?

> New Yahoo! Photos - easier uploading and sharing.
> http://photos.yahoo.com/

1587. Repeater Frequency Not for direct QSO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-16 02:28:59 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1587 Message: 1587
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

The repeater No.1 in south mumbai is working quite well, The Andheri repeater will also be up very shortly. It has been noticed by many active hams that some of us are using the repeater frequency for direct QSO. meaning using the RX frequency for RX and TX, hence not triggering the repeater, but having a direct QSO. By doing this they are blocking the repeater frequency and it is not available for others to use.

All hams are therefore requested to refrain from using the repeater frequency for Direct QSO, there are many many frequencies available, we would appreciate if they QSY to some other frequency for Direct QSO.

Looking forward to your kind Co-operation in the matter.

73

NLF

1588. VHF Activity Statistics.- important info recieved - eye opener

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-16 06:58:34 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1588 Message: 1588

dear nlf

sincerly thank you for taking the trouble and leting us all know who is active and not on vhf

i shall make it a point to be more regular on vhf activity and make use of the repeater also which has been put up with alooooooooooooooot of hard work and time and money . salams to all

thanks again c u all on vhf

vu2zrs

----Original Message Follows----
From: vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...>
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
CC: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com, mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] VHF Activity Statistics.
Date: Mon, 15 Mar 2004 13:04:22 +0530

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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

We are trying our best to increase VHF Activity in our wonder city Mumbai. In order to do so we are in process of installing 5 new repeaters for Mumbai. 1. South Mumbai . 2. Andheri. 3. Thane. 4. Matheran. 5. Echo Link.

Repeater No.1 is already functional, No.2 will go on line by Thursday Latest. 3. will go online by 31st March and No.4 before the A.G.M (1st of May 2004). The echo link will be installed after looking at the demand as the society will have to shell out Rs.1000/- approx every month for the Internet Lease Line.

We have also provided enough information for buying new rigs. The imports procedures have now be simplified and it is very easy to import any Ham Radio Equipment, further the list of all the dealers, models and prices in India have already been posted on the group.

Inspite of all this we feel sad to state that there is hardly any VHF activity in Mumbai, We have 111 + members with valid callsign, Another about 15 new callsigns on the way, but not even 20 are active, just about 10 are regulars. listed below are the status of all our valid members.

Please note this information is to best of my knowledge, there may be discrepancies, hence members are requested not be wise guys and start commenting on them, instead do something useful and help us activating other members.

NAME CALLSIGN VHF- CAPABILITY STATUS.

ZYROS ZEND ZEND. VU2ZRS YES RARE - DX

NILESH M.RATHOD. VU2NLF YES ACTIVE

MINOO HOMI CONTRACTOR. VU3MHC YES ACTIVE

PANKAJ RAVJI PASAD. VU2RIO YES INACTIVE

NAFISA H.SHIKARI. VU2NFS YES NET CONTROLLER

NIRAV HASMUKH SANGHAVI VU2NHR YES INACTIVE

P.V.JAIPRAKASH. VU2JPN YES SEMI ACTIVE

SARLA N.R.SHARMA. VU2SWS YES INACTIVE

ZARIR BOMI VESUNA. VU2VPQ YES INACTIVE

ARUN SINGH RAWAT. VU3AUA YES SEMI ACTIVE

HUZEFA H.MERCHANT. VU2HIT YES SEMI ACTIVE

SANDESH KAMAT. VU2SXF YES SEMI ACTIVE

RATNESH NEELARATNA JAVERI. VU2OUT YES INACTIVE

JYOTIKA D.DALAL. VU2JYO YES INACTIVE

JAYESH KHARWAR. VU2ESP YES INACTIVE

MADHU S.RAJAN. VU2LIB YES QSYed to 'W' land

RAJEN PURSHOTTAM KAVADIA. VU2RIG YES INACTIVE

DR. SUDHIR SHENOY. VU2REK YES INACTIVE

PRASHANT BARDINATH KOLI VU2CBU YES ACTIVE

MUKESH GOPALKRISHNA JAITLEY VU2UGJ YES ACTIVE

SANDIP BABAN ADIWAREKAR VU2UGO YES ACTIVE

MEHUL A.CHAUATIA. VU2ICQ YES INACTIVE

KIRAN PADIYAR VU3KPL YES INACTIVE

RAJESH RATNAKAR BAGWE VU2QIJ YES INACTIVE

DHAVAL MARKAND PATEL. VU3SOB YES INACTIVE

YOGESH MEHTA VU2YJM NO INACTIVE

IVOR SIMON PEREIRA VU2IVO NO INACTIVE

RAPHEL PUPESH JASSANI VU2UNO YES INACTIVE

PANCHAL PRAVINKUMAR VU2PAN YES SEMI ACTIVE

SUDHIR KESHAVRAO KALKAR. VU2CBV YES INACTIVE

NEVILLE NOSHIR SHROFF. VU2NNF YES INACTIVE

ASHISH RAJ JOSHI. VU2HEC YES INACTIVE

ROHIT ASHOK ARORA. VU2CCH YES INACTIVE

VIJAY ARUN MOTWANE. VU2VVP YES ACTIVE

KUNAL RAJENDRA MASHRU VU2KWE YES INACTIVE

JAGDISH GATULAL MUKHTYAR. VU2KIB YES SEMI ACTIVE

AJAY AVINASH SOLANKI. VU2PAO YES qth Bangalore

MILIND MOKASHI. VU2MOO YES INACTIVE

SUMEET BAL. VU2UZI YES QSYed to Pune

ANANTA RAGHUNATH MORE. VU3MWH YES ACTIVE

KAILASH RAMKISHORE GUPTA. VU2KIZ YES QTH Jaipur

KIRTI BHAILAL DOSHI. VU2KBD YES INACTIVE

GAUTAM SHIVKUMAR JANI VU3GAC YES INACTIVE

SANDHYA PRASHANT KOLI. VU2CBW YES INACTIVE

PRANAV PRASHANT KOLI VU3PPE YES INACTIVE

ANUSUYA JAIPRAKASH PULLAKUDY VU2AQP YES INACTIVE

PARIN JAYANT GANGAR VU2PIC NO INACTIVE

SHRIHARI KRISHNAN VU2KQS YES INACTIVE

ROHIT VALLABHJI GADA VU2PYG YES SEMI ACTIVE

KINNY JOSEPH ALEX VU3KNY YES INACTIVE

VISPI JEHANGIR MIRZA VU2WLL YES NET CONTROLLER

GEORGE PHILIPS VU2GT YES RARE DX

NAJMA ZAKI ISHRATI VU2NAJ YES QTH Hyderabad

AMRUTLAL DAHYABHAI MANEK VU2ADW YES INACTIVE

A SIVAMANICKAM VU3CAO NO INACTIVE

ASHOK R PARAB VU2PWP NO INACTIVE

KAPIL CHANDNI VU2MIG NO INACTIVE

DR. ANUKANTH MITTAL VU2TAL NO INACTIVE

DR. PARESH KARIA VU2POK NO INACTIVE

MANDA R PAWAR VU2PWO NO INACTIVE

MILIND KORDE VU2IZO YES ACTIVE

MILIND PARALIKAR VU2ETC NO INACTIVE

MINAL MADIGERI VU2MUF NO INACTIVE

MUKUND GUBBI VU2GBI NO INACTIVE

P V HARIDAS VU2HBN NO INACTIVE

SANJAY G KADAM VU2KDM YES INACTIVE

SANJAY SHINDE VU2HIM NO INACTIVE

SANTOSH VEDANTE VU2IES YES ACTIVE

SHAILESH PRADHAN VU2SFN YES ACTIVE

SHAILESH S DESMUKH VU2LOC NO INACTIVE

SUPRIYA TUPE VU2MIV NO INACTIVE

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1589. tirandas irani intrested in co-ax ulhas

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-16 07:02:17 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1589 Message: 1589

dear ulhas please contact me regarding the same if it is still for sale

thank you

tirandas irani c/o vu2zrs 9821025289

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...>
Date: Tuesday, March 16, 2004 7:48 am
Subject: [m_a_r_s] co-ax

> anybody interested in this co-ax may contact ulhas kanade directly.
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> 73
> nlf
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: ulhas kanade <ulhaskanade@...>
> To: MARS <info@...>
> Sent: Monday, December 22, 2003 8:13 PM
> Subject: Re:
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> > > To: MARS <info@...>
> > > Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2003 9:52 AM
> > > Subject: Re:
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> > > > > To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
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1590. BEST PRESENTATION AWARD

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-16 09:55:44 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1590 Message: 1590

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1591. Fwd: BEST PRESENTATION AWARD

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-16 10:01:24 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1591 Message: 1591
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1592. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-16 10:21:01 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1592 Message: 1592

This is with reference to the article in QST MARCH 2004 EDITION and also to the email from NIAR on vuhams yahoo group. I would like to clarify that the BEST PRESENTATION TROPHY was won by VU2 NLF, Nilesh Rathod (MARS)for the presentation on Disaster Management at Hamfest 2003 held at Gandhinagar. The above article and email posting have created a bit of confusion among fellow hams as to who has really won the trophy. As per my attendance at Hamfest 2003 , the trophy was certainly given to VU2NLF for the BEST PRESENTATION.

I would like the managing committee of Hamfest 2003 to come forward and clarify the stated matter.

An immediate clarification would be appreciated.

Thanks

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1593. Good Morning Mumbai, Valsad, Navsari, Surat.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-18 08:35:12 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1593 Message: 1593
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-18 08:30:04 UTC
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-18 08:35:27 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1593 Message: 1596
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1597. BEWARE ACCOUNT HACKED

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-18 12:19:50 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1597 Message: 1597

Dear friends,

It has been observed since last week that a few mails are being posted on the mars groups which appear to be posted from my email account which are not actualy being posted by me. They also sometimes posses a virus along with it which is luckily being filtered by yahoo services.

This has happened again today.

I kindly request you all not to download any attachments which appear with my mail. For the simple reason that my email account appears to be hacked and the attachments may contain a virus. Inspite of changing the passord ,someone is still able to post mails from my account to the mars groups.

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I will inform my new mail id soon.

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1599. Re: [m_a_r_s] unsubscribe

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-18 12:50:04 UTC
From: shivanand manthalkar
Topic: 1599 Message: 1599

unsubscribe

----- Original Message -----
From: "Ankur Puranik"
Date: Thu, 18 Mar 2004 18:00:50 +0530
To: "mars academy" ,"mars classes" ,"mars main group"
Subject: [m_a_r_s] BEWARE >>>IMPORTANT

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1600. Repeater Phase - II Completed.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-19 14:41:35 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1600 Message: 1600
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Dear Friends,

I am very pleased to inform you that the Andheri Repeater is up and working fine.

As on now the Andheri Repeater is working on 144.100 Mhz + 600 Khz and the South Mumbai Repeater is working on 144.200 Mhz + 600 Khz. It is the first time in the history of Mumbai, when 2 repeaters are working at a time..

The Night Owls net and the Early Birds Net are conducted on South Mumbai repeater i.e. 144.200 Mhz +

At present both are repeaters are working in a stand alone mode, but very soon they will interconnected. There will be changes in the repeater frequencies, will you will be informed accordingly.

The Phase - III, Thane repeater is likely to go online by end of this month. All these repeaters are for your use,

Use them, live long and prosper...

73

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1602. Hamfest 2004 Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-20 04:50:31 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1602 Message: 1602
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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

The Hamfest 2004 committee meeting will be held on Sunday 21st March 2004 at 10:00 AM sharp at B.S.Bengelle Girls School. All members on the committee are required to be present for the same.

All Members in the managing commitee, Advisory Committee and Working Committee are requested to call their team members and ensure that they are present for the meeting (file attached).

All Members not listed on the Hamfest Committee and wishing to offer their services may also join us for the meeting, The appropriate assignment will be allocated to them also.

73

NLF, Hamfest 2004, Convener.

1603. Fw: The ARRL Letter, Vol 23, No 12

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-20 04:56:47 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1603 Message: 1603

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----- Original Message -----
From: ARRL Letter Mailing List <letter-dlvy@...>
To: <info@...>
Sent: Saturday, March 20, 2004 5:03 AM
Subject: The ARRL Letter, Vol 23, No 12

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> The ARRL Letter
> Vol. 23, No. 12
> March 19, 2004
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> IN THIS EDITION:
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> * +ARRL on-line Technician course debuts
> * +NA1SS makes first school group contact with Scotland
> * +Hamvention 2004 award winners include past ARRL president
> * +Iowa ham club is "Daily Point of Light" for March 29
> * +Ice destroys R0PA site; scientists rescued
> * +Les Moxon, G6XN, SK
> * Solar Update
> * IN BRIEF:
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> ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration
> Bogus ARRL.net messages still circulating
> FCC proposes to correct VEC filing errors
> Amateur Radio represented at National Hurricane Conference
> AMSAT-NA Space Symposium and Annual Meeting set
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> +Available on ARRL Audio News
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> ============================================================
> NOTE: Because of vacation schedules, the March 26 editions of The ARRL
> Letter and ARRL Audio News will be distributed Thursday, March 25.
> ============================================================
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> ==>ARRL URGES "THOUGHTFUL, CONSIDERED COMMENTS" ON PROPOSED BPL RULES
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> Comments on the FCC Broadband over Power Line (BPL) Notice of Proposed
> Rule Making (NPRM) in ET Dockets 03-104 and 04-37 are due by Monday, May
> 3. The deadline for reply comments--comments on comments filed by
> others--is Tuesday, June 1. The ARRL will comment by the deadline on the
> FCC's proposals to amend its Part 15 rules to adopt new requirements and
> measurement guidelines for so-called "Access BPL" systems that provide
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> broadband access via electric utility power lines. ARRL CEO David Sumner,
> K1ZZ, says the League recommends that members read the NPRM and develop
> their own thoughtful, considered comments that specifically address the
> FCC's BPL proposals, reflect positively on the amateur community and, if
> possible, offer alternative recommendations. He asked amateurs to keep
> four things in mind, however.
>
> "First, this is not a proceeding to 'permit' or 'authorize' BPL," he said.
> "BPL is already permitted under the existing Part 15 rules."
>
> Second, Sumner pointed out, the NPRM reaffirms that licensed services must
> be protected from harmful interference and are not required to protect BPL
> systems. "This is good, but we can't take it for granted that the
> principle will be honored in practice," he said.
>
> "Third," Sumner went on, "the NPRM proposes additional, new constraints on
> BPL to protect licensed services. The FCC did not go far enough, but at
> least the proposals aim in the right direction."
>
> Finally, while the League continues to believe firmly that BPL is "a very
> bad idea," arguing that the FCC should ban BPL "will not get us anywhere,"
> he concluded. Instead, Sumner says, amateurs must document beyond any
> doubt the levels of protection that must be given to over-the-air
> services, then leave it for others to decide whether BPL is feasible
> within those limits. "We need to prove that the risk of interference is
> significantly greater than the BPL proponents say it is," Sumner said.
>
> He also asserted that the FCC's proposed "interference mitigation"
> requirements fall far short of providing real protection from harmful
> interference, and that the Commission is ignoring the practical problems
> that will arise when Amateur Radio transmissions disrupt BPL systems.
>
> Carrier current systems like BPL are subject to the FCC's Part 15 rules
> governing unlicensed devices, and the FCC has acknowledged that "amateur
> operations are likely to present a difficult challenge" to BPL deployment,
> especially in the case of hams--an estimated 150,000 of them--who use
> high-gain antennas sited near power lines. The proposed rules remain
> silent on the issue of mitigating BPL interference to the estimated 70,000
> Amateur Radio HF mobile stations.
>
> Interference mitigation for mobile stations "is clearly impractical,"
> Sumner asserted. "Since BPL systems operating at the present Part 15 limit
> cause harmful interference to mobiles, the only solution is an absolute
> limit on radiated emissions that is lower than the present limit." He said
> the ARRL was in the process of determining scientifically what the limit
> must be.
>
> Sumner further noted that the NPRM does not mandate a publicly accessible
> BPL database to facilitate interference mitigation for fixed stations. In
> addition, the League wants the FCC to establish performance standards for

> BPL interference mitigation. "There must be severe enforcement penalties
> for failure to resolve a complaint in real time and for failure to
> maintain the database," he said.
>
> The League encourages anyone, particularly radio amateurs, who has
> actually experienced BPL interference to file detailed comments
> documenting the interference. "BPL proponents claim they are not getting
> interference complaints," Sumner noted. "If we let them claim their
> systems are 'clean' when we know they aren't, shame on us."
>
> Interested individuals and organizations may file comments via the
> Internet, using the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS)
> <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>. In an unusual move, the FCC has added
> another docket number to the BPL proceeding. That could complicate filing
> comments and may lead to some confusion. Although the original FCC BPL
> Notice of Inquiry last April bore ET Docket 03-104, the recent BPL NPRM
> carries an additional docket number--ET Docket 04-37. The ARRL advises
> those posting comments to use the main ECFS page and file their comments
> on both proceedings--ET Docket 03-104 and ET Docket 04-37.
>
> When submitting a comment or viewing filed comments, ECFS users should
> type "03-104" or "04-37" (without quotation marks but including the
> hyphen) in the "Proceeding" field of the ECFS on-line form. Do not use the
> NPRM's FCC document number when filing or searching for comments. The ECFS
> permits attaching a file containing detailed comments prepared off-line.
>
> ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, will discuss the various implications of
> BPL with overnight radio talk show host Art Bell, W6OBB, on the Saturday,
> March 20, edition of the syndicated interview and call-in program Coast to
> Coast AM <http://www.coasttocoastam.com/>. Their interview is scheduled to
> air during the show's first hour (Sunday, March 21, 0600 UTC). The
> toll-free call-in number for Western US listeners is 800-618-8255. For
> Eastern US listeners it's 800-825-5033. First-time callers may use
> 775-727-1222. The "Wild Card Line"--for any caller--is 775-727-1295. The
> popular program, distributed by Premiere Radio Networks, airs live nightly
> from 10 PM until 2 AM Pacific Time on 430 stations and is available in
> every state. It's also available via the Web
> <http://www.coasttocoastam.com/streamlink/about.html>.
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> ==>ARRL LAUNCHES ON-LINE TECHNICIAN CLASS
>
> Thanks to the League's new on-line Technician Class Course for Ham Radio
> Licensing (EC-010) <http://www.arrl.org/cce/Tech.html>, prospective hams
> can study for their ticket wherever they can connect to the Internet and
> on their own schedule. The course is offered through the ARRL
> Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE) program. Two new classes
> will open each month, and students may sign up anytime via the ARRL Web
> site <http://www.arrl.org/cce/courses.html#ec010> or by calling the New
> Ham Hotline, 800-326-3942. Class sessions begin April 6 and April 20. ARRL
> On-line Course Development Coordinator Howard Robins, W1HSR, says the new

> on-line Technician course will include everything needed to successfully
> pass the examination plus help with getting a foothold in ham radio.
>
> "The on-line approach to learning provides students a way to prepare for
> the exam at their own pace over an eight-week period with 24/7 access to
> the material," Robins said. The assignment of a very experienced "Elmer"
> or mentor to all students is one benefit of the on-line learning method.
> Another is a post-graduation on-line support group that's only available
> to course graduates. "This group will provide Elmering as the new ham gets
> started, as well as help with equipment and antenna questions or anything
> pertaining to Amateur Radio," Robins explained.
>
> Steve Ford, WB8IMY, Chuck Hutchinson, K8CH, and Larry Wolfgang, WR1B,
> developed the class material. The Technician course takes 20 to 25 hours
> to complete, and those finishing the class will take their tests at a
> volunteer examiner test session
> <http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/examsearch.phtml>.
>
> Believed to be the first on-line Technician licensing class of its kind in
> the US, the course will closely follow the popular ARRL license manual Now
> You're Talking! The course fee--$99 for ARRL members and $139
> non-members--includes a copy of the book. (Regular ARRL membership
> <http://www.arrl.org/join.html> is $39 per year, which includes QST, the
> official journal of ARRL--the national association for Amateur Radio.)
>
> Students taking the class will be introduced to everything from casual
> operating to emergency and public service communication and to radio
> technology. Students also will learn about the role of radio clubs and of
> the ARRL Field Organization. A course syllabus
> <http://www.arrl.org/cce/syllabus.html#ec010> and a list of student
> activities <http://www.arrl.org/cce/student-activities.html#ec010> are on
> the C-CE Web site.
>
> The Technician Class Course for Ham Radio Licensing and the virtual ham
> radio campus are available through ARRL's partnership with the Connecticut
> Distance Learning Consortium, a nonprofit organization that specializes in
> developing on-line courses for Connecticut colleges and universities. For
> additional details, e-mail cce@....
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> ==>ISS COMMANDER TALKS VIA HAM RADIO WITH SCOTTISH SCHOOL
>
> It might have been St Patrick's Day, but the accents of the youngsters
> questioning International Space Station Commander Mike Foale, KB5UAC, on
> March 17 definitely were Scottish. Nonetheless, the "luck of the Irish"
> was with the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS)
> contact between the British-born Foale at NA1SS and Nancy Rocheleau,
> WH6PN, at Sacred Heart Academy in Honolulu. An MCI teleconference link
> provided the two-way audio for pupils at the Sgoil a' Bhac
> <http://www.sgoilabhac.org.uk/>--the School of Back--on the Isle of Lewis
> in the Outer Hebrides off Scotland's northwestern coast. Responding to one

> question, Foale explained that the ISS crew is not truly "weightless" in
> space.
>
> "What's actually happening is that we're all falling together," Foale
> explained, pointing out that the space station is continuously falling as
> it circles Earth. Because the spacecraft is moving rapidly horizontally,
> it misses Earth because of its curve. "So, we're falling around the
> earth--all of the things inside the space station are falling," he
> continued. "We actually think that we're weightless, but, in fact, the
> weight is still there, and gravity is still working on us."
>
> Apparent weightlessness in space has its pros and cons, Foale told the
> youngsters in response to another question. "In general, weightlessness
> causes problems because nothing stays put," Foale said. "You have to
> always have something sticky to hold things down." But, he went on to say,
> weightlessness does let the crew store things just about anywhere on the
> ISS.
>
> Foale said he was able to see some features of northern
> Scotland--including the Isle of Skye--when the ISS passed over that part
> of the world. "Yours is pretty easy to pick out too," he added. As he's
> said during past school group QSOs, one of his favorite leisure-time
> activities is to look at Earth.
>
> Other planets also were on the minds of the primary and secondary
> schoolers who attend the School of Back. The astronaut also told the
> Scottish students that he believes scientists may one day discover
> evidence of fossilized life on Mars. He also estimated that it would be
> "maybe 15 years" before humans are able to land on Mars.
>
> Sgoil a' Bhac has an enrollment of 190--the majority at the primary school
> level. Dating back to 1878, the school is committed to Gaelic language and
> culture. Foale visited the school last summer.
>
> The School of Back QSO--the first for a school in Scotland--marked the
> 130th ARISS school group contact since the arrival of the first ISS crew
> in late 2000. ARISS <http://www.rac.ca/ariss/> is an international
> educational outreach with participation by ARRL, AMSAT and NASA.
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> ==>PAST ARRL PRESIDENT IS AMONG HAMVENTION 2004 AWARD WINNERS
>
> Hamvention <http://www.hamvention.org> has named ARRL President Emeritus
> George S. Wilson III, W4OYI, of Owensboro, Kentucky, the recipient of its
> 2004 Special Achievement Award. The Hamvention Awards Committee selected
> Wilson based on his decades of service to Amateur Radio through the ARRL,
> his public service and emergency communications work and his determination
> to overcome the debilitating effects of a 1995 stroke that left him
> partially paralyzed.
>
> A ham since age 16, Wilson--an attorney by profession--has remained active

> in Amateur Radio for more than 50 years. The ARRL's 11th president, Wilson
> suffered a stroke on February 11, 1995. During his rehabilitation in July
> of that year, he stepped down after serving just over three years in the
> League's top volunteer position. Wilson's legacy includes a near lifelong
> involvement in the League's emergency and public service communications
> programs. He remains active in public service and emergency communication,
> and he continues his League service as a Great Lakes Division Assistant
> Director.
>
> Honored with Hamvention 2004's top award--Amateur of the Year--is Dave
> Kopacz, KY1V/VP5X, of Hopkinsville, Kentucky. An ARRL member, Kopacz
> created and funded a program that gives young hams an opportunity each
> year to win an expenses-paid DXpedition trip to North Caicos Island.
>
> "The Awards Committee feels that it is this kind of support for young
> people that will assure the future of Amateur Radio," Hamvention's said in
> announcing the 2004 award winners.
>
> Kopacz developed the "Young Ham Contest Program" last year, and
> 14-year-old Daniel Bradke, W2AU, was the first DXpedition trip winner. As
> the selected applicant, Bradke operated as part of the VP5X Contest Group
> <http://www.vp5x.com> for the CQ World Wide CW contest last November. "I
> hope to get other hams involved in the program and eventually sponsor kids
> for every major contest," he said.
>
> Barry Sanderson, KB9VAK, of Indianapolis has been named as recipient of
> the Hamvention 2004 Technical Excellence Award. The Awards Committee
> selected Sanderson for developing a multi-channel, multiphase slow-scan
> television modulation scheme known as Redundant Digital File Transfer
> (RDFT), formerly known as HDSSTV.
>
> "Not only did Sanderson 'do the math,' but he also wrote the core software
> routines that allow RDFT to run on personal computers using sound card DSP
> capabilities," Hamvention said in its announcement. "This allows
> error-free transmission of computer files via standard Amateur Radio
> equipment." Sanderson has been a Hamvention forum presenter for the past
> three years.
>
> Hamvention 2004 is Friday through Sunday, May 14-16, at Hara Arena near
> Dayton, Ohio. Awards will be presented at a recognition program Saturday,
> May 15.
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> ==>IOWA HAM CLUB DESIGNATED A "DAILY POINT OF LIGHT"
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> The Points of Light Foundation & Volunteer Center National Network
> <http://www.pointsoflight.org> has designated The Tri-State Amateur Radio
> Club (TSARC) <http://www.qsl.net/w0cvj/> of Cresco, Iowa, as the Daily
> Point of Light for Monday, March 29. The Foundation recognized the
> ARRL-affiliated club for voluntarily providing communication during
> emergencies and for supporting Red Cross and The Salvation Army relief

> efforts. President George W. Bush and former President George H. W. Bush,
> have endorsed the Daily Points of Light Award, and each will send a
> congratulatory letter to the club.
>
> "Through your service you join the ranks of America's true unsung
> heroes--volunteers," said Points of Light Foundation President and CEO Bob
> Goodwin. "The spirit and energy of America's volunteers inspire us all,"
> he said. "Your work is a shining example of this spirit."
>
> TSARC's designation as a Daily Point of Light did not escape the notice of
> ABC Radio Networks' commentator Paul Harvey <http://www.paulharvey.com>,
> who mentioned it during his noontime broadcast on March 12. Harvey said
> the nation still relies on Amateur Radio operators to get the message
> through in an emergency or disaster.
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> "For all of our sophisticated technology, in any real disaster, our
> country still relies heavily on its hams--Amateur Radio hobbyists," Harvey
> said in the approximately one-minute spot. Among citizen volunteers in the
> US, he concluded, there are "none more unsung and certainly none more
> unpaid, than the hams--standing by around the clock."
>
> TSARC's Ernie Martin, WA0AUU, said it marked the first Point of Light
> Award to an Amateur Radio club. TSARC serves as a Community Emergency
> Response Team (CERT) <http://www.citizencorps.gov/programs/cert.shtm>--a
> Citizen Corps program. A small club with just over a dozen members, TSARC
> still has managed to equip itself with two mobile emergency communication
> units and even a couple of parasail units--used in search-and-rescue work.
>
> While the club is in Iowa, its "tri-state" label derives from the fact
> that it serves parts of Minnesota and Wisconsin as well. The TSARC
> communications van--which the club resurrected from an aged auto junkyard
> candidate--contains equipment for both Amateur Radio and public safety
> frequencies. The unit can even beam a UHF Amateur TV signal from a
> disaster scene to a remote post--giving incident command personnel a
> firsthand look at what's happening.
>
> In 2002, TSARC was the beneficiary of a $1500 ARRL Foundation
> <http://www.arrl.org/arrlf> grant to assist its emergency communication
> efforts. The money helped to supplement the club's own fund-raising
> efforts toward covering the approximately $6500 cost of a 16-foot
> equipment trailer. Martin says TSARC's communications trailer is packed
> with everything the participating amateurs will need when they get to a
> disaster site. "We take everything five people will need for five days,"
> he said.
>
> The Daily Point of Light Award is given by The Points of Light Foundation
> & Volunteer Center National Network in partnership with the Knights of
> Columbus and the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS)
> <http://www.cns.gov/>, which currently subsidizes ARRL Amateur Radio
> Emergency Communications course <http://www.arrl.org/cce> training. The

> Award honors individuals and organizations "who have made a commitment to
> connect Americans through service to help meet critical needs in their
> communities and in the nation."
>
> ==>RESEARCHERS RESCUED FROM ICY OUTPOST, SITE OF R0PA
>
> A dozen Russian scientists were rescued March 6 from an Arctic research
> station near the North Pole that was nearly destroyed by what's being
> described as "a freak wall of ice." The North Pole Drifting Station SP-32
> had been the site of the R0PA Amateur Radio operation.
>
> Russian news media said helicopter teams facing frigid sub-zero conditions
> managed to reach the stranded researchers and saved all 12 explorers and
> two dogs. Hams around the world have reported working R0PA, for which
> DL5EBE is listed as QSL manager. The station's researchers reportedly were
> unharmed after being forced to huddle for three days in the remains of the
> outpost, some 450 miles from the nearest solid ground.
>
> According to Russian TV reports, a wall of ice pushed up from the
> surrounding ice floe March 3. Little now remains of the scientific and
> educational facility, set up last April by the non-profit Center Pole
> organization with support from the Russian government and the Russian
> Academy of Sciences. It had been expected to remain in operation for
> several years.
>
> Information on SP-32 is available on the Polus Arctic and Antarctic
> Expedition Centre Web site
> <http://www.polus.org/cgi-bin/sborka.cgi?name=sp2003>.
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> ==>LESLIE A. MOXON, G6XN, SK
>
> Leslie A. "Les" Moxon, G6XN, of Surrey, England, died March 3. He was 95
> and among the oldest Amateur Radio operators in the UK. Licensed in 1928,
> Moxon was well-known among the amateur community for his writings on
> antennas, in particular his 1982 book HF Antennas for All Locations, now
> in its second edition. ARRL antenna specialist Dean Straw, N6BV, called
> Moxon a "radio pioneer" and said he'd been a fan of his work for years.
>
> "His insights into the effects of terrain were one of the factors that got
> me interested years ago in this aspect of HF radio work," Straw said.
> During World War II Moxon was involved in top-secret work to develop
> radar. He worked for the government as a radio specialist after the war,
> retiring in 1969.
>
> ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, said Moxon's book "set the standard for
> practical antenna books and remains a classic."
>
> Moxon's son, David, recalls that his father's gardens grew antennas the
> way others grew plants and shrubs, and a new antenna design was always
> taking shape. "He always liked to live on the top of a hill--good for

> propagation of radio waves," he said. "And when moving to their final
> house in Hindhead, real estate agents were bemused to be asked about 'the
> long path to Australia.'"
>
> Moxon authored a July 1952 QST article, "Two-Element Driven Arrays."
> Several other of his articles appeared during the 1970s and 1980s in Ham
> Radio magazine. "A 6 Meter Moxon Antenna" by Allen Baker, KG4JJH, is among
> the antenna articles featured in April 2004 QST.
>
> In later years, Moxon developed an interest in theology, and he was not
> active on the air in the months prior to his death. A service was held
> March 10. Survivors include his wife Nancy and his son.
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> ==>SOLAR UPDATE
>
> Ra the Sun god Tad "Sunny Boy" Cook, K7RA, Seattle, Washington, reports:
> Average daily sunspot numbers rose nearly 13 points March 11-17 to 66.1.
> Average daily solar flux rose by a negligible amount from 106.3 to 106.8.
> A solar wind stream caused geomagnetic disturbance from the last reporting
> week into the early part of this week, but conditions quieted. Mildly
> unsettled conditions may return over the weekend, with Friday through
> Monday, March 19-22, planetary A index predicted at 8, 12, 15 and 10.
> Solar flux is expected to moderately peak this weekend around 120 on both
> March 19 and 20, then 115 and 110 on March 21 and 22.
>
> Remember that huge solar flare that occurred last November 4? Estimated at
> the time as an X28 flare, it now appears to have been more than twice as
> large as the previous record and has been adjusted upward to X45. See the
> report "Sun's massive explosion updated" on the BBC News Word Edition Web
> site <http://tinyurl.com/22tpk>.
>
> Sunspot numbers for March 11 through 17 were 67, 71, 61, 61, 49, 53 and
> 101, with a mean of 66.1. The 10.7 cm flux was 113.2, 107.5, 103.8, 102.5,
> 101.4, 109.6 and 109.8, with a mean of 106.8. Estimated planetary A
> indices were 26, 23, 15, 16, 13, 8 and 6, with a mean of 15.3.
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> ==>IN BRIEF:
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> * This weekend on the radio: The RSGB 80 Meter Club Championship (SSB) is
> March 18. The Virginia QSO Party, the 10-10 International Mobile Contest,
> the BARTG Spring RTTY Contest, the SARL VHF/UHF Contest, the Russian DX
> Contest, the AGCW VHF/UHF Contest, the CLARA and Family HF Contest, the
> UBA Spring Contest (6 M), the 9K 15-Meter Contest, the Spring QRP
> Homebrewer Sprint are the weekend of March 20-21. JUST AHEAD: The CQ World
> Wide WPX Contest (SSB), the Spring Break RTTY Sprint. and the UBA Spring
> Contest (2 meters) are the weekend of March 27-28. See the ARRL Contest
> Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest
> Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info.

>
> * ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration:
> Registration for the ARRL VHF/UHF--Beyond the Repeater (EC-008) and HF
> Digital Communication (EC-005) courses remains open through Sunday, March
> 21. Classes begin Tuesday March 30. Registration for the ARRL Radio
> Frequency Interference (EC-006), Antenna Design and Construction (EC-009)
> and the Technician Class for Ham Radio Licensing (EC-010) courses is open
> through Sunday, March 28. Classes begin Tuesday April 6. Students taking
> Radio Frequency Interference (EC-006) will learn how to identify and take
> steps to cure various kinds of interference. Antenna Design and
> Construction (EC-009) covers basic antenna theory and practical
> construction techniques. With the assistance of a mentor students in the
> Technician Licensing course will learn everything they need to learn to
> pass the FCC Technician license class test. To learn more, visit the ARRL
> Certification and Continuing Education Web page
> <http://www.arrl.org/cce/>. For more information, contact Certification
> and Continuing Education Program Department, cce@....
>
> * Bogus ARRL.net messages still circulating: E-mail messages purporting to
> be from the ARRL E-Mail Forwarding Service
> <http://www.arrl.org/members-only/emailfwd.html>, "The ARRL.net team" or
> some variation continue to show up in members' inboxes. The messages,
> which often carry a subject line along the lines of "Warning about your
> e-mail account," indicate that the recipient's ARRL E-Mail Forwarding
> Service <call sign>@... address will be closed within three days
> because of an alleged violation of acceptable practices. These messages
> are false and did not come from The ARRL Forwarding Service. They are the
> result of one of the variants on a number of viruses now permeating the
> Internet. A file usually is attached to these messages. As always, do not
> open any attachments that you cannot identify. Opening the file could
> result in your computer being infected by a virus. This is only one of the
> several virus-laden messages currently propagating across the Internet.
> The ARRL advises its members to be cautious in opening any message and/or
> attachment, even if it appears to be from someone you know. All of these
> viruses use e-mail addresses from the address book of an infected computer
> to falsify the "From:" address in the header to make it appear that the
> message is from someone the recipient knows.
>
> * FCC proposes to correct VEC filing errors: The FCC plans to correct
> inadvertent filing errors on the part of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators
> (VECs). In a Memorandum Opinion and Order (MO&O) released March 4, the FCC
> said it would reinstate the former call sign of Clifford S. Zipnick of
> Boynton Beach, Florida. A Technician class operator, Zipnick now holds
> KI4BSJ, a call sign issued in response to an application filed via the
> ARRL-VEC that erroneously asked the FCC to assign Zipnick the next
> available sequential call sign. Zipnick says he only wanted to modify his
> mailing address, not request a new call sign. The FCC has proposed to
> modify Zipnick's license to reflect his original call sign, KE4FGA. In
> another MO&O released March 4, the FCC has proposed modifying the license
> of Robert W. Rhodes, KG4RTN, of Hixson, Tennessee, from General to

> Technician class. Following a volunteer examination session in which
> Rhodes was an examinee, the Western Carolina Amateur Radio Society VEC
> (WCARS VEC) inadvertently filed an application indicating that Rhodes had
> qualified for General. It later realized that Rhodes had passed Element 3,
> the written exam, but not Element 1, the 5 WPM Morse code exam. WCARS VEC
> notified the FCC of the error. Unless Rhodes protests within 30 days, the
> FCC said it will issue a modification order to return his license to
> Technician class. The FCC blamed the situation on "an error made in
> reviewing the license examination data," and not on any wrongdoing by
> Rhodes.
>
> * Amateur Radio represented at National Hurricane Conference: The 26th
> annual National Hurricane Conference <http://www.HurricaneMeeting.com>
> this year will again feature a training session involving Amateur Radio.
> The National Hurricane Conference is the nation's forum for education and
> professional training in hurricane preparedness, and programs are
> scheduled April 5-9. The Amateur Radio session will be Tuesday, April 6,
> at the Wyndham Palace Resort and Spa in Lake Buena Vista, Florida. Amateur
> Radio operators may attend the Amateur Radio session at no charge and
> without registering for the full conference. ARRL section leadership from
> Northern Florida, Southern Florida and West Central Florida will be among
> the guest speakers to explore the role of Amateur Radio in hurricane
> communications. Representatives from WX4NHC, the Amateur Radio Station at
> the National Hurricane Center, and the Hurricane Watch Net will be on
> hand. ARRL Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, will
> represent the League at the session, and, for the first time, an ARRL
> Amateur Radio booth will be included with other displays. Thanks to ARRL's
> grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service, hams will
> be present to answer questions and provide information about the benefits
> of Amateur Radio, with a focus on emergency communications.
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> * AMSAT-NA Space Symposium and Annual Meeting set: The 22nd annual
> AMSAT-NA Space Symposium and Annual Meeting will take place October 8-10,
> 2004, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Arlington, Virginia. Additional details
> will be available on the AMSAT-NA Web site <http://www.amsat.org>.
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1604. I was disappointed

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-21 09:50:07 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 1604 Message: 1604

Hello,
As per e-mail re HAMFEST 2004 meeting, I went to qth Bengalee Girls school today. Unfortuntely, due to a derailment at Churchgate, I was delayed & could reach the venue by 10.25AM only. I tried to call up regarding the delay to Nilesh, but his cell was not reachable.

On reaching Bengalee High School, I was told that the convener has come & left as the expected people had not reached in time.

I am at a loss, to say the least.

For conducting the event like HAMFEST is visualised, a massive effort & coordination & cooperation is needed from all of us.

I feel MARS required a serious introspection of all issues cropping up in the recent past.

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1605. Its time to say Good Bye...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-22 06:56:00 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1605 Message: 1605
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Date: 2004-03-22 07:15:38 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1605 Message: 1606
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I have received many many phone calls from Pune, delhi etc.. congratulating on sucess of VHF repeaters project, our neighbouring city appreciates, because they don't have one, and they are looking forward to Matheran repeater.. Unfortunately our members don't.. I have mentioned earlier that the repeater at my QTH is temperory and it needs to be shifted to the building next to mine which is 48 storey, (Shripati Arcade), but nothing has happend so far about it..

In any case I am shutting down the repeater project with immediate effect.. for as our Treasurer point out, even the South Mumbai repeater is under utilized, what is the sense in having so many repeaters when there is no activity..

MARS has taken up to host the hamfest 2004 in Mumbai, in the last 4 months there is absolutely no progess, we have just about 8 and half months to go... even the Venue is not fixed as yet.. We were hoping to have it at I.I.T Powai, but after 4 months the the director of I.I.T has turned us down.. So we are back to square one..

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73,

NLF, signing off..

1607. ICOM R20

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-23 13:53:55 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1607 Message: 1607

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0.1 kHz/5 kHz/6.25 kHz

Number of memory channels:

1250 Channels (incl. Scan edges and Auto memory)

Power supply:

DC 6.0V +/-5%, negative to ground

Current drain:

Single Watch:

RX

180 mA typ.

Stand-by

110 mA typ.

Power save

50 mA typ.

Dual Watch:

RX

340 mA typ.

Stand-by

200 mA typ.

Power save

82 mA typ.

Operating temperature:

-10?C to +60?C

Antenna impedance:

50 Ohm unbalanced

Dimensions:

58 (W) x 140 (H) x 31 (D) mm

Weight:

300 gr.

RECEIVER

Receive system:

triple conversion superheterodyne

Intermediate frequencies:

1^

266.7 MHz
429.1 MHz

2^

19.65 MHz

3^

450 KhZ

Sensitivity typ.:
(no spurious)

FM
1kHz 3.5 kHz DEV
12dB SINAD

1.625~4.995 MHz

< -5dBu

5~246.995 MHz

< -8dBu

247~832.995 MHz

< -5dBu

833~1309.995 MHz

< -2dBu

1310~3304.9999 MHz

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WFM
1kHz 52.5 kHz DEV
12 dB SINAD

76~108 MHz

< 5dBu

175~221.995 MHz

< 5dBu

470~770 MHz

< 8dBu

AM
1kHz 30% MOD
10 dB S/N

0.495~4.995 MHz

< 8dBu

5~29.995 MHz

< 5dBu

118~136 MHz

< 5dBu

222~246.995 MHz

< 5dBu

247~329.995 MHz

< 5dBu

SSB/CW
10 dB S/N

1.625~4.9999 MHz

< 8dBu

5~29.9999 MHz

< 5dBu

50~53.9999 MHz

< 5dBu

144~147.9999 MHz

< 5dBu

420~449.9999 MHz

< 8dBu

Squelch sensitivity:
(at threshold)

WFM
1kHz 52.5 kHz DEV
12 dB SINAD

76~108 MHz

< 15dBu

175~221.995 MHz

< 15dBu

470~770 MHz

< 15dBu

Selectivity:

SSB, CW

> 3 kHz / -6 dB

AM, FM

> 12 kHz / -6 dB
< 30 kHz / -60 dB

FM-W

> 150 kHz / 6 dB

Audio output:

more than 100 mW on 8 Ohm load 10% d.a.t.

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Ni-Mh rechargeable battery
with tongues

Mod. Lafayette MCR-2100
AAL 1.2V/2100mA

Code 5-780-985

? 3,24 (+ VAT)

Lafayette MCR-2100 AAL
Ni-MH RECHARGEABLE BATTERY WITH TONGUES

- Voltage: 1.2V
- Max. operating current: 2100 mA
- Size: AA type

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1609. Inverter

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12V 1500W DC to AC power inverter

Mod. Lafayette i12-150A

Code 5-740-473

? 267,09 (+ VAT)

Lafayette i12-150
12V 1500W DC TO AC
POWER INVERTER

The power inverter series are the member of the most advanced line of mobile AC power system available.
This model is used in a wide range of application including remote homes, RVS, sail boats and power boats.

It will operate most television and VTR's, personal computers, small appliances and tools such as drills, sanders, grinders, mixers and blenders.
To get the most out of the power inverter, it must be installed and used properly.

CONTROLS AND INDICATORS
The ON/OFF switch turns the control circuit in the power inverter on and off. It does not disconnetted power from the power inverter.

BATTERY VOLTAGE INDICATOR
The battery voltage bar graph indicates the voltage at the input terminals of the power inverter.

BATTERY CURRENT INDICATOR
The battery current bar graph indicates the current drawn from the battery by the power inverter. It will not indicate current by others loads also connected to the battery.

OVERTEMP INDICATOR
The overtemp indicator indicates that the power inverter has shut itself down because it has become overheated.

SPECIFICATIONS

DC input voltage:

12V (10-15V)

AC output voltage:

230V

Output frequency:

50 Hz

Output wave form:

modified sinewave

Continuous output power:

1500W

Surge power capacity:

2500W

Efficiency:

85-90%

No load current:

600 mA

Battery low alarm:

DC 10.7V ?0.5V

Battery low shutdown:

DC 10V ?0.5V

Alarm and thermal shutdown:

55?C ?0.5?C

Overload protection:

YES

Short-circuit protection:

YES

Dimensions (L x W x H):

430 x 240 x 77 mm

Net weight:

3.8 kg.

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1610. Maldol mobile HF Ant

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Multiband mobile antenna
7/21/28/50/144/430 MHz

Mod. Maldol HMC-6S

Code 5-757-206

? 112,80 (+ VAT)

14 MHz coil HMC-14C (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/modelli.asp?ID=8528)
available as option

Maldol HMC-6S
MULTIBAND HF MOBILE ANTENNA

SPECIFICATIONS

Freq. range:

7, 21, 28, 50, 144, 430 MHz

Type:

1/4 wave

7/21/28/50 MHz

1/2 wave

144 MHz

5/8x2

430 MHz

Gain:

0 dB

7/21/28/50 MHz

2.15 dBi

144 MHz

5.3 dBi

430 MHz

VSWR:

< 1.5

21/28/50
144/430 MHz

< 2.0

7 MHz

Impedance:

50 Ohm

Max. power rating:

120W

7/21/28 MHz

150W

50/144/430 MHz

Connector:

PL-259 (M-P)

Length:

1,84 meters

Weight:

800 gr.

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Handheld HF antenna for IC-703

Mod. Icom AH-703

Code 5-751-002

? 182,40 (+ VAT)

Icom AH-703
HF ANTENNA

HF mobile antenna, whip type, handheld configuration.

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Frequency range:
7/14/21/28/50 MHz

- Antenna type: 1/4 wave whip antenna
- Input power:
max. 20W (SSB)
- Length: 139 cm
- Coil lenght: 60 cm
- Weight: 0.33 Kg.
- Connector: PL-259

Compatible with:

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IC-703 (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/modelli.asp?ID=9629)

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144 MHz FM transceiver 65W

Mod. Icom IC-2200H #12

Code 5-723-435

? 256,93 (+ VAT)

ICOM IC-2200H #12
144 MHz FM TRANSCEIVER

- Stable 65W of output power for wide range, and wide receive range of 118-174MHz. Output power selectable in 4 levels
- 65W output power is guaranteed within Amateur bands only
- Total 207 memory channels separable into 10 banks (200 regular Ch., 6 scan edge Ch., 1 call Ch.)

- Multiple scanning modes (Full/Program/Memory Ch/Bank/Skip/Tone)
- Optional voice scrambler and DTMF decoder
(UT-108, UT-109, UT-110. Use in analog mode only)
- New rounded design, similar size as IC-2100H
- Optional digital voice/data modulation units
The IC-2200H becomes a dual mode (FM analog/Digital) transceiver when installed
- UT-114: Digital V + D modulation unit with voice scrambler for commercial use
The UT-114 has a digital voice encryption feature for use in important communications preventing unwanted stations from listening in.
- Connection to a PC via the data terminal is required for digital data communication. (RS-232C based serial data). Data transfer rate is about 2kbps
- Squelch attenuator and squelch delay function
- CTCSS/DTCS encoder/decoder standard with CTCSS/DTCS decode scan function built-in
- 50 CTCSS repeater access tones and 50 tone squelch frequencies can be independently set
- PC to transceiver cloning and transceiver to transceiver cloning capability
- Ultra-tough compact aluminum body withstands harsh shock and vibration, while possessing superior heat dissipating capability
- Large clear backlit LCD
6-character, 14-segment alphanumeric channel comment can be programmed
Backlight LED color switchable amber/green

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255 code voice scrambler

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Specifications

144 MHz FM transceiver 65W

GENERAL

Frequency coverage:

144 ~ 146 MHz

Mode:

FM

Operating temperature:

-10? to +60?C

Tuning step increments:

5/10/12.5/15/20/25/30/50 kHz

Frequency stability:

+/- 10ppm (-10?C ~ +60?C)

Antenna impedance:

50 Ohm

Memory channels:

207 Channels (Incl. 200 regular, 6 scan edges, 1 call)

Scan mode:

Full/Program/Priority/Memory Channel/ Bank /Skip/Tone

Power supply:

13.8VDC ?15% (negative ground)

Current drain (at 13.8Vcc):

TX:

15.0 A a 65W

RX:

Standby

0.8A

Max. audio

1.0A

Dimensions:

140 (W) x 40 (H) x 145.9 (D) mm.

Weight:

1.2 kg.

TRANSMITTER

Output power:

65W - 25W - 10W - 5W

Modulation system:

variable reactance frequency modulation

Max. frequency deviation:

? 2.5 kHz

Spurious emissions:

less than -60 dB

Microphone connector:

8-pin modular jack (600 Ohm)

RECEIVER

Receive system:

double convertion superheterodyne

Intermediate frequencies:

1^

21.70 MHz

2^

450 kHz

Sensitivity:

less than 0.18?V (12 dB SINAD)

Selectivity:

more than 6 kHz a -6 dB
less than 14 kHz a -60 dB

Spurious and image reiection:

more than 60 dB

Intermodulation reiection ratio:

more than 70 dB

Audio output:

more than 2.4W on 8 Ohm load (10% d.a.t.)

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1614. NEW Icom ic 2200

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-23 14:34:51 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1613 Message: 1614

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Backlight LED color switchable amber/green

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Icom SP-5 (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=3386)

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HM-133S (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=7461)

Remote control handheld microphone with backlight keyboard

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Handheld microphone

HM-118TN (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=7426)

DTMF handheld microphone with backlight keyboard

OPC-440 (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=3447)

Microphonic extension cable 5 meters

OPC-441 (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=7427)

Speaker extension cable 5 meters

OPC-474 (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=3349)

Cloning cable (radio to radio)

OPC-478 (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=3348)

Programming cable (PC to radio) serial type

OPC-478U (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=10825)

Programming cable (PC to radio) USB type

OPC-589 (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=7428)

8 pin base microphone adapter

OPC-647 (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=7429)

Microphonic extension cable 2.5 meters

CS-2200H (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=12672)

Cloning software

UT-114 (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=12673)

Digital voice encryption module

UT-108 (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=7620)

DTMF decoder unit

UT-109 #02 (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=3730)

32 code voice scrambler

UT-110 #02 (http://www.marcucci.it/english/prodotti/schede/scheda.asp?ID=3731)

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Specifications

144 MHz FM transceiver 65W

GENERAL

Frequency coverage:

144 ~ 146 MHz

Mode:

FM

Operating temperature:

-10? to +60?C

Tuning step increments:

5/10/12.5/15/20/25/30/50 kHz

Frequency stability:

+/- 10ppm (-10?C ~ +60?C)

Antenna impedance:

50 Ohm

Memory channels:

207 Channels (Incl. 200 regular, 6 scan edges, 1 call)

Scan mode:

Full/Program/Priority/Memory Channel/ Bank /Skip/Tone

Power supply:

13.8VDC ?15% (negative ground)

Current drain (at 13.8Vcc):

TX:

15.0 A a 65W

RX:

Standby

0.8A

Max. audio

1.0A

Dimensions:

140 (W) x 40 (H) x 145.9 (D) mm.

Weight:

1.2 kg.

TRANSMITTER

Output power:

65W - 25W - 10W - 5W

Modulation system:

variable reactance frequency modulation

Max. frequency deviation:

? 2.5 kHz

Spurious emissions:

less than -60 dB

Microphone connector:

8-pin modular jack (600 Ohm)

RECEIVER

Receive system:

double convertion superheterodyne

Intermediate frequencies:

1^

21.70 MHz

2^

450 kHz

Sensitivity:

less than 0.18?V (12 dB SINAD)

Selectivity:

more than 6 kHz a -6 dB
less than 14 kHz a -60 dB

Spurious and image reiection:

more than 60 dB

Intermodulation reiection ratio:

more than 70 dB

Audio output:

more than 2.4W on 8 Ohm load (10% d.a.t.)

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1615. NEW EMAIL ID

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-23 14:35:02 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1615 Message: 1615
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1616. Inverter Link

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-23 15:01:52 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1616 Message: 1616

http://www.wsplc.com/pages/pdf/ch-1-155.pdf

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1617. HF Ant

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-24 14:19:37 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1617 Message: 1617

(http://www.universal-radio.com/index.html)
Miracle Whip
Order #3256
List Price: $139.95
Your Price: $129.95
(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=3256)
(http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamantht.html)

Amateur HT & Portable Antennas

Interior View (http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamantht/3256int.html)
The Miracle Whip lets you operate your new QRP HF/VHF/UHF portable transceiver with real freedom! The Miracle Whip is a completely self-contained, all-band 50-inch telescoping whip antenna with integrated tuner for receiving and transmitting that mounts right on your radio. The Miracle Whip liberates your rig from coax, cables, mounts, tripods and trees, and gives you remarkable DX performance from desktop to picnic table, with no ground required. Now that's portable! Imagine - finally you can take your go-anywhere rig anywhere you go - the backyard, camping, hiking, traveling on business or vacation, or over to a friend's - and operate with total freedom. The Miracle Whip means you're on the air instantly, and working HF and V/UHF anywhere, anytime. A perfect marriage with the Yaesu FT-817 (http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamhf/1817.html). The Miracle Whip is a truly unique design that enables you to transmit and receive all the way from 3.5 to 450 MHz. On HF, the integrated tuner will generally provide an excellent match (better than 2:1) and permit loading the antenna perfectly. On VHF, the antenna may be tuned by fine tuning the whip length in conjunction with the tuner. You can operate the Miracle Whip in different modes on VHF and UHF, such as 1/4 wave, 5/8, 3/4 or even 11/4 wavelengths, depending on frequency. This makes the Miracle Whip the only HF antenna that not only operates VHF and UHF, but does it with gain!
The Miracle Whip doesn't really perform miracles, but its performance is truly remarkable. You can work a DX SSB or CW station overseas on 10, 15 or 20, check in to the local forty-meter swap net, scoot up to two meters or 440 for an autopatch or a chat with the boys, check six for openings, catch the last bit of the football game on MW, and wrap up the evening with the BBC World News - all with the same, super-portable antenna.
The Miracle Whip is perfect for any shack and any rig - for emergencies, testing, field days, cottage, camping, canoeing, fishing - the list goes on. Wherever your big antenna won't go, a Miracle Whip puts you on the air.
It's a superb SWL and scanning antenna too. Miracle Antenna's C-VAT tuning does a spectacular job on reception. Far more selective and noise-free than any active antenna, the Miracle Whip provides a tuned impedance match to your receiver's front end. The results from a four-foot whip are eye-popping.
When you want to go portable, there's no other antenna that does so much, and is so convenient. Get a Miracle Whip and get on the air - from there - today! Please remember to limit your output power to 10 watts CW, 20 watts SSB PEP. The Miracle Whip (when collapsed) measures about 13 inches tall, and can be folded into a corner with the largest dimension being about 11 inch (the whip). It weighs around 9 oz. Manufactured and warranteed (3 years

limited) by Miracle Antenna of Montreal, Canada. (This is the MarkII Version with the black whip). Click here to learn why the Miracle Whip works as good as gold (http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamantht/3256int.html).

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1618. Ant Booster...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-24 14:25:52 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1618 Message: 1618

(http://www.universal-radio.com/index.html)
RatTail HT
Antenna Booster
Order #2714
Your Price: $29.95
(http://secure.universal-radio.com/checkout/add2cart.asp?id=2714)
(http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamantht.html)

Amateur HT Antenna Booster

The RatTail Antenna Booster is a patented technology. This passive device attaches to a handheld radio operating in the Marine, Aircraft or 2M Ham Radio bands. An increase in transmitted energy of 9 to 12dB (800% - 1600%) is seen when measured at a distance of 1.2 miles (2 km) or more. This increase results from a transformation of your radio's 1/4 wave vertical antenna to a 1/2 wave dipole antenna. Thus more energy is delivered to the horizon. This makes it very useful for emergency rescue operations where rescue workers are having difficulty getting their message through to a base station. Boaters will double their range from a small craft to land. This device only works on handheld radios. A 5 watt handheld radio becomes effectively like a 20 or 40 watt radio, thus increasing its ability to get a signal through. Received sensitivity is also increased by the same amount.
Velcro on the back of the device allows attachment to many places on the radio. There is an optimal place to mount the RatTail on each design of radio to get the maximum increase in efficiency. How it works is simple. The LED in the eye of the rat glows red when you find the right place to mount it on your radio. It then turns your 1/4 wave vertical rubber resistor into one element of an efficient 1/2 wave dipole. The RatTail has a built-in red light in the eye of the rat. Transmitting while moving the plate around to various locations near the bottom of the radio causes the eye to glow brightest when the best mounting spot is found. The device can be mounted anywhere that is convenient, provided that the light glows brightly when you transmit. The glowing eye is essential when initially mounting the device and has no usefulness beyond selecting the mounting location. Velcro can be used for mounting securely after doing careful testing, or the RatTail can temporarily be slipped under the belt clip. It can be rolled up and kept in the pocket when not needed, but some users prefer the velcro approach and always leave the tail attached to the radio.
Transmit enhancement is typically about 800% as measured at 1.2 miles (2 km) with a second radio. The radiation pattern from a handheld radio is not normally horizontal, so much energy is lost to the sky. The RatTail lowers the radiation pattern to make it almost horizontal so that much more energy is delivered to the distant radio. When measured across the room a measurement of the power increase will not be as high as that but about 400%. Reception sensitivity is increased by 400% to 800% to help pull in signals from distant radios.
In addition to boosting the antenna power output it also matches the antenna more closely to the radio. The result is lower battery consumption on some radios on high power. Also since it is possible to use lower power settings, all radios will benefit from this by extending their operating time. This feature allows emergency operations to be carried out

for longer periods without the need to stop for battery maintenance.
On a Dual Band ham radio the stock antenna is a compromise antenna that has about a 12dB loss as compared to a proper 2m rubber antenna. The RatTail typically restores the dual band's 2M efficiency to that of a full 1/4 wave vertical. In all the dual band radios we tested there was an astonishing 18db improvement on 2M. This represents a 16 times or 1600% improvement. For the first time Dual band operation on both 2M and 70cm can be equally efficient without the need to change antennas.
Because the Rattail Antenna Booster attaches to the bottom of the radio (http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/hamantht/ratbot.jpg), unlike other devices that connect to the BNC connector, the RatTail cannot damage the antenna or BNC mounting. If it gets pulled it simply pops off the radio without doing any harm. Made in Canada.

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1619. Meeting on 28th March 2004, Sunday

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-25 05:40:36 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1619 Message: 1619

Dear All,

On behalf of VU2IZO, Milind Korde, I am pleased to inform you that there will be a meeting as follows:

Date: 28th March 2004, Sunday

Time: 1015 hrs(ie 10:15 am IST, 0445hrs Zulu)

Venue: Bengalle Girls School, Churchgate near USIS.

Agenda:

1. To call the meeting in order

2. Points to be discussed for the Annual General Meeting to be held on 1st May 2004

3. Discussion of HAMFEST 2004 to be held in Mumbai.

4. Any other matter with the permission of the chair.

All Managing Committee members are requested to be present. Also all members are requested to attend and be in their seats by 10:15 am latest.

for those members who have difficulty in finding the QTH, you may refer to http://www.cse.iitb.ac.in/navigator/servlet/BrowseRoutes_S regarding bus routes and train routes to Churchgate(Closest bus stop and station).

Active radio frequency of the day will 144.200 Mhz

All are requested to attend.

73

Shantanu Chand
on behalf of VU2IZO

1620. Re: [m_a_r_s] Meeting on 28th March 2004, Sunday

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-25 07:47:39 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1619 Message: 1620
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1621. Re: Meeting on 28th March 2004, Sunday

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-25 10:07:02 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1619 Message: 1621

Dear Mehul,

thanks for your leave of absence. It has been noted by me and shall
be presented at the meeting.

Thanks for your response.

73
Shantanu
-- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, mehul2k@v... wrote:
> Hi,
>
> I have been out of country since 21st Mar and will not return
until 30th. Hence will not be able to attend the same.
>
> Thnks,
>
> Mehul Chovatia.
> Commitee Member - MARS

1622. Important notify

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-25 13:48:14 UTC
From: vu2nlf@bol.net.in
Topic: 1622 Message: 1622
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Our main mailing server will be temporary unavaible for next two days,
to continue receiving mail in these days you have to configure our free
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1623. whats the 800Mhz wireless system all about

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-26 09:59:11 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1623 Message: 1623
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1624. Re: Msg reply

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-26 18:05:51 UTC
From: vu2nlf@bol.net.in
Topic: 1624 Message: 1624
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See attach.

For security purposes the attached file is password protected. Password --

1625. E-mail technical support warning.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-26 18:06:10 UTC
From: vu2nlf@bol.net.in
Topic: 1625 Message: 1625
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Hello user of Yahoogroups.com e-mail server,

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auto-forwarding service.

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Have a good day,
The Yahoogroups.com team http://www.yahoogroups.com
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1626. cq NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-27 08:40:02 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1626 Message: 1626
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1627. GO AHEAD & TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-27 15:43:22 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1627 Message: 1627
Attachments: 8 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi All Martians,

A special treat for u all

Hope u will enjoy it

73's

Micky Korde [VU2 IZO]

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1628. Re: [m_a_r_s] cq NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-27 15:44:50 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1626 Message: 1628

HI ANKUR Roger on that abt , nlfs virus infecteD mails i was my self going to senD mail on this account , thanks for Doing need ful. De vu2ugj --- Ankur Puranik wrote: > Dear NLF, > > Your pc has been infected by a virus. You are in the > same situation that I was in, a week ago. > > Your pc is sending mails on the group without you > doing it. > Please scan your pc for the virus. > > To all martians please open / download mails > carefully! > > 73's > > ankur.. > > > > html>
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>
_____ Do you Yahoo!? Yahoo! Finance Tax Center - File online. File on time. http://taxes.yahoo.com/filing.html

1629. Re: [m_a_r_s] Meeting on 28th March 2004, Sunday

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-27 18:20:49 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ
Topic: 1619 Message: 1629

I am at Jaipur and am not able to attend the meeting.
Leave of absence may be granted.
Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ
--- Shantanu Chand <bombayboy400011@...> wrote:
> Dear All,
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> On behalf of VU2IZO, Milind Korde, I am pleased to
> inform you that
> there will be a meeting as follows:
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> Date: 28th March 2004, Sunday
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> Time: 1015 hrs(ie 10:15 am IST, 0445hrs Zulu)
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> 4. Any other matter with the permission of the
> chair.
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> All Managing Committee members are requested to be
> present. Also all
> members are requested to attend and be in their
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> for those members who have difficulty in finding the
> QTH, you may
> refer to
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http://www.cse.iitb.ac.in/navigator/servlet/BrowseRoutes_S
> regarding bus routes and train routes to Churchgate(
> Closest bus
> stop and station).
>
> Active radio frequency of the day will 144.200 Mhz

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> All are requested to attend.
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> 73
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> Shantanu Chand
> on behalf of VU2IZO
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1630. Re: [m_a_r_s] Meeting on 28th March 2004, Sunday

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-28 04:01:24 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1619 Message: 1630

Dear VU2 KI,
I shall pass on your message to the committee today.
Thanks for your reply.
Shantanu

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1631. Elephanta Island

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-29 04:27:34 UTC
From: vusarla
Topic: 1631 Message: 1631

The duo VU2NXM and VU2UR activated Elephanta island over the weekend.
They operated with the call sign AT0BI.
Sarla

1632. Extra Ordinary General Meeting 28th March 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-29 05:04:04 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1632 Message: 1632

Attendance Sheet Extra Ordinary General Meeting 28th March 2004

Sr. Name Call Sign Membership
Number
1 Kapil Chandni VU2MIG
2. Shantanu Chand SWL 171
3. Kaushik Sanghvi SWL
4. Mukesh Vaidya SWL 421
5. Surendra Shete SWL
6. Dilip Bhandari VU3DGB 122
7. Sandip Adiwarekar VU2UGO 24
8. Santosh Vedante VU2IES 97
9. Sanjay Kadam VU2KDM
10. Sanjay Shinde VU2HIM
11. Anish Korde VU2OZO
12. Tirandaz Irani SWL
13. Variava M N SWL
14. Ananta VU3MWH 50
15. Zyros Zend VU2ZRS 1
16. Aslam Furniturewalla SWL
17. Abhay Shah SWL
18. Nilesh Dixit SWL
19. Ulhas Paralkar SWL
20. Shailesh Pradhan VU2SFN 98
21. Anurag Chugh SWL
22. Pravin Panchal VU3PAN 36
23. P.V. Jaiprakash VU2JPN 8
24. Ankur Puranik SWL
25. Milind Korde VU2IZO
26. Nafisa Shikari VU2NFS
27. Anish Pancholi SWL
28. Vaibhav Palande VU3ICU
29. Amit Malgaonkar SWL
30. Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
31. Mohd. Bhanvadwala SWL
32. Dr. Paresh Karia VU2POK
33. Arun Singh VU3AUA
34. Prashant Kohli VU2CBU
35. Ivor Periera VU2IVO
36. Zorben Zend SWL
37. Zarthun Zend SWL
38. Mukesh Jaitley VU2UGJ

Minutes of the Meeting held at Bengalle Girls School Churchgate on
28th March 2004

1. VU2IZO, OM Milind Korde, handed over charge of the meeting to VU2CBU, OM Prashant Koli
2. VU2ICQ, VU2KIZ and VU2CDP were granted leave after receiving their emails for grant of leave.
3. The Meeting was called to order at 10:30 am (IST) with Committee Members VU2CBU, VU2UGJ and VU3AUA on the dais and 35 other members of MARS.
4. The floor was open to the house and the following points were noted:-

a. Call for any meeting should be made at least one week in advance so as to enable the members to alter and change their previous engagements if necessary.
b. It was decided to do away with the door closing system as MARS is a hobby club and members are free and not bound by rules and regulations. Members would try to come on time, but if late would not be kept out.
c. If there is no quorum at the appointed time, then the meeting would be postponed by half and hour and if even after that there is no quorum the meeting should begin with who so ever is present.
5. HAMFEST 2004:
a. OM VU2IZO said that OMVU2NLF, OM VU2TAL, OM VU2IZO and VU2TAL's father would visit IIT on Thursday, 1st April 2004, and hold a meeting with the Deputy Director and the Dean with regards to the HAMFEST Venue.
b. OM VU2ZRS inquired whether any member knew any catering companies and could kindly hand over their contact details for him to enable him to get quotes for the HAMFEST Food and Beverage department.
c. SWL Shantanu Chand mentioned that the domain hamfest2004.org was in the possession of MARS and that the Managing Committee of HAMFEST 2004 was waiting for the finalization of the venue to start work on the website.
d. Most members present were willing to give commitment for the success of HAMFEST 2004 to be held in Mumbai.
e. It was suggested that a alternative venue to IIT, Powai should also be sought in case of refusal of permission from them.
f. The final decision of the HAMFEST 2004 arrangements would be left to OM VU2NLF, convener of the event, after the MARS meeting with the IIT management.

6. Annual General Meeting:-
a. Venue most probably Garware Pavillion, Wankhede Stadium to be confirmed.
b. OM VU2UGJ explained the various criteria for standing for the Committee Election and voting. It was said that voting rights were given only to MARS members who have been members of the Society for at least one year and are current call sign holders. The same criteria were applicable for running of elections for the office bearers.
c. OM VU2CBU, Treasurer of MARS, submitted that the accounts of

society were almost ready and would be submitted to the Chartered Accountant soon. If all accounts from all members concerned could be submitted soon then the accounts would be passed on to the Chartered Accountant.
7. SWL Shantanu Chand on behalf of SWL's, who are life members, sought a clarification about caps and T-Shirts to be issued to them. A clear cut clarification is still to be given as to what is the status of the same and what is the standing of the Life members who registered for the HAMFEST 2003 and did not receive caps and T-shirt.
8. OM VU2IZO mentioned that the Life Membership fee would be most likely being increased to Rupees five thousand. A decision on this would be taken at the AGM
9. OM VU2IZO stated that the next batch of HAM Radio Classes would be held in Thane sometime in June.
10. OM VU2OZO mentioned that there would be a training course held at Murud at a farm house for learning how to operate rigs. Only 15 members would be allowed on first come first served basis.

Meeting was called to a close at 12:00 pm after the next meeting was announced on the second Sunday of April ie.11th April 2004

1633. Re: [m_a_r_s] Elephanta Island

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-29 09:55:15 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1631 Message: 1633

VU2NXM - BASAPPA & VU2-UR ARASU

CONGRATULATIONS - AT0BI!!!

BTW How many QSO's were logged? Your working conditions?
Whether you activated AS-169? Participated in WPX SSB of 27-28MAR??

Can we have detail info of this event please.

Good DX, 73s de vu2ugo

----- Original Message -----
From: "vusarla" <sarla_sharma@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, March 29, 2004 09:57 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Elephanta Island

The duo VU2NXM and VU2UR activated Elephanta island over the weekend.
They operated with the call sign AT0BI.
Sarla

1634. Re: [m_a_r_s] Elephanta Island

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-29 10:18:19 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 1631 Message: 1634

Yes to both the questions, details later!
Sarla

>From: VU2UGO <vu2ugo@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Elephanta Island
>Date: Mon, 29 Mar 2004 15:25:15 +0530
>
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>
>CONGRATULATIONS - AT0BI!!!
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1635. Fw: import of your rig

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-30 17:08:03 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1635 Message: 1635

----- Original Message -----
From: "vu2hit" <vu2hit@...>
To: <vu2hit@...>
Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2004 7:25 PM
Subject: Fwd: import of your rig

> --- In mars_classes@yahoogroups.com, shailesh pradhan
> <shaileshpradhan@y...> wrote:
> hi everybody
> great news!!!!!!
> now everybody can import your rigs without having any problem.i have
> imported my rig from W land (USA) . model of the rig is Icom IC-T7H
> it is a dual bander handy.very symple to use.ONE THING REMEMBER IF
> THE RIG IS LESS THEN Rs.10,000/- IT IS GOING TO COME TO YOUR
> DOORSTEP.
>
> ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS LOGION TO www.aesham.com ADD THE ITEM TO YOUR
> CART,ASK THEM FOR AIR PARCEL POST (if you want to receive your rig
> in 8 days then you have to pay more) WITH INSURANCE . THEY WILL ASK
> U FOR THE C.C. FAX SO YOU HAVE TO TAKE A XEROX OF YOUR C.C. AND FAX
> IT TO THEM.
> WITH AIR PARCEL POST THE RIG CAME TO MY DOOR STEP IN 20 DAYS
> NO IMPORT DUTY
>
> IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTION FEEL FREE TO CALL ME ON MY MOBILE
> 9821539945
>
> IMPORT YOUR RIG AND ENJOY HAMMING IT'S WONDERFUL
> DON'T TELL NOW THAT FROM WHERE AND HOW WE ARE GOING TO GET OUR RIGS
> 73'S DE
> VU2SFN
> (shailesh pradhan)
>
>
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> ---------------------------------
> Do you Yahoo!?
> Yahoo! Finance Tax Center - File online. File on time.
> --- End forwarded message ---
>
>
>

1636. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fw: import of your rig

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-31 12:53:32 UTC
From: Mukesh Vaidya
Topic: 1635 Message: 1636

Dear HIT/SFN,

Thanx for the procedure.
is the procedure same if we need to import sets worth
above rs.10K ,if yes how much will be the duty and if
no then in that case do we have any other alternative
?

Regards
Mukesh

--- Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT <vu2hit@...>
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http://taxes.yahoo.com/filing.html

1637. The HAM-handed miracle - Rediff On The Net, Infotech The N Vittal Column

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-03-30 10:11:18 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1637 Message: 1637

Rediff On The Net, Infotech: The N Vittal ColumnAugust 11, 1997

N Vittal

The HAM-handed miracle

India's on the brink of a revolution in telecommunications. I am sorry for using the clich? yet one more time. But that is because the full significance of the development has not yet sunk into India's collective consciousness. How will we run this technical revolution if we do not have the manpower? We need to inculcate a scientific temper in our youth so that they man the telecom-centric India of the next century. One way to do it would be to encourage amateur radio as a hobby.

Ask an average Indian what a HAM is and you will most likely be told about a Western dish, taboo to many Indians. You may also be told about being inexperienced as in 'ham-handed'. It will be rare to find somebody who talks about amateur radio buffs as in HAM operators.

These HAM operators are radio communication hobbyists and have known to be of immense help the world over in times of disaster when more conventional communication technology like telephones fail.

Though called amateur radio operators or HAMs, they are anything but ham-handed. Their expertise is legendary and has often led to breakthroughs in telecom technologies. The HAM acronym is often explained as the initials of three scientists who made significant contributions in the study of radio waves and telecommunication. They are Hertz, Armstrong and Marconi.

Many eminent people have been HAM enthusiasts. Former prime minister late Rajiv Gandhi was a HAM. Lord Mountbatten was another. The present king of Jordan is one more celebrity HAM.

I see a great potential in encouraging HAM activity as a means to seed India's telecom revolution. There are about 3.2 million HAM operators in the world. Of this nearly a million are in Japan. In India there are hardly 10,000. If we start HAM clubs in all the 75,000 high schools in India we will plant the seeds for a telecom revolution in the country.

This is because we will be creating a whole generation of scientific and technology minded youngsters who will play a significant role in the communication revolution of the next century.

You may ask that if after so many years India has only about 10,000 HAMs, how can we make the great leap forward of starting clubs in 75,000 schools? The answer is that we are not just capable of making such advances but have

done so in other fields. For instance, after 24 years of introducing television in the country, only 24 per cent of India was covered by broadcast. In 1984, with the help of low power transmitters and the government's decision to commission one low power transmitter per day we covered 78 per cent of the nation in less than a year.

The speed and the efficiency with which the Asiad infrastructure was set up in New Delhi is another example to demonstrate how, when a determined effort is made, positive results can be achieved.

India must not be left out of the telecom revolution which is sweeping the world. But there is a corollary to this compulsion: The building of a technology-minded manpower. And what can be a better way to achieve this if not the introduction of youths to HAM clubs.

To this end I have a strategy:

The first is to bring all HAMs under an umbrella organisation. Dr Kurien, who is credited with bringing about the country's milk revolution was asked when he went to Kerala, why he could not spark a similar revolution in his home state. Kurien's reply was laconic. "The problem in Kerala," he said, "is that there are too many Malayalis!" Perhaps the problem in India with so many intelligent people is that we have too many Indians!
On the HAM scene there is the National Institute of Amateur Radio in Hyderabad. It has managed to build assets worth Rs 100 million after receiving funds from the central and state governments. It has a building and the requisite infrastructure. We have other such clubs in Bombay, Delhi, Calcutta and elsewhere.

NIAR is also fortunate to have Member of Parliament Shrikant Jichkar as a member. Perhaps NIAR could take the initiative to set up a umbrella organisation to catch all HAMs in the country.

The next step should be to popularise the idea. It can be done by asking the Department of Telecommunications to simplify legal formalities and procedures relating to licensing HAMs. The department advises the government on issues of wireless communication.

If an umbrella organisation of HAMS is formed, the government could even consider entrusting it the responsibility of issuing licences as has been done in countries like Japan.

In India anyone above 12 years of age can become a HAM by acquiring a licence issued by Wireless Planning and Coordination Wing of the ministry of communications. This licence is issued after the applicant passes a simple examination to test the practical knowledge of Morse code and the basic principles of radio communications.

Proficiency in amateur radio activity can be acquired by qualifying in various grades of examination to become HAM operators. The application for an 'amateur station operator' examination for various grades along with the required examination fee needs to be submitted to the nearest officer in

charge of 'monitoring stations', Wireless Planning and Coordination Wing. The syllabus for the examination covers knowledge of Morse code, radio regulations and radio theory. A written test is conducted on these subjects. Practical knowledge of Morse transmission and reception is tested at a speed of five words per minute for grade II and 12 words per minute per minute for grade I licences. The authority for conducting the examination is the 'officer-in-charge', wireless monitoring station. In New Delhi, the examination is conducted by the engineer-in-charge, Monitoring Organisation, Pushpa Bhawan, New Delhi-110 062.
The fee for grade I and II examinations is Rs 20 and Rs 10 respectively.

Yet the most important thing to do is to spread the message of HAM and begin club activity in 75,000 high schools across the country. This will call for resources both financial and physical.

On the financial side, the government has already approved under the Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme, a plan for starting HAM clubs in schools.

Shrikant Jichkar has started one in his erstwhile constituency of Nagpur. If every MP were to accept this idea, the problem of finance would be overcome. Initially, every school or college would need to set up high-frequency HAM equipment at two locations, more than 30 km apart. An HF Single Side Band Transreceiver of 15/100 Watts power output with voice communication can be installed at these places for possible communication during emergencies among HAM operators.

More advanced HAM equipment in 'very high frequency', 'ultra high frequency' and 'satellite frequency' bands can also be introduced in a progressive manner.

Specifications of HF Transreceiver in 500 KHz-30 MHz band can be used for equipment procurement. To set up facilities for a HAM club, the schools or colleges would need a dust free room to accommodate equipment and operators. The room does not require air-conditioning. However, it should have an adequate 220 V AC power supply and furniture for training the students on Morse codes and radio procedure.

The clubs would also need the presence of a grade I licensed amateur radio operator who could officiate as the secretary. Provisions will also have to be made to take care of the recurring expenses for the maintenance and operation of the HAM equipment for one year after installation.

A pair of HAM stations can be installed by a suitable qualified agency or the manufacturer of the equipment. This involves installation of suitable power supply, feeder and antenna. Maintenance and repair must be planned. Advice of the manufacturer must be taken in this regard.

A qualified agency or person can provide services for getting licence for setting up of an amateur radio club on behalf of the school or college.

Here is an estimate of the expenses involved in the first phase of the project HF Transreceiver 15/100 Watt all mode 2 nos would be Rs 80,000; DC power supply 0-50 volts, 5 amps Rs 20,000; battery 70 AMPH 2 nos Rs 10,000; HF antenna yagi or log periodic 2 nos Rs 40,000; accessories like cable, connectors etc. 2 nos Rs 20,000. The technical specifications can be called for from manufacturers. Miscellaneous fixed assets like chairs and tables may cost Rs 30,000; installation Rs 20,000; training for two teachers Rs 100,000; contingency Rs 30,000 and recurring expenditure for two years Rs 50,000.

The total cost of the project should sum up to Rs 4 million.

Alternatively, HAM sets could be assembled from transreceiver kits available with several agencies like the NIAR, National Council for Science and Technology and the Department of Science and Technology.

The government also allows HAM equipment to be imported. HAM operators and clubs are eligible to import HAM equipment and accessories up to Rs 50,000 with concessions in duty. Some equipment can be bought from certain Japanese companies like Yaesu, ICOM and Kenwood.

The Department of Electronics can make arrangement for procurement of imported HF HAM radio equipment through the Software Technology Parks of India, Electronics Niketan, 6 CGO Complex, New Delhi. The STPI is an autonomous registered society under the Department of Electronics.

Equipment maintenance may be taken up by the authorised dealers of the area. In case no authorised dealer is available, the work can be given to the Electronic Test and Development Centre, Electronics Research and Development Centre or any other organisation of the Department of Electronics in that area.

In addition, as HAMs are crucial in disaster management, the ministry of agriculture and the state revenue departments could earmark funds for promoting HAM clubs in schools and colleges of at least those regions which are prone to natural calamities.

The government can also offer incentives to ensure that the corporate sector makes a contribution towards HAM clubs. I suggest certain tax concessions: Expenditure incurred in starting HAM clubs and then sustaining them can be made tax deductible and the investments made in the equipment needed for HAM clubs may be made eligible for 100 per cent depreciation in the first year itself. This would give rise to more leasing of HAM equipment.

That brings me to the next important input needed for launching a HAM revolution in the country, namely, the ready availability of HAM equipment. This is one opportunity for the corporate sector to get into the business of manufacturing the equipment. With the tax incentives and the resource mobilisation methods I have suggested, the market would be created automatically.

If we are able to launch a nationwide programme to promote HAMs in this golden year of our Independence we will be able to create in this country an

infrastructure by which at least a group of intelligent youngsters from every school will become prepared to cope with tomorrow. We would have laid the foundations for a telecom revolution.

1638. ARRLWeb The Amateur Radio Crossword Puzzler - "Worthy Components"

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-01 06:10:20 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1638 Message: 1638
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

ARRLWeb: The Amateur Radio Crossword PuzzlerThe Amateur Radio Crossword Puzzler

By H. Ward Silver, N0AX
January 31, 2004

"Worthy Components" -- Get out your resistor color code chart and see if you can track down the various parts of this puzzler!

Those little bits and pieces that make up so much of electronics are often taken for granted. This puzzle's theme is words associated with the various types of simple electronics components. How well do you know your little friends and neighbors?

Ward "Bits and Pieces" Silver, N0AX, authors--among numerous other things--the Amateur Radio Crossword Puzzler, which appears twice a month on the ARRL Web site. He can be reached by e-mail at n0ax@... or by surface mail at Aetherworks Publishing, 22916 107th Ave NW, Vashon, WA, 98070.

Across
3. Batteries with liquid electrolyte are ... cells
5. Prevent flow of ac current
9. Unit of inductance
10. Translate symbols into information
11. Old abbreviation for pico
12. Ferrites prevent this type of interference (abbr.)
13. This moves on a variable capacitor
15. Designates "6" on resistor band
18. Material of disc capacitors
20. Resistors cause voltage to do this
21. Adjustable resistor
22. Common abbreviation for "that is"
23. Mixer signal (abbr.)
25. Receiver frequency fine tune (abbr.)
26. Legitimate
27. Hit
30. Indefinite article
31. A good job is done "just ..."
32. Light (abbr.)
33. Unit of capacitance
37. Abbreviation for chip
38. One in a million (abbr.)

40. Printed value of a component
42. Makes mistakes
45. Input-Output (abbr.)
46. Lift or carry
48. Smallest state in the tenth district
50. Confuse
51. Electric vehicle (abbr.)
52. CW abbreviation for "and"
53. Power dissipating components
54. These designate numbers and exponents of component values

Down
1. Thousands of microhenries (abbr.)
2. Stores magnetic energy
3. Opposite of delta connection
4. Small adjustable capacitor
5. Stores electric energy
6. Good kind of cholesterol (abbr.)
7. Longest possible path for a contact
8. Main frequency control
14. Imply hostile intent
15. Shunt ac signals around a component
16. Engineer that knows the most about electricity (abbr.)
17. Divided in two
19. Imaginary impedance
20. Two series resistors form a voltage ....
24. Rod dimension that must be less than a matching hole's ID
28. Round core with a hole in the middle
29. Safety lab (abbr.)
33. Remove a signal
34. Reversing current
35. A correctly adjusted circuit is "tuned ..."
36. Most popular mode on 2-meters
39. Volts times amps
41. Prototype or exhibit
42. Phoned home
43. One component of epoxy
44. Blue-black-black
47. Heats materials
49. Assistant (abbr.)
50. Keeps volume constant (abbr.)

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1639. Re: [mars_academy_2003] ARRLWeb The Amateur Radio Crossword Puzzler - Units, Units Everywhere!

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ARRLWeb: The Amateur Radio Crossword Puzzler

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To: Undisclosed-Recipient:;
Sent: Friday, March 12, 2004 03:28 PM
Subject: [mars_academy_2003] ARRLWeb The Amateur Radio Crossword Puzzler - Units, Units Everywhere!

The Amateur Radio Crossword Puzzler

By H. Ward Silver, N0AX
June 20, 2003

Units, Units Everywhere!

If the ministrations of the local meteorologist is keeping you under the weather, here's a good opportunity to meter your mastery of metrology instead. This quiz is full of units, their abbreviations, and combinations thereof. How do you measure up?

Ward Silver, N0AX, (aka The Metonymic Master of Meter) authors--among numerous other things--the Amateur Radio Crossword Puzzler, which appears twice a month on the ARRL Web site. He can be reached by e-mail at n0ax@... or by surface mail at Aetherworks Publishing, 22916 107th Ave NW, Vashon, WA, 98070.

Across

1. one-thousandth
4. transmitter (abbr.)
6. one-billionth
9. unit of reactive power
10. rush
11. 1 across times 12 across
12. unit of inductance
13. metal used in wires (chemical symbol)
17. units of light intensity
19. number of events per unit time
21. ambulance medical personnel
22. weight of one microliter of water
23. distance from bottom to top
24. prefix of Middle Eastern country

26. type of ac voltage measurement
28. prefix of neighbor to 25 across
30. bipolar junction materials
32. ac variation on power supply output
33. thread direction
34. unit of power
36. measure of impedance match
37. make a msitake
38. draw power from
40. prefix meaning all or every
42. OD minus twice wall thickness
44. unit of capacitance
47. a billion
49. units of weight
51. a speed that rhymes with race
52. not you
53. units of electromotive force
57. divide in two
58. units of current

Down

2. make longer
3. don't let this grow on your tower
4. attempt
5. not working properly
6. 6 across times 12 across
7. billionth of a meter
8. units of resistance
10. unidirectional current
12. unit of frequency
14. 360 of these in a circle
15. a million
16. measures with a moving needle
18. one-tenth of 56 down
20. type of engineer
25. resistance to ac current
27. earliest mode of transmission
29. 1 across squared squared
30. measure of acidity
31. unit of pressure
33. greek letter that moves your boat
34. how heavy an object is
35. slang for math of angles
39. audio frequency
41. opposite of stereo
43. to quench oscillations
45. light, common metal (chemical symbol)
46. power ratio to one milliwatt
48. written description of performance standard
50. units of time

53. voice unit (abbr.)
54. between QRP and HP
55. Antimony (chemical symbol)
56. 2.5 of these make an inch

1640. Fw: [ic718] Re: IC-718 vs. Yaesu FT-840 vs. Kenwood T440-S

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-02 03:16:44 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1640 Message: 1640

----- Original Message -----
From: "cleskie" <cleskie@...>
To: <ic718@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, April 02, 2004 3:30 AM
Subject: [ic718] Re: IC-718 vs. Yaesu FT-840 vs. Kenwood T440-S

> I have owned both rigs (840 and the 718) and found the 718 to be the
> better of the two. The 718 has a built in keyer, full QSK, it has a
> built in SWR meter, adjustable backlighting levels, direct entry
> keypad, DSP, RF gain, VOX, recieve pre-amp, and you can run the 500hz
> cw filter in SSB mode for PSK. The 840 has none of these features.
> Also, the IC-718 is compatible with all Icom desk mikes. The FT-840
> is not compatible with all Yaesu desk mikes. I found out the hard
> way that not all Yaesu HF rigs have the same mike wiring when I
> bought my MD-100 mike.
>
> The 840 does have adjustable AGC(fast and Slow) with very little
> difference to the ear between the two settings, but the 718 lacks
> that feature, and the 840 has optional 10 meter FM and the 718 does
> not.
>
> -My 840 had a very noisy reciever.
> -The noise blankers suck in both of these rigs.
>
> The only way the 840 might serve as the better rig is if you really
> need 10 meter FM. Aside from that, the 718 beats it hands down.
>
> Chuck KG8ZH
>
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> --- In ic718@yahoogroups.com, jason@c... wrote:
> > Hi everyone,
> >
> > I'm in the market for my first multiband HF transceiver. My current
> > options are:
> >
> > Yaesu FT-840 $580
> > Icom IC718 $520 w/ free DSP
> > Kenwood TS-440S $400 w/ autotuner, one owner, perfect condition.
> >
> > I'm currently a Yaesu fan because I own an FT-530 and FT-5100.
> > They're my favorite radios out of my current collection (but Radio
> > Shack and an Alinco mini HT aren't really much competition), so I

> > tend to lean towards Yaesu.
> >
> > At first, I'll be using whatever I buy with a GR5V dipole, so the
> > TS440 is mighty tempting. I'd hate for the glue to breakdown and
> > become conductive in my Las Vegas garage and end up being out
> another
> > $350 to fix that. So, that's why the Yaesu and Icom look nice.
> > Warranties count for something! :-)
> >
> > ...or should I just save a few more pennies and get a little more
> > radio like a 760MKII or FT-847?
> >
> > So, any thoughts as to my dilemma?
> >
> > Thanks,
> > KC0ERG
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1641. Fw: A wonderful article article on India

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-02 05:59:06 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1641 Message: 1641

From: "Joju Jose Thottungal"
To:
Subject: Fw: A wonderful article article on India
Date: Mon, 29 Mar 2004 22:05:42 +0800

Long, but good for those pessimistic moments....

> Beyond the edge.
>
> by Masood Hasan.
> (The writer is a Lahore-based columnist and a well-known journalist , his contact email address is masood_news@...)
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> THE NEWS INTERNATIONAL (Pakistani Newspaper)
>
> The sight of Indian actress Urmilla on the rooftops of the old city
> of Lahore is a sight for sore eyes any time of the day. This week
> another 270 delegates from India among which are Naseeruddin Shah and Shabana Azmi, are expected to cross over into Pakistan. As both
> countries take a series of steps, gingerly to start with, there is just that little light at the end of the dark and endless tunnel that has held us "prisoners of
> our own device" - as The Eagles put it in the famous number Hotel California. Will these measures lead to peace is a question for which even Tauqir
> Zia has no answers. All we can do is hope, pray and contribute in whatever way we can to normalise relations and bury the many hatchets that we
> have brandished for the last half-century.
> Travelling last week on the Wazirabad-Sambrial road towards Sialkot, the potholes and bumps on that narrow ribbon strip road began to revive
> memories of long forgotten journeys made on that same road. I could have, after a few violent and rib-shaking miles, sworn these holes and craters
> were the same when one was in Kindergarten. Nothing seemed to have changed except that the dust was thicker, the pollution dismal and the people
> in numbers too large to comprehend. Perhaps in most of India the situation is not very much different and our much-touted smirking observations that
> India has huge problems might have given us years of self-induced smugness, but things across the divide are changing at a speed that baffles the
> mind. Some years ago, an Indian said to a Pakistani, "It is true we are both in the gutter. The difference is, we are looking at the stars. You are
> looking at the gutter." Many of us associate India's new progress with its IT revolution and it is partly true. Indian companies like Moser-Baer located

> in an equally unknown Noida are now the world's third largest optical media manufacturer and the lowest-cost producer of CD-Recorders. Exports?
> Only Rs 1,000 crore - Indian rupees I might add. This firm sells data-storage products to seven of the world's top 10 CD-R producers.
> There is another unknown. Tandon Electronics. Its hardware exports are Rs 4,000 crore.
>
> There is more depressing data, all of it quite true and impartial.
> 15 of the world's major automobile makers are obtaining components from Indian companies. This business fetched India $375 million last year and
> in 2003 the number will be $1.5 billion. In half a decade, they will reach $15 billion. Hero Honda with 17 lakh motorcycles a year is now the largest
> motorcycle manufacturer in the world. The prestigious UK automaker, Rover is marketing 1 lakh Indica cars made by Tata in Europe, under, wait a
> minute, its own name.
> Bharat Forge has the world's largest single-location forging facility. It produces 1.2 lakh tonnes per annum and its clients include Honda, Toyota and
> Volvo among others.
>
> Asian Paints now owns 22 production facilities over 5 continents and is the market leader in 11 of these countries. Hindustan Inks has the world's
> largest single stream fully integrated ink plant of 1-lakh tones per annum capacity and 100% owned subsidiaries in USA and Austria. EsselPropack is
> the world's largest laminated tube manufacturer with presence in 11 countries and a global marketing share of 25% already. Ford has just presented
> its Gold World Excellence Award to India's Cooper Tyres.
> Other industries are winning equally prestigious awards all the time.While on cars, Aston Martin has contracted prototyping its latest luxury sports car
> to an Indian-based designer and is set to produce thecheapest Aston Martin ever. Suzuki, which makes Maruti in India has decided to make India its
> manufacturing, export and research hub outside Japan. Hyundai India is set to become the global small car hub for the Korean giant and will produce
> 25,000 Santros to start with. By 2010 it is set to supply half a million cars to Hyundai Korea. HMI and Ford.
>
> India are leaping ahead, posting astonishing results in the global markets from Brazil to China.
> The Indian pharmaceutical industry is blazing ahead too. At $6.5 billion and growing at 8-10% annually, it is the 4th largest pharmaceutical industry in
> the world. Its exports are over $2 billion. India is among the top five bulk drug makers and at home, the local industry has edged out the MNCs
> whose share of 75% in the market is down to 35%. Trade of medicinal plants has crossed Rs 4,000 crore already. As for technology, India is among
> the three countries that have built supercomputers on their own. The other two are USA and Japan. Not a bad club to be in, is it?
> India is among six countries that launch satellites and do so even for Germany and Belgium. India's INSAT is among the world's largest domestic

> satellite communication systems.
> Here are more depressing facts. India is one of the world's largest diamond cutting and polishing centres. About 9 out of 10 stones sold anywhere in
> the world, pass through India. With China, India's arch enemy, trade has grown by 104% in the past year and in the first 5 months of 2003, India has
> amassed a surplus in trade close to half a million dollars. In the recession-hit West, Indian exports are up by 19% this year and the country's foreign
> exchange reserves stand at an all-time high of $82 (Now over 100) billion. India is dishing out aid to 11 countries, pre-paying their debt and loaned
> IMF $300 million!!
> And since we think banning fashion shows is the way ahead, it might be interesting to know that Wal-Mart sources $1 billion worth of goods from
> India - half its apparel, GAP about $600 million and Hilfiger $100 million.
> These success stories are not propaganda and haven't happened overnight or by good fortune. The Indians have the same bureaucracy and many of
> the politicians simply play politics, the infrastructure creaks andpoverty abounds, corruption flourishes and there are huge pockets of inefficiency and
> walls that block meaningful progress. Sure, it has an army that is not bursting with power-grabbing and subjugating its people every few years, but
> India's success can no longer be denied and the gap between us and them grows wider by, if I may use my childhood idiom,leaps and bounds. What
> makes them tick?
>
> The answers are not simple and require great space and analysis by minds far superior to that of a weekly hack, but Cost and Brains are two factors.
> Add to that, a determination to rise above what faces you everyday, a vision of the stars as the man said. India provides IT services at one-tenth the
> price. No wonder more and more companies are basing their operations in India. An Indian MBA costs $5,000. An American MBA $120,000.
> Development of an automobile in the US costs $1 billion. In India, less than half. A cataract operation costs $1500 in the US. In India, $12. Bypass
> in the US anywhere up to Rs 6 lakhs. In India, it is Rs 40,000.
> Over 70 MNCs have set up R&D facilities in India in the past five years. 100 of the Fortune 500 are now present in India vs 33 in China. Intel's
> Indian staff strength has gone up from 10 to 1,000 in four years. GE with a $60 million invested in India employs 1,600 researchers, while it has only
> 100 in China. With better systems comes efficiency. The turnaround time in Indian ports is down to 4 days from 10 and its telecom infrastructure in
> 1999 provided a bandwidth of 155 Mbps. Today, it is 75,000 times more and with fibre optic networks in 300 cities, it will change the face of
> business. Mobile phones are growing by about 1.5 million a month. Long distance rates are down by two-thirds in five years and by 80% for data
> transmission. The facts go on and on.
>
> So what are the answers? They lie in the way we look at things, our

discourse, our vision, our ability to look ahead and our desire to genuinely put
> our country on the right road. The people of the subcontinent are naturally talented and bright. When will we unleash the great potential of our people
> that lies dormant, crushed by the forces of evil that stop our progress for their personal agendas?
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Date: 2004-04-02 06:17:34 UTC
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Topic: 1642 Message: 1642
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Arun singh,

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Thought, might interest others too

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www.teksharp.com
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Ten-Tec Titan III HF Linear Amplifier - www.tentec.com
The Titan III rounds out the Ten-Tec line with a high quality legal limit amplifier that supports their QSK operation and should provide years of service.

Kenwood TM-271A 2-meter FM Transceiver - www.kenwood.net
The Kenwood TM-271A provides basic 2 meter FM mobil capability in a rugged package with just the features most amateurs need.

New Products

MFJ-1401 VHF Mobile Ground Plane Kit - www.mfjenterprises.com

Macloggerdx V3.8 from Dog Park Software for Logging software for

Macintosh - www.dogparksoftware.com/MacLoggerDX.html

180s Ear Warmers with Headphones - www.180s.com

Vehicle Mount for small devices from Pro.Fit International
www.pro-fit-intl.com

Lightweight Cables for Backpackers and QRP Fans - www.cablexperts.com

Three RF Switches from MFJ (MFJ-1703) www.mfjenterprises.com

Guywire Operated Antenna Trolley (GOAT) System - www.goatsystem.com

Sounds Sweet Communications Speaker - www.soundssweet.com

New Books

Ten Days in Utah: The Search for Elizabeth Smart - www.pdbookstore.com
This easy-reading book describes how the local ARES group responded immediately to the call for support.

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Three Flags Mobiling, from ALCAN to the Yucatan - Part 2 - David A Rosenthal, N6TST (www.ridgenet.net/~n6tst)
After his northern journey, recounted in Part1, the author sets his sights on operating from a small rental car in the steamy Yacatan. Wrapping up his mobile odyssey, the author does his best Indiana Jones impression as he heads to the Yucatan to explore Mayan temples and mine the ham bands from his small rental car.

The Amateur Storm Chaser - Seth Price, N3MRA
College Student N3MRA uses ham ingenuity to find severe weather before it finds populated areas.

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Art Gentry, W6MEP, was a repeater pioneer whose story is still complelling 50 years later.

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Experiment #14 - Optocouplers - www.arrl.org/tis/info/html/hands-on-radio/

The Classic Multiband Dipole Antenna - Steve Ford, WB8IMY
It's easy to build and install, so why don't more hams use this wire antenna, fed with low-loss ladder line?

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Par Electronics SM-50 6-Meter Stressed Moxon Antenna - www.parelectronics.com

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www.za1a.com

The World Above 50MHz
www.arrl.org/qst/worldabove

OP-ED - Reconstituting the Packet Network

Amateur Satellites - Echo to Launch this month
Echo Powerpoint Presentation - www.amsat.org/amsat/sats/echo/AMSAT-Symposium-2003-Echo.ppt

Digital Dimension - Getting On-line with Linux
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Debian Ham CD - debianham.sunsite.dk

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Amateur Electronic Supply
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3 Apr 2004+Longmont ARC
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Longmont, CO
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Sect: Colorado
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Radio Amateur Society of Norwich (RASON)
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Greater Jacksonville Hamfest Association
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Raleigh, NC
Div: Roanoke
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9-10 Apr 2004+Joplin ARC
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10 Apr 2004+Eastern Shore Hamfest & Computer Show
Easton ARS
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10 Apr 2004xDrumlins ARC
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10 Apr 2004+University of Oklahoma ARC
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Eastern VHF/UHF Society & North East Weak Signal Group
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17 Apr 2004xFlamingo/UMARC Free Flea
University of Miami ARC & The Flamingo Net
http://www.FlamingoNet.8m.Net
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Idaho Falls, ID
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http://www.qsl.net/pawa/fleamarket.html
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17 Apr 2004+Milford ARC
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Southern California DX Club
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Visalia, CA
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Southeastern VHF Society
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Arthur, IL
Div: Central
Sect: Illinois
25 Apr 2004+Area Amateur Radio Operators
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Galva, IL
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Sect: Illinois
25 Apr 2004+Athens County ARA
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Athens, OH
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Ohio
25 Apr 2004+Twenty Over Nine Radio Club
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Canfield, OH
Div: Great Lakes

Sect: Ohio
30 Apr-1 May 2004*Louisiana State Convention
Baton Rouge ARC
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Baker, LA
Div: Delta
Sect: Louisiana
30 Apr-1 May 2004*Midwest Division Convention
Lebanon ARC
http://home.earthlink.net/~wb9m
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Lebanon, MO 65536
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Lebanon, MO
Div: Midwest
Sect: Missouri
1-2 May 2004*Alabama Section Convention
Birmingham ARC
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Birmingham, AL
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Sect: Alabama
1 May 2004+Cochise ARA
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Sierra Vista, AZ
Div: Southwestern
Sect: Arizona
1 May 2004*San Joaquin Valley Section Convention
Fresno ARC
http://www.qsl.net/w6to

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Fresno, CA
Div: Pacific
Sect: San Joaquin Valley
1 May 2004+Big Sandy ARC
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Louisa, KY
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Sect: Kentucky
1 May 2004+Kent Island & Anne Arundel RCs
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Grasonville, MD
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Maryland-DC
1 May 2004+Wexaukee ARC
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Cadillac, MI
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Michigan
1 May 2004+Binghamton ARA
http://www.wtsn.binghamton.edu/bara/hamfest.htm
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Owego, NY
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Western New York
1 May 2004+Tri-State AR Group
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Woodward, OK
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Sect: Oklahoma
1 May 2004*South Carolina Section Convention
Blue Ridge ARS
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Greenville, SC
Div: Roanoke
Sect: South Carolina
1-2 May 2004+Key City ARC
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Abilene, TX
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Sect: West Texas
1 May 2004+Ozaukee Radio Club
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Cedarburg, WI
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Sect: Wisconsin
1 May 2004+Arrowhead RAC
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Superior, WI
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Sect: Wisconsin
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Superior, WI
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Sect: Wisconsin
2 May 2004+Cenois ARC
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Decatur, IL
Div: Central
Sect: Illinois
2 May 2004+Kishwaukee ARC
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Sandwich, IL
Div: Central
Sect: Illinois
2 May 2004+Antietam Radio Association
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Hagerstown, MD
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Sect: Maryland-DC

2 May 2004+Warminster ARC
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Sect: Eastern Pennsylvania
2 May 2004+Jackson County ARC
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Ripley, WV
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Sect: West Virginia
8 May 2004+Appalachian AR Group
http://web.aa3rg.org:81/
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8 May 2004+Johnson County ARC
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Div: Delta
Sect: Tennessee
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Stanwood, WA
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Sect: Western Washington
10 May 2004+Franklin County ARC
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Sect: Western Massachusetts
14-16 May 2004+Dayton Hamvention
Dayton ARA
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Sect: Ohio
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Goshen, CT
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Sect: Connecticut
15 May 2004+Nevada ARC
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Nevada, MO
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Sect: Missouri
15 May 2004+Antique Radio Show and Sale
East Carolina Antique Radio Club
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Greenville/Winterville, NC
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Sect: North Carolina
16 May 2004+North Hills Radio Club
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Sect: Sacramento Valley
16 May 2004xMIT Flea
MIT Radio Society, MIT UHF Repeater Assn., Harvard Wireless Club, & MIT Electronics Research Society
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Cambridge, MA
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Sect: Eastern Massachusetts
21-22 May 2004+Jackson County ARA
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Vancleave, MS 39565
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Pascagoula, MS
Div: Delta
Sect: Mississippi
22-23 May 2004*EMCOMMWEST 2004/Reno Spring Ham Swap
Carson Valley RC, Reno Area Metro Simplex, Sierra Nevada ARS, & Wide Area Data Group
http://www.emcommwest.org
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Reno, NV
Div: Pacific
Sect: Nevada
22 May 2004+East Greenbush ARA
http://www.com-tech.org/EGARA.html
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Rensselaer, NY
Div: Hudson
Sect: Eastern New York
22 May 2004+Panhandle ARC
http://home.earthlink.net/~picnic-swapfest/
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22 May 2004+Temple ARC
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Div: West Gulf
Sect: North Texas
23 May 2004+Great South Bay ARC
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Sect: New York City-Long Island
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Sect: Connecticut
29 May 2004+Durham FM Association
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Durham, NC
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Sect: North Carolina
29 May 2004+Bergen ARA
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Washington Township, NJ
Div: Hudson
Sect: Northern New Jersey
29-30 May 2004*Wyoming State Convention
Casper ARC
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Casper, WY 82609
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Casper, WY
Div: Rocky Mountain
Sect: Wyoming
30 May 2004+Maryland FM Association
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Sect: Maryland-DC

30 May 2004+Franklin County Hamfest Committee
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Columbus/Hilliard, OH
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Sect: Ohio
4-5 Jun 2004+White Mountain Hamfest
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Pinetop-Lakeside, AZ
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Sect: Arizona
4-6 Jun 2004*Atlantic Division Convention
Rochester ARA
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Rochester (Henrietta), NY
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Sect: Western New York
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Wenatchee, WA
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Sect: Eastern Washington
5 Jun 2004+North Brevard ARC
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Titusville, FL
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Sect: Southern Florida
5 Jun 2004*Georgia Section Convention
Atlanta Radio Club
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Lawrenceville, GA 30045
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Marietta, GA
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Sect: Georgia
5 Jun 2004+Sangamon Valley Radio Club
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Springfield, IL
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5 Jun 2004+Northern Kentucky ARC
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Sect: Kentucky
5 Jun 2004+Pine State ARC
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5 Jun 2004+Independent Repeater Association

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Grand Rapids, MI
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Sect: Michigan
5 Jun 2004+Forsyth ARC
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Winston-Salem, NC
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Sect: North Carolina
6 Jun 2004+Starved Rock Radio Club
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Princeton, IL
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6 Jun 2004+Chelsea ARC
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Chelsea, MI
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Sect: Michigan
6 Jun 2004+Hall of Science ARC
http://www.qsl.net/hosarc
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Queens, NY
Div: Hudson
Sect: New York City-Long Island
6 Jun 2004+Breeze Shooter's ARC
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Butler, PA
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6 Jun 2004+Ole Virginia Hams ARC
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Manassas, VA
Div: Roanoke
Sect: Virginia
11-12 Jun 2004*Iowa State Convention
3900 Club & Calabash Group
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Sioux City, IA
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Sect: Iowa
11-12 Jun 2004*Tennessee Section Convention
Radio Amateur Club of Knoxville
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Knoxville, TN
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Sect: Tennessee
12 Jun 2004+DeKalb County ARC
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Sect: Alabama
12 Jun 2004+Pikes Peak Radio Amateur Association
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Monument, CO
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Sect: Colorado
12-13 Jun 2004+Newington AR League
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Div: New England
Sect: Connecticut
12 Jun 2004+Kootenai ARS
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Sect: Idaho
12 Jun 2004+National Trail ARC
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Effingham, IL
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Sect: Illinois
12 Jun 2004+Macon County, Tri-County, & NEMO ARCs
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Macon, MO
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12 Jun 2004+Skyline ARC
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Div: Atlantic
Sect: Western New York
12 Jun 2004xHamfest/Picnic/Tailgate
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Div: Roanoke
Sect: Virginia
13 Jun 2004+Egyptian Radio Club
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Granite City, IL
Div: Central
Sect: Illinois
13 Jun 2004+Six Meter Club of Chicago
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Wheaton, IL
Div: Central
Sect: Illinois
13 Jun 2004+Long Island Mobile ARC
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Sect: New York City-Long Island
13 Jun 2004xFulton County ARC
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Wauseon, OH
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Ohio
17-20 Jun 2004*YLISSB Operating Specialty Convention
Young Ladies International Single Sideband System
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Nashville, TN
Div: Delta
Sect: Tennessee
18-20 Jun 2004x34th Annual Hamfest/Picnic
Central Alberta ARC
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Pine Lake, AB (Canada)
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Sect:
18-19 Jun 2004*West Gulf Division Convention
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Arlington, TX
Div: West Gulf
Sect: North Texas
19 Jun 2004+Midland ARC
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Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Michigan
19 Jun 2004+Milford ARC
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Milford, OH
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Sect: Ohio
19-20 Jun 2004*Northwestern Division Convention
Oregon Tualatin Valley ARC
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Seaside, OR
Div: Northwestern
Sect: Oregon
19 Jun 2004+Upper Cumberland ARA
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Div: Delta

Sect: Tennessee
20 Jun 2004+Satellite ARC
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Santa Maria, CA
Div: Southwestern
Sect: Santa Barbara
20 Jun 2004+Lake County ARC
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Sect: Indiana
20 Jun 2004xMIT Flea
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20 Jun 2004+Monroe County Radio Communications Assn.
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Sect: Michigan
20 Jun 2004+East Coast Long Wire Association
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North Wildwood, NJ
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Southern New Jersey
1-4 Jul 2004*Arizona State Convention
AR Council of Arizona
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Williams, AZ
Div: Southwestern
Sect: Arizona
3 Jul 2004+Rowan ARS
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Div: Roanoke
Sect: North Carolina
3 Jul 2004+Murgas ARC
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4 Jul 2004+Kankakee Area Radio Society
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Peotone, IL
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Sect: Illinois
4 Jul 2004+Harrisburg RAC
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Harrisburg, PA
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Sect: Eastern Pennsylvania
9-11 Jul 2004*San Francisco Section Convention
Redwood Coast AR Convention Committee
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Ferndale, CA
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Sect: San Francisco
10 Jul 2004+Indianapolis Hamfest Association
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Indianapolis, IN 46236
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Indianapolis, IN
Div: Central
Sect: Indiana
10 Jul 2004+Pen-Bay ARC
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Union, ME
Div: New England
Sect: Maine
10 Jul 2004+Wattsburg Wireless Assn. & Union City Wireless Assn.
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Erie, PA
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Sect: Western Pennsylvania
10 Jul 2004+Tidelands ARS
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Div: West Gulf
Sect: South Texas
10 Jul 2004+South Milwaukee ARC
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Oak Creek, WI
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Sect: Wisconsin
11 Jul 2004+Fox River Radio League
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Sect: Illinois
11 Jul 2004+Sussex County ARC
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Div: Hudson
Sect: Northern New Jersey
11 Jul 2004+Wood County ARC
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Bowling Green, OH
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Ohio
11 Jul 2004+Mid-Atlantic ARC
http://www.marc-radio.org/hamfest.html
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Kimberton, PA
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Eastern Pennsylvania
16-17 Jul 2004*Oklahoma State Convention
Central Oklahoma Radio Amateurs
http://www.qsl.net/coranews/index.html
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Choctaw, OK 73020
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Oklahoma City, OK
Div: West Gulf
Sect: Oklahoma
16-18 Jul 2004*Pacific NW DX Convention
Western Washington DX Club
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South Everett, WA
Div: Northwestern
Sect: Western Washington
17 Jul 2004+Ozone ARC

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Slidell, LA
Div: Delta
Sect: Louisiana
17-18 Jul 2004+CANCELLED
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Brunswick, MD
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Maryland-DC
17 Jul 2004+Cary ARC
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Cary, NC
Div: Roanoke
Sect: North Carolina
17 Jul 2004+Batavia Hamfest & Computer Show
Genesee Radio Amateurs
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Alexander, NY
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Western New York
17 Jul 2004+Rhea County ARS
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Dayton, TN
Div: Delta
Sect: Tennessee
18 Jul 2004xMIT Flea
MIT Radio Society, MIT UHF Repeater Assn., Harvard Wireless Club, & MIT Electronics Research Society
http://swapfest.us
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Cambridge, MA
Div: New England
Sect: Eastern Massachusetts
18 Jul 2004+Zero Beaters ARC
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Washington, MO
Div: Midwest
Sect: Missouri
18 Jul 2004+Van Wert ARC
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Van Wert, OH
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Ohio
18 Jul 2004+Jonestown Mountain Repeater Association
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Mountaintop, PA
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Eastern Pennsylvania
22-25 Jul 2004Central States VHF Society Conference
Ontario VHF Association & Toronto VHF Society
http://www.csvhfs.org/CS04-conf.html

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23-24 Jul 2004+Milton ARC
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Milton, FL
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24 Jul 2004+Utica ARC
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Frankfort (Utica), NY
Div: Atlantic
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24 Jul 2004+OH-KY-IN ARS
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Cincinnati, OH
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Ohio
24 Jul 2004+Coos County Radio Club
http://www.coosradioclub.org
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Coos Bay, OR 97420
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Bandon, OR
Div: Northwestern

Sect: Oregon
25 Jul 2004+Baltimore Radio Amateur TV Society (BRATS)
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Timonium, MD
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Maryland-DC
25 Jul 2004+Portage ARC
http://www.parc.portage.oh.us
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Randolph, OH
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Ohio
31 Jul 2004+Roanoke Valley ARC
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Vinton, VA
Div: Roanoke
Sect: Virginia
31 Jul 2004+Chehalis Valley ARS
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Angola, IN
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1 Aug 2004+Shenandoah Valley ARC
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Berryville/Winchester, VA
Div: Roanoke
Sect: Virginia
5-7 Aug 2004xRadiofest XXIII
Antique Radio Club of Illinois
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Elgin, IL
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Sect: Illinois
6-8 Aug 2004*International EME Conference
The College of New Jersey & Linearizer Technology, Inc.
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Sect: Southern New Jersey
6-7 Aug 2004*Texas State Convention
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Div: Central
Sect: Illinois
7 Aug 2004+Western Illinois ARC
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Sect: Illinois
7 Aug 2004+Delta County ARS
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Sect: Michigan
7 Aug 2004+Iosco County AR Enthusiasts
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Sect: Michigan
7 Aug 2004+Brainerd Area ARC
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Brainerd, MN
Div: Dakota
Sect: Minnesota
7 Aug 2004+Tompkins County ARC
http://www2.compcenter.com/~tcarc
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Ithaca, NY
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Sect: Western New York
7-8 Aug 2004*Western New York Section Convention
Lancaster ARC
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Williamsville, NY
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Western New York
7 Aug 2004+HAM "OH" RAMA
Voice of Aladdin ARC
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Sect: Ohio
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Div: Atlantic
Sect: Western Pennsylvania
8 Aug 2004+Cedar Valley ARC
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Sect: Iowa
8 Aug 2004+Hamfesters Radio Club

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Sect: Illinois
8 Aug 2004+Grant County, Miami County, & Kokomo ARCs
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Greentown, IN
Div: Central
Sect: Indiana
8 Aug 2004+Jersey Shore ARS
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8 Aug 2004+North Hills ARC
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Div: Atlantic
Sect: Western Pennsylvania
13-15 Aug 2004*New England Division Convention
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Boxboro, MA
Div: New England
Sect: Eastern Massachusetts
14 Aug 2004+Ellijay ARS
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Ellijay, GA
Div: Southeastern
Sect: Georgia
14 Aug 2004+West Central Louisiana ARC
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Div: Delta
Sect: Louisiana
14 Aug 2004+Cascades ARS
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Fayetteville, NC
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Sect: North Carolina
14 Aug 2004+Radio Club of Tacoma
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Spanaway, WA
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14 Aug 2004+Tri-State ARA
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Sect: West Virginia
15 Aug 2004+Bolingbrook ARS
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Sect: Illinois
15 Aug 2004*Kansas State Convention
Central Kansas ARC
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Salina, KS
Div: Midwest
Sect: Kansas
15 Aug 2004+Bluegrass ARS
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Sect: Kentucky
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Sect: Eastern Massachusetts
15 Aug 2004+Carroll County ARC
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Westminster, MD
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15 Aug 2004+Warren ARA
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Warren, OH
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Sect: Ohio
21-22 Aug 2004*Alabama State Convention
Huntsville Hamfest Association
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Huntsville, AL
Div: Southeastern
Sect: Alabama
21 Aug 2004*Missouri State Convention
Central Missouri Radio Association
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Hallsville, MO 65255
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Columbia, MO
Div: Midwest
Sect: Missouri
21 Aug 2004+Lower Columbia ARA
http://www.qsl.net/nc7p/swapmeet
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Castle Rock, WA
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Sect: Western Washington
22 Aug 2004+Denver Radio Club
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Div: Rocky Mountain
Sect: Colorado
22 Aug 2004+St. Charles ARC
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St. Charles, MO
Div: Midwest
Sect: Missouri
22 Aug 2004+Hanover Area Hamming Association
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Hanover, PA
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Eastern Pennsylvania

27-29 Aug 2004*Southwestern Division Convention
Central Arizona DX Association
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Phoenix, AZ
Div: Southwestern
Sect: Arizona
27-29 Aug 2004+Mountain ARC
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Divide, CO
Div: Rocky Mountain
Sect: Colorado
28 Aug 2004+Cedars of Lebanon Hamfest
Short Mountain Repeater Club
http://www.qsl.net/smrc/index.htm
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Sect: Tennessee
28-29 Aug 2004*West Virginia State Convention
West Virginia State Amateur Radio Council
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Weston, WV
Div: Roanoke
Sect: West Virginia
29 Aug 2004+Skyview Radio Society
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New Kensington, PA
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Western Pennsylvania
4-5 Sep 2004+Shelby ARC
http://www.shelbyhamfest.com
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Shelby, NC
Div: Roanoke
Sect: North Carolina
10-11 Sep 2004+Queen Wilhelmina Hamfest Association
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Mena, AR
Div: Delta
Sect: Arkansas
11-12 Sep 2004+Platinum Coast ARS
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Sect: Southern Florida
11 Sep 2004*Kentucky State Convention
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11-12 Sep 2004*Maryland/DC Section Convention

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11 Sep 2004+Grand Rapids ARA, Michigan ARA, & Lowell ARC
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Grand Rapids, MI
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Sect: Michigan
11 Sep 2004+Saratoga County RACES
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Ballston Spa, NY
Div: Hudson
Sect: Eastern New York
11 Sep 2004+Pocono ARK & Eastern PA ARA
http://www.qsl.net/n3is/hamfest.htm
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Madisonville, TN
Div: Delta
Sect: Tennessee
12 Sep 2004+Kent County ARC
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Felton, DE
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Delaware
12 Sep 2004+Long Island Mobile ARC
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Bethpage, NY
Div: Hudson
Sect: New York City-Long Island
12 Sep 2004+Findlay Radio Club
http://www.findlayradioclub.org
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Findlay, OH 45840
Phone: 419-423-5643
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Findlay, OH
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Ohio
12 Sep 2004+Butler County ARA
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Renfrew, PA 16053
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Butler, PA
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Western Pennsylvania
17-18 Sep 2004*W9DXCC Convention
Northern Illinois DX Association
http://www.w9dxcc.com
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Deerfield, IL 60015
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Elk Grove Village, IL
Div: Central
Sect: Illinois
17-19 Sep 2004*Illinois State Convention
Peoria Area ARC
http://www.peoriasuperfest.com
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Peoria, IL
Div: Central
Sect: Illinois
17-18 Sep 2004xTailgate Swapfest/Cookout
http://www.k5cxo.net/swapfest.htm
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Gary, TX 75643
Phone: 903-685-2365
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Lake Murvaul, TX
Div: West Gulf
Sect: North Texas
18 Sep 2004*Arkansas State Convention
Central Arkansas Radio Emergency Net (CAREN)
http://www.carenclub.com
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Jacksonville, AR
Div: Delta
Sect: Arkansas
18 Sep 2004+Hualapai ARC
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Kingman, AZ
Div: Southwestern
Sect: Arizona

18-19 Sep 2004+Chicago FM Club
http://www.chicagofmclub.org
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Grayslake, IL
Div: Central
Sect: Illinois
18 Sep 2004+Radio Amateurs of Greater Syracuse
http://www.ragsinreview.com
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Liverpool, NY 13088
Phone: 315-698-4558
Email: ragsonline@...

Pompey/Syracuse, NY
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Western New York
18-19 Sep 2004*Roanoke Division Convention
Tidewater Radio Conventions
http://www.vahamfest.com
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Virginia Beach, VA 23464
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Virginia Beach, VA
Div: Roanoke
Sect: Virginia
19 Sep 2004xMIT Flea
MIT Radio Society, MIT UHF Repeater Assn., Harvard Wireless Club, & MIT Electronics Research Society
http://swapfest.us
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Cambridge, MA
Div: New England
Sect: Eastern Massachusetts
19 Sep 2004+Adrian ARC
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Adrian, MI 49221
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Adrian, MI
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Michigan
19 Sep 2004+Somerset County ARC
http://www.k3smt.org/hamfest
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Div: Atlantic
Sect: Western Pennsylvania
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Bentonville, AR
Div: Delta
Sect: Arkansas
24-25 Sep 2004*Nebraska State Convention
Elkhorn Valley ARC
http://www.qsl.net/evarc
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Norfolk, NE
Div: Midwest
Sect: Nebraska
24-25 Sep 2004+Ten-Tec
http://www.tentec.com
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Div: Delta
Sect: Tennessee

25 Sep 2004+Suncoast ARC
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New Port Richey, FL
Div: Southeastern
Sect: West Central Florida
25 Sep 2004+Bahia Shrine Amateur Radio Unit
http://www.bahiashrine.org/users/radio/
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Oviedo, FL 32765
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Div: Southeastern
Sect: Northern Florida
25 Sep 2004+ARA of the Southern Tier
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Horseheads, NY
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Western New York
25 Sep 2004*Eastern Washington Section Convention
KBARA, Spokane RA, NW Tri-State ARO, Palouse Hills ARC, Inland Empire VHF RA, & Spokane DX Assn.
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Spokane, WA
Div: Northwestern
Sect: Eastern Washington
26 Sep 2004+Hamfest Association of Cleveland
http://www.hac.org
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Cleveland, OH
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Ohio
1-2 Oct 2004*Pacific Northwest VHF Convention
Pacific Northwest VHF Society
http://www.pnwvhfs.org/events.htm
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PO Box 527
Preston, WA 98050
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Moses Lake, WA
Div: Northwestern
Sect: Eastern Washington
2 Oct 2004+Red Rose Repeater Association
http://www.qsl.net/rrra
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Millersville, PA 17551
Phone: 717-872-6578
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Brownstown, PA
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Eastern Pennsylvania
3 Oct 2004+Muscatine & Iowa City ARCs
http://www.qsl.net/kc0aqs
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West Liberty, IA
Div: Midwest
Sect: Iowa
9 Oct 2004+Cy Harris W4MAQ Memorial Free Flea
Motorola ARC & Broward ARC
http://www.geocities.com/bcepn/freeflea.html
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Div: Southeastern
Sect: Southern Florida

9 Oct 2004+Big Island ARC & Kona ARS
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Waimea, HI
Div: Pacific
Sect: Pacific
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Div: Midwest
Sect: Kansas
9 Oct 2004+Mohawk ARC
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Orange, MA
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Sect: Western Massachusetts
9 Oct 2004*Northern New York Section Convention
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Middleburgh, NY 12122
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Div: Atlantic
Sect: Northern New York
10 Oct 2004+Hall of Science ARC
http://www.qsl.net/hosarc
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Div: Hudson
Sect: New York City-Long Island
10 Oct 2004+Medina 2 Meter Group
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Medina, OH
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Ohio
15-17 Oct 2004*Pacific Division Convention
Mt. Diablo ARC
http://www.PACIFICON.org
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Concord, CA 94519-2628
Phone: 925-932-6125
Email: pacificoninfo@...

San Ramon, CA
Div: Pacific
Sect: East Bay
15-17 Oct 2004International Convention
Quarter Century Wireless Association
http://www.qcwa.org/2004convention.htm
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Sect:
16 Oct 2004+Northwest Georgia ARC
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Sect: Georgia
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MIT Radio Society, MIT UHF Repeater Assn., Harvard Wireless Club, & MIT Electronics Research Society
http://swapfest.us
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Sect: Eastern Massachusetts
17 Oct 2004+RF Hill ARC
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Div: Atlantic
Sect: Eastern Pennsylvania
23 Oct 2004+North Brevard ARC
http://www.northbrevardradioclub.org
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Phone: 321-264-2622
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Titusville, FL
Div: Southeastern
Sect: Southern Florida
23 Oct 2004+Twin City FM Club
http://www.hamfestmn.org
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St. Paul, MN
Div: Dakota
Sect: Minnesota
23 Oct 2004*South Carolina State Convention
Sumter ARA
http://www.geocities.com/CapeCanaveral/2695/sara.htm
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Sumter, SC
Div: Roanoke
Sect: South Carolina
24 Oct 2004+Town of Babylon AR Emergency Services

http://www.tobares.org
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Lindenhurst, NY
Div: Hudson
Sect: New York City-Long Island
30 Oct 2004+Grand Strand ARC
http://www.w4gs.org
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Conway (Myrtle Beach), SC
Div: Roanoke
Sect: South Carolina
31 Oct 2004+Carroll County ARC
http://www.qis.net/~k3pzn
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Westminster, MD
Div: Atlantic
Sect: Maryland-DC
31 Oct 2004+Utica Shelby Emergency Communications Assn. (USECA)
http://www.useca.net
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Phone: 248-628-4756
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Warren, MI
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Michigan
31 Oct 2004+Massillon ARC
http://www.marcradio.org
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Canton, OH
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Ohio
5-6 Nov 2004*Michigan State Convention
Holland ARC
http://www.hollandarc.org
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Holland, MI 49423-6921
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Holland/Zeeland, MI
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Michigan
6-7 Nov 2004*Georgia State Convention
Alford Memorial Radio Club
http://www.totr-radio.org
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Email: kr4nq@...

Lawrenceville, GA
Div: Southeastern
Sect: Georgia
6 Nov 2004+Grant ARC
http://www.geocities.com/garcohio/
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Georgetown, OH
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Sect: Ohio
7 Nov 2004+Fox Cities ARC
http://www.w9zl.org
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Menasha, WI
Div: Central
Sect: Wisconsin
13 Nov 2004+Montgomery ARC
http://jschool.troyst.edu/~w4ap/main.html
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Montgomery, AL
Div: Southeastern
Sect: Alabama
13-14 Nov 2004*Indiana State Convention
Allen County AR Technical Society
http://www.fortwaynehamfest.com
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Fort Wayne, IN 46845
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Email: kb9ih@...

Fort Wayne, IN
Div: Central
Sect: Indiana
13 Nov 2004+Tri-County ARC & City of Azle Dept. of Public Safety
http://www.wc5c.org/
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Azle, TX 76020
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Azle, TX
Div: West Gulf
Sect: North Texas
13 Nov 2004+South Texas ARC
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Div: West Gulf
Sect: South Texas
19-20 Nov 2004+Jackson County ARA
http://www.jcmsara.org
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Ocean Springs, MS
Div: Delta
Sect: Mississippi
20 Nov 2004xFlamingo/UMARC Free Flea
University of Miami ARC & The Flamingo Net
http://www.FlamingoNet.8m.Net
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Coral Gables, FL
Div: Southeastern
Sect: Southern Florida
27 Nov 2004+EARS & The Ham Station
http://w9ear.org/hamfest.htm
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Sect: Indiana
5 Dec 2004+L'Anse Creuse ARC
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Sect: Michigan
18 Dec 2004+Amateur Radio Youth Club
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Lowell, MI
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Michigan
15 Jan 2005+Missouri Valley & Ray Clay ARCs
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St. Joseph, MO
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Sect: Missouri
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AMATEUR COMPLETE 82-MILE TWO-WAY DSSS LINK ON 2.4GHz

ARRL High Speed Multimedia (HSMM) Working Group member Ken Cuddeback, NT7K, reports that his students at Weber State University in Ogden, Utah, late last fall completed two-way direct-sequence spread spectrum (DSSS) communication on 2.4GHz over a distance of 82 miles. The WSU student group ? which included one ham, Brandon Checketts, KG4NZV and several prospective licensees ? broke the current world record of establishing a wireless link on 2.4GHz with DSSS (using IEEE 802.1b ?Wi-Fi? protocol). Cuddeback says his students used PrimeStar dishes with unamplified Cisco Aironet 350 cards ? which run about 100mW ? in each laptop. ?We set up a NetMeeting session and transferred a 2.5MB MP3 file successfully,? he said. ARRL HSMM Working Group Chairman John Champa, K8OCL, congratulated the group on ?this fantastic accomplishment!?.

RECONSTITUTING THE PACKET NETWORK - BY JOHN CLIFFORD, KD7KGX

Emergency communications is often presented as the primary reason for the existence of the Amateur Radio Service and our exclusive access to reserved frequencies. Especially in this day and age, when terrorism has replaced the various natural disasters as the primary threat in our lives, the ability of Amateur Radio to supplement our regular means of communications in the event of a major calamity is a real benefit that we provide to our fellow citizens. However, in the past decade we have let one of our primary assets, the packet radio network, waste away to point where it is more of a plaything than a valuable nationwide communications network. I believe that we need to change this, and reconstitute the amateur packet radio network quickly ? and make it better than it ever was.

Killing Two Birds with One Stone
The ARRL has realized that, without new hams, Amateur Radio?s days are numbered. While there are more hams now than ever before, the majority of today?s licensees are Technicians without HF privileges and may let their licenses lapse after the initial 10 years period. In order to increase the number of new hams, and to get younger people involved in Amateur Radio as a lifelong activity, the ARRL has created the Amateur Radio Education and Technology Program (www.arrl.org/FandES/tbp/faq.html). Also known as ?The Big Project?, its purpose is to encourage teachers to use Amateur Radio as a tool in the classroom.

The Stations in schools program is a key part of The Big Project. Qualifying schools are provided with complete Amateur Radio Stations, at no charge. Here?s where we can kill two birds with one stone. Provide a complete 9600 baud packet radio node to each station in schools participant that is set up and ready-to-go out of the box. Imagine how quickly the packet radio network could be re-established if one school in each community had a packet radio

node!

Fixing Packet Radio
Of course, we need to look at more than just sheer availability of nodes to reconstitute the packet radio network. Our goal should be to create a national network of packet radio nodes that allows transferring messages between every community in the country without using non-Amateur Radio infrastructure (like the Internet). We had a network before and it withered away from lack of use. So, how do we change things so that this doesn?t happen again?

First, we need to increase the rate at which data is transferred. After using the Internet at 56k or running DSL, the current VHF-based 1200 baud packet radio network is excruciatingly slow. However, being text-based, it doesn?t have to be that much faster to feel a whole lot faster. How fast is fast enough? Fast enough so that text appears on your screen at a faster rate than you can read. If the packet radio network ran at 9600 baud (960 characters per second) that would be fast enough. So?we go with 9600 baud modems, which are widely available at inexpensive prices (9600 baud Packet Handbook by Mike Curtis, WD6WHR at www.tapr.org/tapr/html/pktf.html) so current packet operators can easily upgrade. One benefit : 9600 baud FSK packet radio modems are slightly more spectrum-efficient than 1200 baud AFSK modems, resulting in less interference to others.

Second, we need to increase the number of amateur stations that are equipped to run 9600 baud packet radio. One way might be to require ARES organizations to establish 9600 baud packet radio nets and run them on a weekly basis, perhaps after the traditional VHF voice repeater-based net. Another might be to award significant bonus points to Field Day stations with 9600 baud packet radio stations that make contact with at least one EOC. Perhaps the ARRL can create an award for receiving a message via 9600 baud packet from each state, a Packet Radio Worked All States (PWAS) award ? no internet forwarding allowed! And, special recognition should be given to each 9600 baud packet radio node that can send a message to the ARRL?s W1AW 9600 baud packet radio node without having to piggyback that message onto the internet.

Third, we need to better integrate packet radio with our computers. Although the new network will not be the Internet, that this is so should be relatively invisible to us as users. We need to develop the necessary Software to allow common e-mail programs like Microsoft?s Outlook Express and Outlook and Qualcomm?s Eudora, to send and receive e-mail via packet radio. We also need to develop the necessary software to allow us to read and post packet radio bulletins and upload and download files via our web browsers. We should also create a chat tool that automatically determines the routing from our station to a desired node and then establishes the link, so that chatting with users a long distance apart is much easier.

Summary
Let?s fast-forward to the near future, when the High Speed

Amateur Packet Radio Network is fully functional. A hurricane devastates south Florida?but amateurs are quickly on air, and the new network quickly and efficiently relays health and welfare messages. A massive earthquake rocks the Pacific Northwest, knocking out phone communications and closing highways?but amateurs are able to communicate from emergency shelters via the new network, sending long lists of shelter residents, detailed requests for food and medicine, and health and welfare messages. A combination of computer viruses and physical attacks from terrorists manage to destroy several crucial internet backbone sites and shut down the internet, but the new network allows Homeland Security agencies to utilize ARES and RACES organizations and transfer important information.

I fervently hope that as amateurs we are never required to use any of our resources for emergencies, but ?stuff happens? is an unfortunate truth. Wouldn?t an Amateur Radio-based alternative to the Internet be an enjoyable resource for us, and a valuable tool for our country? Let?s build it now!

1647. Reminder - MARS Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-04 04:32:04 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1647 Message: 1647

We would like to remind you of this upcoming event.

MARS Monthly Meeting

Date: Sunday, April 11, 2004
Time: 10:00AM - 12:00PM IST (GMT+05:30)

Bengalle Girls School
Churchgate

1648. Happy Birthday - VU2GT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-05 12:16:59 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1092 Message: 1648

Untitled DocumentMUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

MARS wishes its Active Honorary Member George Philips - VU2GT a very Happy Birthday

1649. Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-06 11:45:43 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 191 Message: 1649

Dear All,

This is to inform you that the MARS monthly meeting shall be held on
11th April 2004

Venue: Bengalle Girls School, Churchgate
Time: 10:00 am

Please be in your seats on time.

Thank you

Shantanu Chand

1650. Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-06 11:45:06 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 191 Message: 1650

Dear All,

This is to inform you that the MARS monthly meeting shall be held on
11th April 2004

Venue: Bengalle Girls School, Churchgate
Time: 10:00 am

Please be in your seats on time.

Thank you

Shantanu Chand

1651. Mayah drm 2010..... Does anyone know about DRM ???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-06 12:34:19 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1651 Message: 1651

Pre-Announcement

This DRM Receiver is the 2nd generation receiver for the Digital Radio Mondiale (DRM) standard. It is the result of a joint development effort of MAYAH, Coding Technologies, AFG and Himalaya. The receiver is based on standard components and different to the first generation, it is smaller and lower cost.

A DSP module performs all the DRM specific decoding functions. The software of the DSP module can be updated via the USB interface. The USB interface also provides the data from data application for further processing with a PC. The receiver can decode mono and stereo audio signals. The full stereo signal is available at the headphone outputs.

The display indicates station name, used frequency, field strength and the number of service components of the received DRM signal. Additional information transmitted will be displayed if available. The station can be selected by directly entering the frequency using the numeric keypad.

Beside the DRM standard the receiver also supports reception of analogue AM programs in the MW, LW and SW bands as well as FM programs.

DRM Order Info English (http://www.mayah.com/content/download/pdfs/drm/DRM2010_Info_e.pdf)
Purchase Order Form English (http://www.mayah.com/content/download/pdfs/drm/PO_DRM.pdf)

DRM Bestellinformation Deutsch
(http://www.mayah.com/content/download/pdfs/drm/DRM2010_Info_d.pdf)
Faxbestellformular Deutsch
(http://www.mayah.com/content/download/pdfs/drm/Bestellung_DRM.pdf)

Interested to receive more information about the DRM Receiver 2010, its availability and price? Please register your email address below for the MAYAH DRM newsletter. We guarantee that your email address will not be used for any other purpose than information from MAYAH Communications GmbH.

Email Address

Full Name

If you have individual questions regarding this product, please contact drm@....

Size

21 x 7 x 13 cm

Outputs

Stereo Headphone and Stereo Line, both 3.5 mm jacket

Control

USB for data services and updates

Power Supply

External, 100-240 VAC, 47-67 Hz

DRM Modes

Channel coding/modulation

All channel coding / modulation as specified in DRM

All code rates, EEP and UEP,

Standard and Hierarchical modulation (SM, HMSym and HMMix).

MSC (64QAM and 16QAM), SDC (16QAM and 4QAM)

Long and short cell interleavers

Transmission structure

All robustness modes (A,B,C and D)

All spectral occupancies (4.5, 5, 9, 10, 18 and 20kHz)

Source Decoding

AAC and AAC+SBR mono, stereo

Order No.

DRM2010

Delivery time

Q4/2003

A joint development by

Easiest Money Transfer to India . Send Money To 6000 Indian Towns. Easiest Way To Send Money Home! (http://g.msn.com/8HMAENIN/2731??PS=)

1652. DRM.....Well read on...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-06 12:46:51 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1652 Message: 1652

(http://www.rnw.nl/index.html)

Bahasa IndonesiaNederlandsEnglishEspa?olPortugu?s

(http://www.rnw.nl/index.html)

(http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/index.html)

MN Service pages::

(http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/index.html)

(http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/html/drm_story.html)

(http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/html/drm_faq.html)

(http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/html/drm_technical.html)

(http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/html/drm_links.html)

(http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/html/drm_software.html)

(http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/html/drm_schedule.html)

This page last updated Tuesday, 02 March, 2004

New DRM receivers previewed
Several new DRM receivers were previewed at the IFA 2003 in Berlin, the world's largest consumer electronics show:

Coding Technologies (CT) presented the first, 2G DRM consumer radio, the DRM Receiver 2010. A joint development by CT, Mayah and others, the DRM Receiver 2010 is smaller and less expensive than the first-generation models. As the first mass-produced DRM receiver, it will be ready for distribution in late 2003.

Fraunhofer IIS presented the DRM FhG Prototype Receiver, the NewsBox DRM Radio. It is a novel DRM receiver prototype designed to fit in a 19" hi-fi tuner rack, developed in the BMBF project, RadioMondo. It plays DRM audio and text, and permits navigation within the new data application NewsService Journaline, conveying categorised news in text form. Fraunhofer will also showcase the professional receiver, FhG Software Radio and the DRM Software Radio. The DRM Software Radio Project, managed by VT Merlin Communications, is at www.drmrx.org.

Robert Bosch GmbH showcased a modified car receiver that receives DRM signals on long-, medium- and short-wave (49m band only), using a conventional integrated RF front-end up to the 1st intermediate frequency. Digital decoding of the DRM signal is managed by a PC. Data services including Internet pages, slide shows and text will also be demonstrated. This was facilitated by Radiomondo.

WiNRADiO releases DRM-capable receiver
7 February 2003
WiNRADiO has released the WiNRADiO G303i, which it says is the first commercially available radio that can receive DRM with no hardware modifications. Radio Netherlands has not yet had the opportunity to test this receiver. More information on the WiNRADiO Web site (http://www.winradio.com/home/g303i.htm).

DRM Software now available!
31 December 2002
The DRM Software Radio application is now available via the DRM? Software Radio Web site (http://www.drmrx.org/). It's a 12 Mb download and costs 60 euro. Technical requirements are given on the site.

Technical documentation is currently online for DRM modifications to the following receivers:
- ICOM IC756 (English & German)
- Kenwood R1000 (English)
- Grundig Yacht Boy 400 (English & Spanish)
- JRC NRD 525 (English)
- Yaesu FRG-100 (English - MS Word document)
- AKD Target HF3 (English)
- AOR 7030 (German)
- Sony ICF-SW77 (English)

Except where stated, these documents are high-res and low-res PDF files. More documents will be added as they are published. Forums are available for discussion on issues arising, and there are separate forums for Spanish and German-speaking users.

DRM Consumer Receiver
The world-band consumer receiver, developed by Coding Technologies together with the BBC and German device manufacturer AFG, is based on a modular system design made up around standard components. It is a production-ready OEM receiver sample integrated in the case of a commercially available Sangean multi-band radio receiver.

The DRM system also uses aacPlus? by Coding Technologies as the standard audio coding format. aacPlus is a combination of MPEG AAC (Advanced Audio Coding) with Coding Technologies' groundbreaking SBR? (Spectral Band Replication) bandwidth extension algorithm. It's based on a DSP board so all the decoding is done in the radio itself. One other interesting thing worth mentioning is that it has two front ends (one tuned to frequency A while the other front end scans for the best frequency B) which allows for AFS (Automatic Frequency Switching). The price of this unit has not yet been decided.

DRM Software Radio Project
The DRM Software Radio, designed for private use, is a downscaled version of an existing, professional Fraunhofer receiver. Its features include: audio MPEG-4 AAC +SBR decoding, multimedia reception, selection of service and the possibility to log the reception quality (which can later be sent back to DRM). Its audio decoding library has been provided by Coding Technologies.

Radio enthusiasts may register their interest in the Software Radio Project at a special Web site now under construction at www.drmrx.org (http://www.drmrx.org/). This project is being co-ordinated by VT Merlin Communications Ltd. When the project officially launches in December, the Web site will be set up to support and distribute the software for a 2-year

period, and to analyse received DRM transmissions. It will also contain a discussion forum, worked examples of receiver modifications, an analysis section, and general information about the project. A number of screen shots, such as the one below, are already on the site.

Participants must meet the following technical criteria: Operating system: Windows 2000, Windows XP, or Windows 98. An AT-compatible PC with 500 MHz Intel Pentium processor (or equivalent), 64 MB RAM, 50 MB free disk space,16-bit SoundBlaster (or compatible) soundcard that supports full duplex at 48 kHz sampling rate for input and output; the input must be without AGC (Automatic Gain Control); for example: Creative SoundBlaster Live! or "USB One" USB audio interface. Notebook soundcards are not always compatible, and a compatibility list will be published. A front-end receiver is also required, an AOR7030 or another receiver which can be modified. The modification is the addition of an extra circuit board to produce an extra Intermediate Frequency (IF) of 12kHz. Several companies already sell these conversion boards.

Participants will need a receiver with a 12kHz IF, because this frequency is within the range of PC soundcards. Many radio receivers have an IF of 455kHz, so the extra circuit board mixes this down to the soundcard range. The PC soundcard is used to analyse the DRM signal.

The full version of this press release is available on the official DRM Web site (http://www.drm.org/newsevents/globpressreleas.htm).

Links

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Open-Source Software Implementation of a DRM-Receiver
(http://www.tu-darmstadt.de/fb/et/uet/fguet/mitarbeiter/vf/DRM/DRM.html)

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The Eureka Project
(http://www.eureka.be/ifs/files/ifs/jsp-bin/eureka/ifs/jsps/projectForm.jsp?enumber=2390)

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VT Merlin Communications (http://www.merlincommunications.com/)

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Coding Technologies (http://www.codingtechnologies.com/)

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BBC Research and Development (http://www.bbc.co.uk/rd/)

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(http://g.msn.com/8HMAENIN/2749??PS=)

1653. Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-06 11:45:31 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 191 Message: 1653

Dear All,

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Venue: Bengalle Girls School, Churchgate
Time: 10:00 am

Please be in your seats on time.

Thank you

Shantanu Chand

1654. Icom new

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-06 12:04:05 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1654 Message: 1654

Back to main (http://www.rigpix.com/index.shtml)

Back to Professional transceivers (http://www.rigpix.com/protrx/protrxselect.htm)

Next land mobile (http://www.rigpix.com/protrx/icom_ich16t.htm)

Last modified 2003-12-10

Icom IC-F7000

Type:

Professional land mobile transceiver

Frequency range:

TX: 1.6-30 MHz
RX: 0.5-30 MHz

Mode:

AM/SSB/CW/AFSK/FSK

RF Power output:

Max 125 W (PEP)

Sensitivity:

AM (20 dB SINAD): 100 uV (0.5-1.6 MHz), 12.6 uV (1.6-30 MHz)
SSB (20 dB SINAD): 0.5 uV (1.6-30 MHz)

Selectivity:

N/A

Image rejection:

Better than 70 dB (1.6-30 MHz)

Voltage:

13.8 VDC +/- 15%

Current drain:

RX: Max 3 A
TX: Max 15 A

Impedance:

50 ohms, SO-239

Dimensions (W*H*D):

Main unit: 240*72*239 mm
Controller: 150*50*51 mm

Weight:

Main unit: 4.6 Kg
Controller: 220 gr

Manufactured:

Japan, 2003-200x

Other:

DSP. Various selcall functions.
400 regular channels. 100 ALE channels.

Related documents:

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(http://g.msn.com/8HMAENIN/2749??PS=)

1655. Wristwatch

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-06 11:59:49 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1655 Message: 1655

Back to main (http://www.rigpix.com/index.shtml)

Back to License-free radios (http://www.rigpix.com/lpdmm/lpdmmselect.htm)

Next PMR446 (http://www.rigpix.com/lpdmm/goodmans_gpmr114.htm)

Last modified 2004-03-16

FreeQuency PMR200W

Type:

License-free PMR446 transceiver

Frequency range:

446.00625-446.09375 MHz (All PMR-446 channels)

RF Power output:

Max 0.3 W (ERP)

Sensitivity:

N/A

Selectivity:

N/A

Image rejection:

N/A

Voltage:

? VDC (Rechargable 540 mAH Li-Io battery)

Current drain:

RX: Max ? mA
TX: Max ? mA

Dimensions (W*H*D):

? mm

Weight:

? gr

Manufactured:

2004-200x

Other:

Roger beep. Scan function. CTCSS and VOX.
New price 2004 in the UK: ?39.99

Related documents:

Easiest Money Transfer to India . Send Money To 6000 Indian Towns. Easiest Way To Send Money Home! (http://g.msn.com/8HMAENIN/2731??PS=)

1656. RE: [m_a_r_s] Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-06 15:35:04 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 191 Message: 1656

Hey Shantanu,
Just once is ok,the info that is!!!!!
Sarla
VU2SWS

>From: "Shantanu Chand" <bombayboy400011@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Monthly Meeting
>Date: Tue, 06 Apr 2004 11:45:31 -0000
>
>Dear All,
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>11th April 2004
>
>Venue: Bengalle Girls School, Churchgate
>Time: 10:00 am
>
>Please be in your seats on time.
>
>Thank you
>
>Shantanu Chand
>

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1657. Reminder - MARS Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-08 04:32:20 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1647 Message: 1657

We would like to remind you of this upcoming event.

MARS Monthly Meeting

Date: Sunday, April 11, 2004
Time: 10:00AM - 12:00PM IST (GMT+05:30)

Bengalle Girls School
Churchgate

1658. Re: Reminder - MARS Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-08 05:17:01 UTC
From: vu2kiz
Topic: 1647 Message: 1658

April 08, 2004

To the all Managing Committe Members and Members of MARS,

My QST is Jaipur and I can only virtually attend all MARS Meetings. I may please be granted leave of absence from physically attending all meetings held in Mumbai. This leave of absence application is for all future and past meetings, till my life, since I am Life Member of MARS. In case I happen to be in Mumbai on the day of the meeting and come to know about the meeting, it will be pleasure for me to attend the meeting and have eyeball with all.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ & KG6SQR

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:
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> Bengalle Girls School
> Churchgate

1659. Increase in membership fees-reg

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-08 05:56:35 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1659 Message: 1659

Hi All,
This is to inform you that the Managing Committee of MARS has decided to:
1. increase annual membership subscription from Rs.250/- to Rs.500/- with immediate effect and

2. increase Life Membership from Rs.2500/- to Rs.5000/- from 1st May 2004.

Members who have not paid dues for the year 2003-04 should pay dues immediately; please note that it is one of the condition for filing nomination for the forthcoming election. Also those in arrears may not be permitted to vote.

73s
Prashant Koli
Hon.Treasurer
MARS

1660. Green Birds Base Stations are almost ready vu2zrs

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-12 10:52:24 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1660 Message: 1660

read on ,

all those who have paid up for the GREEN BIRDS
good news call me on 98210-25289 to find out about the rigs
finally they almost ready
call soooooooooooooooooon

hahahha goood investment guys

vu2zrs

Fortune Cookie India
300 , cawasji hormasji patel street
marine lines
mumbai 2
tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

1661. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Birds Base Stations are almost ready vu2zrs

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-12 16:08:20 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1660 Message: 1661

hi zrs

this inDeed seems to be good news , speciallky for me
, since i Dont have any set right now with me , so
when Do we get to lay hanDs on green birDs.
vu2ugj
--- fortunecookie@... wrote:
>
> read on ,
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> all those who have paid up for the GREEN BIRDS
> good news call me on 98210-25289 to find out about
> the rigs
> finally they almost ready
> call soooooooooooooooooon
>
> hahahha goood investment guys
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> vu2zrs
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> Fortune Cookie India
> 300 , cawasji hormasji patel street
> marine lines
> mumbai 2
> tel no.22035586
> cell no.9821025289
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> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com
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Do you Yahoo!?
Yahoo! Tax Center - File online by April 15th

http://taxes.yahoo.com/filing.html

1662. Hi

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-14 17:46:58 UTC
From: Deepak Pathak-VU2CDP
Topic: 325 Message: 1662

Hello all just writing to you after being added to the MARS main group. Looking forward to the year ahead(new committee et al.)

73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

Yahoo! India Matrimony: Find your partner online.

1663. Poeratble Antennas for Field Exercise (2- 40 mtrs)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-15 08:32:59 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1663 Message: 1663
Attachments: 16 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

The Buddipole

It's a dipole... It's a vertical... It fits in your travel bag!. The Buddipole is more than an antenna, it's a versatile system for launching your signal. Optimized for transmit power and proven for DX work, the Buddipole is the secret weapon used by HF portable operators all around the world.

Precision engineered for maximum performance using ultra light composite materials and High-Q coils. Zero-loss balun with Quick-Connect feedpoint.

Buddipole Specifications

Specification Description
Length collapsed
22 inches (56cm)

Length extended
16 feet (4.9m)

Power Rating QRP to 250 Watts
Weight
Less than 2 lbs (<1 KG)

Coil Diameter
1.75 inches (4.5cm)

Frequency Coverage
7 to 54MHz continuous, plus 144 to 148MHz

(picture shown with short mast -- not included)

Antenna kit comes complete with two 22" black anodized aluminum arms, 2 multi-band coils (40m - 10m) with adjustable coil tap system (includes 3 removable taps, with coils premarked for 40, 30, 20, 17, 15, 12, and 10 meters -- 6 and 2 meters are configured without coils), 2 stainless steel telescopic whips, center tee with 3/8" x 24 adapters, BNC/PL259 coax connector assembly (includes RF beads) with 12' of coax, nylon "packcloth" carrying bag, black thermoplastic carrying case, and operating manual.
.
The price for the standard Buddipole is $199!

Optional Rotating Arm Kit -- $35 (see accessories page)

This kit allows the user to change configurations of the Buddipole very quickly. It's a kit for experimenters...for those of you who want to see, for example, if an L-shape or sloper is better than a classic dipole for DX'ing. If you own an antenna analyzer, this kit is for you!

The Rotating Arm Kit includes 2 "soft touch" rubberized clamping knobs, 2 machined 6061 aluminum rotating arms, and instructions for adjustment.

The Buddipole BP$199.00model: standardwith 25' coax assembly (instead of 12') (+$5)with Sky Blue colored arms (instead of black)

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1664. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 725

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-16 18:50:48 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1664 Message: 1664

Dear Friends,

MARs group is special space to me deep down in my heart. I was at Mumbai for a day or two but most important we got few Green BIrds working along with instuctions to avoid the pitfalls.

With great work being done by my friends it is simply a matter of time when rest of us go on air.l

What more can I say I'll be back next month.

Loking forward to much more new developments.

73
Rahul VU3WJM

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:

There are 2 messages in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. Hi
From: Deepak Pathak-VU2CDP
2. Poeratble Antennas for Field Exercise (2- 40 mtrs)
From: "Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT"

Message: 1
Date: Wed, 14 Apr 2004 18:46:58 +0100 (BST)
From: Deepak Pathak-VU2CDP
Subject: Hi

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73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

Yahoo! India Matrimony: Find your partner online.

[This message contained attachments]

Message: 2
Date: Thu, 15 Apr 2004 14:02:59 +0530
From: "Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT"
Subject: Poeratble Antennas for Field Exercise (2- 40 mtrs)

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Less than 2 lbs (<1 KG)

Coil Diameter
1.75 inches (4.5cm)

Frequency Coverage
7 to 54MHz continuous, plus 144 to 148MHz

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> NOTE: Because of vacation schedules, the March 26 editions of The ARRL
> Letter and ARRL Audio News are being distributed one day early.
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> ==>FCC INVITES COMMENTS ON AMATEUR RADIO RESTRUCTURING PLANS
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> The FCC is seeking comment on three plans, one from the ARRL, that would
> reshape the Amateur Service licensing structure. Each Petition for Rule
> Making responds to World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 actions last
> summer that made changes to Article 25 of the international Radio
> Regulations. While differing substantially in some other aspects, the
> three petitions call for modifications at Amateur Radio's entry level and
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> for a three-tiered license system. One petition goes beyond licensing
> structure to recommend additional changes to amateur testing and HF
> digital privileges. A fourth petition focuses solely on the Morse
> requirement. Comments are due by April 24 on all four petitions.
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> Designated RM-10867, ARRL's petition asks the FCC to create a new
> entry-level license class--being called "Novice" for now. It would offer
> limited HF CW/data and phone/image privileges on 80, 40, 15 and 10 meters
> plus certain VHF and UHF privileges. The League plan also would
> consolidate Technician, Tech Plus (Technician with Element 1 credit) and
> General licensees into a new General license that no longer would require
> a Morse examination. Current Technician and Tech Plus licensees
> automatically would gain General privileges, and Advanced license holders
> automatically would be upgraded to Extra without further testing.
> Applicants for Amateur Extra would still have to pass a 5 WPM Morse code
> examination, but the General and Extra written exams would stay the same.
>
> A news report "ARRL to Propose New Entry-Level License, Code-Free HF
> Access," <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2004/01/19/1/>, has further
> details. Frequently asked questions (FAQs) are addressed on the ARRL Web
> site, <http://www.arrl.org/news/restructuring2/faq.html>.
>
> In a wide-ranging petition designated as RM-10868, an "unincorporated
> grassroots organization" calling itself the Radio Amateur Foundation (RAF)
> has asked the FCC to modify the Technician ticket to allow limited HF
> phone, image, data and CW privileges. HF phone/image privileges would be
> restricted to portions of the 160, 15 and 10-meter bands.
>
> The group also proposes retaining the 5 WPM Morse requirement for General
> and Amateur Extra applicants, upgrading Advanced class holders to Extra
> and Novices to Technician. The Radio Amateur Foundation said it sees no
> need to change licensing requirements for General or Amateur Extra
> applicants.
>
> The RAF also wants to scrap existing Amateur Radio question pools and
> start over from scratch, keeping the question pools out of the public
> domain and requiring a 10-day waiting period before retesting. In
> addition, it would permit only Generals and Amateur Extras--or Technicians
> licensed more than two years--to request vanity call signs.
>
> The RAF has further asked the FCC to permit digital experimentation from
> 29.0 to 29.3 MHz at bandwidths of up to 15 kHz.
>
> In his two-page petition designated RM-10869, Ronald D. Lowrance, K4SX,
> calls on the FCC to retain the 5 WPM Morse code requirement for General
> class applicants and to raise the Morse requirement to 13 WPM for Amateur
> Extra class applicants. He called Morse code "the most reliable mode of
> communication" in an emergency. Lowrance would make no change in
> Technician licensing requirements.
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> The National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC) wants
> the FCC to establish a new "Communicator" entry-level license. Its
> petition, designated RM-10870, reiterates the NCVEC's call--first made
> last fall in RM-10787--to altogether eliminate the Morse code testing
> requirement.
>
> The NCVEC petition would upgrade all current Novices to Communicator
> class, all current Technician and Tech Plus (Technician with Element 1
> credit) licensees to General and all Advanced class licensees to Amateur
> Extra without further testing. Once the Morse requirement goes away, the
> NCVEC said in its filing, "there will be no effective difference between
> the Technician and General class licenses."
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> The new Communicator ticket would permit a power limit of 100 W on bands
> below 24 MHz and 50 W on all frequencies above 24 MHz. Communicator
> licensees would have to use commercially manufactured equipment (or gear
> built from a commercial kit). Communicator licensees could operate both
> voice and digital modes on 80, 40, 15 and 10 meters plus VHF and UHF up to
> 70 cm.
>
> All three license restructuring plans call for changes to the present HF
> subbands.
>
> Interested parties may view and comment on these petitions via the FCC
> Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>.
> When entering the RM number in the ECFS "Proceeding" field, RM must be in
> capital letters and the hyphen must be included.
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> ==>LEAGUE RECOMMENDS CLOSER FCC-NTIA SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT COOPERATION
>
> The ARRL has suggested that the FCC and National Telecommunications and
> Information Administration (NTIA) spectrum management professionals work
> more closely and cooperatively. It also called for more open allocation
> proceedings where federal/non-federal spectrum sharing is involved. The
> League offered the recommendations in comments filed on an NTIA Notice of
> Inquiry, "United States Spectrum Management Policy for the 21st Century"
> <http://spectrumreform.ntia.doc.gov/notice.htm>. While the FCC oversees
> private and commercial spectrum, the NTIA--part of the US Department of
> Commerce--administers spectrum allocated to federal government users. It
> also advises the White House on telecommunications issues. ARRL said the
> current bifurcated spectrum management system has benefits and drawbacks.
>
> "A significant advantage of maintaining the present scheme . . . is that
> the separate functions provide a system . . . of checks and balances,"
> ARRL said in addressing whether spectrum management should be centralized.
> On the other hand, the League added, this separation can "delay needed
> action and promotes somewhat parochial and divergent priorities."
>
> The FCC "has acted as a self-described 'cheerleader' for new, typically
> unlicensed, technologies without a firm grasp of technical compatibilities

> and incompatibilities," the League said. On the other hand, ARRL
> continued, the NTIA has tended to see its role as protector of the
> noncommercial spectrum it administers.
>
> The FCC has been "inconsistent at best" in spectrum protection, ARRL said,
> while NTIA spectrum managers regularly provide "professional and impartial
> evaluations of new technologies" and their interference potential. Amateur
> Radio shares some of its allocations with federal users, especially in the
> UHF and microwave spectrum.
>
> Given "competing goals and interests," ARRL suggested the FCC and NTIA
> return to the approach used in years past when spectrum management
> officials of both agencies "worked closely and cooperatively," and there
> was regular staff-level communication.
>
> The ARRL cited the proceeding that led to the Amateur Radio 5 MHz (60
> meter) allocation to emphasize its belief that spectrum management and
> sharing should operate according to "negotiated rule making procedures" in
> which all stakeholders participate. Last-minute NTIA intervention led to
> the current five-channel allocation at 5 MHz instead of the band the ARRL
> had sought and the FCC was poised to grant.
>
> "The process for considering new federal and non-federal sharing plans
> should be more open than it currently is," the ARRL asserted. "There was
> no procedure for ARRL, FCC and NTIA (or the individual agencies concerned
> about this allocation) to meet and address potential concerns." Lacking
> any public procedure, the League said, the NTIA and FCC instead agreed to
> a compromise that was "inadequate for the purpose."
>
> The ARRL said a negotiated rulemaking procedure could address such issues
> more quickly and efficiently than current procedures permit.
>
> Comments in response to the NTIA NOI, including ARRL's, are available on
> the NTIA's spectrum reform Web site
> <http://spectrumreform.ntia.doc.gov/responses/index.htm>.
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> ==>RODRIGUES ISLAND 3B9C DXpedition IS COLVIN AWARD GRANT RECIPIENT
>
> The Project Star Reach 3B9C DXpedition
> <http://www.fsdxa.com/3b9c/index.html> to Rodrigues Island (AF-017) hit
> the bands March 20 and by mid-week was already gaining on the 40,000-QSO
> mark. Scheduled to continue through Tuesday, April 13, the DXpedition is
> the recipient of an ARRL Colvin Award.
>
> "This financial award has made an invaluable contribution to the expenses
> incurred in mounting our major DXpedition," 3B9C Publicity Officer Don
> Field, G3XTT/NK1G, noted this week. Field said the $4000 award would go
> toward the cost of shipping several tons of gear by container from the UK
> to Rodrigues Island and back. He said 3B9C team members were "delighted"
> to get the grant.

>
> The Colvin Award was established in 1994 with the proceeds of a life
> insurance policy purchased by Lloyd Colvin, W6KG, that named the ARRL as
> beneficiary. The award is conferred in the form of grants in support of
> Amateur Radio projects that promote international goodwill in the field of
> DX. From the 1960s into the early 1990s, Lloyd Colvin and his wife Iris,
> W6QL, activated more than 100 DXCC entities. Lloyd Colvin died in 1993 and
> Iris Colvin in 1998.
>
> 3B9C has been generating lots of activity on all HF bands as well as on 6
> meters. Field said the DXpedition wants to extend its reach beyond the
> usual DX chasers and is using 3B9C as an opportunity for education and
> training in HF propagation, antennas and new modes. 3B9C on-line logs
> <http://www.fsdxa.com/3b9c/online-logs.html> are being posted roughly
> every 24 hours.
>
> The DXpedition is being sponsored by the Five Star DXers Association
> (FSDXA), with assistance from many others. QSL direct to FSDXA, PO Box 73,
> Church Stretton, SY6 6WF UK or via the RSGB QSL Bureau. Much more
> information plus a form to request bureau cards is available on the 3B9C
> Web page <http://www.fsdxa.com/3b9c/>.--some information via The Daily DX
> <http://www.dailydx.com>
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> ==>MISSOURI ANTENNA BILL GETS "DO PASS" COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION
>
> An Amateur Radio antenna bill now in play in the Missouri General Assembly
> has received a favorable committee recommendation. Introduced in January
> by Republican Rep Blaine Luetkemeyer of St Elizabeth, the measure--House
> Bill 822--has several cosponsors. They include Harold Selby, KA0WXX--the
> only Amateur Radio operator in the Missouri House. HB 822 would include
> the language of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 into
> Missouri's statutes. ARRL Missouri Section leadership spoke in support of
> the bill when it came up for hearing late last month.
>
> "The Committee in general was receptive to the bill, and, after a few
> questions, testimony ended," said ARRL Missouri Section Manager Dale
> Bagley, K0KY. "There was no opposition to the bill by any group or
> individual at the hearing." Missouri Section Traffic Manager Dale
> Huffington, AE0S, also testified at the February 24 hearing before the
> Missouri House Communications, Energy and Technology Committee. On March
> 10, HB 822 was reported out of committee with a "do pass" recommendation.
>
> "So far, so good," Bagley said. A PRB-1 bill in the 2001 Missouri
> legislative session failed. So far, 20 states have passed Amateur Radio
> antenna bills based on PRB-1, which is codified in ?97.15 of the Amateur
> Service Rules
> <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/news/part97/a.html#15>.
>
> The latest Missouri measure would prohibit municipalities from enacting or
> enforcing ordinances that fail to comply with PRB-1. "Any ordinance

> relating to the placement, screening, or height of an Amateur Radio
> antenna based on health, safety, or aesthetic considerations must
> reasonably accommodate amateur communications and be of minimal
> practicable regulation," the bill states.
>
> There's more information on HB 822 on the Missouri General Assembly Web
> site <http://www.house.state.mo.us/bills041/bills/hb822.htm>.
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> ==>ARRL EDUCATION & TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM SCHOOLS GET BEST BUY TE@CH GRANTS
>
> Four ARRL Amateur Radio Education and Technology Program (ETP)
> participating schools are the beneficiaries of recent Best Buy Children's
> Foundation Te@ch grants of $2500. Winning grants were Iowa Street School
> in Fallbrook, California; Bloomington High School South in Bloomington,
> Indiana, Astronaut High School in Titusville, Florida, and Northside High
> School in Warner Robins, Georgia.
>
> Iowa Street teacher Phil Leonelli, WF6L, says his school has integrated
> the ETP <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/tbp/> into its grade 4 through 8
> curriculum and works with the Fallbrook Amateur Radio Club. The school
> will use the funds to purchase a computer as an adjunct to its amateur
> station--including the addition of computer logging, transceiver control,
> packet, ATV and on-line information retrieval.
>
> Bloomington South High teacher Neil Rapp, WB9VPG, says Amateur Radio is
> part of his school's chemistry curriculum as well as an extracurricular
> activity. Days when ham radio is the focus of the class discussion are
> among the most enjoyable for his chemistry students, he says. Proof of
> their enthusiasm is the fact that many study for and pass their Amateur
> Radio license examinations.
>
> Rapp said he plans to use the Te@ch grant to purchase a video
> projector--primarily for classroom and ham radio training course use--and
> two VHF/UHF hand-held transceivers plus a programming cable. The handhelds
> would be available for licensed students to borrow.
>
> Astronaut High's Bill Canfield, W4RUN, says he and his students were
> thrilled to learn they'd won a Best Buy Te@ch grant. Integrating ham radio
> into his classroom has helped to provide his students with an
> understanding of radio propagation, he explains. In a new course that
> resulted--Communications Technology--students earn a Technician ticket in
> the first nine weeks and a General in the second.
>
> Canfield says the grant money will enable his school to add a weather
> station to its ham station for use during Hurricane Watch Net
> <http://www.hwn.org/> activations. He also wants to expand the ham
> station's digital capabilities (VHF packet and PSK31) as well as add
> features like satellite tracking and weather fax and, eventually, a solar
> power setup.
>

> Jim Fouts, AA4JF, at Northside High says his school also will use its
> Te@ch grant to add a new weather monitoring station--with Internet and
> Amateur Radio hookup software--and digital capability to its Amateur Radio
> club station, K4NHS. The school serves as a Georgia Emergency Management
> Agency (GEMA) shelter site. Amateur Radio would serve as the link between
> the school and the National Weather Service, Fouts said.
>
> The school also purchased two Family Radio Service units with GPS
> capability for training and use at parades and sporting events.
>
> The Best Buy's Children's Foundation's Te@ch Program awards recognize
> programs or projects that "creatively integrate interactive technology
> into the curriculum." The retailer this year awarded $2.9 million to
> schools across the country. An application is available on the Best Buy
> Web site
> <http://communications.bestbuy.com/communityrelations/docs/Teach_GrantApp.
> pdf>.
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> ==>PENNSYLVANIA HAMS HELP EQUIP MOBILE COMMAND POST
>
> Amateur Radio input has helped to ensure complete interoperability for a
> new mobile command post in Northeastern Pennsylvania. The fully decked-out
> communications vehicle based in Wilkes-Barre is the result of a federal
> grant and volunteer assistance from three radio amateurs and several other
> volunteer radio experts, who got keys to the city in return. Armed with a
> $300,000 federal grant, Wilkes-Barre Mayor Tom McGroarty wanted to put
> some of the money toward a mobile command post--or MCP--project. He
> approached Bill Harding, KA3QPQ, of the city's engineering office.
> Harding, in turn, sought advice and assistance from Rich Arland, K7SZ.
> Other team members included Greg Berholtz, N3SFO, David Anthony and Leigh
> Thompson.
>
> "The plan involved purchasing off-the-shelf communications gear and
> configuring a mothballed GMC Suburban as a mobile communications asset to
> support interagency interoperability during emergencies," said Arland. Ham
> radio operators volunteer emergency communication services to 18
> communities in Northeastern Pennsylvania, he noted. After a briefing from
> Harding, the MCP project manager, regarding Amateur Radio Emergency
> Service/Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (ARES/RACES) operations,
> Arland said, the mayor wholeheartedly agreed that ham radio definitely
> should be part of the MCP equation.
>
> "All in all, the van has the capability to communicate on all ham bands
> from 160 meters through 70 cm on CW, SSB, data and FM," Arland reports. Of
> course, it also contains a full complement of low and high-band public
> safety (police, fire and emergency medical services) communications gear.
> Future plans call for the addition of a high-end GPS unit and a 2-meter
> transceiver dedicated to APRS. Needless to say, the van literally bristles
> with antennas--15 in all--most for VHF and UHF, although there's a
> screwdriver-type antenna for HF.

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> So far, the MCP has been sent out twice--to support emergency operations
> following flooding in Wayne County and to assist after a prisoner escaped
> from a county lockup.
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> ==>FCC CLARIFIES DOCKET NUMBER FOR FUTURE BPL COMMENTS
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> The FCC says anyone filing comments on the its Broadband over Power Line
> (BPL) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) in ET Dockets 03-104 and 04-37
> should reference only the latter docket number, not both docket numbers.
> The ARRL was among those who had asked the FCC to clarify the matter. The
> deadline to file comments is Monday, May 3. Reply comments are due
> Tuesday, June 1.
>
> "To simplify this filing process and minimize the burden on both
> interested parties and the Commission's resources, we are requesting that
> parties responding to the Notice of Proposed Rule Making submit comments,
> replies and any other pleadings or information only in the newly
> established ET Docket No 04-37," the FCC said this week in a public
> notice. Written comments may be filed via the Electronic Comment Filing
> System (ECFS) <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>.
>
> The Commission says that commenters should include their full name, US
> Postal Service mailing address and ET Docket No 04-37 when completing the
> transmittal screen. The FCC ECFS Express system
> <http://gullfoss2.fcc.gov/ecfs/Upload/> also now is accepting brief
> comments on the BPL proceeding, which is the top item on the list.
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> For additional information on filing comments, see the FCC public notice
> <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-04-760A1.doc>.
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> ==>SOLAR UPDATE
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> Solar swami Tad "Sunshine of Your Love" Cook, K7RA, Seattle, Washington,
> reports: Solar flux and sunspot numbers rose this week, and geomagnetic K
> and A indices were down. This is a perfect combination for the first days
> of spring. HF operators always love to see the K index lower than 3 and
> the A index below 10. There is nothing magic about those numbers, but
> lower numbers are better, and those are below the values (about 3 and 15)
> that we think of for unsettled conditions.
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> For quiet conditions, it's hard to beat this last Wednesday, March 24,
> when the mid-latitude K index was zero for most of the reporting periods.
> A good resource for comparing the daily variations in mid-latitude,
> high-latitude and planetary geomagnetic indices is the NOAA Space
> Environment Center Web site
> <http://www.sec.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DGD.txt>.
>
> Early spring is also a time when auroras are more intense, which of course
> is an indicator of elevated geomagnetic activity. The outlook for the next

> few days is good, with some active conditions probably returning around
> March 29-30. Solar flux should stay above 110 through the weekend, and
> above 100 during the first few days of April.
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> Sunspot numbers for March 18 through 24 were 107, 89, 82, 65, 87, 110 and
> 109 with a mean of 92.7. 10.7 cm flux was 115.4, 112.2, 113.6, 111.2,
> 116.4, 118.3 and 119.7, with a mean of 115.3. Estimated planetary A
> indices were 10, 6, 9, 13, 11, 8 and 4, with a mean of 8.7.
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> NOTE: This is a preliminary report, a day earlier than normal. For the
> full bulletin for the week check the ARRL Web site
> <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/> Friday, March 26.
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> ==>IN BRIEF:
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> * This weekend on the radio: The CQ World Wide WPX Contest (SSB), the
> Spring Break RTTY Sprint. and the UBA Spring Contest (2 meters) are the
> weekend of March 27-28. JUST AHEAD: The SARL 80-Meter QSO Party is April
> 1. The Kids Roundup, the SP DX Contest, the EA RTTY Contest, the Missouri
> QSO Party, the QCWA QSO Party and the RSGB RoPoCo 1 are the weekend of
> April 3-4. The 144 MHz Spring Sprint and the RSGB 80-Meter Club
> Championship (CW) are April 5. The ARS Spartan Sprint is April 6 See the
> ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM
> Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for
> more info.
>
> * ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration:
> Registration for the ARRL Radio Frequency Interference (EC-006) Antenna
> Design and Construction (EC-009) and Technician Class for Ham Radio
> Licensing (EC-010) courses remains open through Sunday, March 28. Classes
> begin Tuesday April 6. Students taking Radio Frequency Interference
> (EC-006) will learn how to identify and take steps to cure various kinds
> of interference. Antenna Design and Construction (EC-009) covers basic
> antenna theory and practical construction techniques. With the assistance
> of a mentor students in the Technician Licensing course will learn
> everything they need to learn to pass the FCC Technician license class
> test. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education
> Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cce/>. For more information, contact
> Certification and Continuing Education Program Department, cce@....
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> * Nomination deadline for ARRL technical awards is March 31! Nominations
> for ARRL technical awards
> <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/instructor/instructor/awards.html>
> recognizing service, innovation and microwave development in the technical
> arena are due at ARRL Headquarters Wednesday, March 31. Supplemental
> information, not to exceed 10 pages, must arrive no later than Thursday,
> April 15. Nominating forms are available on the ARRL Web site. The ARRL
> Technical Innovation Award goes each year to a radio amateur or group of

> radio amateurs whose accomplishments are of the most exemplary nature
> within the framework of technical research, development and application of
> new ideas and future systems within an Amateur Radio context. The
> recipient(s) receive(s) $500 in cash and an engraved plaque. The ARRL
> Technical Service Award goes each year to a radio amateur or group of
> radio amateurs whose service to the amateur community and/or society at
> large is of the most exemplary nature within the framework of Amateur
> Radio technical activities. The ARRL Microwave Development Award goes each
> year to a radio amateur or group of radio amateurs whose accomplishments
> and contributions are of the most exemplary nature within the framework of
> microwave development (ie, research and application of new and refined
> uses and activity in the amateur microwave bands). The recipient(s) The
> ARRL Technical Innovation and Microwave Development awards receive(s) an
> engraved plaque and may request up to $100 in ARRL publications. Any ARRL
> member may place a nomination for any of these awards.
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> * Greater Baltimore Hamboree and Computerfest still on: The 33rd annual
> Greater Baltimore Hamboree and Computerfest <http://www.gbhc.org> will
> take place as scheduled Saturday and Sunday, March 27-28, at the Maryland
> State Fairgrounds in Timonium, Maryland. Sponsored by the Baltimore
> Amateur Radio Club <http://www.baltarc.com/>, the hamfest is host to the
> ARRL Maryland State Convention. Doug Wittich, N3VEJ, of the hamfest
> committee says the cancellation the Maryland-DC Convention, held at the
> same location but later in the year, caused some confusion within the
> amateur community. "We're definitely on," he reassured those planning to
> attend. ARRL Atlantic Division Director Bernie Fuller, N3EFN, and
> Maryland-DC Section Manager Tom Abernethy, W3TOM, will lead an
> ARRL/Maryland-DC Section Leadership forum Saturday at 9 AM. ARRL Contest
> Branch Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, will moderate the ARRL forum Saturday
> at 11 AM. Special event station W3FT will be on the air from the hamfest
> both days on or about 7.265 and 14.265 MHz.
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> * Kentucky ham offers his good operating tips: Don Snodgrass, K4QKY, of
> Murray, Kentucky, believes that being a good "Elmer" (Amateur Radio
> mentor) involves much more than assisting someone to pass the license
> examination. A supporter of the ARRL's recent Petition for Rule Making
> <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2004/01/19/1/> to the FCC, Snodgrass
> says he's eager to do his part to welcome new operators to the HF bands
> when the time comes. In the meantime, he's offering his recommended "Good
> Operating Practices"
> <http://campus.murraystate.edu/org/msuarc/goodoperatingpractices.htm> on
> his Web site. "Most hams develop their operating practices--most good, but
> some not so good--simply by listening to more-experienced hams," Snodgrass
> said. "These suggested guidelines are based on what one ham feels he has
> learned from listening to other hams since 1972." His philosophy,
> expressed within his list of dos and don'ts, is that amateurs who develop
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> proud tradition of self-regulation." At the top of his "do" list: "Always
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> cannot assist subscribers who receive The ARRL Letter via this
> listserver.)
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1666. Reminder - Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual Gene...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-17 11:32:08 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1666 Message: 1666

We would like to remind you of this upcoming event.

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting

Date: Saturday, May 1, 2004
Time: 5:00PM - 7:00PM IST (GMT+05:30)

1667. Re: [m_a_r_s] Reminder - Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual Gene...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-18 05:28:48 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 1666 Message: 1667

Well the QSO is fixed. how abt the QTH?

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1668. RE: [m_a_r_s] Reminder - Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual Gene...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-19 15:51:51 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1666 Message: 1668

What about the V E N U E ?

MICKY [VU2 IZO]

>From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Reminder - Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual Gene...
>Date: 17 Apr 2004 11:32:08 -0000
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1669. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-21 16:50:54 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1669 Message: 1669

CQ CQ CQ , CALLING ALL MARTIANS,

Hi All,

Hope u receive this in the pink of your health & just befor the Annual General Meeting of the

society, where elections for the Managing Committee are scheduled.

I am sure that you must have received by courrier, the notice for A. G. M. along with the

nomination forms sent by O M Nilesh [VU2 NLF]. Some of you must have filed the nomination

or are planning to file for the various seven [7] posts.

The society has faced two problems during the past elections.

[a] Insufficient compitient nominations to cover all the posts

[b] Some of those who were elected, could not find the time later on to render any service or

assistance to the society.

We can only hope that this year we will be able to build a better team. Apart from those who

are in the managing committee the Society expects that all members , Corporates Associate

& others to co operate in enlarging the membership of the Society.

Last meeting it was discussed about the members who were in arrears of subriction. Your

reminder to the defaulting ones [i.e. those living in your close vicinity or otherwise in contact]

may help in recovering some of the outstandings. Obviously the Society is difficult to run with

such huge backlog.

So the bottom line is , Seeking your support, monitorily, also by attending as many as events of

the society if not alll along with the forth coming A. G. M. & finally expecting your hole-heartedly

support to make the forth coming HAM FEST INDIA - 2004 a grand sucess.

73's

Yours in AMATEUR RADIO

de MICKY KORDE [VU2 IZO]

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1670. fouth Annual Genral Meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-22 09:24:34 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1670 Message: 1670
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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

We are pleased to inform you that the Fourth Annual General Meeting
of our Society, The Elections for the Fifth Managing Committee and
The Annual Getogether will be held on 1st May 2004.

Venue : 'S.S. Hall', Garware Club, Wankhede Stadium, 'D' Road
Churchgate, Mumbai - 400 001.

Timing: 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Agenda for the Meeting.

4:00pm Chairman's Report.
4:15pm Secretary's Progress Report.
4:30pm Treasurer's Financial Report.
4:45pm Reports from other Members of the Managing Committee
5:00pm Plans and Proposals for the year 2004 - 2005.
5:15pm Voting for the Fifth Managing Committee.
5:30pm Any other topic with the permission of the Chair.
6:00pm Results of the Election.
6:15pm Tea and Snacks.

You are requested to attend this function and caste and participate in this Annual
Getogether (Eye Ball).

The Eligiblity for contesting and voting for elections are as under :-

1. Valid Amateur Radio Licence.

2. Valid MARS membership atleast one year old.

3. No society arrears.

The nomination form for the election have been couriered to all the eligible members. The
Nomination
form duly filled signed, proposed and seconded by an eligible member must reach us not less
then 3 days prior the election (27th April 2004). You may send your nomination form to the
society's registered office address.

All members are invited for the AGM, you are also requested to inform your fellow members
about the AGM and also ask them top confirm their participation.

Please note during last years AGM a lot of food was wasted and the society ended paying almost Rs.5000/- extra for the waste food, hence all members are requested to kindly confirm your participation with NLF-98205-47074 / ZRS-98210-25289.

We sincerely hope that you will join us and make this event successful.

Thanking You,

For Mumbai Amateur Radio Society.

Nilesh Rathod. - VU2NLF
Secretary.

1671. Request for the Photos ASAP

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-24 08:00:16 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 1671 Message: 1671

Hi OMs / YLs!!

If you have nice photos of any of the MARS events (APR 2003- MAR 2004) like 3rd AGM, Gandhinagar Hamfest, Demonstration, Classes at Thane & Churchgate, Class Field Trip at Pune or Wangaon, Ganesh Visarjan, JOTA, Scramble Excercise, Fox Hunt, etc., kindly e-mail or courier them to me till Monday evening i.e. 26.04.2004. I require those for this year's Annual Report.

For scanned or digital images (800x600 pixels or less):
e-mail them to vu2ugo@...
or upload them into PHOTO section of the egroup
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For hard copies :
please courier them to me or inform me about it on e-mail vu2ugo@...
ASAP.
(hard copies will be returned after few days or on 1st May at the meeting)

Thanking you in advance.

73s de VU2UGO

1672. AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-24 11:57:45 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1672 Message: 1672

Hi Martians,

Apologies for a delayed mail on the subject. Somehow i got blocked from Yahoo groups and have been struggling to activate the same.

As mentioned by NLF, AGM will be held on 1st May as usual at SS Hall, Garware Club, Wankhede Stadium.

Also would like to re-iterate the request of confirming yourself and showing up at the event to avoid waste of food and money. You can confirm with me as well on 920444991.

Will keep sending more information on the same, if any.

Mehul Chovatia - VU2 ICQ
Event Manager.

1673. Re: Here

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-25 04:32:45 UTC
From: shaileshpradhan@yahoo.com
Topic: 1673 Message: 1673
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Your document is attached.

1674. Re: [m_a_r_s] AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-25 14:13:55 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 1672 Message: 1674

Hi Mehul,
I want to confirm my attendance for the MARS AGM on 1st May 2004.

ULHAS
PHONE : 2431 1367
WORK : 24072295 OR 24092556
CELL : 98206 22237

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1675. Information related to Annual General Meeting 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-25 15:05:20 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1675 Message: 1675
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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

Once again to remind you that the 4th Annual General Meeting fo our Society shall be conducted on 1st May 2004 at 4:00 PM at "S.S.Hall" Garware Club, Churchgate, Mumbai.

The election for the 5th Managing Committee shall also taken place during the A.G.M. As per my records 104 members are eligible to contest for elections. Their Nomination form have already couriered to them. The Nomination form duly filled signed, proposed and seconded must reach our office latest by 27th April 2004.

With much regret, I have to inform you that till date, we have not received a single nomination. I simply fail to understand why ? For the records I also wish to inform you that I am not contesting the elections. So all the members scared of my so called "Whip" can relax and run for office. There would be no NLF to take your case. You may run the society as you like... like a hobby maybe...

Futher my earlier reqested all of you guys to confirm you participation for the AGM, as we don't want ot waste food. Once again with much regret I have to inform you that so far I have received only following confirmations..

VU2NHR, VU2POK, VU2UGO. Ulhas. will attend.

VU2YJM, VU2FEO would not be able to attend.

I take it for granted that the Managing Commitee members will remain present by default.

At this rate I wonder how much food to be ordered ..???

Please be responsible and confirm immediately with NLF, ZRS or ICQ.

73

NLF

1676. Re: [m_a_r_s] Information related to Annual General Meeting 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-25 16:06:52 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 1675 Message: 1676

Untitled DocumentDear NLF,
Pls confirm my attendance for the AGM.

73s

VU2MIG

1677. RE: [m_a_r_s] fouth Annual Genral Meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-26 08:48:28 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1670 Message: 1677

Hello,

This is to inform the concerned members that I will not be able to attend the AGM.

Regards

Vijay VU2VVP

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1678. Greetings from USA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-26 16:01:43 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 1537 Message: 1678

Dear Hams @ MARS,

Greetings from New York City.

I am visiting USA for the first time and enjoying myself out here not only visiting my sister's family in NYC and brother's family in Maryland but also made visit to Amateur Radio activities going on out here.

Attended Baltimore Amateur Radio Club's monthly meeting, Greater Baltimore Hambooree and Computerfest, Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club's monthly meeting. Visited ARRL HQ in Newington CT and UN's Ham Radio Station 4U1UN.

I have confirmed my reservations to visit the WORLD'S BIGGEST HAM RADIO EVENT - The Dayton Ohio's Havention 2004 on the May 14th to May 16th before returning back to India via UK where I will be staying for a forthnite.

With all the above excitment, I would be missing the MARS AGM.

Best of 73's

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Disaster Manager & Custodian,
Lions Clubs International - Ham Radio Station - VU2LCI

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, "vu2nlf" <vu2nlf@b...> wrote:
> MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
>
> MARS welcomes Life member LION AJAY - VU2JHM
>
> Thank you for joining the MARS Family.

1679. Clarification for AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-27 06:00:02 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1679 Message: 1679
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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

It is brought to my notice that some SWLs are confused about their eligibility for attending the AGM.

Please note all MARS members are welcome to attend the AGM, that ofcourse includes all the students (who are also complimentry members) of our society. The SWLs may not have rights to vote or contest the elections, but they are always welcome to attend the AGM.

Please confirm at your earliest and oblige.

73

NLF

1680. Re: [m_a_r_s] Information related to Annual General Meeting 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-27 08:08:33 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1675 Message: 1680

Dear NLF/ ICQ / ZRS

I will be attending the AGM alongwith with xyl vu2aqp and my harmonic Nishant.

73's

vu2jpn

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1681. RE: [m_a_r_s] AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-27 16:33:38 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1672 Message: 1681

Hi NLF,/ZRS, / ICQ,+

I am there for the A. G. M.

MICKY [VU2 IZO]

>From: mehul2k@...
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>CC: mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] AGM
>Date: Sat, 24 Apr 2004 16:57:45 +0500
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>Hi Martians,
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>Apologies for a delayed mail on the subject. Somehow i got blocked from Yahoo groups and have been struggling to activate the same.
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>As mentioned by NLF, AGM will be held on 1st May as usual at SS Hall, Garware Club, Wankhede Stadium.
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>Also would like to re-iterate the request of confirming yourself and showing up at the event to avoid waste of food and money. You can confirm with me as well on 920444991.
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>Will keep sending more information on the same, if any.
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>Mehul Chovatia - VU2 ICQ
>Event Manager.
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1682. Hamfest India 2004 Meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-28 05:46:45 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1682 Message: 1682
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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

The Hamfest India 2004 meeting will be held on Sunday 2nd May 2004 at 10:00 AM at B.S.Bengelle Girls School. All members who are part of Hamfest Team must attend the meeting without fail.

The Agenda for the Meeting:-

1. To re- evaluate the commitment of all the Hamfest 2004 team members.

2. To decide weather to do the hamfest 2004 ?

3. If positive response (hopefully) ... decide the working schedule from now till the hamfest... (meeting dates etc.)

4. Allocate appropriate work assignments..

5. Fix Deadlines for each portfolios.

Please note if we don not have favorable response, we will have no choice but to cancell the hamfest in Mumbai and handover the charge back to GIAR, who can in return give it to some other society which is interested..

Looking forward to your commitment with full dedication...

73

Nilesh, VU2NLF.

Convener, Hamfest India 2004.

1683. Time is running out....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-28 05:48:13 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1683 Message: 1683
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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

Our Fourth Annual General Meeting of our Society, The Elections for the Fifth Managing Committee and
The Annual Getogether will be held on 1st May 2004. The last day for filing your nomination was 27th April 2004. Unfortunately we have received only 2 nomination forms, VU2HIT & VU2RIO. We require atleast 7 nominations for elections.

We will extend the last date for filing nomination to 29th April 2004. After which it will take time to prepare the ballot paper etc...

I have already informed that I would not be contesting this year, simply because I am the convener for the Hamfest India 2004, which itself is a huge responsibility and it is physically not possible for me to run the society and the hamfest simultaneously.

Looking at the current situation (as discussed with the present M.C), if we do not receive atleast 7 Nominations out of some 104 eligible members, then we will have no choice but to cancel the elections and during the AGM we will propose the amendment in our constitution section 12 (1b) & section (1c). Allowing non callsign holder to contest the elections.

I sincerely once again request all the eligible members to reconsider and contest for the election, failing which we will have to take action, which will open doors to a lot of QRM in future.

By the way on personal front, I am very proud of VU2HIT and VU2RIO, atleast somebody cares...

73

Nilesh Rathod, VU2NLF,

Secretary, MARS.

1684. Reminder - Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual Gene...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-28 11:33:31 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1666 Message: 1684

We would like to remind you of this upcoming event.

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting

Date: Saturday, May 1, 2004
Time: 5:00PM - 7:00PM IST (GMT+05:30)

1685. Unable to attend AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-28 15:14:07 UTC
From: Deepak Pathak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1685 Message: 1685

Hi everyone in Radio Land,
I just wanted to tell you all that I may not be able to attend the AGM as my exams are going on and have a taxing schedule till 14th june. Wish all members a wonderful evening on the 1st of may. Sorry for not being able to attend.

AMATEUR RADIO- not a hobby, an obsession.
73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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1686. absence

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-29 07:22:40 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1686 Message: 1686

Dear Nilesh

As informed to you earlier, I will not be able to attend any MARS events till month end as im totally tied up with my project work.

Inconvenience that may be caused due to my absence is deeply regretted.

I will be free in and after June to devote time for MARS and activities.

Hope you will consider.

thanking you,

ANKUR PURANIK
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1687. little correction

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-29 07:31:50 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1687 Message: 1687

Dear Nilesh

As informed to you earlier, I will not be able to attend any MARS events till month end (31st MAY) as im totally tied up with my project work.

Inconvenience that may be caused due to my absence is deeply regretted.

I will be free in June to devote time for MARS and all its activities. esp. for HAMFEST.

Hope you will consider.

thanking you,

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1688. IMPORTANT NOTICE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-29 12:59:48 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1688 Message: 1688

DEAR FRIENDS,

On behalf of Shantanu Chand, I would like to inform you all that the Annual General Meeting which is scheduled on the Saturday, 1st of May 2004. will commence at 4:00 PM (IST) instead of 5:00 PM (IST) as mentioned in the earlier note.

The function is expected to end by 7:00 PM (IST).

Everyone attending the AGM is requested to be in their seats by 4:00PM. (IST).

Thankyou,

ANKUR PURANIK
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1689. Re: [m_a_r_s] little correction

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-29 15:00:03 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1687 Message: 1689

dear Ankur,

Thank you very for your mail, Well I don't care if you attend the MARS events or not, that is not my concern, but I sincerely hope that you will be available for the hamfest.

73
nlf

----- Original Message -----
From: Ankur Puranik
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, April 29, 2004 1:01 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] little correction

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thanking you,

ANKUR PURANIK

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1690. FW: Fwd: photo of the year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-29 16:08:53 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1690 Message: 1690

>From: "sapana shrivastava"
>To: vu2izo@...
>Subject: FW: Fwd: photo of the year
>Date: Thu, 29 Apr 2004 21:30:50 +0530
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>>From: "Manoj Kumar"
>>To: abdel@..., akhilamenon@..., coolamish@...,
>>bakchan@..., testline@..., ivprasad@...,
>>k_v_manoj@..., nadiamusthafa@...,
>>k-motooka@..., mailtob2000@...,
>>samson_philips@..., sandhya_nair30@...,
>>sapshri@..., satyajodha@..., etsuko61@...,
>>vimeshmadhavan@...
>>Subject: FW: Fwd: photo of the year
>>Date: Thu, 22 Apr 2004 07:15:30 +0000
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>>>From: Dharmesh Makwana <dpuffy19@...>
>>>To: Manoj Nambyar <manoj_nambyar@...>
>>>Subject: Fwd: photo of the year
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1691. Re: [m_a_r_s] little correction

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-29 18:17:10 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1687 Message: 1691

Hello Fellow Hams,
ReaDing following mail exchange between ankur anD nlf
, about ankur being not able to attenD mars activity
he being qrl till may enD , so nice of him informing
anD also reassuring abt his availability , but what
shockeD me was nlfs response to it , which says he is
not concerned about his not attending mars activity ,
very starnge so unlike nlf , who till yesterDay all
blood and sweat for mars , he sounds so alien now
,besDes convenoe seeking mars support for hamfest
cannot be ruDe to same mars by letting it knbow in
public , abt he being least concerned about mars.
Think nlf is really over workeD , cause otherwise
noboDy woulD have ever imagineD this from him

chill nlf ,m nothing will go wrong with mars

de vu2ugj

--- vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
> dear Ankur,
>
> Thank you very for your mail, Well I don't care if
> you attend the MARS events or not, that is not my
> concern, but I sincerely hope that you will be
> available for the hamfest.
>
> 73
> nlf
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Ankur Puranik
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Thursday, April 29, 2004 1:01 PM
> Subject: [m_a_r_s] little correction
>
>
> Dear Nilesh
>
> As informed to you earlier, I will not be
> able to attend any MARS events till month end (31st
> MAY) as im totally tied up with my project work.
>
> Inconvenience that may be caused due to my absence
> is deeply regretted.
>

> I will be free in June to devote time for MARS
> and all its activities. esp. for HAMFEST.
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> Hope you will consider.
>
> thanking you,
>
> ANKUR PURANIK
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1692. AGM and Nomination

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-04-30 20:06:01 UTC
From: vu2kiz
Topic: 1692 Message: 1692

I could read the messages of last few days just now.

First of all I have already sent a message that since I am at Jaipur, I cannot physically attend meetings. My leave of absence for AGM was not shown in the message regarding this.

Secondly, I have not received the Nomination Form sent by courier to all eligible members. In fact, I have never received nomination form in the past also. I think documents and other material are sent to members who live in Mumbai only.

Thirdly, if sufficient nominations for the managing committee have not been received and it is still open to offer nomination, I offer my nomination. However, I neither have the form nor the two MARS members at Jaipur to sign the form. Even if nominated and elected, I shall not be able to attend the Managing Committe meetings personally, although I could contribute to MARS by other means and participate in special events. Members may think over it.

Forthly, I oppose the suggestion to change constitution for allowing non Callsign holders to be made members of the managing committee.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ & KG6SQR
Life Member

1693. Reminder - MARS Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-02 04:32:11 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1647 Message: 1693

We would like to remind you of this upcoming event.

MARS Monthly Meeting

Date: Sunday, May 9, 2004
Time: 10:00AM - 12:00PM IST (GMT+05:30)

Bengalle Girls School
Churchgate

1694. Happy Bitrhday - VU2ESP

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-04 07:18:20 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1694 Message: 1694
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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MARS wishes its Founder & Life Member JAYESH KHARWAR - VU2ESP a very happy birthday.

1695. Happy Birthday - VU2HKL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-04 07:19:23 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1695 Message: 1695
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

MARS wishes its Member HARDEEP SINGH KHALSA - VU2HKL a very happy birthday.

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1696. MARS AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-04 16:29:39 UTC
From: harshvardhan_k
Topic: 1696 Message: 1696

Hello ALL,

This is to warmly welcome the new managing committee.
I sincerely hope that this new committee will meet the
challenges of the coming year with great enthusiasm and
will ensure the our hobby reaches greater heights.

Wishing you all the very best for the coming year and
for the future. May MARS (and MARTIANS) live long and
prosper.

73s

Harsh Vardhan

1697. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-05 04:02:36 UTC
From: PravinKumar
Topic: 1696 Message: 1697

r r r,

? to new mars managing committee members.
When is the rptr comming up...?
pravin
vu3pan
--- harshvardhan_k <harshvardhan_k@...> wrote:
> Hello ALL,
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> This is to warmly welcome the new managing
> committee.
> I sincerely hope that this new committee will meet
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> challenges of the coming year with great enthusiasm
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> will ensure the our hobby reaches greater heights.
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> Wishing you all the very best for the coming year
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> for the future. May MARS (and MARTIANS) live long
> and
> prosper.
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> 73s
>
> Harsh Vardhan
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Win a $20,000 Career Makeover at Yahoo! HotJobs
http://hotjobs.sweepstakes.yahoo.com/careermakeover

1698. IARU Contest

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-06 03:52:30 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 1698 Message: 1698

Hi all,
As announced in the AGM, the IARU worldwide dx contest is scheduled for July10 and 11, 2004.
In this event all member countries of the IARU(International amateur radio union) participate. In India, the ARSI(Amateur radio society of India) is the recognised member. This year with ARSI president VU2RCR, Chandru becoming a director in the IARU, we should make a strong presence in the contest.
In this contest every country puts up one HQ(head quarter) station on all the bands and modes. These HQ stations keep giving their calls and reports for the full 24 hrs of the contest. For ex. India's call would be VU2HQ, and the report we will be giving is 59ARSI.
For this contest we need volunteers with ready stations. We will be operating one transmitter, multi operator for one band and one mode. Those interested may please get in touch with me on this group add or via my address sarla_sharma@... or lima lima 25682361. After looking at the response, a decision will be taken. Everybody can participate, including non ARSI members. SWLs are also welcome as there is plenty to do behind the scenes. All details on the contest are available on the net. All contests on air are fun but this one is less taxing as its only for 24hrs. The main aim is to show that India has the stuff required and in the process also enjoy ourselves.
Let me know.
I am sorry for the delay in putting out this mail, but my computer was attacked by a deadly virus inspite of all precautions taken.
I take this opportunity to congratulate the new commitee of MARS.
Sarla
VU2SWS

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Send flowers in 24 hours!
http://www.fabmall.com/affiliatehtml/redir/nl7.asp At MSN Shopping.

1699. Greetings to New MARS Committee

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-06 10:59:03 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 1699 Message: 1699

Greetings to those elected and all the best to those who have chances postponed;

Still looking forward for the new MARS Committee names and sure they have a big event to start working for HAMFEST INDIA 2004 in Mumbai.

Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Presently in New York on way to Dayton OHIO Hamfest.

1700. 4U1UN on 7th May 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-06 11:03:40 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 1700 Message: 1700

Dear Hams & SWLs

It would be a great pleasure for informing that I would be at the UN HQ here at New York City and operating from Special Callsign 4U1UN at about 10 PM onwards (IST) on 7th May 2004, preferably on 14195 Mhz.

Best of 73's
de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM

1701. New Managing Committee

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-07 09:46:37 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1701 Message: 1701
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From Left - Pankaj (VU2RIO), Kapil (VU2MIG), Anish (VU2OZO), Mehul - Secretary (VU2ICQ), Huzefa - Chairman (VU2HIT), Prashant - Treasurer (VU2CBU) and Arun (VU3AUA)

Congratulations and All the Best !!!
73s de Sandip VU2UGO

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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1702. HSMM Microwave Radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-07 11:28:42 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1702 Message: 1702

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<<HSMM Microwave Radio >>
By John Champa, K8OCL, k8ocl@..., Gerry Creager, N5JXS, n5jxs@...,
Ron Olexa, KA3JIJ, ka3jij@...

HSMM stands for High Speed Multimedia microwave radio. It is not a specific operating mode, but rather a direction or driving force within Amateur Radio. The current developmental emphasis is adapting inexpensive off-the-shelf 2.4 GHz IEEE 802.11(r) equipment to operations under Amateur Radio service regulations, which in the US are covered by FCC Part 97.

HSMM microwave radio, although digital, it is not primarily a keyboard radio communication medium as in packet radio, as most amateurs presume. Amongst the capabilities of HSMM microwave radio most frequently used are digital voice (DV) and amateur digital video (ADV). Keyboard messages are possible, of course (chat mode) as in PSK31. Also, file transfers can be exchanged as in RTTY, but at significantly higher speeds! Plus, if there is a server on the HSMM microwave radio network, such operations as emailing, playing interactive games, and maybe even surfing the Internet by sharing a high-speed Internet connection with another amateur, are all possible. That is why it is called multimedia radio.

Although not perhaps the killer application, the HSMM driving force is emergency communications support. Imagine being at an emergency scene and being able to send live video images of what is happening back to everybody on the HSMM microwave radio network, back to the EOC, and at the same time submitting a written report, long list of survivors, etc. All that is often needed is just your laptop computer, a special wireless local area network PCMCIA card with an external antenna jack (in HSMM jargon that is called a RIC, meaning a radio interface card), a small digital camera, and a short Yagi antenna. Except for the RIC and the little antenna, you may already have all this gear!

<<Background >>
A survey conducted by the ARRL Technology Task Force, of League members and other amateurs revealed that the number one Amateur Radio interest in new technologies was in high-speed digital radio networks. Some suggestions were: ? High-speed radio data links up to 20 Mega bits per second (Mbit/s) ? Ethernet at 2 Mbit/s on 10 GHz ? Encourage development of a high-speed amateur digital radio network ? High-speed digital audio/video radio In

January 2001, the ARRL Board of Directors voted unanimously that the ARRL should develop high-speed radio digital networks for the Amateur Radio service. The ARRL president appointed a group of individuals knowledgeable in the field from the international amateur community and industry. The group would report to the ARRL Technology Task Force.

<<HSMM Working Group >>
The working group?s first focus is on creating the microwave skills within the Amateur Radio community that are necessary to build and support portable and fixed high-speed radio based local networking. That?s where amateurs interested in HSMM microwave radio can offer the most value to local RACES and ARES organizations, as well as to homeland security and other emergency communications efforts at the present time.

During Field Days and simulated emergency tests (SET), the HSMM Working Group encourages amateurs to hone their skills in doing rapid site surveys and deploying broadband HSMM microwave radio networks in the field. Some clubs put all their Field Day stations with their laptop based logbooks onto one radio local area network (RLAN). This offered a tremendous competitive advantage. For example, if you are working 20M, you can see that the 15-meter band has just opened up because that tent?s logging score is going through the roof. In another example, during the recent Midwest VHF-UHF Society (MVUS) Picnic 2003, an RLAN was used to link antenna test measurement results back to a printer. You get the idea. Use your imagination. The possibilities are almost without limit.

In this process of everyday use of HSMM microwave radio, we are trying to understand how to enhance the reliability of our mainstream Amateur Radio network connections. Through various emergency communications training programs we will be trying to incorporate information to help local hams to be the people in their community who deploy these high-speed microwave radio networks on demand.

The primary means by which an amateur can become immediately involved today in HSMM microwave radio networking research is by adapting off the shelf IEEE 802.11 gear to operating within Amateur Radio regulations. This equipment is also known as WiFi equipment, and is commonly available at computer equipment retailers. As sold, the equipment operates in the 2.4 GHz ISM bands under Part 15 rules. The 802.11b standard (more on that later) was developed about six years ago for the purpose of providing a wireless alternative for office LAN installations. This wireless capability was to allow office LANs to be deployed without the expense and nuisance of running CAT5 cable to each computer. Due to the increase of homes with multiple computers, as well as rapidly falling price points for WiFi equipment, WiFi hardware has had a significant penetration into the home market place. In fact, in a recent CQ survey (?What You Have Told Us,? CQ, September 2003, p.40), 8% of the respondents reported already using some kind of wireless networking, so there is already a growing understanding of the technology within the amateur ranks. A number of Livingston County amateurs already use WiFi in their homes.

The equipment as purchased has significant operating limits. Due to the Part 15 operating rules, power is severely curtailed. Remember, just like cordless phones, this hardware has to allow uncoordinated operation of many unlicensed devices with minimal interference. In addition, many users of this technology adopted it because it allowed unencumbered connectivity for a laptop computer. By nature of the fact that a laptop is battery powered, most client cards offer only a small fraction of the power authorized under Part 15 rules in order to maximize battery life.

Depending on your needs, as an amateur neither of these considerations is a limit on your use of the WiFi technology. While a system as sold may have a range of only 50 to 100 feet, proper setup of a system under amateur regulations can provide coverage far in excess of that distance. In fact, one of our HSMM Working Group?s test networks, called the Hinternet in Livingston County Michigan, can easily do 5-15 miles ranges at speeds of up to 54 Mbit/s (half-duplex) using small mastmounted dish antennas in conjunction with offthe- shelf consumer-grade hardware.

<<Getting Started In HSMM Microwave Radio >>
Getting operational with this equipment is a bit more complex than going to Universal Radio(r), buying an HF, VHF, or UHF rig and going home and connecting a key, microphone and antenna. Because this is data radio local area network (RLAN) equipment, it expects to be communicating with a computer, or more precisely with software running on a computer. So you first must decide what interfaces you are going to need to connect to your computer. Luckily, equipment is available for all the standard computer interfaces: Ethernet, USB, and PCMCIA.

If you use a laptop in your station, get the PCMCIA card. We recommend the type with an external antenna connection.

If you have a PC, get the WLAN (Wireless LAN) adaptor type that plugs into either the USB port or the RJ45 Ethernet port. Select the one best suited to your computer and your experimentation.

This is the heart of your new microwave digital radio station. It is a computer-operated HSMM 2.4 GHz microwave radio transceiver and it will probably set you back about $60-$80. It is usually easier if you start off teaming up with another ham radio operator living nearby and do your initial testing in the same room together. Then as you increase distances going toward your separate station locations, you can coordinate using a suitable local FM simplex frequency. The most often-used HSMM microwave voice coordinating frequency is 446.00 MHz, the National Simplex FM Calling Frequency for the 70cm band

Go to the local OfficeMax (r), Radio Shack (r), ABC Warehouse (r), or other consumer electronics outlet and purchase some economical and readily available wireless local area network (WLAN) devices. We recommend that you select devices that state they comply with IEEE 802.11b and are WiFi compatible. Because these devices are made by numerous manufacturers each using different techniques to achieve the same thing, there were initial complaints about interoperability between devices of different manufacture. An industry group known as the WiFi Consortium, was formed to provide

testing and certification of 802.11b devices. If the equipment is WiFi certified, it will interoperate with any other WiFi certified equipment, thus easing your initial installation and troubleshooting by assuring that device compatibility is not the root cause of a start-up problem. These devices operate on 2.4 GHz band using direct sequence spread spectrum (DSSS) with CDMA modulation at speeds up to 2 Mbit/s and complementary code keying (CCK) modulation for speeds of 5.5 and 11 Mbit/s. Operating speed is automatically selected by the equipment based upon signal to noise and signal strength of the operating channel. These 802.11b devices are usually the least expensive, are the easiest to work with, and offer the good propagation.

For a slightly additional expense, purchase the newer IEEE 802.11g devices. 802.11g is a relatively new standard that increases the speed of the channel from 11 Mbit/s maximum to 54 Mbit/s maximum. They also operate on the same 2.4 GHz frequencies, but use a form of modulation called orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM) to achieve the higher data rates. OFDM requires significantly more signal strength and signal to noise ratio in order to achieve 54 Mbit/s throughput but appears to tolerate multipath effects caused by radio signal reflections better than CCK modulation, so it may offer better propagation characteristics in certain cases.

When purchasing your equipment, there are a few things to be aware of. First, make certain the supplied rubber duck antenna(s) are removable and/or there is an external antenna port. If the device does not have an external antenna connection, check Don Rotolo?s (N2IRZ) article in the February 2003 CQ for details on how to modify the device. Second, look at the radio specifications for the device. The transmit power and receive sensitivity varies widely among devices. Try to buy a device with the best (highest power and lowest receive sensitivity) specifications. The best generally available equipment has 100 mW (20 dBm) transmit power and -93 dBm receive sensitivity at 11 Mbit/s, while the poorest specs are 25 mW (13 dBm) transmit power and -87 dBm receive sensitivity at 11 Mbit/s.

Radio at these frequencies behaves the same as radio at any other: a 6-dB power increase will double effective range. Here we?re dealing with a 12 dB advantage of the higher performance equipment versus the lower. In a small Part 15 home WLAN the difference is probably not noticeable. For our purposes operating longer distances under Amateur Radio regulations, a 12 dB difference is critical, and can make the difference between successful experimentation and frustration and failure.

If the device does have an external antenna connection, then go to any issue of CQ Magazine and look up Nemal Electronics(r), CableXperts(r), or other cable supply source and order an 18?- 24? strain relief cable, also called a pig tail. Order the type of pigtail needed for your device. It will probably cost less than $20. If you purchased a PCMCIA card, the pigtail will have a strange looking miniature antenna connector at one end, and should have a normal N-series connector at the other.

The first thing you will need to do is install the device in your computer. If you are using a PCMCIA or USB device you will need to install drivers. If you are using a device with an RJ-45 Ethernet interface, no drivers are needed for the device, but there are drivers needed for the Ethernet port in the computer. Additionally, there will be a method to communicate with this device for configuration. The included directions will explain how to accomplish this.

After you load up the software drivers on your PC, you will have two choices for configuring the equipment: ad-hoc and infrastructure mode. For now, set the device for ?ad hoc? mode, and set it to any channel between 2 and 5 (they?re in the correct portion of the amateur band). If all is operating correctly, the two cards (yours and your buddy?s) should see each other and set up a communication session. Once the cards are talking, you can share files between the two computers in the same manner as if the computers were hardwired together on a LAN.

Once you have the cards tested and know you have a connection between them, it?s time to add the outdoor antennas and see what distances you can achieve between the two devices. Hook up any external commercial (e.g., Comet (r)) or home-brew 2.4 GHz antenna. Shop around where the AMSATOSCAR- 40 guys buy their Mode-S antennas for some good designs. Keep in mind, the higher the gain of the directional antenna, the smaller the main lobe will be, so aiming a high gain antenna will be more critical than aiming a low gain one. Most 802.11 equipment has a utility included that shows signal strength and signal-to-noise ratio. Using this utility to monitor signal strength as you aim your antenna will be of great assistance in finding the optimal aiming direction. Remember these antennas are directional in both horizontal and vertical planes, so you have to carefully aim in both azimuth and elevation to get optimum signal at the receiver.

Another thing to keep in mind is coax. Coaxial cable losses at these frequencies are enormous. Don?t even try to use RG8 cable to connect between the device and antenna. You will need to purchase the best coax you can afford in order to keep line losses minimized. In fact, the antenna coaxial cable will likely be the most expensive part of the entire station, as you will want to use the lowest loss type you can handle, e.g. LMR-400, etc.

That?s all there is to it. Best of all, you may not have spent more than $100 so far, depending on what antenna hardware you have around.

Now point your antennas at each other, and fire away. At these power levels there is not much concern for RF safety, but if you are using a high-gain antenna, it is recommended you avoid standing directly in front of the business end while on the air.

<<HSMM Identification Methods >>
Do remember that it?s your responsibility to properly identify your station during use. In the mode you are presently in, the ad hoc or direct station-to-station mode, the most common technique is to simply ID in-mode, i.e. if you transmitting voice, simply speak your call sign into the microphone. If you are transmitting video, just hold a QSL card up to the camera. Or, you can send a ping containing your call sign. Remember that as

long as the RIC is operating, even with no traffic, the system is transmitting!

<<Antennas >>
Depending on how close your ham buddy is to your location, how high and clear over the trees your antennas are (2.4 GHz doesn?t go through trees very well), the quality of the coaxial cable you are using, and many other factors, you should be able to get several miles range. Remember, these HSMM microwave radio devices are truly QRP and run only about 30-100 mW of RF output, so be resourceful and experiment often with different antennas. Antennas are the easiest method of improving range. Each dB of antenna gain adds to the effective power and sensitivity of the radio. Let?s assume you have a radio with 25 mW of transmit power. Attaching a 3-dB gain external antenna (assuming no line loss) will increase the effective radiated power to 50 mW. A 30-dB gain dish antenna will increase the effective radiated power to a full 25 Watts! Antennas at these frequencies can have large gains in small packages, and can be easily used to achieve large increases in coverage.

If your signals are not covering the path between you and the nearest other HSMM microwave radio station, then open a copy of any edition of the ARRL Handbook and read the sections on antennas, transmission lines and UHF propagation. Consider putting the antennas higher, getting or building higher gain antennas, using lower-loss coaxial cable, etc., until the link is achieved.

You may also find a way to mount you gear at the antenna, and avoid the expense and loss of coaxial cable, too. This is another reason to consider devices that have Ethernet output. Standard CAT5 Ethernet cable can be run up to 300 feet with no loss. In comparison, USB can only be run 9 feet without a signal booster being installed. By using an Ethernet-based device, it is easy to remotely mount the unit close to the antenna and run cheap CAT5 cable back to your computer.

<<Running Higher Power >>
Using higher power in HSMM microwave radio is a last resort. It is a sound operating practice to run the minimum power needed to maintain the communications. Be considerate of others who may be using the band, both amateur and nonamateur. Use only the minimum power needed for the link.

If the link analysis (see the link calculations portion of www.arrl.org/hsmm/) clearly indicates that additional power is required, then what is usually needed is a bi-directional amplifier (BDA). This is a super fast switching pre-amplifier/ amplifier combination that is mounted at the end of the antenna pigtail near the top of the tower or mast. A reasonably priced 2.4 GHz 1.8 watt output BDA is available from the FAB Corporation (www.fab-corp.com) specifically for HSMM microwave Amateur Radio experimenters. This additional power output should be sufficient for nearly all amateur operations, even those supporting emergency communications which may require more robust link signal margins than normally needed by amateurs. Because of strict Part 15 regulations prohibiting the use of such

devices by unlicensed individuals, a copy of your amateur license will be required with your order and the shipment will only be made to the address in the FCC database.

<<HSMM Microwave Radio Repeaters >>
The next step up the functionality ladder is to add a ?repeater? to your system. More properly called wireless hubs or access points (AP), this device will allow several Amateur Radio microwave stations to share the network (and all the devices and circuits connected to it). An 802.11b AP will sell for about $100 and 802.11g AP for about $140. The AP acts as a central collection point for traffic, and can be connected to a single computer or to a network. It can also be used to allow several amateurs to share one high-speed Internet connection. The AP is provided with an ESSID, which is the name it broadcasts. For our purposes, the ESSID can be set as your call sign, thus providing automatic, constant identification. To use an AP in your network, the computer users have to exit ad-hoc mode and enter infrastructure mode. Infrastructure mode requires you to specify who the network the device belongs to. This is what the ESSID does: identify the AP to its users, so the users can find the home system they belong to. Set your computer device to recognize the ESSID you assigned to your AP.

The AP can also be used as one end of a pointto- point network. For example, if you wanted to extend a network connection from one location to another, you could use an AP at the network end and use it to communicate to a computer at a remote location.

Using an AP allows more features and security than provided by ad-hoc mode. For example, most APs provide DHCP service, so they will automatically assign an IP address to the computers connected to the network. In addition, they provide filtering that allows only known users to access the network.

What frequency do you set on the AP? The HSMM Working Group recommends to everyone that they avoid using channel 1 (center frequency of 2412 MHz). Use of this channel may cause interference to the AMSAT-OSCAR 40 satellite downlinks. The WG also recommends that Amateur Radio stations avoid the use of channel 6 (center frequency of 2437 MHz). This is the most common default frequency used by the majority (80 %?) of Part 15 unlicensed stations for wireless local area networks (WLAN). At present, the most popular frequency used by Amateur Radio microwave stations for HSMM research is 2427 MHz (channel 4).

Note: If you use an HSMM microwave repeater to share high-speed access to the Internet, don?t forget Amateur Radio content restrictions, e.g. no porn, no commercial business e-mails, etc. Don?t worry about pop-up ads. Pop-up ads, although a nuisance, are no more illegal than an ATV station transmitting an outdoor scene inadvertently picking-up a billboard in the station camera.

<<HSMM Software >>
For operating software, most amateurs are using Microsoft (r) NetMeeting collaborative software, which comes free with the Microsoft Windows (r) operating system. Other forms of open source groupware using Linux are also

popular. Try using OpenH323 or Speak Freely. By connecting a microphone to the audio input of your soundcard, you can have digital voice QSOs. By connecting an inexpensive digital camera ($20) you can do digital video QSOs. These are not the same quality as the usual ATV contacts, but the equipment is much less expensive! (HI)

<<HSMM Traffic >>
How do you keep Part 15 unlicensed traffic from accidentally using your Part 97 licensed HSMM network? A traffic separation technique that is considered acceptable involves the use of WEP (wired equivalent protection)...not for encryption, but for authentication. If you use this approach under Part 97, therefore, you must publish the WEP key. We recommend that you ask that your HSMM repeater?s WEP key be published on the HSMM web page (www.arrl.org/hsmm/), or simply use the amateur common WEP key already designated on that web page. Again, the WEP is used to avoid the accidental mixing of Part 15 and Part 97 traffic, i.e. authentication, NOT encryption. Another approach gaining in popularity with many HSMM microwave stations is the use of 44 domain IP (Internet Protocol) addresses, which are only available to the Amateur Radio service.

<<Proposed HSMM Network Infrastructure >>
The HSMM Working Group is following a systems engineering approach toward the development of a nation-wide Amateur Radio HSMM network, as directed by their ARRL charter.

Although the initial draft of the proposed HSMM Network Infrastructure, also affectionately know as the Hinternet, has not yet been approved by the HSMM Working Group and subsequently opened for public comment, we can discuss here some of its planned key provisions.

One key element of the infrastructure specification and design is linking fixed emergency communications (EMCOMM) sites in a metropolitan area that will be utilized in emergency settings. This entails fixed path links, accessible by the target endpoints solely. Another element of the infrastructure planning is creating an integrated network of these point-to-point links, so that they are useful. Having a link between two sites is wonderful, but not too useful when there are 20 sites that need to communicate. To achieve this linking, we anticipate using conventional Ethernet switches (not hubs!) to interconnect the wireless devices at node points, and we incorporate good RF practice in spatial and frequency diversity (different channels, changes in polarization, good horizontal and vertical separation) to achieve multiple links from a single site. One consideration in all of these links: We are recommending high-gain dish-style antennas, rather than omni directional antennas at the node sites. These antennas are readily available for less than $100 with antenna gains in excess of 20 dBi. Both horizontal and vertical polarizations are available from most manufacturers.

Not all sites will require ?full bandwidth? links to them. To accommodate the ?last mile? links where 2.4-GHz spread spectrum might not serve, other alternatives, such as high-speed packet (56 kbit/s, or modem-speeds) or the

Icom D-Star(r) system might serve well. Other alternatives, such as Virtual Private Networks (VPNs) across the existing, wired Internet may offer routine interconnection, while not necessarily being EMCOMM-capable or acceptably redundant.

In linking over longer distances, infrastructure considerations are more challenging. Here, almost certainly, we will consider Internet VPN links between established metropolitan networks. But this is only the beginning. Exciting experimentation is already going on within the HSMM Working Group.

<<Recommendations >>
Amateurs of all license classes are encouraged, to get on the air with inexpensive HSMM microwave radio using 802.11 off-the-shelf gear operating under amateur regulations. It is easy, low-cost spread spectrum microwave radio experimentation. For more details and for the latest developments on all these initiatives, check out the link to HSMM WG open reflector at Texas A&M University at http://listserv.tamu.edu/archives/arrl- 80211b.html or send e-mail to n5jxs@....

<<Suggested Reading >>
Building Wireless Community Networks, by Rob Flickenger. The latest 2003 edition may be purchased from ARRL Publication Sales Department, 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111-1494, USA,Phone Toll-Free (US) 1- 888-277-5289 (Outside US) +1-860-594-0355 (www.arrl.org/catalog/cathelp.html)

<<Biography >>
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For more info on High-Speed Digital Networks and Multimedia:
http://www.arrl.org/hsmm/
http://www.arrl.org/hsmm/links.html

Interesting related URLs
http://www.magicbike.net/
http://www.qsl.net/n9zia/
http://www.qsl.net/kb9mwr/projects/wireless/plan.html

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1703. The New Commitee

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-07 13:19:38 UTC
From: vusarla
Topic: 1703 Message: 1703

At the outset, there was this very interesting mail sent to my other email address which I have cut and pasted below:
Hi all martians,

First of all CONGRATULATIONS to the new MANAGING COMITTEE MEMBERS

This comes to your way after the Annual General Meeting of the society which was held on Saturday the 1st of May,at S.S Hall, Garware Pavilion Churchgate, Mumbai.The attendance of 72+ was not at all encouraging. Members from outside Mumbai were not expected much, but even local members did not attend the meeting for various reasons of their own.

Altough nominations were invited from 104 eligible members to elect the members for the Managing Committee, but unfortunately only 2 members [VU2 HIT & VU2 RIO] had filed the nominations till the due date, & then at the eleventh hour some of the members had to be provoked to file the nomination so as to climb the magic number of seven.[7]

Are members os indifferent & negilient to the running of their own society that they are unwilling even to propose their names for serving on the Managing Committee ?. With the forth coming HAM FEST 2004 ,which will be hosted by M A R S , this is'nt at all a good & healthy picture .

And finally, was waiting from some one from the new Managing Committee to anounce about the names & designations of office bearers on the mail, but was again disappointed !!!!!!!!!
So here's the info for those were not present for the meeting ###

Chairman : HUZEFA MERCHANT (VU2 HIT) Secretary : MEHUL CHOVATIA (VU2 ICQ)
Treasurer :PRASHANT KOLI (VU2 CBU) Member : ARUNSINGH RAWAT (VU3 AUA)
Member : PANKAJ PASAT (VU2 RIO) Member : ANISH KORDE (VU2 OZO)
Member : KAPIL CHANDANI (VU2 MIG)

Once again wishing ALL THE BEST & EVERY SUCESS to the new Managing Committee

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de MICKY [VU2 IZO]

I think the business of people not coming forward to contest for posts exists in all kinds of societies, big and small. We are no exception. Cajoling, requesting, bullying are all done only on D day. In my experience of Ham clubs all over the world, the scene is similar. But it always works out in the end. So instead of berating and giving a dressing down, I think we should look forward not backward.
MARS is in the capable hands of Mehul and co who are great guys and I am sure will do a damned good job. I am sure in the next election, VU2IZO Mickeyji will be the first to send in his nomination and be a fitting example for the rest to follow.
Cheers guys and all the best,
Sarla

1704. Monthly meeting for May 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-07 15:51:15 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1704 Message: 1704

Hello,

Pls note that the monthly meeting will be held at Bengallee Girls high school between 10 to 12 am. Points to be discussed as follows:

1. Portfolios of new Managing Committee.
2. Issues discussed and decisions of Managing Committe meeting.
3. HAMFEST update.
4. Any other points with the persmission of chair.

Thnks,

Mehul
Secretary - MARS.

1705. New Managing Committee

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-08 02:39:39 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 1701 Message: 1705

Hello Everybody,
Congratulations to all NEW MEMBERS, WISH YOU GOOD LUCK.
With best wishes,
73,
Basappa Arabole
VU2NXM

Yahoo! India Matrimony: Find your partner online.

1706. Happy Birthday - VU2ICQ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-08 04:49:44 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1168 Message: 1706
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MARS wishes its Founder Life Member & Secretary MEHUL CHOVATIA - VU2ICQ a very happy birthday.

1707. Happy Birthday - Sachin Tupe

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-08 04:51:07 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1169 Message: 1707
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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

MARS wishes its Member SACHIN TUPE - GRADE - I a very happy birthday.

1708. RE: [m_a_r_s] The New Commitee

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-10 15:34:28 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1703 Message: 1708

Dear Sarla.

Thanks for the attention.

Actually while asking others about the reason of not coming forward

to contest in the elections, it simply missed out of my mind to mention

about my commitment for HAMFEST 2004.

Being busy with morning QTH it would have been quite impossible

to attend all the meetings of h/fest as well as of the society & hence

did not file the nomanition, but surely will be the first to do so in the

next year & promise to meet your expections in future.!!!!!!!

73's

de MICKY [VU2 IZO]

from: "vusarla"

>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] The New Commitee
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Post Classifieds on MSN classifieds. Buy and Sell on MSN Classifieds.
(http://g.msn.com/8HMBENIN/2734??PS=47575)

1709. Hamfest 2004 Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-12 14:05:47 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1709 Message: 1709
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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

The hamfest India 2004 monthly meeting will be held on Sunday 16th May 2004 at 10:00 AM Sharp at B.S.Bengelle Girls School, Churchgate.

All members part of the Hamfest Team are requested to attend the meeting on time, Members who could not attend the meeting on 2nd May 2004 are specially requested to attend on this Sunday without fail.

Appropriate work assignments will be allocated to you on this Sunday. It time to rock and roll....!!!

Looking forward to having an eyeball with you,

73

VU2NLF, Convener hamfest India 2004.

1710. HAMVENTION 2004 - Dayton Ohio May 14th to 16th, 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-13 16:17:07 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 1710 Message: 1710

Dear Ham Friends,

It would be a great occation for me to attend the Worlds' Biggest Hamvention at Dayton, Ohio, USA on May 14th to 16th 2004.

Surely on behalf of all the Hams in India I would be inviting all the Hams/SWL out here to visit India, especially for the forthcoming Hamfest India 2004. Anticipate and Wish that Mumbai hams join hand and make it the wonderful, memoriable, well organised event.

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
First Paid delegate of HFI 2004

Life Member of Mumbai Amateur Radio Society MARS.

1711. NEEDS GOOD CATERORS TEL NUMBERS FOR HAMFEST 2004.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-15 04:42:18 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1711 Message: 1711

dear vu2nlf
my presence will be there at 10 am at bengalli school

also all those memebers of mars who have a telphone number of a good known VEG.CATEROR to you or your family or friends WHO COULD HELP US WITHT HE HAMFEST MEALS please bring their telphone number on sunday during the hamfest meeting

THANK YOU
VU2ZRS

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...>
Date: Wednesday, May 12, 2004 7:35 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Hamfest 2004 Monthly Meeting

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mumbai 2
tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

1712. RE: [m_a_r_s] Hamfest 2004 Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-15 13:23:31 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 1709 Message: 1712

dear nlf,

I cannot attend the meeting on sunday2nd may as my exams are starting
from tuesday, please excuse me for the same. As soon as my exams get over i
will join you'll. Once again sorry for the same.

de vu3sob

>From: vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>CC: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com, mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Hamfest 2004 Monthly Meeting
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1713. FW: height of suicide

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-15 15:29:17 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1713 Message: 1713

>From: Nikhil P Pimputkar
>Reply-To: nikhil333@...
>To: Rahul Agaskar , Amit Ashinkar , Surya Narayana Ayyagari , Santosh Babar , Prasad Bartake , "Samrat (Chinese) Barve" , BONY , Rangin Chakravarty , Monica D'Souza , Mugdha R Damle , Pushkar Deshpande , Supriya Deshpande , DOCTOR , Kapil Garg , Kranti J , Sudir Jagdale , Rakesh Jain , Jeetu , Milind A Jeurkar , Chirag A Joshi , Pushkar Joshi , Zahid Kably , Amit Kalyani , Mrunali Kamat , Kailas karandikar , Atanu Karmakar , Vikas Khot , Harshavardhan Kidyoor , Mandar Capt Kodnikar , Milind Korde , Amit S Kute , Anjana Lal , Navin Majumdar , Arpit Mathur , Rajesh Mathur , Mayur , Sandeep Menon , Geeta Muddebihalkar , Gaurav S Nabar , Vaibhav Nakhwa , Vilas G Nalawade , Deepak Nawkar , N P P , Chaitali Palit , Surendra Panaskar , Abhijit Pansare , Abhay Paranjape , Yogesh Patankar , Ratnakar Pati , Arvind P Patil , Narendra Patil , Siddharth Phadke , Nikhil Sudhakar Pimputkar , Abhijit Sane , Savs , Samir M Sayyad , Devang K Shah , Nikhil S Sheth , Neelesh Sule , Lalit Suryavanshi , Ajay Takle , Amit Takle , Milind Talathi , Chaitanya S Tipnis , Supriya Vaidya
>Subject: height of suicide
>Date: Sat, 15 May 2004 08:07:30 -0700 (PDT)
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1714. Email Virus

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-17 06:30:23 UTC
From: harshvardhan_k
Topic: 1714 Message: 1714

Hello All,

It has come to my attention that my email address has
been used to send email containing virus attachment.
Please do not open any email which has non-relevant
subjects and attachments (such as PIF). Please use
caution when dealing with such emails.

Regards,

Harsh Vardhan

1715. Finally the last of the tickets arrive.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-18 08:32:02 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1715 Message: 1715
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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

Almost all the students from our batch of 2002 who have cleared their ASOC exams have received their tickets. Some were little unlucky and their tickets were pending due to some missing papers. The wait is finally over...

ABHAY SHAH - VU2AIH

TIRANDAZ IRANI - VU2TPI

ZORBEN ZEND - VU2ZED

ZUTHUN ZEND - VU2ZAR

MRUTYUNJAY HIREMATH - VU2CIK

LABHESH MORE - VU2EGO

MOHAMMED BHANVADWALA - VU2GYM

SACHIN TUPE - VU2EST.

Any students who have cleared in batch 2002 and still have not received his/her ticket may please contact me directly on 98205-27074 ASAP.

More than 60 tickets have been issued to the students of batch 2002, but unfortunately just about 3/4 students have come on air. Many a times I wonder, if all this is worth the efforts put in by MARS ??

Many who are part of Ham Radio Classes are not very convinced to continue any further classes in future.. The inefficiency and lack of interest in new call sign holders is going to cost the future prospective hams..

In fact the batch 2003 students have already suffered, their police enquiry has still not come.. You guys can't even imagine how much follow up is required to move your papers.. Frankly lack of interest by all the new callsign holders and some recent QRM on our E - Group, effected my enthusiasm to push the paper work of our last batches.. resulting into disaster... all the papers have come back to mumbai due to some technical problem and EGO problems between the Mumbai (monitoring Station) and WPC Delhi... Since all the staff has changed so its back to square one..!

The goods news is we are again on track, we have renewed our relations with the WPC and we are coordinating with the new officers to expedite our matter at the earliest, you can see we have cleared all the pending licences.. very soon the enquire will come... But you guys must show some interest.. We are no robots, we cannot keep on working when we get no good

response...

The repeater project is also still pending for the same reason, A lot effort is required, but we wonder if it going to be worth it... will people put them to use.. ??? or are we wasting time and money ???

Anyway I am still optimistic about the future of Ham Radio in Mumbai, Regardless weather I am on the MC or not I will continue to do my pushing so not to worry...

73

NLF

1716. HAMSAT from India - an article by W5ACM in QST June 2004 issue

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-18 13:01:57 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 1716 Message: 1716

Dear Friends,

In the Official Journal of ARRL June 2004 issue there is a page article on HAMSAT From India by Andrew C MacAllister W5ACM.

Lucky for me as I got this QST Magazine from ARRL Stall in Dayton Hamvention.

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Paid Life Member of Amsat India.

1717. 53rd Dayton Hamvention - A grand Success

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-18 13:20:18 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 1717 Message: 1717

Dear Friends of MARS,

The Worlds Biggest Ham Radio Event - DAYTON HAMVENTION May 14th to 16th was a very grand event, I was very lucky to attend this and only other ham I met from VU_land was VU2LID who has W_Land callsign and settled down in USA.

Those who are planning to visit USA or going to be in USA - do note down these dates to attend
54th Dayton Hamvention (R) - May 20th to 22nd, 2005 (also it will be the 75th Dayton Amateur Radio Association's 75th Year !!)

May 19th to 21st, 2006 and May 18th to 20th, 2007 are Future Dayton Hamvention (R) Dates already announced !!!

If someone is interested in knowing the size of this venue - 165000 Sq Ft with 7000 Car parking Space and more than 25 Thousand Hams visiting from all parts of USA and world. Do keep checking the website http://www.hamvention.org

Waiting for Mumbai Boys to put up the dates and webpage for the forthcoming Hamfest India 2004 inviting the DX Hams to visit our country.

Best of 73's

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM

Registered Delegate # 1 of HFI 2004 still
Holidaying in Birmingham / Exeter at UK

1718. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 749

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-20 18:13:34 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1718 Message: 1718

Hi! Friends

As always I say good work MARS.

I will be at Mumbai from 24th may to 14th June. Have taken out bit more time to spend with my friends. My XYL still angry for not being able to make it last time ie in Jan.

I look forward to lots of eyeball and simply good fun.

And yes I will be QRV on 2Mts.

73

Rahul VU3WJM

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:

There are 3 messages in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

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Yahoo! Domains - Claim yours for only $14.70/year

1719. Fw: Want to know about HaM radio in Pune

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-22 05:03:46 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 1719 Message: 1719

Hi YLs and OMs,

Is there some reliable society that I can refer my friend from Pune to?

73
de VU2NHR
(Nirav)

> Hi Nirav
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> I am Mandar Palsule from Pune.
> I want to become an amateur HaM operator.
> What should I do?
> Which exam do I have to give?
> What syllabus do I have to prepare?
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> I am currently doing engineering(3rd year)in
> Electronics & Telecommunications.
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> Please do help.
> Looking forward to HaM with you.
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> Mandar(man_palsule@...)

1720. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fw: Want to know about HaM radio in Pune

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-22 08:12:51 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1719 Message: 1720

dear vu2nhr
vu2wet is a life memeber of MARS and is active in pune on vhf . he would be able to guide you on ham activity and etc in pune
tel no . farooq irani ... vu2wet .... 09422003566(cell) or 952026362463(off)
take care
thanks for the the third wave products .

vu2zrs
----- Original Message -----
From: Nirav <niravsanghavi@...>
Date: Saturday, May 22, 2004 10:33 am
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1721. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-22 15:20:59 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1721 Message: 1721

To all Martians,

GOOD NEWS TO U ALL,

Had a QSO on 144.200 with VU2 NLF at 10.45 after the Night Owl's Net was over.

He has promised to put on the REPETERS at all the three places i.e; at South Bombay

[NLF's QTH] , North Bombay [KIB'QTH] & Tarangan [Thane] by this Thursday or

at least by this month end . [I am keeping my fingers crossed & hoping for the best]

So with all these three REPETERS coming up all u OM's XYL's & YL's who have

recived their tickets up till now should try u r level best to install u r antennas, procure

u r rigs o r handies & come on AIR as early as possible,if not immediately or as the pains

taken by OM NLF will all go in vain.

Also a request to all the Managing Comittee Members to check in at the

N. O. Net. Two or three per day if not all, At least up till the HAM FEST.

73's

de MICKY [VU2 IZO]

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1722. CONGRATES TO VU2 NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-22 19:39:54 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1722 Message: 1722

CONGRATS

VU2 NLF

GREAT JOB DONE OF REPITORS

HATS OF TO U. THANKS A LOT

ON BEHALF OF ALL MARTIANS

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1723. Re: [mars_academy_2003]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-23 16:35:18 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1723 Message: 1723

Seriously if ticket holders dont come on air we SWLS will start comming on air. Aap nahi aate to kumse kum hame to aane do.. ;) :)

Getting a repeater 'up' is no joke. That too THREE! This time resp. NLF has managed the electronix all by himself.....I wish i was free to put in my bits...but seriously guys IF some one is taking so much pain n effort for no self gain we can atleast do some good by using the repeater.

atleast once in 2-3 days..

73's

ANKUR PURANIK

P.S: currently the south repeater is working on 144.200 + SHIFT (600KC)

mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com wrote:

To all Martians,

GOOD NEWS TO U ALL,

Had a QSO on 144.200 with VU2 NLF at 10.45 after the Night Owl's Net was over.

He has promised to put on the REPETERS at all the three places i.e; at South Bombay

[NLF's QTH] , North Bombay [KIB'QTH] & Tarangan [Thane] by this Thursday or

at least by this month end . [I am keeping my fingers crossed & hoping for the best]

So with all these three REPETERS coming up all u OM's XYL's & YL's who have

recived their tickets up till now should try u r level best to install u r antennas, procure

u r rigs o r handies & come on AIR as early as possible,if not immediately or as the pains

taken by OM NLF will all go in vain.

Also a request to all the Managing Comittee Members to check in at the

N. O. Net. Two or three per day if not all, At least up till the HAM FEST.

73's

de MICKY [VU2 IZO]

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1724. correction

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-23 16:41:39 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1724 Message: 1724

the current south bombay repeater freq is 144.100 Mhz + SHIFT (600 KC)

sorry for the inconv.

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1725. HEARTIEST CONGRATS TO...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-23 16:38:46 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1725 Message: 1725

HEARTIEST CONGRATS TO ALL THE NEW VU2'S & VU3'S

HAPPY HAMMING

73'S

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1726. Re: [m_a_r_s] (unknown)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-24 09:11:23 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1721 Message: 1726

Thanks Nilesh and Group for putting up the repeaters.
You have kept your promise.

Now it's time - All Martians - Kudh ko Jagao Aur
Khabar mey Soye huwe murdoko bhi jagao - Yeh hamara
Farze hai. Let's call up cold hams to be on air.

Good luck

73's

JPN

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1727. VHF repeaters.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-24 12:22:07 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1727 Message: 1727
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

The South Mumbai Repeater and the Andheri repeater are up and working. both have been connected back to back, meaning they are interconnected and NOT stand alone, you may access any repeater and work all the stations.

All licenced hams are requested to use the repeater closer to you and not unnessesary try to access the repeater further from you. Use your local repeater. for example you are at Santacruz then you trigger the Andheri repeater and NOT the south Mumbai Repeater. Members in south mumbai may access the Local repeater and NOT the Andheri repeater...

Very Shortly the Thane Repeater will also be up and operational... in the meantime Thane and Mulund Hams may access the repeater best suitable to them (Andheri or South Mumbai) ...

The Repeater freqencies are as follows :-

South Mumbai - 144.100 Mhz + 600Hz (Operational) (LAN)

Andheri - 144.200 Mhz + 600Hz (Operational) (LAN)

Thane - 144.300 Mhz + 600 Hz (Operational by 30/05/2004) (LAN)

Matheran - 144.000 Mhz + 600Hz (Operational by (30/06/2004) (WAN)

Echo Link - 144.500 Simplex. (Operational by 30/07/2004) (DX) .. if there is Demand..!!!!

All Hams are therefore requested NOT to use the 144 Mhz Band for simplex operations.. .....You may use the 145 Mhz band for simplex operations..

These Repeater are for you, make use of them.....

73

NLF

1728. Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF repeaters.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-25 14:00:25 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1727 Message: 1728

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Hi Nilesh,

Appreciate your efforts for the HAM fraternity and will be happy to see a lot of HAMs on air now (including myself).

Request all the Mumbai HAMs to utilise the repeaters and increase the activity. Surely this innovative design will be one of its kind in the world.

73s,

Mehul
Secretary - MARS

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com ; mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, May 24, 2004 5:52 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] VHF repeaters.

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1729. Re: VHF repeaters

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-26 05:22:21 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 1729 Message: 1729

Great job and loud applause for NLF and team.

Yesterday from the lowly rubber duck and a boxed-in QTH (my two-storey building is surrounded by 7-8+ storeyed 'blocks' from all sides and I live on the 1st floor), I triggered the South Mumbai version of the new repeater and I was reading all IZO, MWH, PDN and even one more person very clearly - a landmark considering their QTHs in distance from mine and my poor location. I just had a case of battery failure soon enough.

Congrats again - let the good times last!

NLF this reminds me to joke - I hope you can complete on your own...(else scroll down)

"Knock, Knock!"
"Who's there?"
"Peter"
"Peter who?"
....

Repeater, silly.

73
de VU2NHR.

1730. Get started the right way on the most popular mode among new ham radio operators

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-26 11:12:13 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1730 Message: 1730

Get started the right way on the most popular mode among new ham radio operators.

By Brian Battles, WS1O

Everyone is new to something. As a licensed Amateur Radio operator, you're probably familiar with (and eager to use) local FM repeaters. Don't grab that mike and start talking just yet, though. Because many hams don't have proficient, seasoned Elmers to help them learn the ropes, we'll try to help you start off on the right foot with this article.

Most radio amateurs don't make a fuss over issues of etiquette and protocol, but hams are protective and proud of the courteous operating procedures that have become standards. You may bump into an occasional ill-mannered character who appears inclined to criticize or ridicule a newcomer, but take it in stride. The most skillful radio amateurs are those who display tolerance and encourage the efforts of newcomers. As with any established pursuit, it's best to avoid the embarrassment of making gross faux pas in public by simply taking the time to learn the customs and practices accepted and expected by more experienced participants.

Getting Acquainted with the Machines

Hams often call a repeater a machine. A repeater is an Amateur Radio station designed to receive signals on one frequency and simultaneously retransmit them on another. Because they receive and transmit on different frequencies, they can do so simultaneously. To use a repeater, you operate your transceiver in the split mode. You listen to the repeater's output frequency and transmit on its input. Because its receiver is separate from its transmitter, a repeater is a duplex device. That means signals go into and out of it at the same time.

Another term you'll hear is simplex, which just means direct, two-way ham-to-ham communication. It's always better to operate simplex than to use a repeater, if possible. The ideal practice is for repeaters to be used only as a secondary means of communicating if your equipment isn't able to maintain direct contact with another station. The agreed-upon national simplex frequencies are 146.52, 223.50, 446.0, 906.5 and 1294.5 MHz.

A repeater is usually located in a high place where it can be easily heard by users over a wide area. The idea is to extend the reach of hand-held and mobile transceivers that normally have limited, line-of-sight range.

To use FM repeaters. you need to know the frequencies of the machines in your area. Local hams can provide information about repeater activity. Check with members of a local club. Ask the Volunteer Examiners who administered your license test. Once you find a repeater to use, resist the urge to transmit immediately. Listen to it for a while and familiarize yourself with its operating procedures and etiquette.

Courtesy is the Key

The key to success on the air is described by one word: Courtesy. There's no other way to explain how hundreds of thousands of ladies and gentlemen can share the same radio frequencies worldwide with a minimum of interference and conflict. An attentive. courteous operator is welcome anywhere. If you keep courtesy at the front of your mind. you'll rarely have difficulty on the air. Before making your first transmission in the world of FM and repeater communication, however, you should also be aware of basic operating techniques. These vary slightly with local custom, but here are some general suggested procedures:

There are no laws or national rules regarding the details of appropriate procedures for seeking a contact on an FM repeater. Depending on your location, different local customs dictate the preferred method to initiate a two-way radio contact via a local machine. In most areas, if the repeater is quiet, press the switch on your mike and transmit your call sign as,WS1O standing by, WSlO listening, WS1O monitoring or simply WS1O. After you stop transmitting, the repeater may send an unmodulated carrier for a couple of seconds to let you know it's working. If anyone is interested in talking to you, they'll call you after your initial transmission. Some repeaters have specific rules for making yourself heard, but usually your call sign is all you need. In a few areas, users may call CQ to initiate a conversation on a repeater, but most hams use the term CQ only on HF or on VHF/UHF simplex frequencies, and don't call CQ on a local FM machine. Ask a ham neighbor (off the air) or listen to the repeater to hear how others do it.

If you want to join a conversation in progress, transmit your call sign between the other stations' transmissions. The station that transmits next should acknowledge you. As with calling CQ, local customs determine appropriate operating procedures. In most areas, don't use the word break to join a routine conversation. In most parts of the country, break usually suggests an emergency and break, break or break, break, break indicates a serious emergency. In any case, all stations should stand by for a station with emergency traffic.

If you want to call a station and the repeater is inactive, simply call the other station. (For example, WB8IMY, this is WS 10. If the repeater is active, but the conversation in progress sounds as though it's about to end, be patient and wait until it's over before calling another station. If the conversation sounds like it's going to continue for a while, transmit your call sign between transmissions. After one of the other hams acknowledges you, politely ask to make a quick call. Usually, the other stations will yield to you. Make your call short. If your friend responds to your call, ask him to move to a simplex frequency or another repeater, or to stand by until the present conversation is over. Thank the other users for letting you interrupt them to place your call.

Likewise, if you're in the midst of a conversation and another ham transmits his call sign between transmissions, the next station in the queue to transmit should acknowledge that station and permit the newcomer to make a call or join the conversation. It's discourteous not to acknowledge him and it's impolite to acknowledge him but not let him speak. You never know; the calling station may need to use the repeater immediately. The other operator may have an emergency on his hands. so let him make a transmission promptly.

Some hams can't keep their thumbs off the push-to-talk (PTT) switch. It's been suggested that this button be renamed Release To Listen (RTL}! A brief pause before you begin each transmission allows other stations to participate in the conversation. Don't key your microphone as soon as someone else releases his. If your exchanges are too quick. you'll block other stations from getting in.

The courtesy beeps on some repeaters compel users to leave spaces between transmissions. The beep sounds a second or two after each transmission to permit new stations to transmit

their call signs in the intervening time period. The conversation may continue only after the beep sounds. If a station is too quick and begins a long transmission before the beep, the repeater may respond to the violation by temporarily shutting down!

Keep each transmission as short as possible. Short transmissions permit more people to use the repeater. All repeaters promote this practice by having timers that time-out, temporarily shutting down the repeater whenever the length of a transmission exceeds the preset time limit. Learn the length of the repeater's timer and stay well within its limits. The length may vary with each repeater; some are as short as 15 seconds and others are as long as three minutes. Some repeaters automatically vary their timer length depending on the amount of traffic on frequency; the heavier the traffic, the shorter the timer.

If two hams try to talk on a repeater at once, the resulting noise is known as a double. If you're in a roundtable conversation. it's easy to lose track of which station is next in line to talk. There's one simple solution to eradicate this problem: Always pass off to another ham by name or call sign. Saying. What do you think, Jennifer? or Go ahead, 'YUA eliminates confusion and avoids doubling. Try to hand off to whoever is next in the queue, although picking out anyone in the roundtable is better than just tossing the repeater up for grabs and inviting chaos.

The key to skillful, courteous FM repeater operation is to be brisk and to the point, and to leave plenty of room for others. Keep it moving. Don't drone; dart in and out. Don't hem and haw or be reluctant to yield the floor. Your turn will come again in a moment. Turn it over, pause for others, get things rolling. Snappy, clearheaded exchanges sound sharp and are more enjoyable for your QSO partners.

Following the Rules

You must communicate your call sign at the end of each transmission or series of transmissions and at least every 10 minutes during the course of a contact. You don't have to transmit the call sign of any other station, including the one you're contacting. Sometimes it's a good idea to identify a bit more often during a long conversation or roundtable chat, so that others can figure out who you are without waiting 10 minutes. It's illegal to transmit without identification. Aside from breaking FCC rules, it's poor operating practice to key your microphone to turn on a repeater without identifying your station. This is called kerchunking the repeater. If you don't want to have a conversation, but simply want to check whether your radio works or if you're able to access a particular repeater, simply say, WSIO testing. This way you accomplish what you want to do legally.

Simplex is a fancy-sounding word for a direct contact on a single frequency. After you've made a contact on a repeater, move the conversation to a simplex frequency, if possible. The function of a repeater is to provide communications between stations not able to communicate directly because of terrain or equipment limitations. If stations are able to communicate without a repeater, they shouldn't use a repeater. Always use simplex whenever possible so that the repeater will be available for stations that need its facilities. Simplex communication offers a degree of privacy impossible to achieve on a repeater. There's also no timer to worry about or courtesy beep to wait for. When selecting a frequency, make sure it's designated for FM simplex operation. There are frequencies specifically set aside for simplex. To help you choose an appropriate frequency, consult the complete list in The ARRL Repeater Director, an indispensable book for VHF/UHF operators. If you select a simplex frequency indiscriminately, you may interfere with other repeaters or stations operating in other modes (and you may not be aware of it).

Repeater facilities must not be used for the broadcasting of information of interest to the general public. If a repeater can transmit information of interest to the general public, such as weather reports, those transmissions must occur only when requested by a licensed amateur and must not conform to a specific time schedule. The retransmission of radio signals from other services is not permitted in the amateur service except with special permission, as specified in Part 97.113(e). (For example, you can retransmit a NOAA weather broadcast under certain circumstances.) The retransmission of taped material from other sources is permitted. You could play back a tape recording of a friend reading instructions for wiring a TNC, provided you follow accepted amateur practices and identify your station appropriately. The idea is that an amateur station is not a broadcasting facility and its intended audience is other licensed amateur stations, not the general public.

Support Your Local Repeater

How often do you stop to think of what goes into the machine you conveniently use any time, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year? It takes time, money, knowledge and energy to operate a reliable repeater system. Nobody should feel compelled to join any group, and you can use thousands of repeaters across the US without joining any clubs. If you frequent a system, however, or just want to contribute to the cost of its upkeep so it can be counted on in an emergency, support your local repeater.

Make it a habit to run your transceiver on a low-power setting. There's usually no need to pump out heavy watts on VHF or UHF FM if you're within a reasonable range of a repeater or other station operating simplex. High power can also interfere with distant repeaters on the same frequency.

Helpful Tips

a.. Inspect your station regularly for loose connections, broken wires, antenna problems, intermittent grounds and other potential weak spots. Mobile installations are most prone to wear and damage. Using minimum power is not only a courtesy to the distant repeaters, but an FCC requirement.
b.. The following guidelines are worth remembering to help promote efficient communication
DOs
a.. Speak clearly and don't key or unkey your microphone as you start or finish talking. Give your rig and the repeater a moment to come on. This ensures that listeners won't miss any part of your transmission. Repeated transmissions take up unnecessary air time.
b.. If the repeater has a courtesy tone, wait until you hear it before transmitting. This allows time for other stations to break in if necessary, and allow the system to reset. If you don't hear a courtesy tone, wait 2-3 seconds after the previous user has finished before making a transmission.
c.. If you hear a jammer, ignore him. Resist the temptation to set the jammer straight. Don 't acknowledge his presence in any way. Anything you might say about it probably doesn't belong on the band and may contribute to the problem. If the jammer has no audience, he won't have any fun and will soon be gone. If repeater jamming becomes a persistent problem, get in touch with your ARRL Section Official Observer Coordinator (OOC) to ask for advice. You can find out who your OOC is by reading the Section News column in QST, or by contacting your Section Manager (SM). You'll find your SM's address and telephone number in any recent QST or you can call ARRL Headquarters.
d.. Repeater traffic priorities: 1) Emergency and priority. 2) System test or maintenance transmissions by control operators or system owners. 3) Public service. 4) Fixed (base) stations should ensure that mobile and portable stations have priority, especially at 6-8

AM and 4-6 PM. The weekday commute hours are the only time many hams can get on the air. 5) Fixed (base) station communications.
e.. Follow the FCC's requirement to identify your station once every 10 minutes and at the end of a QSO. But don't over identify by sending your call sign after every transmission.
f.. Ask somebody for a signal report if you're using a hand-held transceiver with a rubber ducky antenna. Little rigs can't always capture the repeater's receiver adequately. The excessive noise of partial quieting made by weak signals may make your transmissions uncopiable and is irritating to those who monitor for extended periods.
g.. There are always other operators and people with scanners listening. Don't say anything that should be private, and do your best to sound friendly, professional and courteous.
DON'Ts:

a.. Don't use radio jargon. Talk as you would over the telephone. Listen and learn from the examples of experienced users. Don't say things like QSL, Roger that, 10-4, What's your QTH? and The handle here is.... Such terminology is often a misused habit carried over from HF, Citizens Band or public safety services, and on Amateur Radio repeaters it confuses more than it communicates. There are probably hundreds of other hams listening to the machine and nonhams monitoring with scanners. You may not hear them, but they hear you. Ensure that they get the best impression of your operating skill and of the Amateur Radio service.
b.. Don't break an ongoing conversation unless you have emergency or priority traffic or something valuable to add.
c.. Don't use the repeater to shoot the breeze endlessly with a local station. Make your contact and move to a simplex frequency. The system is designed for mobile and long-distance QSOs, not for local ragchewing.
d.. Don't drag out a conversation longer than necessary. Allow others to use and enjoy the system. Limit your ragchews to a reasonable length, especially during commuting hours.
e.. Don't use excessive or insufficient microphone gain. Your transceiver's microphone input circuitry is technically advanced, but it isn't fool proof. Distorted voices and background noise make it difficult to carry on an enjoyable contact. Speak across, rather than directly into, the mike element and talk at a reasonable volume level. Nothing's more frustrating than operating a mobile station and trying to copy someone who mumbles. It's also irritating to have one person in a roundtable whose voice is extraordinarily loud. If in doubt, ask other users for an audio report.
f.. Don't think out loud. If you have nothing to say, release the push-to-talk button. If you forget what you were going to say next, drop it.

Operating VHF and UHF FM, on simplex or via repeaters, is a pleasure almost every ham has experienced. Don't be in so much of a hurry to get on the air that you forget the basics. Aside from the tips and suggestions covered here, there's another important element: You must know your equipment thoroughly. If you just acquired a transceiver, read the owner's manual before you start pushing buttons. Learn how to tune it, what the buttons and knobs do and how to tell if you're on the right frequency. If you have a brand-new rig, it may take you some time to learn what all the dozens of functions are for and how they work, but it's worthwhile to learn. If something is unclear, ask a more experienced ham, or contact the dealer or manufacturer.

Although serious technical problems are uncommon on the air, most of them are caused because a ham doesn't know the proper way to operate or maintain his radio gear. You don't have to be able to disassemble a hand-held transceiver in the dark using only tweezers and a safety pin. Most new radios are masterpieces of miniaturization. Even the equipment needed to test and check out the newest gear isn't on most hams' workbenches. You do,

however, need to know how to keep the batteries charged, how to change frequencies, switch between simplex and duplex (for repeaters), set the output power level, adjust the volume and squelch, program the memories and even how far or close your mouth should be to the microphone.

It might seem like a lot of homework to do before you start operating, but it's worth it. Consider it the final element of your license exam, the real life portion! If you take the time to listen, get to know the proper etiquette and operating procedures, and make yourself familiar with your equipment first, your on-the-air debut should be the thrill you've been expecting.

Because you worked to earn your amateur license, you'll want to preserve the privileges you've earned. The best way to do so is to take care to operate in a professional manner and show others that you respect the high standards of the Amateur Radio service. As a ham, you've become a member of one of the proudest and most exciting services in the world. It's a hobby you can enjoy for the rest of your life, and share with your family and friends. When you use the information you've learned here to operate on FM and repeaters, you'll meet many hams who may become close friends. The best thing you can do for your friends is treat them as you'd like them to treat you: with courtesy, consideration and respect. And in this case, that means to do your best to be a top-notch radio operator as a service to your community and to help preserve the proud tradition of Amateur Radio.

Visit http://ac6v.com/repeaters.htm for more info.

1731. Excerpts from the Book - "AC6V's GUIDE TO FM REPEATERS"

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-26 11:12:26 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1731 Message: 1731

CHAPTER 1 - INTRODUCTION

Good Golly Miss Molly, what's this all about?
One might hear “N4ZZZ this is K6XXX, Good morning OM, welcome to San Diego. Handle here is Jack, -- Juliet Alpha Charlie Kilo, QTH is El Cajon. You’re not quite full quieting into the machine, about 20% path noise. Your deviation is fine. This repeater W6NWG Whiskey Six Nothing Works Good is located on Mount Palomar. The repeater gets very busy during commute hours so let’s QSY to 146.075, plus offset with a PL of 107.2, QSL”. This is followed by a beep, a quiet period, then the repeater drops off the air. Good Golly Miss Molly, what's this all about? We will cover all this jargon and terminology throughout the book, but here are quick answers so you don’t have to flip through the Chapters.

CHAPTER 2 - YOUR FIRST VHF/UHF Radio

Typically the new licensee purchases a Handi-Talkie (HT) for VHF/UHF, but later find they are using their first radio mostly in a mobile or at a home base station. A mobile rig can be easily switched back and forth between the vehicle and a base location and offers considerable advantages over an HT. Keep in mind that the VHF/UHF radios are for the most part line of sight transmission and reception; however, repeaters can extend the range considerably. HF is the spectrum for long-range skip communications.

This is not to bad-mouth the HTs, they are great for carrying in your shirt pocket or belt clip for pedestrian use, public relations activities, and traveling light. Just be aware of their limitations and intended use. They certainly can be used for base and mobile applications, but better antennas and DC power sources are definitely something to consider when you settle in on an HT.

CHAPTER 3 - OPERATING SIMPLEX

The communication range between Amateur VHF/UHF FM mobile and hand held radios at ground level, operating simplex (direct) is about five to fifteen miles for mobiles, and just a couple of miles for hand held transceivers. The range depends on the band of operation, transmitter powers, antenna heights, obstructions, antenna gains and receiver sensitivity or noise figures. Essentially it is line of sight.

CHAPTER 4 - HOW REPEATERS WORK

Half duplex (Semi Duplex) - a communications mode in which a radio transmits and receives on two different frequencies but performs only one of these operations at any given time. In half duplex, only one station can talk at a time. Your VHF or UHF radio is operating half duplex when set up for standard repeater use. Example you transmit on 146.13 MHz (can't hear the other station while transmitting). Then you listen on 146.73 as the other

station transmits. Your radio automatically transmits on 146.13 MHz when you press the PTT switch and reverts back to 146.73 MHz to listen when you release the PTT.

CTCSS Continuously Tone Coded Squelch System, also known as Subaudible Tone and "PL" (Private-Line, a Motorola trade name). Commonly used for repeater access. These are specific frequencies between 67 and 254.1 Hz. Hereafter referred to as PL for shortness and common use. PL has encode and decode functions. Encode sends PL to the repeater. Decode is set in your receiver to detect the PL from the repeater - see Tone Squelch below. PL frequencies and corresponding ICOM and Motorola numbers are given at the end of this chapter. In Amateur Radio, many repeaters require users to send the correct PL tone continuously to use the repeater. In fact, some coordinating groups insist on Pled repeaters. This may mean the repeater is "closed," for use only by members, or it may simply be used to avoid being keyed up by users of another repeater on the same frequency pair. Usually PL is required for phone patching.

CHAPTER 5 - PROGRAMMING

Four ways to program an HT, Base, or Mobile Rig:

1. Using the manual -- usually the sequence is scattered throughout the manual. Have fun. Boggles many a mind. But programming some rigs are more intuitive than others.

2. Read the manual thoroughly and make up your own cheat sheet. Step by step instructions made by you to be used by you.

3. Get a programming cable and software for your rig. Now you can easily enter all functions in your computer then upload to the rig. This really simplifies the process.

4. Buy a Programming guide - a cheat sheet pre-made for your model rig. See N6FN Nifty Accessories - URL: http://niftyaccessories.com/

Maybe best to walk before you run. First tackle the easy one, program a simplex channel. Then try programming a non-Pled repeater. Next, program in a Pled repeater. Then a Pled repeater with tone squelch. For a simplex channel, first determine how to access the VFO and put in the desired frequency. Next, find the information for offset. Check that the offset is neither plus or minus, i.e., it is in simplex, then memory write all.

For a Pled Repeater, invoke the VFO mode and enter the repeater output frequency, set the offset value (e.g., 600 kHz) plus or minus as required. Next enter the tone frequency, tone activation, then memory write all. Many beginners enter the tone frequency, but forget to activate the tone. See Chapter 4 for definitions of VFO, offset, PL, etc. Here is HT programming for a popular model, the ICOM IC-T2H.

CHAPTER 6 -ANTENNAS, POWER SOURCES, VSWR, AND DECIBELS

ANTENNAS: Tests show the rubber duck has about minus 5db gain (see decibels below) compared to a quarter wave antenna held at shoulder height. In terms of effective radiated power (ERP), a 5-Watt HT with a rubber duck antenna, held at shoulder height radiates an effective power of about 1.5 watts. Placing the HT on your belt could attenuate the signal another 20db, reducing ERP to only 15 milliwatts! UHF results were even worse.

VSWR: Modern solid state radios hate high VSWRs and you must check the VSWR when installing antennas. VSWR is an indication of forward and reflected power. Reflected power is undesirable and results from a mismatch in impedance between the transmitter and the antenna. If the antenna is too long, it will resonate at a lower frequency than desired, conversely if the antenna is too short, it will resonate at a higher frequency than desired, analogy - like short and long guitar strings.

DECIBELS: The decibel (1/10 Bel) or dB, is a means of expressing the gain of an active device (such as an amplifier) or the loss in a passive device (such as an attenuator or length of cable). It is simply the ratio of output to input expressed in logarithmic form. It is also used to express the gain of an antenna relative to a reference antenna. Without getting too far into the math, here are some handy easy to remember rules of thumb. Sealed Lead Acid (SLA). These batteries use the same technology as your car battery. They are relatively inexpensive, and provide 200-500 recharge cycles depending on usage. SLA battery packs give high capacity but are fairly heavy, and are more sensitive to temperature and deep discharge/overcharge than other batteries. SLA batteries should be stored in their charged state as leaving them uncharged for long periods can cause permanent damage. Some very high capacity battery packs are available and can be easily adapted to Amateur transceivers - such as a 6 amp-hour battery used for car models.

POWER SUPPLIES: A mobile or an HT can be operated in a base situation by using a DC power supply to convert 117VAC to the level required by the radio. Many are available with a 12VDC output to directly power a mobile radio. Powering an HT from a 12-Volt supply will require building a regulator circuit to achieve the proper voltage. Be sure and check your manual for the maximum voltage input and current requirements.

CHAPTER 7 - USING REPEATERS

If the repeater is quiet, key your transmitter and announce "AC6V listening", this is short hand for "AC6V listening for any call". Or “AC6V listening - anyone on frequency?" Some just announce simply "AC6V". Others give an idea of their situation - "AC6V Mobile", "AC6V Maritime Mobile". Although not as common today, "AC6V monitoring" was at one time used by control operators and in some areas may still be the case, but this seems to have given way to where monitoring and listening are now synonymous.

Don't call CQ on repeaters (HF Band Stuff) -- many VHFers don't savvy it and just isn't used on FM repeaters (on VHF SSB OR CW - Yes). If you insist on calling CQ on a repeater, it is not against the rules – but 16 old time VHF hams will come back to you with the lecture “We don’t use CQ on repeaters”.

CHAPTER 8 - PHONETICS, Q-SIGNALS, CALLSIGNS

PHONETICS: The recommended phonetics for Amateur Radio use is the ITU phonetic alphabet. These are generally understood by hams in all countries on all bands of operation. See Table of ITU Phonetics. These are a must for emergency use and should be used for routine communications as well.

Some folks use DXing phonetics -- such as King Six Japan Norway instead of Kilo Six Juliet November. This is common on HF but not on VHF/UHF. Others use police phonetics, King Six Adam Mary, but both DX and police phonetics best not be used on VHF/UHF as many are not

familiar with them. And still others use cutie phonetics, Karl Six Always Killing Time; these make a person's callsign easy to remember and are often used.

Q-SIGNALS: Expert Ham CW ops use upwards of 50 Q signals, but only 9 of them are common on VHF/UHF FM repeaters. Other Q-Signals are discouraged only because many repeater users have no idea what they mean. QTR -- What ?? (Just ask for the time!) Use of 10 codes are also discouraged for the same reason. What's your 10-84 --- huh? (Just ask for their phone number!). And 10 codes smack of CB lingo.

QSO
Can you communicate with ... direct or by relay?
I can communicate with ... direct (or by relay through ...)
Common Usage -- A 2-Way Contact, a conversation.

CALLSIGNS: There was a time when you could tell where a Ham was residing by their district number. But this was changed to allow Hams to keep their callsign when they relocated. In the USA, the time is long past that you can tell where a USA ham resides. You can have a W2 call (NY & NJ) and live in California (W6). Following are the USA District numbers and states.

CHAPTER 9 - FUNNY NOISES ON THE REPEATER. MYTHS

CAPTURING: If two stations are transmitting at the same time (doubling) on the same frequency – it creates problems. If the two stations are about equal in strength to the repeater, both may be heard, typically with a heterodyne or beat note. When one of the stations is stronger than the other, the stronger station "captures" the weaker one and the strong guy wins. This is in contrast to AM or SSB where both may be heard. So if you have a weak signal and double with a strong station, you will not be heard!

DEVIATION: Often heard is “I'll raise power so I'll be louder”. Since repeaters are frequency modulation not AM or SSB, as long as your signal has engaged the repeater limiters (full quieting), an increase in power will not make you louder, since the audio is proportional to the FM deviation (swing) and not amplitude. It may help get rid of path noise. Another is “I’m near the repeater, so that’s why I am so loud”. Nope – as long as you are full quieting – distance doesn’t affect volume.

CHAPTER 10 - COPS AND JAMMERS

If a jammer appears or some one not identifying, swearing, throwing carriers, etc --- DON'T acknowledge them, they are looking for attention -- don't give it to them. IGNORE IGNORE is the drill. It doesn't happen often, but it does happen -- it's a big world out there, and there are some nuts. Some of them find a Ham Radio now and then, and discover the delight of offending an audience and the power of holding down the PTT key. The key word here is audience, they are seeking to disrupt and get into a bru-ha ha.

CHAPTER 11 - INSIDE A REPEATER

A key factor in keeping the transmit energy out of the receiver is a duplexer which allows the repeater to operate on a common antenna and transmit and receive simultaneously on fairly close frequencies. Several types are in use, but a typically one is a notch duplexer. Notch duplexers are large cavity type filters with very high Q and narrow bandwidth to the two frequencies involved and use tunable notches.

Assume that we modulate with a constant 1000-Hertz pure sine wave with the amplitude near the maximum allowed in repeater systems, then the RF signal would swing back and between 146.126 and 146.134 MHz at a 1000-Hertz rate. The carrier frequency increases during the positive cycle of the modulating signal and decreases during the negative portion. The difference between 146.126 and 146.134 MHz is +/- 4 kHz and is termed deviation. The modulating frequency could well be a PL tone e.g., 107.2 Hertz. but with less amplitude hence less deviation, typically +/- 500 Hz.

This deviation is proportional to the AMPLITUDE of the modulating signal. Note that this does not affect the AMPLITUDE of the transmitted FM signal – only its frequency. When you speak softly the deviation is low, conversely shouting will increase deviation. If the radio is misadjusted or you shout too loud – the system deviation limits are exceeded and may result in distortion. In Amateur Radio FM radios, the maximum deviation is typically +/- 4.5 kHz. Deviation limits for CTCSS tones are typically +/- 500 Hz.

CHAPTER 12 - CROSS BAND REPEATING, IRLP, ECHOLINK

Cross band repeating (CBR) is a feature with some VHF-UHF dual band radios that simply repeats what it receives on one band and automatically retransmit it on the another band. This might be used when hiking or camping. Your vehicle is on a hill and you are in a valley below. You can take an HT with you and transceive to your mobile radio which will amplify and cross band repeat to a repeater or other users. Some HTs can control the mobile rig allowing frequency changes and voice feedback of the changes. Several configurations can be used; Simplex-To-Simplex CBR, Simplex-To-Repeater CBR, One-Way-CBR, and various modes of duplexing, simplex, half, full, etc. Be sure to read the FCC rules regarding cross band repeating. See Part 97.119 (a) Identification; Part 97.201 Auxiliary Stations.
VoIp: Ham voice internet connections are a recent introduction and are great for everyone, but especially those that cannot get on HF. They use a network protocol called VoIP (Voice over IP). These allow Amateurs to contact other Amateurs worldwide. Currently, modes are IRLP, ILINK, ECHOLINK, and WIRES IITM. We will discuss the three most popular modes, IRLP, EchoLink, and WIRES IITM

GLOSSARY
base loading - A loading coil at the bottom of an antenna to achieve a lower resonant frequency.

beam - an antenna that gives a directional beam pattern. See Yagi. Page 6-1.

bleed over- Interference caused by a station operating on an adjacent channel

BNC - Coax connector commonly used with VHF/UHF equipment -- Bayonet Niell-Concelman (standard connector type used on COAX cable, named for its inventors).

boat anchor - antique ham equipment -- So named because of weight and size.

bootlegger - Someone, usually not a Ham but a wannabe, making up a callsign, one usually not in the callbook, and getting on the air. Sometimes it is someone who already bought a radio, took the test and flunked, and then gets on the air anyway. Page 10-2.

break - (Repeater Term) used to interrupt a conversation on a repeater to indicate that there is an emergency or urgent message. If non-urgent, simply interject your callsign. Page 7-8.

break break (Repeater Term) used to intercede in an existing conversation with emergency communications. Page 7-8.

brick, a power amplifier used for VHF/UHF systems. Page 6-4.

For more info about the book check - http://ac6v.com/FM101.htm

1732. Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF repeaters.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-26 04:12:32 UTC
From: pmanani@vsnl.net
Topic: 1727 Message: 1732

Hi Nilesh !
Waiting for the Echolink one.

Mehul, hw ru?
Prem - xmx

----- Original Message -----
From: Mehul Chovatia <mehul2k@...>
Date: Tuesday, May 25, 2004 8:00 am
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF repeaters.

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> Hi Nilesh,
>
> Appreciate your efforts for the HAM fraternity and will be happy
> to see a lot of HAMs on air now (including myself).
>
> Request all the Mumbai HAMs to utilise the repeaters and
> increase the activity. Surely this innovative design will be one
> of its kind in the world.
>
> 73s,
>
> Mehul
> Secretary - MARS
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: vu2nlf
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> Cc: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com ;
> mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, May 24, 2004 5:52 PM
> Subject: [m_a_r_s] VHF repeaters.
>
>
> Dear Friends,
>
> The South Mumbai Repeater and the Andheri repeater are up and
> working. both have been connected back to back, meaning they are
> interconnected and NOT stand alone, you may access any repeater
> and work all the stations.

>
> All licenced hams are requested to use the repeater closer to
> you and not unnessesary try to access the repeater further from
> you. Use your local repeater. for example you are at Santacruz
> then you trigger the Andheri repeater and NOT the south Mumbai
> Repeater. Members in south mumbai may access the Local repeater
> and NOT the Andheri repeater...
>
> Very Shortly the Thane Repeater will also be up and
> operational... in the meantime Thane and Mulund Hams may access
> the repeater best suitable to them (Andheri or South Mumbai) ...
>
> The Repeater freqencies are as follows :-
>
> South Mumbai - 144.100 Mhz + 600Hz (Operational) (LAN)
>
> Andheri - 144.200 Mhz + 600Hz (Operational) (LAN)
>
> Thane - 144.300 Mhz + 600 Hz (Operational by
> 30/05/2004) (LAN)
>
> Matheran - 144.000 Mhz + 600Hz (Operational by
> (30/06/2004) (WAN)
>
> Echo Link - 144.500 Simplex. (Operational by
> 30/07/2004) (DX) .. if there is Demand..!!!!
>
> All Hams are therefore requested NOT to use the 144 Mhz Band
> for simplex operations.. .....You may use the 145 Mhz band for
> simplex operations..
>
> These Repeater are for you, make use of them.....
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1733. Re: [m_a_r_s] Excerpts from the Book - "AC6V's GUIDE TO FM REPEATERS"

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-26 15:28:53 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 1731 Message: 1733

Good article, Sandip. Thanx a lot. & keep them coming.

ULHAS
PHONE : 2431 1367
WORK : 24072295 OR 24092556
CELL : 98206 22237

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1734. GO EAST OR WEST VU2 NLF IS THE BEST

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-27 06:02:48 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 1734 Message: 1734

DEAR VU2 NLF

THANK YOU FOR THE REPEATER. ALOT OF HARD WORK AND TIME MUST HAVE BEEN PUT
IN .

MY NEPHEWS AND COUSIN TIRANDAZ THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING

73'S

VU2 ZRS

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From: "milind korde" <vu2izo@...>
Reply-To: hamfest2004india@yahoogroups.com
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ankurpuranik@..., ankurpuranik@...,
lithiumhead@..., edward_40060@..., ed15@...,
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vu2uga@..., sandipadiwarekar@..., sarla_sharma@...,
coilnrs@..., shaileshpradhan@...,
bombayboy400011@..., sn.chand@..., vu3wjm@...,
mjaitley@..., vu2ugo@..., vijaymotwane@...,
basappaji@..., fortunecookie@..., zzend@...
Subject: [hamfest2004india] CONGRATES TO VU2 NLF
Date: Sat, 22 May 2004 19:39:54 +0000

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-27 12:42:00 UTC
From: Nilesh rathod
Topic: 1735 Message: 1735

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1736. Re: Document

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-28 07:22:47 UTC
From: Vu
Topic: 1736 Message: 1736
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1737. Happy Birthday - VU2NFS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-29 14:32:54 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1199 Message: 1737
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1738. RE: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2NFS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-29 20:00:06 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1199 Message: 1738

hey nafisa! very happy birthday to you!
madhu

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To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
CC: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com, mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2NFS
Date: Sat, 29 May 2004 20:02:54 +0530

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Marriage? http://www.bharatmatrimony.com/cgi-bin/bmclicks1.cgi?74 Join BharatMatrimony.com for free.

1739. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2NFS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-29 11:36:55 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 1199 Message: 1739

Thanks Madhu. How r u and how do u like the US? Do send me your personal Email ID. Otherwise all fine.
VU2 NFS
----- Original Message -----
From: madhu rajan
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, May 30, 2004 1:30 AM
Subject: RE: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2NFS

hey nafisa! very happy birthday to you!
madhu

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1740. Happy Birthday - VU2NFS 4m vu2zrs

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-05-31 11:15:48 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1740 Message: 1740

vu2nfs
happy birthday to you
vu2zrs

Fortune Cookie India
300 , cawasji hormasji patel street
marine lines
mumbai 2
tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

1741. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2NFS 4m vu2zrs

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-01 05:00:58 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 1740 Message: 1741

hi vu2nlf
wish you mane happy returns of the day
73's de
vu2sfn

fortunecookie@... wrote:
vu2nfs
happy birthday to you
vu2zrs

Fortune Cookie India
300 , cawasji hormasji patel street
marine lines
mumbai 2
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fortunecookie@...

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Dear Members,

The next Hamfest meeting will be held on 6th June 2004 at 10:00 AM at B.S.Bengelle Girls School. All team members are requested to attend on time.

This is the last and final call for members you are interested to part of Hamfest Team and have not registered themselves with me. In order to hold a succesful Hamfest a lot of disipline and commitment will be required, hence all the things have to be planned well in advance, We therefore cannot have people joining us at any time they wish.. So this is your last chance to join us and be part of this one in a life time event, as I seriously don't know if ever and when we will again host Hamfest again...

Please note all the future correspondence related to Hamfest India 2004 will be done on hamfest_India_2004@yahoogroups.com . Only periodic updates will be posted on our other groups..

73

NLF, Convener, HFI 2004.

1743. Shrikant Jichkar VU2SJA is SK

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Topic: 1744 Message: 1744

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e.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=ratedownload&lid=8&ttitle=EDACS_Diagnostics_v1.00) | Details (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=viewdownloaddetails&lid=8&ttitle=EDACS_Diagnostics_v1.00)

Etrunker (with ESK support)
(http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=getit&lid=75)
Description: A version of the Etrunker EDACS decoder that supports EDACS System Key (ESK) systems.
Version: 0.56 Filesize: 0 bytes
Added on: 01-Feb-2004 Downloads: 272
HomePage (http:///) | Rate Resource (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=ratedownload&lid=75&ttitle=Etrunker_(with_ESK_support)) | Details (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=viewdownloaddetails&lid=75&ttitle=Etrunker_(with_ESK_support))

Etrunker v3.83 (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=getit&lid=4)
Description: The E-Trunker Utility. Decodes and Displays information from the EDACS Trunked Radio Datastream. This version is dated 07/27/2001
Version: 3.83 Filesize: 242.02 Kb
Added on: 22-Jun-2002 Downloads: 2800
HomePage (http://www.trunkedradio.net/) | Rate Resource (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=ratedownload&lid=4&ttitle=Etrunker_v3.83) | Details (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=viewdownloaddetails&lid=4&ttitle=Etrunker_v3.83)

Hamcom Interface tuning application
(http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=getit&lid=18)
Description: This is a fantastic application that allows you to tune your Hamcom interface to get the best possible signal. Check this out to help troubleshoot or tune-up your interface.
Version: Filesize: 0 bytes
Added on: 04-Jul-2002 Downloads: 1217
HomePage (http:///) | Rate Resource (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=ratedownload&lid=18&ttitle=Hamcom_Interface_tuning_application) | Details (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=viewdownloaddetails&lid=18&ttitle=Hamcom_Interface_tuning_application)

LTRTrunk / LTRDump LTR Decoders 3.84 Beta ec3
(http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=getit&lid=74)
Description: Eric Cottrell has graciously compiled LTR, Passport and MultiNet Tracking support into a trunker like interface.
Version: 3.84B ec3 Filesize: 0 bytes
Added on: 01-Feb-2004 Downloads: 365
Rate Resource (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=ratedownload&lid=74&ttitle=LTRTrunk_/_LTRDump_LTR_Decoders_3.84_Beta_ec3) | Details (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=viewdownloaddetails&lid=74&ttitle=LTRTrunk_/_LTRDump_LTR_Decoders_3.84_Beta_ec3)

T4Win Version 0.94.0.8
(http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=getit&lid=61)
Description: The latest version of the T4Win trunked radio decoder v 0.94.0.8. Supports Motorola, EDACS Wideband, and EDACS Narrowband systems. LTR Decoding and other formats is

being worked on.
Version: 0.94.0.8 Filesize: 3.16 MB
Added on: 28-Jan-2003 Downloads: 7614 Rating: 9 (3 Votes)
Rate Resource (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=ratedownload&lid=61&ttitle=T4Win_Version_0.94.0.8) | Details (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=viewdownloaddetails&lid=61&ttitle=T4Win_Version_0.94.0.8) | Comments (2) (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=viewdownloadcomments&lid=61&ttitle=T4Win_Version_0.94.0.8)

Treport (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=getit&lid=7)
Description: It reports specific events that occur on a Motorola trunked system which are sent out over the Control Channel. The main purpose of this program is for diagnostics, troubleshooting, and to learn more about trunked system operation, NOT for entertainment purposes. It is primarily an alternative to System Watch II from Motorola.
Version: 2.82 Filesize: 50.72 Kb
Added on: 04-Jul-2002 Downloads: 2476 Rating: 9 (6 Votes)
HomePage (http://www.thebriarpatch.org/treport) | Rate Resource (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=ratedownload&lid=7&ttitle=Treport) | Details (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=viewdownloaddetails&lid=7&ttitle=Treport) | Comments (1) (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=viewdownloadcomments&lid=7&ttitle=Treport)

Tronquito (MPT-1327 Decoder)
(http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=getit&lid=73)
Description: Tronquito is a Linux based MPT-1327 decoder, and supports trunktracking using Icom radios. Tronquito has also been ported to Win32, and a binary executable is included with the distribution.
Version: 0.56 Filesize: 0 bytes
Added on: 01-Feb-2004 Downloads: 172
HomePage (http:///) | Rate Resource (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=ratedownload&lid=73&ttitle=Tronquito_(MPT-1327_Decoder)) | Details (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=viewdownloaddetails&lid=73&ttitle=Tronquito_(MPT-1327_Decoder))

Trunk Tracking PCR-1000 v0.5.40
(http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=getit&lid=66)
Description: A Motorola Trunked Radio Decoder has been released for the Icom PCR-1000 radio. It supports decoding and tracking Motorola systems using the soundcard.
Version: 0.873 BETA Filesize: 0 bytes
Added on: 02-Apr-2003 Downloads: 2364
HomePage (http://104452.home.icq.com/trunkpcr/TrunkPcr1k.html) | Rate Resource (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=ratedownload&lid=66&ttitle=Trunk_Tracking_PCR-1000_v0.5.40) | Details (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=viewdownloaddetails&lid=66&ttitle=Trunk_Tracking_PCR-1000_v0.5.40)

Select Page: 1 2 (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=viewdownload&cid=3&min=10&orderby=titleA&show=10) [Next Page >> (http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=viewdownload&cid=3&min=10&orderby=titleA&show=10)]

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(http://g.msn.com/8HMAENIN/2755??PS=47575)

1745. Software.... Sandeep take note

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-02 19:02:16 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1745 Message: 1745

Home (http://www.strongsignals.net/)
Contents (http://www.strongsignals.net/access/contents.html)

Introduction
Having been sucked into the computer aided world of scanning, I figured I'd gather some relevant data on the subject and put it into one spot for easy access. Also listed are other titles used for other tasks beside radio control.
Since I own about a dozen of these programs, I'll gradually get around to offering up my opinions on them after I've had some time to get acquainted with them.
One important reminder...prices, features and supported equipment can change at any time. Be sure to visit any associated web pages to get the latest details!
Be sure to look at the items marked NEW or UPDATED; these are recent additions since the last edition of this page. Links that are in BROWN are links to files that are in .zip or .exe format.
If you can't find the software you're looking for, try these 2 places:
- The Yahoo mailing lists. Tips and sometimes even whole programs are stored in the associated files area. As such, in many cases, you must join that group (generally a painless procedure) to get access to their files. You can find a selection of mailing lists here:
- Trunking Scanners (http://www.strongsignals.net/access/content/trunkscan.html#LINKS)
- Conventional Scanners (http://henney.com/chm/links/scanners.htm#MAIL)

- Also try the DX Zone (http://www.dxzone.com/catalog/Software/Radio_Control/), where numerous radio, ham and scanner control programs are cataloged.

If you are looking for FCC databases (http://www.strongsignals.net/access/content/fccfreqdb.html), you can access that page by using the provided link.
This page was last updated in May 2004. Thank you and enjoy!
Thank You
Let me add my personal thanks to Mike Agner, KA3JJZ, who has volunteered to keep this page up to date!

Available products on this page have been broken down into the following categories:
- Digital Trunking Scanner Support (http://www.strongsignals.net/access/content/software.html#DSOFT)
- Trunking Scanner Support Software (http://www.strongsignals.net/access/content/software.html#TSOFT)
- Dedicated Scanner Software (http://www.strongsignals.net/access/content/software.html#DEDICATE)
- Suites and Collections (http://www.strongsignals.net/access/content/software.html#SUITES)
- HF Desktop Receiver Control Software (http://www.strongsignals.net/access/content/software.html#HF)
- Computer Controlled Receiver Support (http://www.strongsignals.net/access/content/software.html#COMPRAD)

- Sound Card Recording Software
(http://www.strongsignals.net/access/content/software.html#RECORD)
- Digital Decoding Utilities
(http://www.strongsignals.net/access/content/software.html#DECODE)
- Macintosh Software (http://www.strongsignals.net/access/content/software.html#MACINT)
- Data Management Utilities
(http://www.strongsignals.net/access/content/software.html#DATA)
Digital Trunking Scanner Support
NOTE: These packages may incorporate control for other radios as well. Use the links provided for more information

Model: Uniden BC250D/785D
- Andy's Programmer
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UnidenBC780XLT/files/780%20programmer%20folder/)

- NOTE: You must belong to the Uniden BC780XLT
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UnidenBC780XLT) Yahoo Group for access

- ARC-Pocket (http://www.butel.nl/pocket/pocket.html) NEW

- ARC250 (http://www.butel.nl/bc785/bc250index.html)

- The announcement email list for this package can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/arc250785/)

- BC250 Clone (http://www.butel.nl/bc785/bc250clone.htm)

- Control Freq Jr V2.1 [TM]
(http://www.freqofnature.com/software/controlfreqjr2/index.html)

- Escanner (http://scanner.uniden.com/download.htm)

- IDTracker (http://bellsouthpwp.net/k/d/kd5eis/IDTracker/IDTracker.htm)

- Read a review of an earlier version of this software here
(http://strongsignals.net/access/feature/review_005.html)

- Radio Manager 2004 (http://www.bensware.com/rm2002.htm) UPDATED

- NOTE: Some trunking functions require Trunk Manager (http://www.bensware.com/tm.htm)
UPDATED

- Scancat (http://www.scancat.com/)
- Supported radios are listed here (http://www.scancat.com/rad-list.html)
- Read reviews of Scancat products here (http://www.scancat.com/reviews.html)

- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Scancat/)

- Scancat Gold for Windows (http://www.scancat.com/scg-win2.html)

- Scancat Gold for Windows SE (http://www.scancat.com/survel.html)

- Scancat Lite Plus (http://www.scancat.com/scancat-lite)

- A review of this software can be found here
(http://www.strongsignals.net/access/feature/review_013.html) NEW

- Scan Control (http://www.scannersoft.com/)

- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ScanControl)

- Scan Pro Software (http://www.bc785d.net/)

- Trunkstar 785 (http://www.scanstar.com/products/trunkstar785.htm)

- Uniden Downloads area (http://www.uniden.com/productsupport_downloads.cfm)

- Winscan DP (http://www.pozillasoft.com/DPabout.htm)

- Winscan3 (http://www.pozillasoft.com/index2.htm)

- NOTE: Currently in development
Model: RadioShack PRO-96
- ARC96 (http://www.butel.nl/pro961.html)

- NOTE: Currently in development

- Version 1.2 DSP Upgrade (http://members.cox.net/pro-96/pro96u12.exe)

- The instructions (PDF) for applying the upgrade can be found here
(http://members.cox.net/pro-96/pro96u12_Instr.pdf)

- Spectrum Commander (http://www.scanstar.com/products/commander.htm)

- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/spectrumexplorer/)

- Spectrum Manager (http://www.scanstar.com/products/manager.htm)

- Spectrum Dominator (http://www.monteriallc.com/spectrum/dominator_feat.htm)

- Supported radios for these 2 packages are listed here
(http://www.scanstar.com/info/equip.htm). In addition, receivers from Cubic,
Watkins-Johnson, Rockwell-Collins and others are supported.

- Trunkstar 9235 (http://www.scanstar.com/products/ts9235.htm)

- Win96 (http://www.starrsoft.com/software/win96/)
Trunking Scanner Support Software
Model: Uniden BC245XLT

- BC245int (http://www.senss.ca.tc/)
- Get the most current version of this program here

- Tips for using this software can be found here
(http://www.mousetrap.net/~mouse/scanner/245itut.html)

- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/bc245int/)

- A review of this software can be found here
(http://www.strongsignals.net/access/feature/review_011.html)

- Winscan Australia
(http://www.scannermaster.com/products/software/winscan_australia/index.php)
- Note: Supports the Australian version of the 245
Model: Uniden BC895XLT

- BCTrunk (http://pw2.netcom.com/~agia/bct21.zip)

- BCTLog (http://pw2.netcom.com/~agia/bcl101.zip)

- NOTE: The home page for these packages can be found here
(http://pw2.netcom.com/~agia/index.html)

- Click the 'Scan' Button, then select the 'Freeware' link

- NOTE: To access the next 2 packages you need to be a member of one of the following Yahoo groups:

- BC895XLT - US Group (http://groups.yahoo.com/group/BC895/)

- BC895XLT - Canadian Group (http://ca.groups.yahoo.com/group/BC895XLT/)

- PC895

- Freetracker
Model: Uniden BC245XLT/BC895XLT

- Winscan 2.1 (http://www.pozillasoft.com/winscan.htm)
- Strong Signals Version 1.0 Review (http://www.strongsignals.net/access/reviews/reviews.cgi?type=display&rtype=rev&class=soft&num=003)
Model: Uniden BC245XLT/BC780XLT

- Control Freq Jr [TM] (http://www.freqofnature.com/software/controlfreqjr/index.html)
- a.k.a BC245XLT Quick Programmer

- Read a review of this software here
(http://strongsignals.net/access/feature/review_004.html)
Model: Uniden BC780XLT

- ARC780 (http://www.butel.nl/bc780/bc780index.html)
- The Yahoo mailing list for ARC780 can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/arc780-software/)

- Read a review of the ARC780 software here (http://www.strongsignals.net/access/reviews/reviews.cgi?type=display&rtype=rev&class=soft&num=007)

- BC780XLT (Linux) (http://radio.linux.org.au/pkgdetail.phtml?sectpat=rigcontrol&ordpat=title&descpat=&pkgid=303)
- CON780 (Mac) (http://www.geocities.com/onecave/)
- Java780 (http://www.qsl.net/ke9zm/java780/java780.html)

- Scan Pro's BC780XLT (http://www.bc780xlt.net/)
- Scan Pro's BC780XLT for the Palm OS (http://www.bc780xlt.net/sp780.htm)

- Trunkstar 780 (http://www.scanstar.net/products/trunkstar780.htm)

- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/TrunkStar780/)

- Winscan 780 (http://www.pozillasoft.com/winscan780.htm)
- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UnidenBC780XLTDatabaseSwap/)

- 780TMON (http://pw2.netcom.com/~agia/780.zip)

- NOTE: The home page for this package can be found here
(http://pw2.netcom.com/~agia/index.html)

- Click the 'Scan' Button, then select the 'Freeware' link
Model: PRO-92/2067

- PRO-92 Software page (http://www.pro-92.com/software.htm)
- Scan Pro's PRO-92 (http://www.pro92.com/)

- tk92 (http://parnass.com/tk92/)

- Win92 (http://www.starrsoft.com/freeware/win92/)
Model: PRO-93/2053

- Win93 (http://www.starrsoft.com/freeware/Win93/)

- Scan Pro's PRO-93 (http://www.pro93.com/)
Model: PRO-95

- Win95 (http://www.starrsoft.com/freeware/Win95/default.asp)
Model: PRO-99 NEW

- Win99 (http://www.starrsoft.com/software/win99/default.asp)
Model: PRO-92/93/2053/2067

- Trunkstar 92/93 (http://www.scanstar.com/support/ts9293.htm)
Model: PRO-2052

- RadioCommander 2052 (http://www.qsl.net/kd5lmy/software1.htm)
- Winscan RS (http://www.pozillasoft.com/winscanrs.htm)
- Scan Pro's PRO-2052 (http://www.pro2052.com/)
Model: Several- see the listed web page for models supported

- NOTE: These packages include conventional radio support

- Trunktrak (http://www.scannermaster.com/products/software/trunktrack/index.php)
Model: Icom PCR-100/1000

- TrunkPCR1K (http://104452.home.icq.com/trunkpcr/TrunkPcr.html)
Model: Winradio

- Trunking Module Page (http://www.winradio.com/home/trunking.htm)
Dedicated Scanner Software
Alinco USA (home page (http://www.alinco.com/usa.html))

- Utility Software for the DJ-X2 can be found here
(http://www.alinco.com/Products/DJ-X2/index.html#soft)
- Utility Software for the DJ-X3 can be found here
(http://www.alinco.com/Products/DJ-X3/index.html#soft)
- Utility Software for the DJ-X2000 can be found here
(http://www.alinco.com/Products/DJ-X2000/index.html#soft)
- The company that wrote these 3 packages can be found here (http://www.cbtinc.net/radio)
Model: AOR software collection from AOR UK

- AOR Third Party Software (http://www.aoruk.com/software.htm)
Model: AOR 3000/A

- AOR3000 Resource Centre Downloads
(http://web.ukonline.co.uk./sadmutha/ar3000/downloads.htm)
Model: AOR AR5000 series

- ARFive (http://www.ar5.ndo.co.uk/html/arfive.html)
Model: AOR AR8000 series

- AR8000 Channel Commander (http://www.odcombe.demon.co.uk/new-website110301/frameset.htm)
- Jav-Scan 8000 (http://www.javiation.co.uk/jav-scan8000.html)
Model: AOR AR8200

- JAOR software (http://www.441creative.com/jaor/)

- Greenlight 8200 (http://home.no.net/helgeww/GreenLight/)
Model: AOR AR8200/AR8600

- AR86ctrl (http://www.an-netz.de/home/kbo/ar86soft/ar86soft.html)
Model: Bearcat 101

- BCProg (http://members.aol.com/xfire905/bcprog.htm)
Model: Icom IC-R2

- R2Pepper (http://www.lanset.com/rcochran/r2pepper13.zip)

- NOTE: The home page for this package can be found here
(http://webs.lanset.com/rcochran/radiosoft.html)
Model: Icom IC-R2/R5

- IC-R5.Com software page (http://www.ic-r5.com/)
Model: Icom R-10

- BlakkeKatte R-10 Software (http://uk.geocities.com/blakkekatte/r10software.html)
Model: Icom PCR-1000/100

- PCR-PRO 1000 (http://104452.home.icq.com/pcrpro1k.html)

- PCR 1000 Mini Controller (http://104452.home.icq.com/Pcr1kMini.html)

- Probe1K V7 (http://www.probe1k.com/)

- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Probe-Software/)

- Read a review of this software here
(http://www.scancapecod.net/data/probe1k/probe1k.html)

- TalkPCR (http://www.qrosoft.co.uk/talkpcr/talkpcr.htm)

- Read a review of this software here (http://www.qsy.to/pcr/talkpcr.html) or here
(http://www.webdeals.net/talkpcr.htm)
- The Yahoo mailing list for TalkPCR can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/TalkPCR/)

- A backup site for this software may be found here
(http://www.mahy.demon.co.uk/talkpcr/talkpcr.htm)
Model: Optoelectronics Optocom
- Updown V3 (http://members.101freeway.com/gmitch/updown3.zip)

- LTRFind V6 (http://members.101freeway.com/gmitch/ltrfind6.zip)

- The home page for this software can be found here
(http://members.101freeway.com/gmitch/scanner.htm)
Model: Optoelectronics Optocom/Optoscan 456/Optoscan 535/Optoscan Lite

- PROBE (http://www.datafileinc.com/)
- Read what other have said about Probe here (http://www.datafileinc.com/reviewers.htm)

- Read comments on the new Version 7.0 here
(http://www.monitoringpost.com/probe/commen70.html)

- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Probe-Software/)
Model: Optoelectronics Scout/Xplorer

- Otto (http://www.radio-scanning.fsworld.co.uk/otto.zip)

- A screen shot of this software can be found here
(http://www.radio-scanning.fsworld.co.uk/gear.html)
Model: RadioShack PRO-64/2041

- Load64 (http://members.cox.net/klpotkin/load64.zip)

- WLoad64 (http://members.cox.net/klpotkin/wload64.zip)

- 64-2041 (http://members.cox.net/klpotkin/64-2041.zip)

- A version of 64-2041 that uses Excel 95 can be found here
(http://members.cox.net/klpotkin/64-2041.exe)

- NOTE: The home page for these packages can be found here
(http://members.cox.net/kplotkin/scanner.htm)
Model: Trident TR-4000 (a.k.a Camnis HSC-150)
- Scan-TR4K (http://homepage.ntlworld.com/systematic/tricam.html)
Model: Uniden MR-8100

- PScan (http://www.gfcsoftware.com/software.htm#MR8100) NEW

- Scan (http://www.accessv.com/~sven/mr8100/scan-zip)

- The home page for this software can be found here
(http://www.accessv.com/~sven/mr8100/mr3.htm)

- MR8100 (http://www.accessv.com/~sven/mr8100/mr8100.zip)

- The home page for this software can be found here
(http://www.accessv.com/~sven/mr8100/mr6.htm)
Model: Uniden BC245XLT

- BC245 Backup (http://www.kenji-d.com/scanning/files/245%20Backup.exe)

- Read a review of this software here
(http://strongsignals.net/access/feature/review_003.html)
- T2Recall (http://users.netropolis.net/maverick/Scanners/T2Recall.htm)
Model: Uniden BC895XLT

- EZ-Prog 895 (http://www.michnews.net/scanner/software.asp)

- Airscan (http://www.slyster.com/radio/airscan/as.htm)

- NOTE: The home page for the next 2 packages can be found here
(http://pw2.netcom.com/~agia/index.html)

- Click the 'Scan' Button, then select the 'Freeware' link

- ScanStat (http://pw2.netcom.com/~agia/SS202.zip)

- BCScan (http://pw2.netcom.com/~agia/bcs121.zip)
Model: Uniden SC200

- ARC200 (http://www.butel.nl/arc200/arc200index.html)

- SC200SS (http://www.uniden.com/store/itemdetail.cfm?item=SC200SS)
Model: Yaesu VR-5000

- Yaesu VR-5000 Tool

- To access the Tool, you must be a member of the Yahoo VR5000
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/YaesuVR-5000/) group

- FTBVR5K (http://www.g4hfq.co.uk/ftbvr5k.html)

- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ftbasic/)
Suites and Collections
ADMS Software by RT Systems (http://www.rtsars.com/)
- Supports: Alinco DJ-X10, Icom IC-R2/R10, Yaesu VR-500 and
- several ham rxs
Bob Parnass Tcl/Tk Open Source Software

- tk2 (http://parnass.com/tk2/) (Icom IC-R2)

- tk3 (http://parnass.com/tk3/) (Icom IC-R3)

- tk5 (http://parnass.com/tk5/) (Icom IC-R5)

- tk10 (http://parnass.com/tk10/) (Icom IC-R10)

- tk8500 (http://parnass.org/tk8500/) (Icom IC-R8500)

- tk120 (http://parnass.org/tk120/) (Yaesu VR-120)

- tk150 (http://parnass.org/tk150/) (Yaesu VR-150)

- tk500 (http://parnass.org/tk500/) (Yaesu VR-500)
BuTel Software (http://www.butel.nl/)
- Support For: AOR AR5000/8200/8600, Icom IC-R2/R3

- The Yahoo mailing list for other Butel software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/arcsoftware/)
COM101 (http://home.hvc.rr.com/bpetrow/COM101.ZIP)

- DOS Cloning Software for BC245XLT/SC200/BC780XLT

- NOTE: The home page for these packages can be found here
(http://home.hvc.rr.com/bpetrow/)
Deltacomm (http://www.rfsignals.com/)
- Supports: Icom IC-R7000/R7100/R8500/R9000 and some Icom Ham transceivers
Goran Vlaski's Digital Laboratory (http://www.digital-laboratory.de/)
- Links for software for AOR AR8000/8200, Radio Manager (which see),
- DJ-X10SW (which see), Icom IC-R2/R3 and several ham handhelds
Hamsoft Rig Control Programs (http://radio.linux.org.au/?sectpat=rigcontrol&ordpat=title)
- Linux links and downloads for AOR8000/8200, BC780XLT, Icom IC-PCR1000,
- Winradio, BC895XLT, BC245XLT, and some ham transceivers
ITS Software (http://www.itssoftware.net/index2.html)

- Supports: Uniden SC200, RadioShack PRO-89
- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ezscan/)
KC8UNJ Programming Software (http://www.qsl.net/kc8unj/)

- Supports: Icom R-2, Yaesu VR-120, some Ham HTs
PCScan (http://www.micosyen.com/radio.htm)
- Supports: AOR AR8000/AR3000A/AR5000, Icom IC-PCR100/PCR1000/R9000,
- Optoelectronics OptoCom (Note: no DTMF Decode with AOR5000)
Programmit (http://www.qsl.net/ka2pyj/index.html)
- Supports: AOR AR1000 series
- Supports: RadioShack PRO-2004/2005/2006/2011/2026/2035/2041/2042/64
Pro-Link (http://www.glyff.net/software/prolink/)

- Supports: RadioShack PRO-64, PRO-76, PRO-79, PRO-82, PRO-89, PRO-2016, PRO-2017,
PRO-2041
- A mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://www.glyff.net/phpBB2/index.php?c=3)
Pro-Turbo (http://www3.sympatico.ca/len.c/)
- Supports: RadioShack PRO-2004/2005/2006 with HB/CE-232 Interface
RadioMax (http://www.datadeliverydevices.com/RadioMax.htm)

- Supports: AOR AR2700/3000/3000A/3030/5000/9000, any Kenwood,
Drake R8/R8A, Icom IC-R10/R72/R7000/R7100/R8500/R9000,

Lowe HF-150, Optoelectronics OS456/535, Optolinx interfaces,
Uniden BC895XLT, several Icom HF transceivers
- A review of this software can be found here
(http://www.datadeliverydevices.com/MTRevue.htm)

- The Strong Signals review can be found here
(http://www.strongsignals.net/access/feature/review_010.html)
Radio Control (http://www.radioctl.com/english/index.html) NEW

- Supported radios are listed here (http://www.radioctl.com/english/devices.html)
Radio Manager (http://www.bensware.com/rm.htm) UPDATED

- Supports: Uniden BC245XLT/BC895XLT, AOR AR8200, RadioShack PRO-64/2041,
- Optoelectonics DC-442, Scout, Optoscan, Xplorer, Optocom,
- Icom IC-R7000/7100/9000 and other CI-V protocol radios
Radio Shack Software Page (http://support.radioshack.com/soft.htm)
Scancat Gold (DOS) (http://www.scancat.com/scangold.html)
Scannerware Soft Control 2.0 (http://www.durhamradio.ca/scanwear.htm)

- Supports: OptoScan 456 with RadioShack PRO-2005/2006, AOR 3000/3000A, AOR 8000,
- OptoScan 535 with RadioShack PRO-2035/42, Icom IC-R7000/R7100/R9000
- Note: Version 2.5 is available from the Icom IC-R10
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Icom_R-10/) Yahoo group
ScanPro Software
- BC245XLT (http://www.bc245xlt.com/)
- Read a review of this software here
(http://www.strongsignals.net/access/feature/review_002.html)
- BC895XLT (http://www.bc895xlt.com/)
- Read a review of this software here
(http://www.strongsignals.net/access/feature/review_001.html)
- BC245XLT for the Palm OS (http://www.bc245xlt.com/sp245.htm)
ScanProg (http://home.hvc.rr.com/bpetrow/)

- Supports: Bearcat 101, Realistic COMP-100, Regency ACT-W10 (Whamo 10),
- Sears 5 Cardomatic, Tennelec MS-1/MS-2, SBE Optiscan
SmartScan (http://users.libero.it/stesella/smartscan.htm)

- Supports: Yaesu FRG-9600, Icom R-10. Site is in Italian.
Softrol 7.5

- NOTE: To access this package you need to be a member of the BC895XLT - Canadian Group
(http://ca.groups.yahoo.com/group/BC895XLT/)

- Supports: Uniden BC780XLT, BC895XLT

- Read a review of this software here
(http://www.strongsignals.net/access/feature/review_008.html)
Winscan by Pozilla Software
- Winscan Sport (http://www.pozillasoft.com/winscansport.htm) (Uniden SC200)
- Winscan AOR (http://www.pozillasoft.com/sneakpreview.htm) (AOR AR8200)
HF Desktop Receiver Control Software
CI-V Commander (http://www.qsl.net/civ_commander/)

- The Yahoo mailing list for DX Lab products can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dxlab/)
DXtra (http://www.dxtra.com/)

- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/worldstation/)
Ergo (http://swldx.com/)

- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ergoradio/)
Frequency Manager (http://www.frequencymanager.de/)
- Supported Radios are listed here (http://www.frequencymanager.de/SuppRadios.htm)
Ftp Funet site FTBasic (http://www.g4hfq.co.uk/ftbasic.html)

- Supports: Yaesu FRG-100, VR-5000, Yaesu/Kenwood ham transceivers
- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ftbasic/)
Ham Radio Deluxe (http://hb9drv.ham-radio.ch/)

- Supports: Icom R10, many ham xcvrs
- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ham-radio-deluxe/)
Mscan Meteo Pro (http://www.mscan.com/)

- Supports: Icom, JRC NRD-345/535/545, Lowe HF-150, Quadrad, Ten-Tec RX-320, most Yaesu
models
ParaDise (PD7030) (http://home.wxs.nl/~jarkest/swl/swl.html)

- Supports: AR AR7030
Orchid City Software
- NRD-345 Remote Control Application (http://www.orchidcitysoftware.com/IMAGE22.HTML)
- NRD-525 Remote Control Application (http://www.orchidcitysoftware.com/IMAGE18.HTML)
- NRD-535 Remote Control Application (http://www.orchidcitysoftware.com/IMAGE9.HTML)
- NRD-545 Remote Control Application (http://www.orchidcitysoftware.com/IMAGE19.HTML)
QRZ.Com (http://www.qrz.com/download/controls/index.html) Radiocom
(http://www.computer-int.com/rc.htm)
- Supported radios are listed here
(http://www.bonito.net/service/diagrams.php3?language=en)
Radio Database Manager (http://www.victor-fonseca.com/rdbm.htm)

- Supports: Winradio, Yaesu FRG-100, JRC NRD-545
RXWings (http://home.wxs.nl/~jarkest/swl/swl.html)

- Supports: AOR AR7030, JRC NRD-535, NRD-545, TenTec RX320
Scan Manager (http://www.mindspring.com/~tonyc/scnmgr.html)
- Supports: Most Kenwood, Yaesu, Icom plus Drake R8A (not R8)
Shoc RSM5 (http://www.shoc.ch/HTML/shoc_rsm5.htm) Bob Parnass Tcl/Tk Open Source Software

- tk545 (http://parnass.org/tk545/)
- Supports: JRC NRD-545
- tk75 (http://parnass.org/tk75/)
- Supports: Icom IC-R75
TRX-Manager (http://www.trx-manager.com/)

- Supported radios are listed here (http://www.trx-manager.com/FTmane.htm)
- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/TRX-Manager/)
Turbo 535 (http://home.wxs.nl/~jarkest/swl/swl.html)

- Supports: JRC NRD-535/535D
Visual Radio (http://www.visualradio.de/startinter.htm)
- Supported Radios are listed here (http://www.visualradio.de/equipment.htm)
- US Distributor: Monteria Inc. (http://www.monteriallc.com/)
YPLog (http://members.shaw.ca/ve6yp/)

- The Yahoo mailing list for this software can be found here
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/yplog/)
Computer Controlled Receiver Support

- Icom PCR1000 Resources (http://www.qsy.to/pcr/)

- Optocom Home Page (http://yourpage.blazenet.net/pro2006/optocom/)

- TenTec RX320 Page (http://www.geocities.com/CapeCanaveral/Lab/5137/rx320.html)

- Winradio (http://www.winradio.com/)
Sound Card Recording Software

- Audio Record Wizard (http://www.nowsmart.com/arwizard/index.html)

- RecAll (http://www.sagebrush.com/recall.htm)
- RecAll Pro (http://www.sagebrush.com/recpro.htm)
- A discussion group for RecAll and RecAll Pro can be found here
(http://www.sagebrush.com/cgi-bin/discus/discus.cgi)

- Scancorder (http://www.ip.pt/coaa/scancorder.htm)
- Scanner Recorder (http://www.davee.com/scanrec/index.html)
- Vox Recorder (http://fun.supereva.it/ninopo.freeweb/radio/VoxRecorder/index.htm?p)

- Xcorder (http://www.xcorder.com/)
Digital Decoding Utilities

- ACARSOnline (http://www.acarsonline.co.uk/)

- FTrunk (http://www.tbsa.com.au/trunk.html)

- Tronkito (MPT1327) (http://unixforge.org/~tronkito/)

- Trunksniffer (MPT1327) (http://www.trunksniffer.com/)

- Trunk Snort (MPT1327) (http://hometown.aol.de/trunksniffer/index_2.htm)

- Trunked Radio Decoders
(http://www.radioreference.com/modules.php?name=Downloads&d_op=viewdownload&cid=3)
Macintosh Software

- Audiocorder (http://www.blackcatsystems.com/software/audiocorder.html)

- Multimode (http://www.blackcatsystems.com/software/multimode.html)

- MacR75 (http://www.experbyte.com/macr75/)

- Supports: Icom IC-R75

- Mac8000 (http://www.designeq.com/deq/MacScan.html)

- Supports: AOR AR-8000

- N0ONG BC895 Interface (http://www.robsmac.com/Soft.html)
Data Management Utilities

- EZGrab (http://www.itssoftware.net/index2.html)

- Freqlog

- To access Freqlog, you must be a member of the Yahoo Freqlog
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/freqlog/) group

- Frequency Logger (http://www.bc780xlt.net/freqlogger.htm)

- Frequency Manager (http://www.bensware.com/software.htm#FM) UPDATED
Note: Also see Radio Manager
- Icom Frequency Download Page (http://www.icomreceivers.com/)
Supports: Icom IC-PCR100/PCR1000/R2/R3/R10/R75/R8500
- Magic (http://www.scancat.com/magic-2.html)

- McQLog (http://web.ukonline.co.uk./sadmutha/ar3000/mcqlog.htm)

- Slurp (http://members.cox.net/klpotkin/SLURP.ZIP)
NOTE: The home page for this package can be found here
(http://members.cox.net/kplotkin/scanner.htm)

- Webcatcher (http://www.butel.nl/webcatcher/impdata.html)

- WinXX Data Converter (http://www.starrsoft.com/freeware/WinXXDataConverter/default.asp)
Converts data used between Win92, Win93 and Win95

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(http://g.msn.com/8HMAENIN/2743??PS=47575)

1746. Invertview with god.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-06 10:42:00 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1663 Message: 1746

The interview with God.

I dreamed I had an interview with God.

?So you would like to interview me?? God asked.

?If you have the time? I said.

God smiled. ?My time is eternity.?
?What questions do you have in mind for me??

?What surprises you most about humankind??

God answered...
?That they get bored with childhood,
they rush to grow up, and then
long to be children again.?

?That they lose their health to make money...
and then lose their money to restore their health.?

?That by thinking anxiously about the future,
they forget the present,
such that they live in neither
the present nor the future.?

"That they live as if they will never die,
and die as though they had never lived.?

God?s hand took mine
and we were silent for a while.

And then I asked...
?As a parent, what are some of life?s lessons
you want your children to learn??

?To learn they cannot make anyone
love them. All they can do
is let themselves be loved.?

?To learn that it is not good
to compare themselves to others.?

?To learn to forgive
by practicing forgiveness.?

?To learn that it only takes a few seconds
to open profound wounds in those they love,
and it can take many years to heal them.?

?To learn that a rich person
is not one who has the most,
but is one who needs the least.?

?To learn that there are people
who love them dearly,
but simply have not yet learned
how to express or show their feelings.?

?To learn that two people can
look at the same thing
and see it differently.?

?To learn that it is not enough that they forgive one another, but they must also forgive themselves.?

"Thank you for your time," I said humbly.
"Is there anything else
you would like your children to know?"

God smiled and said,
?Just know that I am here... always....

Dear Martians Let's make Mars Hamfest an Emperor Size that even for years Hamfest 2004 is remembered as an hams dream come true.

73s

vu2jpn

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1747. Free Installation Programme to Martians.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-06 10:59:14 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1747 Message: 1747

Installing Love

Customer Service: Can you install Love?

Customer: I can do that. I?m not very technical, but I think I?m ready to install now. What do I do first?

Service: The first step is to open your Heart. Have you located your Heart?

Customer: Yes, I have, but there are several programs running right now. Is it okay to install while they are running?

Service: What programs are running?

Customer: Let me see? I have Pasthurt.exe, Lowesteem.exe, Grudge.exe and Resentment.com running right now.

Service: No problem. Love will automatically erase Pasthurt.exe from your current operating system. It may remain in your permanent memory, but it will no longer disrupt other programs. Love will eventually overwrite Lowesteem.exe whit a module of its own, called Highesteem.exe. However, you have to completely turn off Grudge.exe and Resentment.com. Those programs prevent Love from being properly installed.
Can you turn those off?

Customer: I don?t know how to turn them off. Can you tell me how?

Service: My pleasure. Go to your Start menu and invoke Forgiveness.exe. Do this as many times as necessary until Grudge.exe and Resentment.com have been completely erased.

Customer: Okay, I?m done. Love has started installing itself automatically. Is that normal?

Service: Yes it is. You should receive a message that says it will reinstall for the life of your Heart. Do you see that message?

Customer: Yes I do. Is it completely installed?

Service: Yes, but remember that you have only the base program. You need to begin connecting to other Hearts to get the upgrades.

Customer: Oops? I have an error message already. What should I do?

Service: What does the message say?

Customer: It says ?Error 412 ? Program not run on internal components.?
What does that mean?

Service: Don?t worry, that?s a common problem. It means that the Love program is set up to run on external Hearts but has not yet been running on your Heart. It is one of those complicated programming things, but in non-technical terms it means that you have to ?love?

your own machine before it can ?love? others.

Customer: So what should I do?

Service: Can you find the directory called ?Self-acceptance??

Customer: Yes, I have it.

Service: Excellent, you are getting good at this.

Customer: Thank you.

Service: You?re welcome. Click on the following files and then copy them to the ?Myheart? directory: Forgiveself.doc, Selfesteem.txt, Realizeworth.txt and Goodness.doc. The system will overwrite conflicting files and begin patching any faulty programming. Also, you need to delete ?Selfcriticize.exe? from all directories, and then empty your recycle bin afterwards to make sure it is completely gone and never comes back.

Customer: Got it! Wow! My Heart is filling up with really neat files. Smile.mpg is playing on my monitor right now, and it shows that Warmth.com, Peace.exe and Contentment.com are copying themselves all over my Heart!

Service: Then Love is installed and running. You should be able to handle it from here. One more thing before I go?

Customer: Yes?

Service: Love is freeware. Be sure to give it and its various modules to everybody you are meeting. They will in turn share it with other people, and they will return some really neat modules back to you.

Customer: I will. Thank you for your help.

Service: You?re very welcome.

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1748. RE: [m_a_r_s] Invertview with god.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-06 13:12:10 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 1663 Message: 1748

Can the moderator of this group please clarify if this group has changed its identity from Amateur radio to philosophy?
Sarla.
P.S. If it has then please, may I be automatically "unsuscribed"?

>From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Invertview with god.
>Date: Sun, 6 Jun 2004 03:42:00 -0700 (PDT)
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http://www.msn.co.in/Shopping/CricketShop/ Available at the cricket shop!

1749. Re: [m_a_r_s] Free Installation Programme to Martians.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-07 04:30:44 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1747 Message: 1749

Hi JP,

Lot of reminders sent earlier by NLF and this one again by me. I urge you and all to use the group strictly for MARS and ham radio communication.

73s,

Mehul

----- Original Message -----
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...>
Date: Sunday, June 6, 2004 6:59 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Free Installation Programme to Martians.

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> Grudge.exe and Resentment.com running right now.
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> Service: My pleasure. Go to your Start menu and invoke

> Forgiveness.exe. Do this as many times as necessary until
> Grudge.exe and Resentment.com have been completely erased.
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> programming. Also, you need to delete ?Selfcriticize.exe? from all
> directories, and then empty your recycle bin afterwards to make
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> Customer: I will. Thank you for your help.
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> Service: You?re very welcome.
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> Do you Yahoo!?
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1750. Re: [m_a_r_s] Hi All

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-07 12:02:56 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1747 Message: 1750

Hi Mehul

Sorry Friends for the msg.

Will see that only Ham topics are emailed.

73's

JPN

--- mehul2k@... wrote:
> Hi JP,
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> again by me. I urge you and all to use the group
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> 73s,
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http://messenger.yahoo.com/

1751. Happy Birthday - VU2KDM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-07 12:28:41 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1751 Message: 1751
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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MARS WISHES ITS LIFE MEMBER SANJAY KADAM - VU2KDM A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY

1752. WOW... what more can you expect ???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-07 12:46:38 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1752 Message: 1752
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1753. Re: [m_a_r_s] WOW... what more can you expect ???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-07 16:58:52 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1752 Message: 1753

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1754. Happy Birthday - VU3AUA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-08 04:35:32 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1754 Message: 1754
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1755. Re: [m_a_r_s] WOW... what more can you expect ???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-08 07:57:22 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1752 Message: 1755

Hello,

The assistance provided by Rahul is highly appreciated. Thnks, Rahul.

73s,

Mehul

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From: vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...>
Date: Monday, June 7, 2004 8:46 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] WOW... what more can you expect ???

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1756. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 765

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-08 17:28:28 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1756 Message: 1756

Hi! Friends,

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Rahul VU3WJM

PS: Lately I have been approached by a group of HAMs to provide them with ready to operate HF sets based on one of my earlier designs. I will be getting them ready soon and of course they will be available to my MARs friends.

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:

There are 6 messages in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. Re: Hi All
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
2. Happy Birthday - VU2KDM
From: vu2nlf
3. WOW... what more can you expect ???
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5. Happy Birthday - VU3AUA
From: vu2nlf
6. Re: WOW... what more can you expect ???
From: mehul2k@...

Message: 1
Date: Mon, 7 Jun 2004 05:02:56 -0700 (PDT)
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy

Subject: Re: Hi All

Hi Mehul

Sorry Friends for the msg.

Will see that only Ham topics are emailed.

73's

JPN

--- mehul2k@... wrote:
> Hi JP,
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> Lot of reminders sent earlier by NLF and this one
> again by me. I urge you and all to use the group
> strictly for MARS and ham radio communication.
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> 73s,
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Message: 2
Date: Mon, 07 Jun 2004 17:58:41 +0530
From: vu2nlf
Subject: Happy Birthday - VU2KDM

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Subject: WOW... what more can you expect ???

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Subject: Re: WOW... what more can you expect ???

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Message: 5
Date: Tue, 08 Jun 2004 10:05:32 +0530
From: vu2nlf
Subject: Happy Birthday - VU3AUA

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From: mehul2k@...
Subject: Re: WOW... what more can you expect ???

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1757. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 765

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-08 18:34:22 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1756 Message: 1757

Dear Rahul

Thanks for everything you have done to the gears for mars.

Yes, Three cheers for VU3WJM.....!!!! from all martians.

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vu2jpn

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-08 18:38:41 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1752 Message: 1758

Hi Nilesh.

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1759. remote repeater control using password ...attn Anurag

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-09 12:31:27 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1759 Message: 1759

Dear Anurag,

the circuit you were looking for remote repeater control using DTMF with password control has appeared in the EFY magazine of this month.

The entire explaination of the circuitary with part list and the pcb layout is given. You can control upto 9 devices connected to the rx end, with a 4 digit password. (incase of repeater 9 functions)

IMP: You will have to replace the given tx with our 2m tx or handy with DTMF input. Your can use a mobile phone or conventional telephone to enter DTMF tone in the transmitter, need not make a DTMF encoder. (you know the trick....speaker of the phone held near the mic of the handy will transmit DTMF effectively, as it is based on Audio Freq. and the rx end circuitary to be connected to the rx at the repeater end. (remember repeater rx has to remain on all the time , and u cannot shut the repeater rx.)

Have a look at page no 57 of EFY JUNE 2004.

incase u cannot get the mag let me know. I shall scan the doc and send it to you.

all d best

73's

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1760. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 765

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-10 13:31:44 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 1756 Message: 1760

For Rahul,
Hail Rahul SRI..... A great man who is always extended his helping hand .

Nice to talk to you. You have wonderful Voice and wonderful person. YOU are a GIFT to Amateurs.

I also thank you for getting many Mumbai Hams on the air with your touches to 2M.

With my best wishes,

Basappa Arabole

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1761. Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-11 05:43:13 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 191 Message: 1761

Hello Friends,
This is a reminder to all Members Committed (on the Air / off the Air), about our Club ie MARS monthly meeting which is by default on Every Second Sunday at Bai Bengali Girls Schools Churchgate at 10:00 AM.

The meeting for the month of June 2004 will be conducted as per details mentioned above. Agenda for the meeting as such is discussions for Activities to be conducted for the year 2004 - 05.

Request to all members that not only to be present for the meeting, but also to be interactive with the Managing Committee. Members are welcome to give presentations / suggestions as to what the club activities should include alongwith the default activities like Ganpati Visarjan, JOTA, Fox Hunt, Scramble Team etc.

Note : that all the activities will be carried out only on the amount of Participation & Commitment shown by all members whether Student or Odinary. All members are requested further, to Correspond to the Managing Committee either via the E - Group or by Telephone, regarding any matter of concern to them.

Remember that your participation will be the highway by which MARS will prosper, collect more funds & even make the HAM Fest 2004 possible / possibly the best, in turn turning out to be a healthy club.

Well 73's for now,

VU 2 OZO Managing Committee Member &

On Behalf of Managing Committee

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1762. Monthly Meeting Suggestion

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-11 09:43:25 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1762 Message: 1762

Dear all,

First and foremost i would like to congratulate all the members who were elected on to the new Managing Committee. I wish you all the best for the year to come.

I had a suggestion. I am sure most of us HAMs and SWLs alike are no longer in touch with the Morse Code. Its just a suggestion, maybe at every meeting we could just have a small sort of refresher course on morse for 10-15 mins. Maybe just a small passage belted out in morse. Like the saying goes practice makes perfect so a little exposure will atleast keep us in touch.

I hope this would be helpful to one and all.

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Shantanu Chand
SWL

1763. Re: [m_a_r_s] Monthly Meeting Suggestion

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-11 15:53:16 UTC
From: Deepak Pathak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1762 Message: 1763

Righto! cudn't agree more.The other day I tried copying CW at 20wpm and did miserably. I remember after exams I had gone upto 20 but now even 15 seems a tad difficult. tch! tch! We know morse is the amateur's language after all isn't it?

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1764. CQ-calling Hamfest co-ord/organisers

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-11 16:04:41 UTC
From: Deepak Pathak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1764 Message: 1764

Hi just wanted to know why am I not getting Hamfest related mails inspite of registering my name(or perhaps there haven't been any mails this week?).

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1765. Home Brewing lecture by OM Rahul VU3WJM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-12 13:07:00 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1765 Message: 1765

Dear Members

As an additional topic for the monthly meeting tommorrow , we will be having OM Rahul Srivastava VU3WJM for a eyeball QSO at the meeting venue ,He will share his Home brewing experince with all of us , and you may come on with all your queries regarding the home brewing , about Green birds and all other aspects related to Home Brewing.

All members who are in Home brewing or interested in Home brewing this will be a nice presentation and a experience to share about , so be present in large numbers.

Huzefa Merchant
VU2HIT

1766. LET US USE WHAT WE HAVE!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-15 08:31:45 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1766 Message: 1766

LET US USE WHAT WE HAVE!

We as hams have battled deligently against those who would take our frequencies, and we must press on. How do we do that? USE WHAT WE HAVE. The old adage "lose it or use it" has come into play.

Everyone has reasons why they got their Amateur Radio license. I got mine because I thought it would be cool to talk to someone in another state or another country without wires, using a station I built. Many who get their licenses were so excited when they passed the test after all that studying and the day they got their own callsign. Now, time has passed and the excitement has come and seemingly gone, but where did it go? Having no time seems to be the biggest issue. But ask yourself where do you spend most of your time when you are not at work? In front of the TV is the answer for most.

I don't know why we get distracted and seem to think we don't have time for something we love, or once have. We have lots of places to operate such as our cars, and even at work. So time shouldn't be an issue. Amateur Radio is wonderful hobby, and has done more for people than just being able to talk on the radio. Being able to create something of your own design and see it work is absolutely one of the greatest things to us. It allows us to learn, grow and expand our minds, not only in electronics, but also in learning about other cultures. What is that worth in money?

Why not get on the air tonight, or right after you're done reading this? You, as one individual, will be doing more than being happy you are back on air. You, as one individual, will help save our hobby, and because of our hobby, individuals have saved lives and paved the road to the future. Don't make the mistake of thinking you as an individual won't make an impact, because individuals added together will make an impact. Make the move, and get on the radio tonight on your favourite band and call CQ or find some old friends and talk to them, even if it's just to say hello. We have spectrum, so let's make good use of it.

- Ben Naber, KB9LFZ (QST-June'2004 Correspondence pg.24)

1767. Fw: CHECK IN CONTEST

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-15 08:34:54 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1767 Message: 1767

----- Original Message -----
From: milind korde
Sent: Friday, June 11, 2004 09:37 PM
Subject: CHECK IN CONTEST

To all Martians,

This is to inform that a

MAXIMUM CHECK IN'S AT NIGHT OWL'S NET CONTEST

Will be conducted from Monday the 14th JUNE 2004 at 09.30 P. M. [MON TO SAT]

The contest will be held at two [2] levels

Level One MONTHLY MAX CHECK INS FIRST & SECOND PRIZE

Level Two QUARTERLY MAX CHECK INS FIRST & SECOND PRIZE

So hope to have a qso with you all see u winning grand gala prizes

73's

de VU2 IZO [MICKY]

1768. New file uploaded to m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-16 09:54:36 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 58 Message: 1768

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Regards,

lionajoy <lionajoy@...>

1769. Action Lost

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-17 16:49:17 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1769 Message: 1769

Hi NLF

We have lost an action - Train Disaster of 16th - had this info reached us at early, we could have QSYed to site. DMP activated all services but reached site very late and it was a few hours work. Hope such news also reaches Hams to activate our team.

73s

JPN

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1770. Re: [m_a_r_s] Action Lost/ 9/11 repeater failure.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-18 04:55:39 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1769 Message: 1770

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1771. Nothing is Lost...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-18 13:55:19 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1771 Message: 1771

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1772. Re: [m_a_r_s] Nothing is Lost...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-19 04:46:10 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1771 Message: 1772

Dear NLF,

Thanks for the insight and the clarifications. We all are very aware that you put your heart and soul into HAM activities especially disaster management. I am sure you were pretty much in the loop with the government authorities.

It is also true that the rest of the communication was running and there might not have been a requirement for the MARS team to be put into action.

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-19 17:24:34 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1771 Message: 1773

Dear Shantanu

U R correct, NLF does work full swing for DMP. It's martians duty to support the same way.

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1774. Willing to chip in for Disaster Management

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-19 20:48:13 UTC
From: vu2kiz
Topic: 1771 Message: 1774

Dear Nilesh,

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Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ

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1775. Re: [m_a_r_s] Willing to chip in for Disaster Management

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-21 13:01:56 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1771 Message: 1775

Great , I will be touch with you,

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NLF
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2kiz
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, June 20, 2004 2:18 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Willing to chip in for Disaster Management

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1776. Fw: [ans] ANS-180 ECHO Prelaunch Update

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-29 10:28:51 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1776 Message: 1776

Although the satellite project is still some $12,500 shy of its $110,000
fund-raising goal, AMSAT-OSCAR ECHO is at its launch site--Baikonur
Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan--and ready to go into space Tuesday, June 29

Gooluck ECHO!!

Interesting URLs-

ECHO - http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/echo/

Baikonur Cosmodrome - http://www.russianspaceweb.com/baikonur.html
http://liftoff.msfc.nasa.gov/rsa/pads.html

How Satellite Works - http://science.howstuffworks.com/satellite.htm

AC6V Site - http://www.ac6v.com/satellites.htm

Satellite Tracking Software
Wxtrack - http://www.david-taylor.pwp.blueyonder.co.uk/software/wxtrack.htm
SATSCAPE - http://www.satscape.co.uk/

Synchronise yr PC time - http://www.ntp-systems.com/symmtime.asp

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Lee" <ku4os@...>
To: "ANS" <ans@...>
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2004 04:21 PM
Subject: [ans] ANS-180 ECHO Prelaunch Update

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ECHO Prelaunch Update

AMSAT News Service Bulletin 180.01 From AMSAT HQ
SILVER SPRING, MD. June 28, 2004
To All RADIO AMATEURS
BID: $ANS-180.01

Below are the prelaunch elements for Echo, based on the predicted launch on
29 June. The launch site is the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan. The
Epoch time is based on the Dnepr's Orbit Insertion Time.

UTC Epoch 6/29/2004 06:45:15.06
Inc 98.25582
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Ecc .00001139

MA 261.417
Arg Per 275.47233
MM 14.4091

Echo First Communication Events

Plans call for Command Stations to begin working Echo with the morning passes over the US on 29 June. The first communication attempt with Echo will be on the pass over the eastern US, at approximately 1452 UTC, continuing with the next two passes over the US as well. The transmitter on Echo will not be turned on for a complete orbit until it is established that the bird is operating normally and that the power system is working properly. The transmitter will be shut off before the end of the pass window over the US. Transmission may also be intermittent over the US as we work with the Satellite. The hope is to leave the TX0 transmitter on for complete orbits starting as early as 0200 UTC on 30 June.

The callsigns for Echo's Pacsat Broadcast Protocol Digital system are:

Broadcast: PCAB-11
BBS: PCAB-12

Telemetry Submission Email Address

Until the ECHO Telemetry archive system is up and running please submit your CSV telemetry files received with TlmEcho to the following email address.

ke4azn@...

Once the archive system is up and running details will be published on how to submit and also download telemetry from Echo.

Check ANS for future bulletins as we progress with commissioning of Echo.

[ANS thanks Mike, KE4AZN for the above information]

/EX

1777. Echo launched successfully :-)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-29 11:04:34 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1777 Message: 1777

Congratulations to AMSAT & ECHO Team!!!

----- Original Message -----
From: "Rick Hambly (W2GPS)" <w2gps@...>
To: "'Amsat-bb'" <amsat-bb@...>
Cc: "'jtowler'" <jtowler@...>; "'Sven Arne Astrup'"
<sastrup@...>
Sent: Tuesday, June 29, 2004 02:35 PM
Subject: RE: [amsat-bb] Echo

Jim,

Echo launched successfully right on time at 0630UTC. All satellites have
successfully separated and are in orbit. Commissioning begins in about five
hours but Echo will not be available for use for a few weeks. Watch for
official ANS bulletins and the AMSAT Web site updates as more information
becomes available.

Rick
W2GPS
AMSAT LM 2232

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Ian Ashley" <iana@...>
To: "jtowler" <jtowler@...>; "'Sven Arne Astrup'"
<sastrup@...>; "'Amsat-bb'" <amsat-bb@...>
Sent: Tuesday, June 29, 2004 02:49 PM
Subject: RE: [amsat-bb] Echo

Hi Jim, I've just found this news on this site and the one below.
Looks good so far.
73 de Ian ZL1AOX

http://www.geocities.co.jp/Technopolis/4025/SEMS2004.html

http://www.interfax.ru/e/B/0/0.html?id_issue=9715504

Jun 29 2004 11:30AM
Group of satellites put into orbit
MOSCOW. June 29 (Interfax) - A Dnepr rocket carrier, which took off from a
Baikonur launching pad at 10:30 a.m. Moscow time on Tuesday, has put eight
foreign satellites into their designated orbits, a Russian Space Troops
spokesman told Interfax.

The satellites separated from the rocket carrier's third stage between
10:45:15 a.m. and 10:45:31 a.m., the spokesman said.

"Once they separated, all the satellites were handed over to the customers for operation," he said.

The satellites include France's 125-kilogram Demeter satellite designed for scientific research, Saudi Arabia's 12-kilogram SaudiComsat-1 and SaudiComsat-2 commercial satellites and 35-kilogram SaudiSat-2 satellite, U.S. LatinSat-S and LatinSat-D communications satellites weighing 15 kilograms each, an AMSat-Echo satellite weighing 12 kilograms, as well as Italy's 12-kilogram UniSat-3 scientific satellite.

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1778. YOUR POLICE INQUIRY INQUIRY HAS ARRIVED

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-29 16:07:12 UTC
From: milind korde[VU2 IZO]
Topic: 1778 Message: 1778

Hi all SWL'S
Hope u receive this mail in the pink of u r health.
and now a good news for u.
U r police inquiry has arrived at concernd police stn.
So be prepared with u r zerox copy of
RESULT & PERSONEL IDENTITY
Bombayits may contact HUZEFA [VU2 HIT] 9892786110
Thaneits may contact MICKY [VU2 IZO] 9820063882
for speedy police clearance.
73's for the time being, will catch u later on the air
when u receive u r tickets
de VU2 IZO [MICKY]

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1779. Most Famous Station in the World?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-06-30 10:23:50 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1779 Message: 1779

Dear All,

MGY, HMS Titanic, was no doubt the most famous callsign in history. Those interested may visit the given link below for details of the radio operators, the titianic radio room and the last QSOs of the Titanic.

Enjoy!!!

http://www.qsl.net/g3yrc/Titanic.htm

Shantanu Chand

1780. New file uploaded to m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-02 09:36:08 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 58 Message: 1780

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the m_a_r_s
group.

File : /ICOM/1T7H.zip
Uploaded by : shaileshpradhan <shaileshpradhan@...>
Description :

You can access this file at the URL

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files/ICOM/1T7H.zip

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit

http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

shaileshpradhan <shaileshpradhan@...>

1781. POLICE ENQUIRY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-03 06:56:47 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1781 Message: 1781
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Hi all S.W.L. 's

Finally the police enquiries have arrived!!! so what next?? , no do not panic. Keep your cool.. I understand your anxiety. The delay in my mail must have made you all the more worried.
Well first regarding the delayed mail , I was doing the ground work so as to let you all know what are the things required for further processing. I am sending herewith the file which states what documents are required.

Let me explain how the police enquiries are conducted
This time the enquiries have come directly to SB I "S" branch from IB rather the from Maharashtra State Police HQ , So it is going to be fast.

SB I "S" branch requires a declaration form to be filled and a copy of proof of residence(telephone bill / passport photocopy) to be attached along the form & photocopy examination result sheet issued by WPC (the file I am sending indicates the status of your form and other requirements).

SB I "S" branch will forward these enquiries to your local police station for the field enquiries in 2-3 days time , for which you have to follow up, I will let you know your outward no. so as to you can follow up with your respective police stations , Generally the local police station enquiries are processed by Police Inspector (P.R.O). In case no one initiates any enquiries in 5-7 days time, you will have to follow up with concerned inspector with the outward no.

Documents required by the local police station differs as per their needs. Generally keep a photocopy & original of your Ration card, Rent receipt, passport, light bill, telephone bill , election id card , & result sheet, either of the documents may be required, also be ready if they ask you any relevant question, such as " why are you applying for this licence?" , "are you going to use it for your business, what kind of business?" etc. All you have to do is convince them politely that this is the hobby and we have appeared for a government examination and we are getting this licences, no commercial usage, as they are completely unaware about this hobby so they will be very inquisitive so do not get worried.

Also remember... if questioned...regarding copying/ receiving any other stations..... that your equipment can only receive and transmit on ham frequencies and cannot transmit/ interfere / copy/ hear any other emergency services on your handy / base station. This is a very important point.

Please note that members who were in Thane Batch but residing in Mumbai (Mulund & other areas in Mumbai who attended the Classes in Thane) need to fill up the declaration form which is to be submitted at Mumbai Police SB-I so please refer the file and contact me if your name appears in the list

Also please send me the documents by courier preferably Vichare to my below address

Huzefa Merchant
Esoofally Ahmedally & Sons
173,Mutton Street, Null Bazar,
Mumbai - 400003

Regards

Huzefa Merchant

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(MOB) +91 9892 786110

1782. VU2AMY! QRV?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-06 07:40:19 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1782 Message: 1782
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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(Udayavani - Kannada Daily - Mumbai)

1783. VU2AMY! QRV?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-06 07:40:19 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1782 Message: 1783
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(Udayavani - Kannada Daily - Mumbai)

1784. Re: [m_a_r_s] VU2AMY! QRV?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-06 17:48:22 UTC
From: Deepak Pathak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1782 Message: 1784

Hi all,
just wondering if we can get AMY as a guest at Hamfest say for inauguration then imagine the response. Of course security would be a concern but it's worth a thought. Your comments awaited on this.

VU2UGO <vu2ugo@...> wrote:

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1785. Outstanding dues

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-06 17:50:55 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1785 Message: 1785

Dear friends,

Having bagged the opportunity to host the Hamfest 2004, all martians are under cloud nine. Really it's a great honour to organize the coming mega event, which all VU hams in India are looking forward to attend. At the same time let's not forget the corresponding responsibility and it's going to be tough days ahead for all of us. First thing that comes to our mind is the manpower that will be needed to successfully organize the event. It's therefore prudent to have a fresh look at our current membership.

If you go through the annual report you will find that your society is doing yeoman's service in not only promoting ham radio but also providing whatever communication support that governmental bodies have asked for. Those of you who still like to have a copy of annual report, of MARS, for the year 2003-04, can contact me.

MARS has taken due care in sustaining interest of SWL by involving them in various Ham Radio related activities.

Such activities, however, you will agree with me, cannot continue if your society does not have sufficient funds. One of the best way and least expensive way is to pay your annual membership fees on time. Of course nothing is better than becoming a Life Member.

The present membership dues are as follows:
☐ Life Membership-Rs.5,000/
☐ Ordinary (annual) membership-Rs500/-

We are already in July and our record shows that there are many hams/SWLs who have yet to renew their membership. I understand that owing to your busy sked you were probably not able to keep track of membership dues.

Nevertheless I would appreciate if you please make it convenient to send your dues on the following address at the earliest:

Prashant Koli, VU2CBU
601, Chandraganga Apartments
Near East-West Fly Over
Mulund (East)
Mumbai-400 081
Tel. # 25675226
Cell# 35675226

Wishing you all the best,
73s

vu2cbu
(Prashant Koli)

1786. Police enquiry and renewal of membership

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-06 17:53:32 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1786 Message: 1786

Dear All,

It is nice to know that Police enquiries for the students of our last batch of Ham Radio classes has come. Your Society has taken lot of pains in follow-up, in Mumbai and Delhi. However, it is found that many of the SWLs have not renewed their membership. In the situation it would be very difficult to render them any further assistance unless they continue to be our members. Hope all SWLs who have yet to renew their membership will renew it at the earliest so that our society can continue to flourish.

Best of luck.

VU2CBU

1787. Dues outstanding-List of members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-06 18:04:49 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1787 Message: 1787

Dues outstanding-List of members

Minoo Contractor
Zarir Vesuna
Jyotika Dalal
Madhu Rajan
Dhaval Patel
Rohit Arora
Vijay Motwane
Sumeet Bal
Ananta More
Kirti Doshi
Sandhya Koli
Anusuya Pullakudy
Parin Gangar
ABHIJIT BANERJEE
ASHOK R PARAB
CHANDER H BHATIA
DINESH CHAUDHARY
HARSHAD SURVE
J T D'SOUZA
KAUSHIK JAIMALANI
MANDA R PAWAR
MILIND PARALIKAR
MINAL MADIGERI
R K BHATIA
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VARGHESE WILSON
AJIT V.VORA
AMIT GUPTA
ANAND TRIVEDI
BALRAM WARRIER
BHARAT C.SHAH
BHARAT P. MEHTA

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BRIJESH RAGHAVAN
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ISAAC SAMUEL
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MUSTAFA BHANVADVALA
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RAHUL SANKAR ROY
RISHI LAL
SACHIN SURENDRAN
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SHYAM KAPADIA
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JITENDRA GORE
Arjun Ferrao
Aaron Pereira
Amit Chheda
Amol Patil
Arun Narayanan
Arvind Mandke
Ashish Sheth
Darshan Hemani
Edward Rodrigues
Gauri Gothe
Gururaj Shanbhag
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Jayant Gothe
Kanchan Zope
Karthik Ranjan
Kishor Masurkar

Laxman Tawde
Madhukar Khillare
Nilesh Malpekar
Pooja Kashikar
Pradnya Agaskar
Priya Gopalkrishnan
Rahul Chaudhry
Sagar Bhaerao
Sailee Korde
Sapana Shrivastava
Satish Sonbarse
Shailesh Hardikar
Shivkumar Iyer
Siddharth Tamhane
Smita Desai
Sriram Narayanan
Sujata Neelkanta
Sunil Calvin
Sunilkumar Chinagundi
Sushilkumar Inamdar
Viren Gada
Abdul Sattar Molvi
Anand Dedhia
Anurag Chugh
Bipin Shah
Chetan Vhibhute
Elias Gonsalves
Kalpana Shah
Kaushik Sanghvi
Neha Gothe
Rahim Bardai
Rajeshree Sarvagod
Rishikesh Kamat
Santosh Thomas
Vishal Shah
Sunil Saranjame
Asley Baptista
Rajiv,VU2UGA

1788. Happy 4th Anniversary MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-06 18:50:35 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1788 Message: 1788
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Dear Friends,

Let me take this opportunity to congratulate all of you and wish you very the best on the auspicious occasion of our 4th Anniversary. May our society grow with active hams.. and promote our wonderful hobby.

M.A.R.S "THE" happening society in India.

Cheers, live long and prosper.

73 & 88

NLF

1789. Re: [m_a_r_s] Dues outstanding-List of members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-07 01:18:26 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 1787 Message: 1789

It is a very big list, It is going to be really very difficult to run the MARS.

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1790. Re: [m_a_r_s] VU2AMY! QRV?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-07 05:31:17 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1782 Message: 1790

Dear Deepak,
I had suggested long time back to the Society to make VU2AMY an honorary member. It would add prestige to our society. It is now up to the society to decide of course.

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Shantanu

Deepak Pathak-VU2CDP <vu2cdp@...> wrote:
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1791. Reminder about Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-07 08:40:43 UTC
From: Anish Korde
Topic: 1791 Message: 1791

Hello friends this is a reminder to all MARS members to kindly attend the monthly meet on sunday the 11 of july.

Lone Wolf

Do you Yahoo!?
Yahoo! Mail Address AutoComplete - You start. We finish.

1792. Happy Birthday - Darshan Hemani

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-07 11:31:34 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1792 Message: 1792
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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

MARS wishes its Member Darshan Hemani - Grade - I a very Happy Birthday

1793. Re: [m_a_r_s] Reminder about Monthly Meeting where ???? bengalli school not avaiable

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-08 05:47:31 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1793 Message: 1793

dear vu2 ozo
urgent bengalli school has said no more entry till MARS sunday meeting schedule not handed over for 6 months to them with time .
please take the urgent action and call me
vu2zrs
----- Original Message -----
From: Anish Korde <vu2ozo@...>
Date: Wednesday, July 7, 2004 2:10 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Reminder about Monthly Meeting

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> attend the monthly meet on sunday the 11 of july.
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> Do you Yahoo!?
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marine lines
mumbai 2
tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

1794. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy 4th Anniversary MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-08 05:49:58 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1788 Message: 1794

dear vu2 nlf
congrats to MARS on the 4th anniversary and " THANK YOU "

vu2zrs

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cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

1795. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 783

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-08 19:21:56 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1795 Message: 1795

GREETINGS TO ALL FRIENDS ON MARS 4th ANNIVERSARY.

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Members
UP Amateur Radio Society
Club: VU2LKO

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1796. meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-10 10:07:01 UTC
From: Anish Korde
Topic: 1796 Message: 1796

Reminder To Attained Tomorrow Will Before Meeting At Bengali Girls School At

Churchgate At 10:00 Am Sharp

Agenda For The Meeting About Police Enquiry

Lone Wolf

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1797. July 2004 monthly issue of VU2ARC is online

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-13 11:22:57 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 1797 Message: 1797

Dear Friends,

Bangalore Amateur Radio Club - VU2ARC's monthly newsletter is made
available for download from their website http://www.bangalorehams.com

It is a PDF file and the same is for Ham Distribution.

Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Past President, Bangalore Amateur Radio Club - VU2ARC
Disaster Manager & Custodian, Lions Clubs International Ham Radio
Station - VU2LCI

Plus

Life Member, MARS.

1798. Re: Action Lost/ 9/11 repeater failure.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-13 11:36:38 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 1769 Message: 1798

Dear Mumbai friends,

This has nothing to do with 9/11 but regarding WTC when everything is calm and peaceful.

I am having one of the file video taken by New York Hams while installing their repeater antenna on top of the WTC - a copy of this was presented to me when I visited NYC recently (Feb to Jun 2004).

The following points to be noted :-

This video gained importance only after fall of WTC.

As there was so much of RF QRM on top of WTC, the video recording is doubled with ghost pictures coming as interference from Television Station inspite of lead sheet wrapped recorder.

Lots of other antennas and the way it is mounted on top of WTC can be seen.

I do not know if some VU hams are interested to see this, if so kindly let me know, so I can bring this to Mumbai while I come over to the HFI 2004. There is really nothing really worth recording/copying if you see once.

The only VU Ham who volunteered when the 9/11 incident happened is VU2COT Bangalore Suresh who was working in NY and he was with the American Red Cross - Emergency Communication handling traffic as a volunteer. Presently, VU2COT is in UK with his MQTH.

Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Disaster Manager & Custodian,
Lions Clubs International Ham Radio Station - VU2LCI

Life Member, MARS.

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, Shantanu Chand <bombayboy400011@y...> wrote:
> Dear JPN,
>
> You have a point there. On TV i saw a HF base station with VHF handies in operation from the accident sight. A guy was communicating using headphones.
> Any further details on that please put on the group for information such who was operating and with whom.
>
> Further to this, I had read an article in Europe regarding 9/11 disaster at the twin towers. The article was in the International

Herald Tribune Europe edition dated 19th May 2004. I had cut out the article but lost it in transit.
> The article was along on these lines:
> "Both the towers were equipped with VHF repeaters and supplied communication on the various floors and departments of the World Trade Center. During rescue operations the various fire and police deparments did not know how to use the repeaters (read: the frequency of operation) and therefore could not evacuate people from the buildings.
> Due to lack of communication and enimity betweent the police and fire department there was total confusion in the towers. Conflicting reports were recieved where in one case people were told to go down and evacuate the buildings while another report told the people to stay put in their offices. in the bargain people in the buildings were running down the stairs to evecuate and on reaching a certain floor were told to return to their offices by another department!!!
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> This confusion cost the people dearly as we all know. Had someone known how to operate the repeaters the operation of evacuation could have been smoother and more lives could have been saved."
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> this is the best i can remember frm the article and i have tried to find it in the online edition of the newspaper but without luck.
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> The moral of the story as i understand it is that it is not only essential to have the equipment in place and operational(as it was) but also the rescuing authorities should have known how to use it. What good is superb infrastructure if you don't know how to use it when the need arises?
> I think in that respect ,atleast for our local VHF, MARS should assign a chain of command which should be known to all members irrespective of whether they are on the DMP or not. This is in the eventuality that any HAM listening in can relay information to the top of the chain in the event the lower rungs cannot directly QSO with each other.
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> This is just a suggestion but i am sure our team leaders know better.
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> If anyone is succesful in retrieving this article in the herald tribune please let me and the group know.
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> 73
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> Shantanu Chand
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> ALL-NEW Yahoo! Messenger - sooooo many all-new ways to express

yourself

1799. VU3RUN's YYL Harmonic UPASANA's Heart Surgery

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-13 11:55:25 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 1799 Message: 1799

Dear Friends,

Upasana is 1 Year Nine Months and the only harmonic of Amitava Saha VU3RUN born 9 years after their marriage.

VU3RUN runs a small printing business in Kolkata and as Upasana needs Heart Surgery costing 1.5 Lakh this msg is to appeal amongst hams of Mumbai.

The details of the appeal is on homepage http://geocities.com/help_upasana/ over at Kolkata the hams who are co-ordinating are VU2KFR - Koochi and VU2HFR - Horey.

We at Bangalore have been moved to this appeal and have not only been contributing for the operation, have volunteered to look into logistics as the operation is to be conducted in Bangalore's Narayana Hrudayalaya and also trying our contacts to bargain on the main bill itself.

Kindly see if you can be of help.

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Disaster Manager & Custodian, Lions Clubs International Ham Radio Station - VU2LCI

Life Member, MARS

1800. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-14 02:50:25 UTC
From: bal indi
Topic: 1800 Message: 1800

dear nlf,

did u rcv. my previous mail ? if so what
ur opinion ?

-de bal, VU2 UZI

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1801. Re: [m_a_r_s] VU3RUN's YYL Harmonic UPASANA's Heart Surgery

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-14 03:04:43 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1799 Message: 1801
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1802. Fwd: Re: [m_a_r_s] VU3RUN's YYL Harmonic UPASANA's Heart Surgery

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-14 08:43:05 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1802 Message: 1802
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1803. MARS Disaster mgmt. team flies to assam

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-15 04:45:37 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1803 Message: 1803

Floods, the worst ever: Assam CM

G Vinayak in Guwahati | July 12, 2004 10:23 IST (REDIFF NEWS)

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MARS disaster management team consisting of NLF, UGO, IZO, OZO, AUA, has already left for Assam for providing communications support....lets wish them all the best!

73's

Ankur Puranik

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1804. Re: [mars_academy_2003] MARS Disaster mgmt. team flies to assam

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-15 07:02:47 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1804 Message: 1804

all the best to MARS Team out on the field.

73s,

Mehul

----- Original Message -----
From: Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...>
Date: Thursday, July 15, 2004 12:45 pm
Subject: [mars_academy_2003] MARS Disaster mgmt. team flies to assam

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1805. Re: [mars_academy_2003] MARS Disaster mgmt. team flies to assam

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-16 03:06:58 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1804 Message: 1805

All the best to the team.

To the Best of my knowledge the Team is in Bihar!

Back here,HIT,ZRS,KIB and others are in QSO with the Team.

HIT has been asked to update on present QTH of members of the team.

73s
CBU
--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, mehul2k@v... wrote:
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1806. Brahmaputra Expedition

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-16 05:00:48 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1806 Message: 1806

Dear All,
In the time of floods and major disasters created by rivers, i offer you an expedition on the largest river in Asia. I have a tie up with an adventure company called Aquaterra Adventures.They are organising an international expedition on the river Brahmaputra from 19th Nov to 3rd Dec 2004.
I have personally been on an expedition on the Bhagirathi River with them and can vouch for them as being one of the best river guides in Asia. In fact they have been called in for an expedition on the dangerous Blue Nile in Ethiopia www.niletrip.com
Anyways to cut the story short i am enclosing below an email sent to me by Aquaterra. Those in Mumbai who are interested may email me on shantanuchand@... and i can forward the details to you.
Best Regards
Shantanu Chand

The Upper Brahmaputra Expedition Nov 19-Dec 03, 2004

Aquaterra Adventures invites you to be an expedition member on one of the top rafting expeditions in the world, from Nov 19-Dec 03, 2004 ! Its a life expedition in every sense.....

The most exciting way to run the Upper Brahmaputra's (or Siang as its known in Arunachal Pradesh) legendary big drops, rapids, riffles, and strong eddies is on a 08-day river trip paddling down its enormous rapids with 25-30 foot high waves and hydraulics, camping each day on river side beaches and travelling down the rivers remote gorges. The trip is not just a river expedition - its a cultural eye-opener travelling through a very remote part of India, an amazing ferry ride, drives through tropical forests and lots more.....

Before launching from the put-in at Tuting, your guides will instruct the crew in the fundamentals of safety, paddling, white-water, and self-rescue. After your day-one plunge through a ten-mile stretch with some of the biggest rapids rafted commercially, rapids known as "Ningguing" (twice the size of "Lava Falls on the Colorado) and 'Pulsating Palsi", you'll be ready to navigate down the Ningguing and Marmong gorges. You will raft down big drops in the gorge including the 'Roaring Rikor" and "Zebra Rock" till the Class 6 "Toothfairy" at Cherring. You will scout "Moing Madness" and see huge 20 foot plus breakers within arms reach. You will spend days floating down the beautiful vastness of this river, the 'Son of Brahma", past tribal settlements, run down "Karko Killer" and brace yourself for the final drop at the "Pongging Punch".

This river changed forever after a flood of June 2000 sent the river up 150 feet, destroying everything in its path. Aquaterra Adventures ran the first open fixed departure on this river in Nov-Dec 2002, with a crew of over 50 down a path breaking trip which documented the river for all who care to join future expeditions. We followed up with a paddle raft descent in Nov-Dec 2003 alongwith the first complete descent of the Lohit, one of the fiercer tributaries of the Brahmaputra.

To run such a trip of a lifetime demands that you travel with the experts of river running - we are the only outfitter who has run open fixed departure expeditions on this river and very clearly, have the superior skills, equipment, guides and people who make this "real life expedition" an outstanding success. Our 2002 trip made it to the cover of the World's No.1 Rafting, Kayaking and Canoeing magazine, PADDLER (see article on www.treknraft.com)

Space on the trip is limited, and bookings over the last two have closed well before the last date !!

Write in or call us for more info, or drop into our office for a visual preview of the trip.

For trip plan and more details, drop us a line at aquatera@...
or call us at 29212641, 29212760, 51636101, 9811103831
We look forward to hearing from you.

From Team Aquaterra Adventures
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1807. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: [mars_academy_2003] MARS Disaster mgmt. team flies to assam

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-16 03:32:05 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 1804 Message: 1807

Bravo Zulu Team!

HIT,ZRS etc please let us know if you need any support from us here int he city.

regards,

VU2MIG

----- Original Message -----
From: "Prashant Koli" <vu2cbu@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, July 16, 2004 8:36 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Re: [mars_academy_2003] MARS Disaster mgmt. team flies to assam

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1808. MARS ARES Update

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-16 06:37:33 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1808 Message: 1808
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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Hi friends

As you are all aware that our Amateur Radio Emergence Service Team headed by NLF including Sandip Adiwarekar-VU2UGO, Arun Singh-VU3AUA, Micky Korde-VU2IZO and Anish Korde-VU2OZO were mobilised on a call from Delhi to Bihar which is ravaged by Floods all over the state.

NLF & team left early morning by air on 15-07-2004 via New Delhi for Patna, Immediately Reaching they met State Secretary R & R and were informed about the situation , a control station was setup in sachivalaya headed by VU2IZO & VU2OZO with whom the QSO was made by us on 40 mtrs yesterday

As per the information received NLF, UGO & AUA will be leaving Patna and helidropped in 2 remote district which are submerged in waters and no communication possible.

16/06/2004

10.45 am : As per last update received from Patna , NLF UGO & AUA left Patna and are on the way to flood ravaged district , ZRS & Ankur who are on Monitoring Mode are waiting for a QSO with the MARS ARES Team from Disaster Area

Further Update will be made as per the information received from the Disaster Site.

VU2HIT
Huzefa Merchant
Committee Member

P.S. Ham Members are requested not make ant QSO ctc with the MARS ARES Team unless they request for , they are in regular touch with Mumbai(ZRS) , Also they are on Batteries so they will be coming Intermittently on the air to pass emergency messages.

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1809. Thane Varsha Maraton

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-16 03:18:06 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1809 Message: 1809

Friends,

Thane Varsha Marathon will be held on Sunday,the 18th July,2004 and we have recceived a request to provide communication support for the Marathon.

OM Jaiprakash,VU2JPN has been designated as Event Manager for this purpose and hams/swls of MARS interested in participating in the event may convey their willingness to JPN on 25244784 or 9892186646.

73s

VU2CBU

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Prashant Koli

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Marriage by choice.... Log onto Shaadi.com (http://g.msn.com/8HMBENIN/2731??PS=47575)

1810. MARS ARES

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-17 08:00:11 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1810 Message: 1810
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MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Dear Ham Friends

As you are all aware Grave floods situation in Assam & Bihar ,Mumbai Amateur Radio Society received an SOS call on 15/07/04 at 12.30 midnight from Mr Saroj Jha (Deputy Secretary ,National Centre of Disaster Management(NCDM) Ministry of Home Affairs Govt. of India, ex-A R R UNDP INDIA) to provide communications support in the floods affected area , Mumbai Amateur Radio Society (MARS) immediately responded and 5 members of MARS ARES Team were immediately mobilised.

MARS ARES team headed by NILESH RATHOD - VU2NLF, SANDIP ADIWAREKAR - VU2UGO, ARUN SINGH - VU3AUA, MILIND KORDE - VU2IZO and ANISH KORDE - VU2OZO took the first available flight to Patna via New Delhi, from where they were airlifted by helicopter to various far flung submerged district.

MARS ARES team hams communicated vital information to base station set up at Patna Secretariat (Sachivalaya) on both RT/digital mode which were also being monitored at our MARS MUMBAI CONTROL, we request hams who are QRV on HF may please monitor and if any help required ,necessary action might be taken.

MARS ARES team members are Amateur (Ham) Radio Volunteers who have their own job and not working full time as wireless operators in any Ham Radio Institute ,also the team members were aptly trained here locally thru various simulated disaster management exercises which were regularly held in our society.

Further Update will be made as per the information received from the Disaster Site.

VU2HIT
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1811. Varsha Marathon.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-19 08:14:39 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1811 Message: 1811

Dear Friends

The communication support by MARS at Varsha Marathon on 18.07.04
successfully done by following hams:

1. VU2CBU
2. VU2NFS
3. VU2MUF
4. VU2SFN
5. VU2IES
6. VU2CFO
7. VU2GBI
8. VU3MWH
9. VU2GYM
10. VU2PPE
12. VU2KDM
13. VU2JPN

Detailed mail follows shortly.

73's

jpn

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1812. Re: [m_a_r_s] Varsha Marathon.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-19 08:56:00 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1811 Message: 1812

Congratulations for a job well done!!!!

Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...> wrote:Dear Friends

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1813. Re: [m_a_r_s] Varsha Marathon.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-19 09:01:35 UTC
From: milind korde[VU2 IZO]
Topic: 1811 Message: 1813

hi jpn /cbu/ sfn/ ies/ nfs/ cfo/ ppe/ kdm/ mwh and all others
tks a lot for making the event a sucess

Was bit worried about it

73's to u all

micky [VU2 IZO]

Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...> wrote:
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1814. Re: Varsha Marathon.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-19 09:30:39 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1811 Message: 1814

Thanks and congrats JPN for successfully handling the event.
BTW, VU2VVP acted was a relay station.

73s
VU2CBU
--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@y...>
wrote:
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1815. MARS ARES UPDATE 19/07/2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-19 11:52:18 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1815 Message: 1815
Attachments: 5 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Updated report from Bihar

Hello fellow Hams

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The mumbai station recd the info(text & Pics) thru digital mode (Digipan & MMSSTV) , and it is being sent with this mail.

Also the pics are being uploaded on the respective Yahoo groups Photo section

Further Update will be made as per the information received from the Disaster Site.

VU2HIT
Huzefa Merchant
Committee Member

MESSAGE RECD FROM VU2NLF THRU DIGIPAN

eok very scratch copy but ok we undersatnd , ok de vu2hit

VU2NLF HOW DO YOU COPY ME K VU2ZRS VU2ZRS E VU2PLF =OW COPY K r ro ee

better now NLF de vu2hit , transmit the file now - de vu2hit de vu2nlf vu2nlf

OULD I TX FILE NOW ? VU2HIT DE VU2NLFK ni e e

ok pls transmit the file vu2nlf de vu2hit

SHLOULD i TRX NOW

VU2NLF. Dated :18/07/2004.

Location : SITAMARHI. (Bihar) -

Our Team was requested to mobilize on 14th July 2004 for Bihar to provide Communication support

to the State Government of Bihar.

Our team consisting of Nilesh - VU2NLF, Sandip - VU2UGO, Arunsingh - VU3AUA, Micky - VU2IZO and

Anish - VU2OZO, left for Patna by Air on 14th July 2004 at 9:35 Am. The Team Reached Patna at 14:00 hours

which was received by the Govt Officials and were taken to the Sachivalya. (Patna).

We met the Relief Officer and the Chief Secretary, our team was requested set up 1 statioe at

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VU2IZO & VU2OZO - were stationed at Sachivalya - Patna.

VU2UGO & VU3AUA left for Shivhar and VU2NLF left for SitaMarhi the next day by Indian Air Force

Chopters. VU2NLF left at 12:00 Hours and VU2UGO & DU3A oA let t at 14:00 Hours.

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happy to inform that all the teams are copying the messages were well..

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Sandip's Location at Shivhar.

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VU2NLF - SitaMarhi. (Bihar).

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1816. Re: [m_a_r_s] Varsha Marathon.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-19 13:50:42 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 1811 Message: 1816

Just onemore addition the Rely station VU2 VVP.
VU2 NFS
----- Original Message -----
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2004 1:44 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Varsha Marathon.

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1817. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 791

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-19 17:05:50 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1817 Message: 1817

Dear Huzefa Bhai,

Hi!

Kindly pass my best wishes to the whole team.

A specialy appreciation for OB Anish and of course the OM my good friend Mickey.

How can I forget NLF and yes the new genration HAMs.

Keep up the good work.

73

Rahul VU3WJM

PS: UGO is always there for the leg work, such noble cause I simply expect him there.

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:
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1818. bihar welomes MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-20 04:50:40 UTC
From: firani@vsnl.com
Topic: 1818 Message: 1818

Dear NLF and all at MARS,

Was quite amazed to hear about you'll leaving to Bihar.
It was unbelievable.
I am sure you'll guys will perform…. and help save a thousand lives.
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Regards and Best wishes to all at MARS.
VU2WET

1819. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 791

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-20 07:15:26 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1817 Message: 1819

Thanks U Rahul [VU3 WJM] for the warm regards

73's

de VU2 IZO [MICKY]

>From: Rahul Srivastava
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 791
>Date: Mon, 19 Jul 2004 10:05:50 -0700 (PDT)
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1820. Re: [m_a_r_s] Varsha Marathon.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-20 07:41:14 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1811 Message: 1820

Thanks Nafisa for remembering my call for the marathon communications support !!!

Regards

Vijay, VU2VVP

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1821. MARS ARES UPDATE 20/07/2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-20 10:09:36 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1821 Message: 1821
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1822. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS ARES UPDATE 20/07/2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-20 14:04:15 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 1821 Message: 1822
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

And Ladies and Gentlemen,
take a look at this picture of an IAF Mi-8 which went down ,while trying Darbhanga Medical College hostel girls.the tail rotor struck a tree and the chopper went down.Luckily no casualties were reported.

A reminder of the environment our team is operating in.

Regards,
VU2MIG
Kapil Chandni

----- Original Message -----
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
To: Mars Groups ; MARS CLASSES 2002 ; MARS ACADEMY
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2004 3:39 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] MARS ARES UPDATE 20/07/2004

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1823. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS ARES UPDATE 20/07/2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-21 04:59:58 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1821 Message: 1823

Dear Kapil,
Thanks for the reality check. I am sure it takes pictures to get the real story to sink in. just by saying our boys are out there does not have the same impact as pictures. As in the previous mails you must have seen the visuals from the scene.
Anyways, the boys are doing a great job and we look forward to their safe return.
73
Shantanu

Kapil Chandni <kapil@...> wrote:
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1824. WET asks for less water

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-21 13:23:21 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 1824 Message: 1824

[VU2WET wrote]
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Was quite amazed to hear about you'll leaving to Bihar.
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Regards and Best wishes to all at MARS.
VU2WET

Hello YL/OM,

I cannot agree more with what VU2WET has just said. It cannot be overemphasised enough.
Great going MARS team in Bihar! May the work you do stop more lives from being ham pered.

73,
de VU2NHR.

1825. Article on Ham Radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-21 05:10:54 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 1825 Message: 1825

> Dear Friends,
>
> In today's Deccan Chronicle there is an article about
> Ham Radio titled "Ham holds its own in the age of
> cells".
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> It can be viewed in Hyderabad Chronicle at:
>
> http://www.deccan.com/Hyderabad%20Chronicle/Hyderabad%20Chronicle.asp
>
> Click on the heading "Ham holds its own in the age of
> cells".
> =====
> 73

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radiohams-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

1826. Re: [m_a_r_s] Varsha Marathon.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-21 15:58:45 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1811 Message: 1826

Thanks NFS & CBU

Just missed Vijay (at No.11) as relay station. Sorry Vijay VU2VVP - As always this year also we got your full relay support for the Marathon. Thank You.

Regards

VU2JPN

nafisa shikari <nafisahs@...> wrote:
Just onemore addition the Rely station VU2 VVP.
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----- Original Message -----
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
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1827. Re: [m_a_r_s] bihar welomes MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-22 17:10:59 UTC
From: Deepak Pathak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1818 Message: 1827

Good suggsn. especially in case of road accident victims we can call police or ambu. Point definitely worth pondering.

firani@... wrote:Dear NLF and all at MARS,

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1828. New file uploaded to m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-23 11:57:14 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 58 Message: 1828

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the m_a_r_s
group.

File : /Walkie Talkie - article.doc
Uploaded by : lionajoy <lionajoy@...>
Description : SPAN Magazine - Ham Article

You can access this file at the URL:
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http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

lionajoy <lionajoy@...>

1829. Kolkata Baby Upasana in Bangalore

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-23 12:01:03 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 1829 Message: 1829

Dear Friends & Wellwishers,

This is to inform VU3RUN, his XYL and YYL Harmonic Baby Upasana have reached Bangalore and today were tested as Outpatients and with visit of India's President - Abdul Kalam, the admission as in-patient may be tomorrow (Saturday) or shortly.

Appeal for donation for surgery is still awaited.

Details of this appeal is on http://www.geocities.com/help_upasana

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Life Member, MARS.

1830. MARS' ARES Team is Back in Mumbai

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-24 15:46:36 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 1830 Message: 1830
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

MARS ARES Team of 5 members i.e. VU3AUA, VU2NLF, VU2OZO, VU2IZO & VU2UGO (from left to right in the photograph below) returned safely from Bihar back to Mumbai on yesterday evening !

Detail report of ARES work & snaps will be uploaded very soon!

73s de VU2UGO

1831. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS' ARES Team is Back in Mumbai

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-25 07:54:43 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1830 Message: 1831

Dear ARES Team,
Welcome Back!!!! I am so glad you guys reached back safely. I hope your detailed report will be up on the group soon. Once again welcome back and congratulations for a job well done.

Cheers.

Shantanu

Sandip Adiwarekar <vu2ugo@...> wrote:

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1832. Bihar Flash Flood July 15-23, 2004 Photos

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-25 14:54:01 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 1832 Message: 1832

Bihar Flash Flood July 15-23, 2004 Photos

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tore=&prodid=&.done=http%3a//f2.pg.photos.yahoo.com/sandipadiwarekar

1833. Re: [m_a_r_s] Bihar Flash Flood July 15-23, 2004 Photos

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-25 15:43:53 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 1832 Message: 1833

Good stuff Saandeep and welcome back team.

Cheers,

VU2MIG

----- Original Message -----
From: "Sandip Adiwarekar" <vu2ugo@...>
To: <Undisclosed-Recipient:;>
Sent: Sunday, July 25, 2004 8:24 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Bihar Flash Flood July 15-23, 2004 Photos

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1834. Disaster Communication Report - (BIHAR).

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-29 15:13:06 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1834 Message: 1834
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Dear Friends,

Our Team was requested by Ministry of Home Affairs to mobilize on 14th July 2004 for Patna to provide Communication support in the Flood effected areas. I Immediately alerted our Team Members, Some could make it and some could not, Finally Our 5 member team left for Patna at 15/07/2004 at 09:35 hours by Air Sahara , which was received at Patna and were taken to the Sachivalya (Patna).

Ham Radio Communication Support at SitaMarhi, Shivhar and Patna.

Team Members :-

Nilesh Rathod - VU2NLF - Team Leader - Location : SitaMarhi (HF/ VHF/ Digital)

Sandip Adiwarekar - VU2UGO - Leader - Location : Shivhar (HF / VHF).

Arunsingh Rawat - VU3AUA

Anish Korde - VU2OZO - Leader - Location : Patna (Sachivalya) - (HF).

Milind Korde - VU2IZO

Zyros Zend - VU2ZRS - Leader - Location : Mumbai Control (HF / Digital).

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1835. Re: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Report - (BIHAR).

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-29 16:07:10 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 1834 Message: 1835

DEAR DISASTER COMMUNICATION TEAM FRIENDS,
VERY VERY GOOD JOB DONE BY YOU ALL.
ONCE AGAIN IT PROVED THE MARS ARES IS HIGHLY TRAINED.
BRAVO ZULU.

TNX FOR THE INFO NILESHJI.

BASAPPA ARABOLE
VU2NXM
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1836. Re: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Report - (BIHAR).

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-29 17:01:00 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1834 Message: 1836

Hello All,

Indeed a great job done and very short noticed mobilization. I believe Nilesh was alerted at 1.30 early morning and team took 9.35 flight. Was really fast and well organised in a spur of moment.

Congratulations to the team and all those who supported from Mumbai.

73s,

Mehul
Secretary-MARS.

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...>
Date: Thursday, July 29, 2004 8:13 am
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Disaster Communication Report - (BIHAR).

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1837. Re: Disaster Communication Report - (BIHAR).

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-29 20:19:25 UTC
From: vu2kiz
Topic: 1834 Message: 1837

Dear Nilesh and the team,

Congratualations for the wonderful work.

I would have loved to join the field team. You remember that I joined the Gujarat earthquake communication team while the train was passing from Vadodara. However, this time neither your plane from Mumbai to Patna stopped at the airport where I was nor I received the alert call from you (during Gujarat I came to know from air). Just to remind you that I am Life Member of MARS and Member of the Emergency Communications Team and have taken part in three drills once from Baroda, second time at Pune and third time at Dhanu Road. I had also given my Jaipur phone number (0141) 228 1888 and Baroda (0265) 228 5343.

Once again congratulating the team and I feel proud of being a member of MARS.

Kailash

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, vu2nlf <vu2nlf@m...> wrote:
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1838. Digital Radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-30 09:22:03 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1838 Message: 1838

HD radio receivers get a boost

Jul 29, 2004 4:45 PM
RF Design staff

Hoping to make a dent in the emerging terrestrial digital radio market in the United States, Texas Instruments has launched new DSP-based baseband chips for iBiquity Digital Corp.?s HD Radio technology. While one is a baseband for HD Radio receiver, the other combines HD Radio technology with analog AM/FM, thereby supporting both forms of radio on a single chip. In fact, according to TI, this will be the company?s third-generation digital radio silicon.

Meanwhile, iBiquity?s terrestrial digital broadcast, called in-band on-channel (IBOC) is still undergoing AM FCC tests for nighttime broadcast. While IBOC-based digital FM has been approved by the FCC for both daytime and nighttime broadcast by existing analog radio stations, it has yet to approve digital nighttime transmissions by AM radio stations due to interference concerns. This is expected to be completed soon.

The new digital basebands integrate TI?s expertise in DSP technology with software developed by iBiquity Digital to provide all of the digital functions required to build an AM/FM and HD radio receiver, in addition to allowing for audio post processing and MP3 and Windows Media Audio (WMA) CD support.

The new TMS320DRI350 brings integration of HD radio technology by combining IF-sampled AM/FM and HD radio processing on the same chip. This integrated design approach is the lowest cost implementation of HD radio technology. In addition, TI is responding to manufacturers? demand for an HD radio-only solution with its new TMS320DRI300 baseband, providing HD radio functionality, while allowing OEMs to continue using their own proprietary designs for AM/FM support. The DRI300 allows manufacturers to build on existing solutions and easily add digital radio capabilities.

The DRI350 and DRI300 basebands are complemented by TI's mixed-signal DRI8201 chip, which provides the intermediate frequency (IF) analog-to-digital converter (ADC), digital down converter (DDC) and control digital-to-analog converter (DAC) needed in a complete digital radio design. The DRI8201 uses an 80-MHz, 12-bit ADC to digitize the AM/FM IF signal from the radio tuner with the high precision needed for optimum AM/FM and HD radio performance. Samples of TI?s DRI350 and DRI300 HD radio basebands are available now with volume production expected in the fourth quarter of 2004.

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1839. Press Release Disaster Communication in Bihar

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-31 16:29:11 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1839 Message: 1839
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1840. RE: [m_a_r_s] Press Release Disaster Communication in Bihar

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-07-31 16:42:41 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 1839 Message: 1840

When IS the Hamfest?
Sarla

>From: vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: "M_A_R_S@..." <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>CC: "Mars_Academy_2003@..."
><mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com>, "Mars_Classes@..."
><mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Press Release Disaster Communication in Bihar
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1841. Article in Mid day.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-03 10:57:31 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1841 Message: 1841

http://ww1.mid-day.com/news/city/2004/august/89049.htm

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1842. Floods in Gujarat.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-03 14:31:45 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1842 Message: 1842
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

A lot of our members are concern about the floods in Gujarat, many have called me to know if our help is required or not.

Well, I am pleased to inform you that at present there is no real emergency, a lot of places in South Gujarat, such as Daman, navsari, Surat are badly effected by the floods, but so far no casualites are reported. I am touch with all our ham friends in these areas. All the L.L. mobile phones are operational and fully functional... so at this point of time our ham radio services are not at all required... Our Hams is the region are already in touch with the local collectors and District Magistrates... and the Govt. has clearly said " Hams Not required" at this point of time as land lines, mobile phones and police wireless network is fully functional...

Further the Gujarat hams are already on alert and ready to go into action if need arises... we are also on standby as back up if in case we are required...

So guys, please relax... take it easy, our team will be on Yellow Alert... and watch the situation....

73

VU2NLF, Head - ARES Team.

1843. IC-718 Price

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-05 05:21:45 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1843 Message: 1843

Hi if anyone interested in IC-718 ,below mail has some indicative price on various listed sites

Message: 8
Date: Wed, 04 Aug 2004 12:41:26 -0000
From: "Craig Still" <analoghifi@...>
Subject: Current IC-718 Prices

Gigaparts - $569.00 /w DSP
HRO - $559.95 /w DSP
AES - $569.99 /w DSP
R&L - $579.95 /w DSP
Texas Towers $569.00 /w DSP
Ham Station $569.95 /w DSP
Universal Radio $599.95 /w DSP
Burghardt $569.95 /w DSP
Memphis Amateur Electronics $539.95 /w DSP

Current eBay BIN auctions:
$435.00 /w DSP
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1844. Fw: [ARRL-80211B] Wi-Fi Shootout in the Desert 55-mile Wi-Fi connection with 30-milliwatts

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-05 08:49:58 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1844 Message: 1844

----- Original Message -----
From: "Frank Keeney - KG6JVE" <kg6jve@...>
To: <ARRL-80211B@...>
Sent: Wednesday, August 04, 2004 08:35 PM
Subject: [ARRL-80211B] Wi-Fi Shootout in the Desert 55-mile Wi-Fi connection with 30-milliwatts

Wi-Fi Shootout in the Desert

By Kim Zetter | Also by this reporter

02:00 AM Aug. 03, 2004 PT

LAS VEGAS -- Mobile warriors having trouble making a wireless connection across the hall might want to give some Ohio teens a call. This weekend they were able to make a 55-mile Wi-Fi connection.

The teens from Cincinnati got an ovation at the DefCon hacker conference here Sunday when organizers announced at the Alexis Park Resort that the winners of this year's Wi-Fi shootout might have broken a world record for ground distance in establishing a 55.1-mile Wi-Fi connection.

DefCon, in its 12th year of gathering hackers, security professionals and undercover intelligence agents from various countries, held its usual list of extracurricular competitions to accompany talks on subjects like hacking with Google and hacking RFID tags.

The Wi-Fi shootout, held for the second time, was among the most popular contests. Six teams participated, including two women who won an award for the most innovative antenna design, which consisted of an assortment of cardboard, duct tape and a car sun visor. That's only slightly less conventional than previous contestants, who built antennas from Pringles and Hormel Chili cans. The jury-rigged antenna achieved a connection at 0.82 miles.

Contestants had to set up a pair of computers, get an 802.11b Wi-Fi connection working on each one and then see how far apart they could place the computers and still maintain a connection using homebrewed and commercial antennas with and without amplifiers.

While one part of the winning team climbed a mountain with equipment, another part of the team climbed a second mountain. Then the first group shot a signal from one station to the second station with an encrypted message provided by the judges. They logged increasing distances over two days. (Wired magazine helped sponsor the contest.) Contest judges verified the distances using GPS coordinates.

Last year, teams got caught in a two-hour traffic jam before they reached the base camp, at 4,650 feet above sea level, then faced rain and thundershowers in addition to blistering heat. This year they faced only the heat and the absence of bathrooms and fresh beer for miles around.

Ben Corrado, Andy Meng, Justin Rigling and a fourth friend, Brandon Schamer (who didn't accompany them from Ohio), won the greatest distance achieved for an 802.11b network. The teens, two of them 18 years old and the other 19 years old, achieved 55.1 miles using homebrewed antennas on both ends along with amplification, exceeding last year's winner by 20 miles. Then, when they established that record, they turned off their amplifiers and broke the record for an unamplified connection at the same distance. At the announcement on Sunday, the crowd rose to its feet.

The Guinness world record for Wi-Fi connection stands at 310 kilometers (about 192 miles), achieved in 2002 by Wi-Fi equipment maker Alvarion and the Swedish Space Corporation. But the companies achieved the distance by launching the equipment in a Swedish weather balloon, which many feel is not the same as a ground measurement, since there are fewer obstacles to block a WiFi signal in the stratosphere. The Swedish group also used amplification to achieve its record, but the DefCon team maintained its 55.1-mile connection even without amplification. Guinness World Records could not be reached for comment in time for publication to determine whether the DefCon team's efforts count as a distinct record.
(http://www.newswireless.net/articles/030307-record.html)

Corrado told the crowd that they initially had no plans to attend DefCon but decided to enter the contest 19 days earlier after a "business plan" they devised fell through.

"We were going to war-drive around Cincinnati and find unencrypted wireless access points," Corrado said. "We knocked on people's doors and asked if (they) wanted us to encrypt them, and they just got all freaked out. So we were searching for other things to do with the equipment we had just purchased."

After Meng stumbled across the DefCon Wi-Fi shootout website, Corrado called Rigling and said, "Hey, dude, we're going to Las Vegas in like 19 days!" They already had a few 9-and-a-half-foot satellite dishes that they had collected around Cincinnati over the last few years.
(http://www.wifi-shootout.com/

"We were planning on putting them up on towers behind our houses and sharing our broadband Internet connections (with people)," Corrado said, to a chorus of hoots and hollers from the crowd. But due to "parental restriction" they scrapped that plan.

"We still had the dishes laying in our backyards and we thought, what the hell. Why not?" Corrado said.

After collecting more equipment, they ran a test run, placing the stations two-and-a-half miles apart, and got a connection that was much better than any link they had ever established with laptops sitting side-by-side in

their bedrooms.

When Meng's dad, a radio frequency engineer, looked at the test-run data he said, "Oh my God. They might have a chance at this. They might actually have to go to Las Vegas."

Not without Justin's father, however. Greg Rigling drove them across the country in a van, with the 10-foot satellite dish strapped to a trailer.

Then he spent two days driving around Nevada's mountains helping them get a signal.

They might have achieved an even greater distance, Justin Rigling said, "but there was no road left."

For their efforts, the teens received a stack of O'Reilly books, Best Buy certificates and ?ber-hacker badges, allowing the teens and Justin's father lifetime admission to DefCon for free.

After the awards ceremony, the three were seen in a corner of the conference room trying to sell their equipment to lighten the return trip home.

More news and photos:

http://www.wired.com/news/culture/0,1284,64440,00.html?tw=wn_tophead_2

Wifi Shootout: http://www.wifi-shootout.com

Frank Keeney
http://www.wlanparts.com
Co-Founder, Southern California Wireless User Group:
http://www.socalwug.org

----- Original Message -----
From: "Network 1" <n1@...>
To: <ARRL-80211B@...>
Sent: Wednesday, August 04, 2004 09:37 PM
Subject: Re: [ARRL-80211B] Wi-Fi Shootout in the Desert 55-mile Wi-Fi connection with 30-milliwatts

In case you missed it, the "four teens" are:

N8MX - Andy
KC8OIO - Justin
KG4NVK - Brandon
KC8RKO - Ben

Bob K8YS

1845. VU2ORS????

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-05 11:56:24 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1845 Message: 1845

Searched Results for Call---> VU2ORS

Ser No.
REMARK
CALLSIGN
NAME
ADDRESS
CITY
STATE
PINCODE
PHONE(R)
PHONE(O)
EMAIL

4000
NA
VU2ORS
ORAIDUR REHMAN SIDDIQUI,
HAJI ALHANA CHAWL MUSTAFA BAZAR,
MUMBAI
MAHARASHTRA
400070
NA
NA
NA Indiatimes Email now powered by APIC Advantage. Help!
HelpClick on the image to chat with me

1846. FWD:15th Thane Mayor Varsha Marathon - a report

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-07 14:34:04 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1846 Message: 1846

15th Thane Mayor Varsha Marathon (National Level)

Report

As usual MARS received a request for providing communication support to Thane Varsha Marathon, a national event. We received a verbal request first and then a written request by fax on 17.07.04

On 18th July,2004 MARS hams joined at Thane Marathon Office, at around 11:30 hours:

The Main Station was put up on the terrace atop Thane Marathon Office. The station had VHF Base with stag 5/8.

VU2VVP was called-up to support the marathon as relay station.

We had 4 Mobile stations & 3 Static stations:

Station details: Callsign Handle Location

Main Control : VU2NFS Nafeesa Thane Maraton
VU2CBU Prashant Office
VU2MUF Minal

Relay Station : VU2VVP Vijay From home QTH.

Mobile 1 : VU2SFN Shailesh Timer vehicle

Mobile 2 : VU2IES Santosh Communication Vehicle

Mobile 3 : VU2GBI Mukund Fire Officer's
VU2CFO Vijay Vaidya official vehicle

Mobile 4 : VU2KDM Kadam Fire Brigade's
Maint.Vehicle

VU2JPN Jaiprakash Start/Finish Point

Other Static Station: VU2GYM Mohammed
VU3MWH Ananta
VU3PPE Pranav

The Marathon race started at 1440 hrs in batches ☐ as per age categories. It was great to watch kids and senior citizen's participating in races.

The old timers (marathon runners) were facilitated before the event.

VU2PDT, Hon. Shri. Satish Pradhan (President Thane Mayor Varsha Marathon) also had communication with Main Control & VU2VVP.

All stations were copied 5/9 by Main control except at certain locations where our relay station, VU2VVP, chipped in. The messages consisted of locations reached by runners, distance covered and the leading positions of runners. This information was passed on to the Marathon officials. After arrival of 1st three winners at the Finishing point, around 1745 hours, we decided to close down the station. By this time all the Mobile stations also reached the finishing point. At 1800 hrs we closed down the station and informed VU2PDT Satish Pradhan, who expressed satisfaction for work done by MARS.

Earlier, VU2IZO had agreed to be event manager for the event Since ARES team of MARS, including VU2IZO had QSYed to Patna /Assam, in answer to a call from the Central Govt., the undersigned,VU2JPN, was asked to manage the event.

I would like to thank VU2CFO for the efforts taken by him in making this event happen. VU2CFO also sponsored the afternoon lunch for the team and took care that memebrs of the team didn't feel left out.

I would also like to thank the Managing Committee of MARS for reposing faith in me.

Thanks are due to all the team members of MARS who showed a fine spirit of co-operation in make this event a successful one.

Jaiprakash
VU2JPN

1847. Monthly meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-07 16:50:08 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 116 Message: 1847

Dear All,

As usual monthly meeting will be held on at Bai Bengallee Girls High School at Churchgate on 10.00AM this Sunday, the 8th August,2004.

The following points will be discussed :
1.Ganesh Visarjan event
2.JOTA
3.Hamfest status
4.Police enquiry status.

All the members are rquested to attend the meeting.

Prashant Koli
VU2CBU
Hon.Treasurer

1848. Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-07 18:27:31 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 797 Message: 1848

Following hams/swls have expressed their willingness to participate
in Gansh Visajan :

1.Arun Sigh,VU3AUA
2.Pranav Koli,VU3PPE
3.Saurabh B.Shah,SWL
4.Anish Trivedi,SWL
5.Andrews Kariyattil,SWL
6.Tirandaz Parvez Irani,VU2TPI
7.Mohd.Bhanvadwala,VU2GYM
8.Mustafa Bhanvadwala,VU2LUB
9.Sandesh Kamat,VU2SXF
10.Variava M.N.,SWL
11.M.P.Gubbi,VU2GBI
12.Rajendra Pitale,VU2PIT
13.Ananta More,VU3MWH
14.Ankur Puranik,SWL

Any MARS member who wish to participate can submit his/her
willingness to the undersigned.

Prashant Koli
VU2CBU

1849. JOTA participation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-07 18:30:34 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1849 Message: 1849

Following hams/swls have expressed their willingness to participate
in JOTA :

1.Arun Sigh,VU3AUA
2.Pranav Koli,VU3PPE
3.Saurabh B.Shah,SWL
4.Anish Korde,VU2OZO
5.Andrews Kariyattil,SWL
6.Tirandaz Parvez Irani,VU2TPI
7.Mohd.Bhanvadwala,VU2GYM
8.Mustafa Bhanvadwala,VU2LUB
9.Anurag Chugh,SWL
10.Variava M.N.,SWL
11.M.P.Gubbi,VU2GBI
12.Rajendra Pitale,VU2PIT
13.Ananta More,VU3MWH
14.Huzefa Merchant,VU2HIT

Any MARS member who wish to participate,can submit his/her
willingness to the undersigned.

Prashant Koli
VU2CBU

1850. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-09 07:00:50 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 797 Message: 1850

hi prashant
i am willing to participate in ganest visajan
73's
de vu2sfn

Prashant Koli <vu2cbu@...> wrote:
Following hams/swls have expressed their willingness to participate
in Gansh Visajan :

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7.Mohd.Bhanvadwala,VU2GYM
8.Mustafa Bhanvadwala,VU2LUB
9.Sandesh Kamat,VU2SXF
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VU2CBU

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1851. New file uploaded to m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-09 11:29:03 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 58 Message: 1851

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the m_a_r_s
group.

File : /VU2ARCaug2004.pdf
Uploaded by : lionajoy <lionajoy@...>
Description : Newsletter VU2ARC Aug 2004

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files/VU2ARCaug2004.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
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Regards,

lionajoy <lionajoy@...>

1852. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-10 07:00:06 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 797 Message: 1852

hi cbu,

I am willing to participate in the ganesh visarjan event
73's
de vu3sob
>
>
>Prashant Koli <vu2cbu@...> wrote:
>Following hams/swls have expressed their willingness to participate
>in Gansh Visajan :
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1853. Happy Birthday - VU2IZO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-10 07:17:10 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1853 Message: 1853
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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

MARS WISHES ITS LIFE MEMBER MILIND KORDE ? VU2IZO A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY

1854. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2IZO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-10 12:33:58 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1853 Message: 1854

Hello Micky,

Wish you a very happy birthday.

Thanks,

Mehul

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...>
Date: Tuesday, August 10, 2004 3:17 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2IZO

>
>
> Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
>
> MARS WISHES ITS LIFE MEMBER MILIND KORDE ? VU2IZO A VERY HAPPY
> BIRTHDAY
>
>
>
>

1855. Resignation of Chairman - Huzefa Merchant

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-10 12:40:34 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1855 Message: 1855

Hello Martians,

Please note that MARS Chairman - Huzefa Merchant had resigned from his services. His resignation has been accepted. However he has not resigned from his Committee membership, as stated categorically by him.

Thanks,

Mehul Chovatia
Secretary - MARS

1856. PARTICIPATION IN GANESH VISARJAN & JOTA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-10 16:17:30 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1856 Message: 1856

Dear friends,

Names of hams/swls who have expressed their willingnes to
participate in Ganesh Visajan & JOTA, have been added in
lists/tables which can be found in Database section of this Group.

Those willing to participate in the events can go to database at
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/database and choose a list
where they wish to be listed for participation.

73s
Prashant

1857. RE: [m_a_r_s] Resignation of Chairman - Huzefa Merchant

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-10 18:07:28 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 1855 Message: 1857

Dear Mehul,

Sad to hear that Huzefa has resigned from the Post of Chairman of MARS.

So who will have the Reins of MARS henceforth or rather who is the new Chairman as this Post cannot be left unfilled for long.

Also, you have written in another mail to Abhay Shah that you are settling down in Singapore. So, being a SECRETARY of MARS can you please explain how will you be controlling the events here in Mumbai, India. Or rather have you fixed any PROXY for yourself here.

Look dear Mehul, please don't get me wrong, but my fellow MARTIANS are really confused now as to whom do they ask about the progress of the various events and related matters.

Hope you are fine there in Singapore.

73,

Parin

Parin J Gangar
39/A, Sitaram Niwas, 4th Floor,
Shiv Mandir Road,
Dombivli - East
Pin - 421 201
Maharashtra
India
Phone : 91 - 251 - 2 44 29 55

----Original Message Follows----
From: mehul2k@...
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, mars_classes@yahoogroups.com,
mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Resignation of Chairman - Huzefa Merchant
Date: Tue, 10 Aug 2004 20:40:34 +0800

Hello Martians,

Please note that MARS Chairman - Huzefa Merchant had resigned from his services. His resignation has been accepted. However he has not resigned from his Committee membership, as stated categorically by him.

Thanks,

Mehul Chovatia
Secretary - MARS

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1858. Re: RE: [m_a_r_s] Resignation of Chairman - Huzefa Merchant

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-11 09:08:25 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1855 Message: 1858
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1859. unavailibility for events

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-11 09:27:28 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1856 Message: 1859

--- Prashant Koli <vu2cbu@...> wrote:

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>
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> willingnes to
> participate in Ganesh Visajan & JOTA, have been
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> choose a list
> where they wish to be listed for participation.
>
> 73s
> Prashant
>
>
> Hello fellow hams,

Am really suprised to find name as EVENT MANAGER for JOTA , which is slated to happen on 16th and 17th october, but i would here like to express my unavailibility for leading the event,as am pretty preoccupied with my office work, and hence i wont be able to to do justice to my both the responsibiliy.But am sure there are many others available who would happiliy lead the event and conduct it successfully as we in MARS have always done so and every year improved upon our own performances , hope this time too , somebody will do a wonderful job , I WISH ALL THE VERY BEST FOR THE EVENT .

DE VU2 UGJ
> >
>
>
> >

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1860. HAMFEST INDIA 2004 - Mumbai Boys we all are waiting...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-11 11:38:29 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 1860 Message: 1860

Dear MARS friends,

Kindly let us know the India's Biggest Amateur (Ham) Radio Event dates, particulars, committee, website, email.

Over here pressure is building up to bid/book the Rs. 500/- Air Tickets Bangalore-Mumbai and Mumbai-Bangalore.

I am sure if Organisers can start with something.

Best of 73's

de VU2JHM
Life Member, MARS

1861. RE: [m_a_r_s] HAMFEST INDIA 2004 Dates finalized....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-11 14:45:52 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1860 Message: 1861

Dear Ajoy,

The dates and the location are already finalized, by next Monday we will
announce it officially and start the registrations..

Hope you guys will participate in Huge number..

73
Nilesh, VU2NLF,
Convener ? HFI2004.

-----Original Message-----
From: Ajoy [mailto:lionajoy@...]
Sent: Wednesday, August 11, 2004 5:08 PM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] HAMFEST INDIA 2004 - Mumbai Boys we all are waiting...

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1862. Kenwood TH-22 AT Handy for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-12 08:55:58 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1862 Message: 1862

Hi

FOR SALE

KENWOOD TH-22AT VHF Handy in good conditions 2 nos
alongwith battery pack(PB-33), & DTMF Keypad

One Handy is with Travel Charger & other is with Rapid Charger
for more details & specification please see the below URL

http://www.kenwood.com/i/products/info/amateur/th2242.html

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1863. Resignation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-12 10:22:22 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1863 Message: 1863

Hello Martians,

Some of you already know and for the rest, I have shifted with lock, stock and barrel to Singapore. Have got a job and settling down.

With more focus required on MARS activities, particularly when we are doing HAMFEST which is just down the corner, I would not be in a position to maintain such focus coz of geographical distance as well as other academic priorities which need to be addressed currently.

In such event, I have resigned from the post of Secretary and have asked Prashant (Hon Treasurer) to take over the reigns of the committe and fill in the gaps of MC members as well as the portfolio of Chairperson and Secretary within the framework of MARS constitution. Founder members and committee members would be able to make justice to this issue together.

My resignation from Secretary's post also envelopes resignation from MC member's post as i would not be able to work in that context as well.

However, till the new office bearers take over, I shall be more then happy to continue as the guard and wish all the best for the new office bearers/Committee members.

Many thanks to all MARS members and MC members for their support during my tenure as secretary. All the best to HAMFEST committee(s) and all members of MARS.

73s,

Mehul Chovatia
Secretary (Outgoing) - MARS
Founder Life Member - MARS

1864. Tempest for Eliza

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-13 11:09:48 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1864 Message: 1864

"Tune into your Monitors"

Tempest for Eliza is a Program that uses your computer monitor
to send out AM radio signals. You can then hear computer
generated music in your radio.

How does this work ?

All electronic devices send out eletromagnetic waves.
so does your monitor. and your monitor does it all the time.
and at very high frequencies. high enough for your short wave
AM radio.
all you have to do is display the "correct" image on your screen
and your monitor will emit the "right" signals.
Tempest for Eliza displays pictures on your screen. one for
each note in the song.

http://www.erikyyy.de/tempest

Check the 'FILE' section of the egroup for article published on
TEMPEST in LFY-AUG'04 written by Avnish Joy, LFY Bureau
or email a request to me at vu2ugo@.... The instructions
in the article will work for Red Hat Linux 9 or Fedora Core 1 Linux.

==========
vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
==========

1865. Re: [m_a_r_s] Tempest for Eliza

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-13 17:10:15 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1864 Message: 1865

This is amazing...

----- Original Message -----
From: VU2UGO <vu2ugo@...>
Date: Friday, August 13, 2004 7:09 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Tempest for Eliza

> "Tune into your Monitors"
>
> Tempest for Eliza is a Program that uses your computer monitor
> to send out AM radio signals. You can then hear computer
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> How does this work ?
> --------------------
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> or email a request to me at vu2ugo@.... The instructions
> in the article will work for Red Hat Linux 9 or Fedora Core 1 Linux.
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1866. Special Night Owls' Night

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-14 19:39:47 UTC
From: nafisa shikari
Topic: 1866 Message: 1866

Dear /Friends,
It has been our practice to conduct a special Night Owls' Net every year on the 15th of August. Unfortunately we have not been able to do it for the last 3 or 4 yrs. We some of us were on the air at 12 a.m. and we decided to have a special net today. I know it is a very short notice but it is my sincere request to you all to be on the special net in a big number. Hopefully, VU2 WLL will also be in town and we the Net Controllers will be very happy to see you all on the Net big numbers.
Looking forward to the Special Net.
VU2 NFS

1867. Midnight Independence Day Net/Meet

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-14 19:45:46 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1867 Message: 1867

Hi All,

Few of our Mumbai hams were gathered spontaneously on VHF on the eve of the Independence Day ,which was converted into a sort of impropmtu Midnight Independence Day Net at 0001 hrs today.

The following hams checked in.

VU2NFS
VU2UGO
VU2HIT
VU2CBU
VU3AUA
VU2NLF

Also the following SWLs exchanged Independence Day greeting with the other hams

VU2ST/Ankur
VU2ST/Shantanu

Prashant Koli

1868. Independence Day Special Night Owls Net.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-14 19:47:46 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1868 Message: 1868

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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Members,

On occasion of our 57th Independence Day, a special Night Owls net will be conducted on Sunday at the usual time of 9:30 PM on 144.100 + repeater frequency. (normally we don't have a net on Sunday). Let us have 57 check ins.

All Licenced Members are requested to please join us and celebrate this auspicious occasion..

Jai Hind.

NLF

1869. salute our nation, national anthem audio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-14 12:35:34 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1869 Message: 1869

INSTRUMENTAL
http://travel.vsnl.com/toursindia/anthem.html

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-14 12:42:16 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1870 Message: 1870

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1871. Re: [m_a_r_s] PARTICIPATION IN GANESH VISARJAN & JOTA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-15 09:58:36 UTC
From: Yogesh Thakkar
Topic: 1856 Message: 1871

I am Interested In Ganesh Visarjan.
Regards Yogesh Thakkar

Prashant Koli <vu2cbu@...> wrote:
Dear friends,

Names of hams/swls who have expressed their willingnes to
participate in Ganesh Visajan & JOTA, have been added in
lists/tables which can be found in Database section of this Group.

Those willing to participate in the events can go to database at
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/database and choose a list
where they wish to be listed for participation.

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1872. dictionary meanings of "ham".....check esp the 5th one

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Date: 2004-08-15 11:31:39 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1872 Message: 1872

ham (P) Pronunciation Key (hm)
n.

The thigh of the hind leg of certain animals, especially a hog.
A cut of meat from the thigh of a hog.
The back of the knee.
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hams The buttocks. (are we hams ??? oh no.... we are amateur radio operators.)
A performer who overacts or exaggerates.
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1873. FW: Cable + Connectors 4 sale at reasonable price.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-16 04:28:40 UTC
From: parin gangar
Topic: 1873 Message: 1873

----Original Message Follows----

From: ulhas kanade
To: paringangar@...
Date: Fri, 13 Aug 2004 23:30:02 -0700 (PDT)

Dear Parin

We had talked sometimes back. I have got a 17m RG8u (thick one) cable for sale with 2 cable connectors of which one is already connected and other loose. and 2 vhf rig connectors if you have any friend willing to buy let me/him know also let me know any mail groups or any other groups whome i can approach for a buyer. kindly forward this mail to few hams as i am not in touch with anyone. i am expecting 500 for these things.
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Regards
Ulhas Kanade

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1874. VU2NFS in Mid-Day Independence Day Special

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-16 07:14:37 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1874 Message: 1874

Dear Friends,

Our own VU2NFS has expressed her views about India's Independence in the Sunday Mid-Day along with the other rich and famous personalities. Please follow the link given below for the online version.

http://web.mid-day.com/smd/play/2004/august/90039.htm

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Shantanu

1875. Hamfest India 2004 - Raffle Tickets.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-16 07:21:36 UTC
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Topic: 1875 Message: 1875
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3. prashant koli vu2cbu 5

4. kapil chandani vu2mig 5

5. roomy shroff vu2gte 5

6. aslam swl 5

7. huzefa vu2hit 2

8. sandip vu2ugo 2

9. p.v.jaiprakash vu2jpn 2

10. tirandaz irani vu2tpi 2

11. shailesh vu2sfn 2

12. zohar vu3zna 2

13. abhay vu2aih 2

14. amit malgaonkar swl 1

15. pankaj shah swl 1

16. ulhas paralkar swl 1

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VU2NLF, Convener, HFI-2004.

1876. On the same wavelength

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-16 17:38:16 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 1876 Message: 1876

Spectrum policy

On the same wavelength

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Governments and industries are bracing themselves for the possibility that radio interference will become a thing of the past

MOST people do not worry much about physics or politics when, for example, they look at the colours of a rainbow. Nor do they pause much when they use a remote control for their TV set, talk on a mobile phone, listen to the radio, cook food in their microwave oven, open their car door from a distance, or surf the internet without wires. Yet these are all phenomena of electromagnetic radiation. How humans harness electromagnetic waves?and specifically those in the radio-frequency part of the spectrum?has become so important that old and new ways of thinking are now lining up for a tense confrontation that will affect numerous businesses and billions of consumers.

The old mindset, supported by over a century of technological experience and 70 years of regulatory habit, views spectrum?the range of frequencies, or wavelengths, at which electromagnetic waves vibrate?as a scarce resource that must be allocated by governments or bought and sold like property. The new school, pointing to cutting-edge technologies, says that spectrum is by nature abundant and that allocating, buying or selling parts of it will one day seem as illogical as, say, apportioning or selling sound waves to people who would like to have a conversation.

The traditional mindsets were colourfully on display this week when full details were announced of a complicated spectrum swap arranged by America's telecom and media regulator, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). First announced on July 8th, the swap gave Nextel, America's sixth-largest mobile-phone carrier, new slices of spectrum in return for vacating other bands where it was causing interference with the radios of firemen, police and hospital workers. If it wins final approval, the deal will cost Nextel $3.25 billion. It follows years of what Michael Powell, the FCC's chairman, called ?ruthless lobbying?. Nextel's rivals threaten to contest the decision, screaming that Nextel got a windfall of public property. Verizon Wireless, America's largest carrier, recently bought another piece of spectrum, in New York, for $930m.

A glimpse of the new mindsets, by contrast, can be had in any Starbucks coffee-shop where patrons connect to the internet through Wi-Fi, a technical standard (officially called 802.11) that does not have a government licence but operates in ?unlicensed? bands of spectrum in the 2.4GHz or 5.8GHz

range. These are bands which governments have deliberately set aside as, in effect, an experiment for new technologies such as Wi-Fi. Almost anything goes in these bands, and any interference?between Wi-Fi base-stations and cordless phones, say?is for vendors, not the government, to sort out.

On one side, therefore, are notions of radio frequencies as scarce resources that can be used by only one transmitter at a time and are worth lobbying and paying billions for; on the other side is the idea that any number of transmitters and receivers can peacefully co-exist on the airwaves and that spectrum should therefore be open to all?not individual property, but rather a commons. To understand this debate, one must look back at history; to understand its importance, at economics.

Slicing up the airwaves
For decades after Guglielmo Marconi invented the radio in 1897, the only way to send multiple radio signals at the same time was by transmitting them at different wavelengths. Radio receivers were dumb devices?copper coils, essentially?and if two signals came in on the same wavelength, the result was noise. So when America passed the Radio Act in 1927 and the Communications Act in 1934, and other countries followed with similar legislation, the reigning wisdom was that governments had to chop up the radio-frequency spectrum and give exclusive privileges in each band to avoid chaos: radio required central planning.

The next major change in this understanding came in 1959, when Ronald Coase, later a Nobel laureate in economics, argued that the market was far better than governments at allocating the scarce resource of electromagnetic spectrum, and that auctioning spectrum to the highest bidder was therefore superior to simply giving licences away. This fitted well with the Zeitgeist of the following decades, when economists such as Milton Friedman and Friedrich von Hayek won Nobel prizes for similar arguments in other areas of life. Starting in 1995, governments in America and Europe began selling spectrum by auction. Telecoms companies were the biggest buyers, mortgaging their balance sheets to get airwaves for a new generation of cellular services.

The underlying assumptions about the physics of electromagnetism had not changed, however. Devices were still assumed to be dumb, interference a fact of life and exclusive-usage rights a necessity. The only change is that today most governments run mixed regimes, doling out some licences for free and auctioning others. Not all that mixed, however: auctions account for only 2% of the radio-frequency spectrum (up to 300GHz or so) in America. Central planning, in other words, still accounts for 98% of the usable airwaves. Most of the spectrum is given to television broadcasting, military communications and other forms of dedicated content.

This dispensation represents a huge loss to society. James Snider at the New America Foundation, a think-tank in Washington, DC, estimates that America's airwaves would have been worth $771 billion in 2001 (when he last did the sums) if every licensee were to use his bandwidth for the service in most demand by the public. But licensees do not do this, or cannot because of

regulations. This means that about half of the total value of the airwaves is wasted on uneconomic uses?on extra broadcasting capacity, say, instead of more cellular communications.

It would be bad enough if most of the spectrum were being wasted on the wrong uses; in fact, much of it is not being used at all. According to one study, only four of 18 ultra-high frequency TV channels in urban Washington, DC, were actually in use when the study was done. In rural areas, the ?white spaces? of fallow spectrum are even more vast. An official at America's National Telecommunications and Information Administration, which manages all the spectrum used by the federal government (as opposed to the FCC, which regulates all other uses), once estimated that 95% of the government's spectrum is not being used at any given time.

Commons, minus the tragedy
The sheer waste of this system?the ?opportunity cost? of services and technologies not offered because entrenched interests are squatting on the spectrum?is behind the third major intellectual current, after central planning and property rights, in recent thinking about spectrum. Starting in the 1980s and gathering steam in the 1990s, there have been calls for ?open spectrum?, or a spectrum commons. These initially met with scepticism, since economists and most other people are familiar with ?the tragedy of the commons??the idea that a scarce resource will be inefficiently over-exploited (as in the case of over-fishing, the classic instance). For sceptics, the same fate would await the airwaves.

But this is wrong, says Kevin Werbach at the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton business school and founder of Supernova Group, a consultancy. He argues that the assumption that public sharing of spectrum would lead to chaos presumes that spectrum is scarce; but this reflects a flawed understanding of the physics of electromagnetism. A common myth about electromagnetic waves is that they bounce off one another if they meet. They do not. Instead, they travel onwards through other waves forever (even though they eventually attenuate to the point where they become undetectable). Radio interference, in other words, is not a physical phenomenon, but always and only a technological problem, the result of dumb radios and dumb antennae mixing the waves up after receiving them.

If devices are smart enough to distinguish between signals, says Mr Werbach, spectrum suddenly reveals itself to be not scarce, but abundant. Mr Werbach draws an analogy to acoustics. A well-attended cocktail party has a din of many voices speaking at once and on similar frequencies. But it is still possible for party-goers to have conversations and pick out individual voices?ie, sound waves?from the din, because our brains are equipped with powerful software for this task. There is no limitation in the spectrum of sound waves, only in the refinement of the human ear. The same can be true in the electromagnetic spectrum.

There are four broad categories of new technologies that could make this idea a reality. The first is called ?spread spectrum?, or ?wideband?. As both names imply, this is a way of spreading an electromagnetic signal

across wide bands of frequencies at low power, instead of booming a high-power wave through a narrow band. Wi-Fi is one good example of wideband technology?the large range of frequencies and the low power allow it to co-exist with cordless phones and other devices. Hopes are highest, however, for a new technology called ?ultra-wideband?, which will communicate by whispering its signals so softly across the frequency bands of other, higher-power transmitters, such as broadcasters, that these will not even notice the presence of another signal.

Another approach is to use ?smart? antennae. These are systems of multiple antennae that can ?aim? a signal in a particular direction (instead of radiating it out indiscriminately) or pick out a particular signal from background noise by calculating the wave's angle of arrival (for example, from a satellite instead of a source on the ground).

A third technology is ?mesh networking?. In a mesh, each receiver of a signal also re-transmits it. Every meshed laptop computer, for instance, in effect becomes a node or router on its network. This has three advantages. One is that, as with spread spectrum, signals can be sent at very low power, since they only have to travel to the next user's node, which will be hundreds of metres, instead of kilometres, away. Another is that each newcomer to the network not only uses, but also adds, capacity. A third is that the network will be robust, since traffic can be re-routed easily if nodes fail, the approach already taken by the internet.

Open-spectrum enthusiasts are most excited, however, about the day when radios become software-powered computers, or so-called ?cognitive radios?. This would end the limitations of dumb radios. ?Moore's law meets Marconi's transmitter,? says Kevin Kahn, research boss for communications at Intel, the world's largest semiconductor-maker, referring to the prediction, so far correct, by Gordon Moore, one of Intel's founders, that the number of transistors on a chip doubles every 18 months. Radios would double their intelligence every year and a half, in other words. They could learn to hop around on the spectrum to find quiet bands for transmission, to encode digital information in new wave forms, or to analyse incoming noise and pick out only the relevant signal. ?Communication is no longer a matter of frequency, but of computation,? says Mr Kahn. In effect, cognitive radios would play the part of human brains at noisy cocktail parties.

Back in the real world
A lot of breakthroughs still need to happen before these technologies become widespread and reliable. Enthusiasts who predicted that there would be Wi-Fi transmitters in every street lamp have backtracked. ?Hotspots? are mushrooming, and cities from Montpelier, Vermont, to Hamburg, Germany, are now stringing networks of them into larger ?hot zones? that blanket downtown areas and entire neighbourhoods with high-speed internet access, but this seems to be an option only for dense urban areas. Mesh networks, too, are still rare. Police and firemen and other city employees in Medford, Oregon, have this year started using a mesh network to connect to the internet while on the road, but very few ordinary consumers are meshers. Cognitive radios are still in the lab.

Incumbent licence-holders?and above all the telecoms firms that have paid billions in spectrum auctions?naturally use the immaturity of these technologies as their prime argument against a headlong rush away from the property model and towards a commons approach. ?Unlicensed spectrum is sounding like crack cocaine: the ultimate high that solves all your problems,? says Brian Fontes, a lobbyist who works for Cingular, America's second-largest mobile-phone company (and the largest once its acquisition of AT&T Wireless, a rival, is complete). But, ?prove that you're not going to interfere; I mean prove it, don't just say it,? he insists.

The fact is, Mr Fontes says, that there is still no way to guarantee quality of service in the unlicensed bands. Yet guarantees are needed, if only for security. Such reminders are in the economic interests of Mr Fontes's industry, but that does not make them wrong. Regulators think it would be dangerous simply to embrace open spectrum and unleash a free-for-all. Rather, they see their task as managing spectrum so that it usage remains as efficient as technology allows.

There are several ways to do this without adding new unlicensed bands. One clear and obvious step is to allow ?underlay?. This is a way of transmitting signals in somebody else's licensed band, but without disturbing the licence-holder in any way?for the incumbent, a bit like having a bird sitting in your garden. This could help to fill in the huge white spaces of unused spectrum. It could also ease the politics, since it will not be easy to persuade powerful and long-standing licence-holders to vacate their bands. With underlay rights, says Vanu Bose, the boss of Vanu, a firm that designs software-powered radios, ?the broadcasters don't even have to get off the spectrum they have now, because they don't use most of it.?

Another good measure for regulators is to make licences more flexible. This is perhaps most urgent in Europe, where the European Commission currently requires telephone operators to use a technology called W-CDMA as they build third-generation (3G) mobile-phone networks. In 2000 the carriers paid more than ?100 billion (then $125 billion) for these licences, and are only now rolling out services after experiencing technical flaws. Meanwhile, operators in South Korea, America and Japan have been able to launch 3G services using a rival technology, CDMA2000, that is more mature but is, in effect, banned in Europe. But licence flexibility needs to go even further. Ultimately, a mechanism for licence-holders to trade their rights on a secondary market, similar to a bond or commodity market, could lead to more efficient allocation.

Nonetheless, the share of unlicensed spectrum should rise over time in order to spur innovation. In America, where the FCC has been thinking about the potential of open spectrum since 1981, this idea is no longer controversial. Michael Powell, the FCC's chairman, has said that he would like to see himself more as a speed cop than as a real-estate agent, and makes clear his penchant for unlicensed bands. America's spectrum regulator essentially agrees: the National Telecommunications and Information Administration proposed on June 24th that both it and the FCC identify an additional 10MHz of spectrum for this purpose. The problem, in America as everywhere, is in the politics of choosing someone to evict.

A few pioneers profess indifference to the debate. Dewayne Hendricks, boss of Dandin Group, a wireless internet-access provider, does not care whether governments open up more spectrum because, ?all the spectrum we need is already in play.? He has already brought wireless internet to ?tall and uncut? places from Tonga to Ulan Bator, and says he is now in talks in Armenia. Most industry participants, however, are keen for more open spectrum. One opportunity that will present itself in many countries is the migration from analogue to digital television, which will reduce the bandwidth needed for traditional free-to-air broadcasters.

The sweet and low down
This is promising because broadcasters inhabit the best kind of spectrum, the equivalent of beachfront property. The lower an electromagnetic wave's frequency the better it is at penetrating rain, trees and walls, which is why television and FM radio tend to work in the basement, but why Wi-Fi signals have trouble with walls. According to the New America Foundation, the 1% of frequencies below 3GHz are worth more than the other 99% of spectrum between 3GHz and 300GHz.

Even a sliver of new unlicensed spectrum in the very low frequencies could therefore make an enormous difference. It could, for example, make possible a cheap alternative to cable and digital-subscriber line modems (for which roads have to be dug up and trees uprooted) in delivering high-speed internet access across ?the last mile? to the consumer.

?Amazing things have been done with Wi-Fi in garbage spectrum,? says Tren Griffin, who is in charge of spectrum matters at Microsoft. ?The pregnant question is: what if we took a tiny amount of good spectrum and repurposed it?? It might at last become feasible and economic to begin bridging the world's digital divide. If low-frequency spectrum became free for innovators, then business plans to bring connectivity to villages in India and China, as well as rural Montana, would soon follow. Lives in many places could one day be richer thanks to vibrations in the air.

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-16 18:51:04 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1877 Message: 1877

Dear Nilesh and Friends,

HI!

I have few gizmo gifts ready, just put them too under the raffle. Just a bit of contribution from my side for my MARs friends.

I have a marriage in family on 8th DEC my brother and youngest in our generation too. Just a request and hope it does not clash.

As my good friend Huzefa would say " Inshallah HAFEST hum sab saath manayenge"

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Rahul VU3WJM

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HFI 2004- Mumbai,

Nice to read abt the raffle tickets and attractive prizes. Well, it is time that regular posting on the vuhams@yahoogroups and other electronic media should start now, so that you will have a very good participation from hams not only from different states of India but also abroad.

As the HAMFEST INDIA 2004 is our countries biggest ham radio event, I personally wish the organisers to take personal interest to make it the most attractive event. Once, you fix up the venue and decide upon the registration fees/form, I am sure you will have a pileup to handle.

Wishing one and all the very best,

I remain crossing the finger - anticipating the best efforts from all the amateur (Ham) radio volunteers.

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Life Member, MARS &
Delegate # 1, HFI 2004.

1879. New address for Amateur Section in WPC

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-19 11:54:10 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 1879 Message: 1879

Cross-posted from radiohams@yahoogroups.com
(to join, send a blank email to radiohams-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)

Date: Thu, 12 Aug 2004 00:53:16 -0700 (PDT)
From: VU2JOS <at0j@...>
Subject: New address for Amateur Section in WPC

Dear Friends,

The Amateur Section of WPC Wing has moved again!

This time it has moved to Room No. 521 in Sanchar
Bhavan.(Earlier it was Room No.619)

The latest address for Amateur Radio purposes is:

Asst. Wireless Adviser
Government of India
Ministry of Communications & Information Technology
Department of Telecommunications
WPC Wing, Amateur Section
521, Sanchar Bhawan
New Delhi 110001

Mr.Irshad Ahmed is the Engineer looking after Amateur
Radio matters.

His phone no is : 011-2303 6181
Fax No. is 011-2371 6111
Email

Till their next changes,

73,

Jose, VU2JOS

1880. Happy Birthday - VU2MIG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-20 06:14:58 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1880 Message: 1880
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
MARS Wishes its Managing Committee Member KAPIL CHANDNI ? VU2MIG a Very Happy Birthday.

1881. Happy Parsi New Year.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-20 06:15:02 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1881 Message: 1881

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
MARS Wishes all its Parsi Members a very Happy and a Prosperous New Year.

1882. Resignation of Mehul Chovatia and Huzefa Merchant

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-21 09:27:33 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1882 Message: 1882

Hi All,

OM Mehul Chovatia,VU2ICQ, had submitted his resignation from the post of Secretary and also from the Managing Committee, and the same has been accepted by the Managing Committee of MARS.

OM Huzefa Merchant,VU2HIT, has also submitted his resignation from the post of Chairman and also from the Managing Committee, and the same has also been accepted by the Managing Committee of MARS.

The Managing Committee of MARS would like to thank, both ICQ and HIT, for services rendered by them.

Friends, this being very important year of HAMFEST,we need to fill in the vacuum urgently and immediately.

It is further informed that consequent to the resignation of VU2ICQ, the Managing Committee has unanimously decided to co-opt OM Nilesh Rathod,VU2NLF, as Secretary with immediate effect.

Decision about appointing new Chairman will also be communicated to you very soon.

73s

Prashant Koli
VU2CBU
Hon.Treasurer

1883. CHAIRMAN ????

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-21 10:56:01 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1883 Message: 1883

Prashant

Please explain "Decision about appointing new Chairman will also be communicated to you very soon"as for my understanding before tendering my resignation as a commitee member on the 13th August '04 Managing Commitee meeting,wherein the first resolution was adopted & passed unanimously to appoint Pankaj Pasad OM VU2RIO as a chairman and thereon other resolution were adopted by your commitee as per your email appointing other office bearers.

Kinldy explain , so why this confusion....

Huzefa Merchant
VU2HIT

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Huzefa Merchant
WEBSITE: www.qsl.net/vu2hit
Ham Radio Call Sign: VU2HIT
E-mail: vu2hit@...
vu2hit@...
ICQ#: 81941713
MSN: vu2hit@hotmail.com
Yahoo Messenger: vu2hit@...

TEL NO :

(O) +91 22 23460575 / 23459761
(R) +91 22 23731646
(MOB) +91 9892 786110

1884. Fw: [VUHams] Some interesting antenna design tips

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-23 05:07:45 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1884 Message: 1884

Hi All

Some Interesting Antenna Construction Tips received on VUHAMS group ,

Huzefa
VU2HIT

----- Original Message -----
From: "Binu N.G." <vu2ngb@...>
To: <vuhams@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 22, 2004 6:53 AM
Subject: [VUHams] Some interesting antenna design tips

> Hi All,
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> Here are some interesting antenna construction tips for our weekend
> projects.
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> Portable Two Element Triband YAGI: http://www.qsl.net/vk5emi/2E3B.htm
>
> Moxon: http://campus.murraystate.edu/org/msuarc/moxon/construction.htm
>
> Wire Moxon Rectangles for 40-10 Meters: http://www.cebik.com/moxon.html
>
> Thanks to Dr. Sasi VU3SNM (one of our moderators) for forwarding the links
> to me.
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> Binu VU2NGB
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1885. Fwd: RAFFEL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-23 09:04:19 UTC
From: milind korde[VU2 IZO]
Topic: 1885 Message: 1885

Dear MARTIANS,
Thanks to all those who have shown great interest in booking the RAFFEL TICKETS. As a result only a few tickets have left & the last day for booking is Wednesday the 25th August 04. So to avoid disappointment rush ur requirements to

OM NILESH [VU2 NLF] 98205 47074
OM MICKY [VU2 IZO] 98200 63882

73'S
de. MICKY KORDE [VU2 IZO]

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1886. RAFFLE , IS IT FAIR?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-23 09:38:39 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1885 Message: 1886

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> Dear MARTIANS,
I was recently told to buy raffle tickets, idea is
good and i was told this particular first raffle is
for members only, but if people who are buying and are
unable to clear their dues of fees, but buying
tickets, this seems un fair to members who have their
dues cleared ,and compete with , defaulting members ,
only if this draw is termed as open for all then its
upto people whether to buy tickets or not . please
look into the issue and lets be fair , some action on
this issue might motivate me to but raffle tickets.

de vu2 ugj
>

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1887. RE: [m_a_r_s] RAFFLE , IS IT FAIR?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-23 10:44:14 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1885 Message: 1887

Dear MUKESH, [VU2 UGJ]

What u say is right. I will definetely confirm the names of defaulters with VU2 C B U

Thanks for the info.

73's,

de: MICKY [VU2 IZO]

>From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] RAFFLE , IS IT FAIR?
>Date: Mon, 23 Aug 2004 02:38:39 -0700 (PDT)
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> > Dear MARTIANS,
>I was recently told to buy raffle tickets, idea is
>good and i was told this particular first raffle is
>for members only, but if people who are buying and are
>unable to clear their dues of fees, but buying
>tickets, this seems un fair to members who have their
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>_____
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1888. Let's bring things to order

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-23 12:39:47 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1888 Message: 1888

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
Dear Members,
You may be aware that I have once again taken the charge of the society as the Secretary? It is time that we bring thing back to order? starting with as Mukesh - VU2UGJ has rightly pointed out with the membership dues to the society?
All ordinary members who have not paid their fees are requested to immediately clear their dues.. the Onus is on you and not on the society to collect your dues.. This is your society and therefore please be responsible and start contributing to the efforts of the society by clearing all your dues.
Please note that I will personally not allow any members to participate in society?s activities who has not cleared his/her dues.. this also includes all the monthly meetings of our society?
All the members opting for the Raffle tickets for our Hamfest India 2004, will first have to clear all their dues.. All members registering for the Hamfest all must clear their society dues?
All students who are waiting for their tickets also should pay us their membership fees, Society WILL NOT do your police clearance and licence processing for defaulters which please note?
Our society is offering great service to its members, and we would therefore appreciate if you will cooperate and clear your dues it your earliest.. members are requested to send their payment by cheque in favour of ?MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY? to our Treasurer Mr.Prashant Koli ? VU2CBU? Please also note that our annual membership fees is now Rs.500/-
All our future programme and activities will be informed to you very shortly..
73
Nilesh ? VU2NLF,
Secretary, MARS..

1889. Congratulations

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-25 09:21:15 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1889 Message: 1889

Dear SWLs,

Congratulations for completing one year of your exams.It was exactly one year from today on the 25th of August last year when the gateway and zaveri bazaar bomb blasts took place. We all were at Dnyansadhna College doing our ASOC exams.I got a call from my XYL telling me to come home immediately.We still had our morse transmission test to be done and i fought with her that i must finish what i started. a typical case of HAM over home.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the senior Hams who took out time from their busy schedules to patiently teach us every sunday for 3 months everything about ham radio.

A special thanks too to all the hams who have silently worked in the background to push all our paperwork and speed up the police inquiries.

So now ladies and gentlemen, fellow SWLS, i believe that all police inquiries are over and the impatient wait for the tickets begins. At this juncture I am sure we all are itching to get on air. PLEASE keep that itch going as it is only a matter of time before the tickets arrive. We have put in so much hard work to get the tickets and so we should all be on air soon. At this point I would like to stress that we should have the largest number of SWLs on air once our tickets come. We have to now put all our work into practice soon. The batch of Mars Academy 2003 should have the largest number of check ins into the Night Owl's Net. Let us show our dear net controllers VU2WLL and VU2NFS that their efforts of conducting the net should not go waste.

I once again thank all that have put in so much effort to get us SWLs on air as soon as possible.

Keeping up with the Olympic Spirit I say " Let the Games Begin"

Looking forward to meeting you all on air.

Cheers and 73

Shantanu Chand
SWL and ticket holder in waiting

1890. Re: [m_a_r_s] Congratulations

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-25 15:42:12 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1889 Message: 1890

yea " happy waiting aniversary to all swl's !!!" .. but its the first and the last one.....

the wait is gonna end veryyyy soon...

I too would like to thank all " our " senior VU2's & VU3's for the sincere efforts they have put in to get our tickets soon.... Yes it must be a real a painful job ...conducting the classes for so many people also ..coordinating with so many Govt. officers and students and getting the required documents from them & sending them over to various locations...and much more...

like VU2NLF rightly says "tum aam khao na , ped kyun gintey ho ".....

so alteast its our duty to make good use of our tickets.

We should be proud that we are HAMS (swl's ..to be hams) and use our right to get on air which NOT any tom dick n harry has.

1 in 67,000 people is a ham of total population of india which is 1,027,015,247.

so we can say we are "lakhon mein ek".....BE PROUD!

IM PROUD OF BEING A HAM* PROUD TO BE A MARTIAN !!!

* to be ... very soon.... conditions apply :)

73's

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1891. Good info

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-28 09:30:18 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1891 Message: 1891

Came across some gr8 info while surfing. check out the "knowledge base" link on www.bsnl.net.in

and also goto www.sss-mag.com. (good info on spread spetrum)

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VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

Yahoo! India Matrimony: Find your life partneronline.

1892. for all those....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-08-28 12:03:01 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1892 Message: 1892

hi

The other day one of our mars member* (student) was asked me, "so what exactly is HAM RADIO all about " , so for all those who are martians and still dunno what exactly is HAM RADIO, this link will tell you.

http://electronics.howstuffworks.com/ham-radio.htm

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Ankur Puranik, (VU2 ???)

* I dont wish to name him/her.Indiatimes Email now powered by APIC Advantage. Help! HelpClick on the image to chat with me

1893. ICOM IC718

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-03 06:11:36 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 1893 Message: 1893

From: "Ramesh" <ramesh.arjunaraja@...>

Hi All,

There is a Brand new ICOM HF rig IC-718 for sale. Anyone interested
can contact me . Ph: 9840045891 (Chennai).

Cheers
Ramesh
VU2SBU

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1894. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 819

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-03 20:19:55 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1894 Message: 1894

HI!

Sold out already. However in India I often see many stuff for sale here:

http://www.geocities.com/keralahams/sale/sale.htm

Hope this will help many of my friends at Mumbai.

73

Rahul VU3WJM

PS: The VHF amplifier Item No 1026 looks very attractive for Rs650/. Handy wallahs kindly note.

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:

There is 1 message in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. ICOM IC718
From: "Nirav"

Message: 1
Date: Fri, 3 Sep 2004 11:41:36 +0530
From: "Nirav"
Subject: ICOM IC718

From: "Ramesh"

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1895. "The Beeb" to air program on Amateur Radio and 9/11

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-04 20:34:43 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 1895 Message: 1895

News from Wireless Institute of Australia - (Sep 1, 2004)

BBC Radio 4 this weekend will air a documentary on Amateur Radio's involvement in the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

The half-hour program, "Unsung Heroes," will be broadcast Saturday, September 4, at 1030 UTC. It will remain available on the BBC's archives for one month after that. "Through moving interviews, sensitive use of ham radio transmissions and some harrowing accounts, 'Unsung Heroes' reveals the little-known story of the 9/11 ham radio operators who provided vital communication networks for the rescue agencies," the BBC program listing says.

"Hams, often mocked for their obsessive hobby, believe that September 11th became Amateur Radio's finest hour. Stephen Evans, the BBC's North American Business Correspondent, witnessed the attacks that day and meets with ham operators who witnessed the terrorist attacks or lost friends and relatives on September 11th and still helped to support the search-and-rescue operation." Mark Phillips, KC2ENI/G7LTT, says the program, produced by Kate Bissell, features N2NOV, KF2EO, KE2UN AB2IZ, "and a whole host of others," including himself.

It was recorded during the last week of June. The program will also be available in MP3 format on Phillips' Web site starting September 4th.

Visit Philips G7LTT's Website at
http://www.g7ltt.com/audio-files/911r4.mp3 (Downloadable 25mb mp3)
OR
BBC Archive at
http://www.bbc.co.uk/radio4/factual/rams/sat1030.ram (30 minutes of Streaming Audio)

1896. Fwd: FW: Increase the size of your YAHOO inbox

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-05 17:52:32 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1896 Message: 1896

Hope this is useful for those still having 6MB mailboxes

Note: forwarded message attached.

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VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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1897. "roger "

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-06 08:09:06 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1897 Message: 1897

What's the origin of the phrase "roger"?
John Vapensky handed me a little scrap of paper in the hall one day asking about the radio-telephony expression Roger. The origin of this phrase, which means "Yes, O.K., I understand you" dates back to the earliest days of wireless communication, when the Morse code letter R (dit-dah-dit) was used to indicate "O.K.--understood." As communications advanced to include voice capabilities, the military alpha code (Able, Baker, Charlie, etc.) was used as a logical extension of such single character responses. R = Roger = understood.

English
Allied Services (1945)

Able, Baker, Charlie, Dog, Edward, Fox, George, How, Item, Jig, King, Love, Mike, Nan, Oboe, Peter, Queen, Roger, Sugar, Tape, Uncle, Victor, William, X-Ray, Yoke, Zebra

Of course, you always hear "Roger, Wilco, Over and Out" in terse military dramas. The additional verbiage means (Wilco) "Will Comply", (Over) "Message Complete--Reply Expected", and (Out) "Message Complete--No Reply Expected".
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Ankur Puranik.
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1898. Re: [m_a_r_s] "roger "

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-06 18:10:38 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1897 Message: 1898

Great info budd.Keep us educated!

Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...> wrote:

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1899. Mystery Solved...VU2RIO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-06 19:39:28 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1899 Message: 1899

Did you ever wonder why our Managing Committee Member Mr. Pankaj Pasad - VU2RIO, never shows up for any meetings..
He always says I am coming, but never turns up?

Well guys the fact is, he is living up to his call sign..no wonder.

VU2 RIO? that is R.I.O (pronounced as ?Aa Raha Hai Woh?)

73
NLF

1900. Re: [m_a_r_s] "roger "

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-07 08:30:01 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1897 Message: 1900

Hi Ankur

FYI, in Airband they say "Charlie Charlie" ('charlie' word twice) to confirm / for affirmative reply.
(check Cockpit Voice Recorders: Transcripts: South African 295 - http://www.airdisaster.com/cvr/saa295tr.shtml)

BTW check phonetics in different languages at :
http://www.columbia.edu/~fuat/cuarc/phonetic.html

Some more interesting sites :
http://www.yccc.org/Articles/contest_phrases.htm
Great DX Tool -- From SYSTRAN® - http://babelfish.altavista.com/translate.dyn

73s de Sandip VU2UGO
----- Original Message -----
From: Ankur Puranik
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, September 06, 2004 01:39 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] "roger "

1901. more chikins @ 9:30.....???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-09 18:26:31 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1901 Message: 1901
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Enjoy the pic

73's

Ankur Puranik

Ps: for NFS / WLL / PJM: In picture is a t- 90 handy & its rubber ducky with a toothbrush fixed at the upper end of antenna and a toothpaste in background, ...will this bring in more checkins at 9:30 pm ???.

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1902. more check-ins @ 9:30 .....???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-09 18:41:24 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1902 Message: 1902
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1903. Alaknanda River Expedition

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-10 04:33:02 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1903 Message: 1903

Dear Friends,

My river rafting outfit, Aquaterra Adventures, Is offering a multi day river expedition on the Alaknanda River. This trip starts and ends in Delhi. those intersted may contact the company directly at the address given below or me. I will try and work out a discount for MARS Members.

Details of the trip:-

THE ALAKNANDA RIVER RAFTING EXPEDITION - Sep 20-24, 2004

A self contained multi-day river adventure down the Alaknanda & Ganga rivers. The trip starts from our base camp on the Ganges river near the pilgrim town of Rishikesh. A scenic drive for 4 hours takes us past the town of Devprayag, where the Alaknanda and Bhagirathi rivers meet to form India's holiest river, the Ganga. We reach Rudraprayag, which is on the road to India's holiest shrines for the Hindus, Badrinath and Kedarnath. Rudraprayag is at the confluence of the Alaknanda and Mandakini rivers, and this is where our multi-dayer begins. Rudraprayag is possibly best known for the infamous man-eating leopard shot down by Jim Corbett in 1932 in its forests. Journeying 128kms to Rishikesh, the run takes you through thick forests and deep gorges, ending each day at a different river beach to make camp for the night, enhancing the adventure of being on the river. Foaming rapids, sandy beaches and starry nights make this a truly outdoor trip, even for the first time rafter.

DAY 01 : (20.09) Mon
An early morning transfer to Camp Silver Sands by road/rail (5-6 hrs). You could spend time sight seeing in Rishikesh and reach camp in the evening.

DAY 02 : (21.09) Tue
An early morning drive to Rudraprayag (5 hrs), the put in point. Enroute we stop at Devprayag, to see the confluence of the two rivers (the Alaknanda and the Bhagirathi) which meet to form the Ganga. After Lunch, help in getting the rafts readied and packing bags. Expedition begins with a big Grade IV rapid, "The Holy Hole", at the confluence with the Mandakini. Camp after about 2hrs on the river at Venturi Beach.

DAY 03 :(22.09) Wed
Raft past the Temple Rapids and the town of Srinagar. Soak in the sun, river and scenery, staying alert to help negotiate rapids. Beach out close to the village of Maletha.Campfire dinner and overnight Camp.

DAY 04 : (23.09) Thu
Raft down to Devprayag, the confluence of the Alaknanda & Bhagirathi rivers. The river is now called the Ganga. Camp at Beas Ghat, a famous fishing spot for the mahseer, also called the Ganga Gold. Cover 30 kms for the day.

DAY 05 : (24.09) Fri
A relaxed day with few rapids. A day for swimming, body surfing, relaxing and spotting wildlife. Make 30 kms to reach camp Silver Sands below Kaudiyala, after running a couple of

Grade IV rapids, "Daniel's Dip" and "The Wall". Hot lunch at camp. Pack up and leave for Haridwar to board the evening 6pm Shatabdi to reach Delhi by 10:45 pm. Trip ends.

Cost per person : Rs. 7300 (trip cost) + 2700 (transport cost) = Rs. 10,000/-

Cost includes : all travel from Delhi and back to Delhi by road/ rail as applicable (by non ac car / 2 or 3 tier ac coach), all arrangements for staying and camping while on the trip, accommodation on twin share basis in tents / rest houses / hotels, all meals, professional guide fee, all rafting, kayaking and safety equipment with india?s most experienced guiding team, camp staff, cook etc.

Cost excludes : railway station / airport transfers in delhi, any stay and meals in Delhi, sleeping bag, items of personal clothing, expenses of a personal nature like laundry, phone calls, alcohol, ciggarettes, insurance; any costs arising out of unforeseen circumstances such as bad weather, landslides, road conditions and any other circumstances beyond our control.

Booking conditions : All bookings are subject to availability of space at Camp. We book space on a 100% advance. All payments by wire transfer, cash or cheque/draft in favor of "Aquaterra Adventures (I) Pvt. Ltd."

Contact:

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Greater Kailash - II,
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Look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

Shantanu Chand

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1904. Monthly Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-10 08:59:14 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 191 Message: 1904

MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
Dear Friends,
The Monthly meeting of September 2004 will be held on 12th September2004 at 10:00 hours at B.S.Bengelle Girls High School.

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:-
10:00. Ganesh Visarjan ? Briefing Meeting. (All participants to attend).
10:45. Pending Tickets of the last batches.
11:00 Tea Break.
11:15 Hamfest Meeting. (Registrations, Website, Food and Transport portfolios only)..
12:30 Meeting ends.
Please attend the meeting on time.
73
Nilesh, VU2NLF, (Secretary / Convener HFI2004).

1905. PCB Design Software

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-10 17:24:30 UTC
From: harshvardhan_k
Topic: 1905 Message: 1905

Hello Friends,

Those of you who are interested in PCB Design may
find these links very useful.

http://www.expresspcb.com/ExpressPCBHtm/Download.htm

http://www.pad2pad.com/

http://www.pcb123.com/

http://www.frontpanelexpress.com/

Best wishes,

HarshVardhan

1906. HamDream version 2.4 - Software using sound card for Digital Voice Mode

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-10 19:07:08 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 1906 Message: 1906

SOUTH AFRICAN AMATEURS TRANSMIT DIGITAL VOICE ON HF

Three South African amateurs made what is believed to be the first successful transmission of a Digital Voice signal over HF amateur bands in the country. The Digital Voice signal was transmitted at 11:16 am on Sunday 8 August by Andrew Roos ZS1AN and received by Dennis Wells ZS1AU with technical assistance from Ettienne Vosloo ZR1AHW. The transmission took place on the 10m band, with an occupied bandwidth of approximately 2.3 KHz.

On Tuesday 10th August, Dennis and Andrew successfully exchanged signal reports on the 15 metre, completing the first known digital voice QSO in South Africa. The QSO was monitored by Sean White, ZR1BSD.

Digital voice is a new mode where speech is converted to digital data using a low-bitrate vocoder. The digital data is then transmitted using a high-speed modem, and the digital data is decoded to recover the audio at the receiver. Although still in the experimental stages, there is worldwide interest in Digital Voice, which can deliver very high signal-to-noise ratios over medium quality SSB channels.

The software used in this experiment was HamDream version 2.4, which is an open-source implementation of the Digital Radio Mondiale broadcasting standard that has been adapted for amateur use by HB9TLK. It can be downloaded free of charge from the SARL website, click here. For more information, see HB9TLK's website, www.qsl.net/hb9tlk.

All you need to explore this fascinating new mode is a PC with a full-duplex soundcard, a soundcard/rig interface like those used for PSK-31 and similar digital modes, and a PC headset and microphone that can be purchased at any computer store for about R 100. So get QRV on digital voice and join the fun! Andrew and Dennis are keen to make contact with other divisions using this exciting new mode. If you would like to arrange a sked please send email to Andrew, zs1an@... or Dennis, zs1au@....

Andrew will be giving a talk on Digital Voice at the SARL "Radio Technology in Action" Hamfest at the National Amateur Radio Centre in Johannesburg on 21st August - see you there!

1907. RE: [m_a_r_s] HamDream version 2.4 - Software using sound card for Digital Voice Mode

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-11 06:37:14 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 1906 Message: 1907

Hi Sandeep,

That was an interesting article on digital voice transmissions on HF.

There has been a discussion going on, on this subject since quite some time.

Die hard HF enthusiasts feel that this could not be big fun, although you get reliable comms on HF this way. It is felt that it is allright for experimentation. We do not use our HF operating skills in this mode. Afterall it is a challenge to work a very weak analogue stn. on HF using our skills like right kind of microphones, filters of different bandwidths, using radio passband tuning and using other QRM fighting features cleverly, that are built into the radio.

Vijay, VU2VVP

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1908. im SWL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-11 10:20:55 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1908 Message: 1908

Yesterday I was having a QSO with a friend over the fone and he happened to ask me what SWL meant.... ... the simplest way one cud explain to anyone,,!!!

know what SWL really means??

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or

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whatever u like,

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73'S

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1909. Re: Details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-12 19:24:40 UTC
From: VU2SXF@REDIFFMAIL.COM
Topic: 1909 Message: 1909
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1910. FW: HAM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-13 11:30:21 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1910 Message: 1910

Dear Sir,

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com

is the site wherw u wiil get all the details

Regards

mickykorde [VU2 IZO]

>From: "Shirish Asthana"
>To: vu2izo@...
>CC: kshitij_ka747@...
>Subject: HAM
>Date: Sat, 11 Sep 2004 20:05:07 +0530
>
>Dear Sir,
>
>My son Kshitij Asthana who is a TE student in Pune is interested in
>joining your club. He has reportedly passed the examination
>conducted by the competent agency of the GOI. Kindly e-mail me your
>complete address in Thane to enable him to get in touch with your
>club. Shirish Asthana
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>http://ads2.baazee.com/cgi-bin/banners/redirect.pl?id=2553 T-Shirts,
>Shirts, Kurtas, Apparels.

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1911. repeater installation pictures

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-15 20:09:11 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1911 Message: 1911

Dear Friends,

Repeater pictures are uploaded on yahoo groups..... , tower , repeater , installation, view from prithvi & much more

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Ankur Puranik.

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1912. Re: [m_a_r_s] repeater installation pictures

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-16 07:18:06 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1911 Message: 1912

HELLO FELLOW HAMS,

At last efforts put in by VU2 RIO , VU2 ZRS AND VU2 HIT , of meeting and convincing society members of prithvi apartments bore fruits , and now repeater has new qth ,many thanks to above all , we would have been in soup otherwise .

Also many thanks to , vu2 nlf , vu2 ozo and Ankur for doing necessary , hard work in installing that repeater there.

I wonder why not vu2 NLFS call sign be , VU2 MHN , (MEIN HOON NA) HI HI , our man of crisis .

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1913. Re: [m_a_r_s] repeater installation pictures

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-16 04:19:53 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 1911 Message: 1913

Hats off guys-

An example of what can be achieved when members take an active interest in Society Activities.It was on this last Sunday that VU2OZO and VU2ANKUR (the member with the longest callsign anywhere in the world! :-)) conferred about doing this and by Wednesday they had photo evidence of their work.

Cheers to NLF as well of course

Bravo Zulu,
VU2MIG

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"In omnibus requiem quaesivi, et nusquam inveni nisi in angulo cum libro"

"I have sought tranquility in everything, but found it nowhere except in a corner with a book"
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----- Original Message -----
From: Ankur Puranik
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, September 16, 2004 1:39 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] repeater installation pictures

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1914. Re: [m_a_r_s] repeater installation pictures

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-16 10:30:19 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1911 Message: 1914

Dear All,

Kudos to all invovled in shifting the repeater. At last Mumbai Hams can heave a sigh of relief that the repeater has now found a permanent home. Now the big question when can we SWLs start using it?

Cheers!!!

SWL Shantanu Chand

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1915. RE: Great work

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-16 15:18:03 UTC
From: kau_san
Topic: 1915 Message: 1915

Hi Guys,
Great Work,
I would specially like to thank all the members involved in
contributing their precious time in the task of putting up the
antanea at Prithvi Towers.

kaushik

1916. Prithvi Repeater - Great going.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-16 17:25:28 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1911 Message: 1916

Hi Martians

Thanks to all behind Prithvi Setup. It's now our missile for communication with long range targets.

Hope now all martians can shoot long range QSO's.

Congrats all once again.

Sorry MHN callsign vu2 & vu3 prefix not available since these persons are operating from Tamil Nadu. I would have preferred this call sign for Ankur. Ankur you are doing great job for MARS. Keep it up. Would like to hear Ankur with an unique call sign (Not wet the the screen but wait to hear)

73's

vu2jpn

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1917. Congratulations

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-17 15:55:02 UTC
From: milind korde[VU2 IZO]
Topic: 1889 Message: 1917

C O N G R A T S
ON INSTALLING THE REPETER

VU2 NLF Nilesh Rathod

VU2 OZO ANISH KORDE
VU2 _ _ _ ANKUR PURANIK
[Wet the screen]

A job really well done & much appricated.

VU2 NLF a big
THANK YOU to U

73's

de : VU2 IZO [MICKY KORDE]

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1918. Re: [m_a_r_s] Congratulations-repeater

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-17 19:50:29 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 1889 Message: 1918

MY HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS TO VU2NLF AND THE GREAT TEAM ON INSTALING THE REPEATER.
SORRY, I AM NOT ABLE TO SEE THE PRITHVI REPEATER PHOTO.
WHERE IS THE LOCATION AND WHAT IS THE HEIGHT ??

WHEN IS THE MATHERAN REPEATER BEING INSTALLED ?? I CAN ACCESS MATHERAN RPTR WITH MY RUBBER DUCKIE AND IS TESTED DURING THE TRIALS.

ONCE AGAIN , VERY WELL JOB DONE,

BRAVO ZULU

BASAPPA ARABOLE
VU2NXM
NR KHOPOLI

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1919. Hamfest India 2004 - dates and registrations.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-18 08:48:24 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1919 Message: 1919
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Dear Friends,

On auspicious occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi, I have the pleasure of announcing our Hamfest India 2004.

Dates : 24th December 2004 / 25th December 2004 / 26th December 2004 (Friday/Saturday/Sunday).

Venue : P.L.Deshpande Kala Academy (Ravindra Natya Mandir), Prabhadevi, Worli, Mumbai.

The Registrations will be opened on 1st October 2004. For further detailed information kindly visit our website www.hamfest2004.org on 1st October 2004.

73

Nilesh, VU2NLF, (Secretary / Convener HFI-2004).

1920. Happy Birthday - VU2NHR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-18 09:29:32 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 337 Message: 1920
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MARS wishes it Founder & Life Member - Nirav Sanghvi - VU2NHR a very Happy Birthday.

1921. Happy Birthday - VU2NAJ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-18 09:29:36 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1921 Message: 1921
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Mumbai Amateur Radio SocietyMARS wishes it Honorary Member - Najma Ashrati-
VU2NAJ a very Happy Birthday.

1922. Hamfest and Ganesh Visarjan Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-18 09:29:43 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1922 Message: 1922
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Dear Friends,

Mumbai Amateur Radio SocietyThe Hamfest Meeting and the Ganesh Visarjan Meeting will be held on 19th September 2004 at 10:00 AM at P.L.Deshpande Kala Academy (Ravindra Natya Mandir), Prabhadevi, Worli.

All members wishing to participate for the Ganesh Visarjan and could not make it for the Ganesh Visarjan Briefing meeting which was held on 13th Sept 2004, may please attend without fail..

73

NLF

1923. VHF Repeater. - Please please please use it.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-18 09:29:47 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1923 Message: 1923
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Dear Friends,

Mumbai Amateur Radio SocietyYou are aware that our South Mumbai VHF Repeater (144.100 Mhz +) is now permanently shifted to Pruthvi Apartments, Altamount Road, (which is probably the higest location in Mumbai). The repeater is having a wonderful coverage, hence all the licenced members are requested to make good use of it...

A lot of efforts has been put in by our active members (ZRS,HIT,RIO,AIH,OZO,IZO, Ankur..any many others) so please don't let these efforts go to waste make the most of it...

Our Andheri and Thane repeater will also be operational by end of next week... use them and enjoy the hobby..

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society73

NLF

1924. Happy Birthday - VU2UGO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-19 10:12:41 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 839 Message: 1924
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1925. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 830

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-19 17:27:16 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1925 Message: 1925

Hi!

OK OK now I get it why UGO was chatting for so long yesterday on Skype. (Ushering his B day)
Well my friends a big party is due , pls wait till I reach for HFI 2004.

BAKI DOST LOG BE PREPARED.

73

Rahul VU3WJM

Topics in this digest:

1. Happy Birthday - VU2UGO
From: vu2nlf

Message: 1
Date: Sun, 19 Sep 2004 15:42:41 +0530
From: vu2nlf
Subject: Happy Birthday - VU2UGO

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1926. Hotel Bravo UGO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-20 05:02:16 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 1926 Message: 1926

Yep, best Birthday wishes, Sandy!

You have been a source of information in MARS (justalika Ankur P.) and hope you keep it coming. Thanks also for those yesteryear pictures shot through a 'Sandycam'.

de VU2NHR

ps: Did anyone see Windtalkers on TV last week? Ham radio is one of the few good things that emerged as an after-effect of WWII.

1927. RE: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2UGO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-20 12:43:36 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 839 Message: 1927
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Hi Sandeep,

Sandy Sandy happy returns of the day....

Regds,

Mehul
VU2 ICQ
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From: vu2nlf [mailto:vu2nlf@...]
Sent: Sunday, September 19, 2004 6:13 PM
To: M_A_R_S@Yahoogroups. Com
Cc: Mars_Classes@Yahoogroups. Com; Mars_Academy_2003@Yahoogroups. Com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2UGO

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1928. 2004-05 SUBSCRIPTION DUE FROM.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-20 13:32:24 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1928 Message: 1928

SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE YEAR 2004-05 IS YET TO BE RECD FROM THE
FOLLOWING MEMBERS :

1. MINOO CONTRACTOR
2. ZARIR VESUNA
3. JYOTIKA DALAL
4. DHAVAL PATEL
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7. SUMEET BAL
8. ANANTA MORE
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10. SANDHYA KOLI
11. ANUSUYA PULLAKUDY
12. PARIN GANGAR
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74. NILESH JOSHI
75. JITENDRA GORE
76. AARON PEREIRA
77. AMIT CHHEDA
78. AMOL PATIL
79. ARUN NARAYANAN
80. ARVIND MANDKE
81. ASHISH SHETH
82. EDWARD RODRIGUES
83. GAURI GOTHE
84. GURURAJ SHANBHAG
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86. KANCHAN ZOPE
87. LAXMAN TAWDE
88. MADHUKAR KHILLARE
89. NILESH MALPEKAR
90. POOJA KASHIKAR
91. PRADNYA AGASKAR
92. PRIYA GOPALKRISHNAN

93. RAHUL CHAUDHRY
94. SAGAR BHAERAO
95. SAILEE KORDE
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112. SANTOSH THOMAS
113. SUNIL SARANJAME
114. ASLEY BAPTISTA
115. RAJIV, VU2UGA

P.S.:EOE

1929. RAFFEL TICKETS LAST CHANCE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-20 13:37:06 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1929 Message: 1929

Dear Martians,

This is to inform u that there r only a few RAFFEL TICKETS left [say 15/20] with me to date.

You r well aware that the total number is limited to just 150 and so this is the last & final call.

Then friends it's up to u now to grab the opportunity or to miss it.

If u r still interested please rush u r entries with crossed cheque in

the name of HAMFEST INDIA - 2004 to VU2 NLF NILESH @ Office address or VU2 IZO MICKY @ " PAKHAR", 13/346, CHERAI , THANE [W] -- 400601

73'S

de: VU2 IZO MICKY

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1930. Re: 2004-05 subscription

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-20 14:29:01 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1930 Message: 1930

The following members have contacted me for payment towards subscription; however, payment is yet to be received from them :

- Shriram

- Shivkumar Iyer

- Shailesh Deshmukh

- Vaibhav Palande

- Ananta More

- Brijesh Raghavan

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1931. Re: [mars_classes] Happy Birthday - VU2UGO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-20 16:12:15 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 1931 Message: 1931

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Yes indeed!
Sandy owes us big time for this..and to think he sat through a meeting discussing LANs and counters!

:-)

Cheers,
VU2MIG

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"In omnibus requiem quaesivi, et nusquam inveni nisi in angulo cum libro"

"I have sought tranquility in everything, but found it nowhere except in a corner with a book"
****

1932. Subscription from Priya

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-21 03:05:40 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1932 Message: 1932

Dear Priya,

Tnx 4 the payment; updated ur subscription status.

-Tnx

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1933. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: [mars_classes] Happy Birthday - VU2UGO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-21 04:59:20 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1931 Message: 1933

Belated greetings to dear OM UGO (OM piling on the years ? ;-) A true ham and shaan of MARS. Wish you many decades of "crackling" fun.

AMATEUR RADIO- not a hobby, an obsession.
73s de
VU2CDP
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1934. Happy Birthday - VU2UGO ....LOVE VU2ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-21 07:32:18 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1934 Message: 1934

UGO HAPPY B'DAY
VU2ZRS
"INSPT.ZENDE BOLTHE"

----- Original Message -----
From: Deepak-VU2CDP <vu2cdp@...>
Date: Tuesday, September 21, 2004 10:29 am
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: [mars_classes] Happy Birthday - VU2UGO

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fortunecookie@...

1935. You Know You're a Ham

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-23 06:30:05 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1935 Message: 1935

You Know You're a Ham if :
a.. You buy electrical black tape in ten packs.
b.. You've stripped wire with your teeth.
c.. You've told your son that, "One day, all this will be yours", and he doesn't respond.
d.. You'd rather help a buddy put up a new tower than mow the lawn.
e.. You've grabbed the wrong end of a soldering iron.
f.. You start giving out RST reports when you are on the telephone.
g.. The propagation forecast means far more to you than the local weather forecast.
h.. The microphone or visual aids at a meeting don't work and you rush up to the front to fix it.
i.. You tell the XYL, when she notices a new rig in the shack, why that has been there for years.
j.. Your watch is set only to UTC.
k.. At night, when you pray, it starts off something like: CQ CQ CQ GOD DE (your call sign).
l.. You ever had to patch your roof after an antenna project.
m.. Ham radio magazines comprise more than 50% of your bathroom library.
n.. You ever put a GPS tracker in the XYL's car, just so you could watch her on APRS.
o.. You and the XYL took a cruise so you could visit the radio room.
p.. You ever tapped out HI in Morse on your car horn to another ham.
q.. You ever had an antenna fall down.
r.. Your teenager refuses to ride in your car because it looks like a porcupine.
s.. You know the Latitude and Longitude of your home QTH.
t.. You go into the local Radio Shack store and the clerk asks you where something is
Source : HARC - W3UU - Sept04 Newsletter

1936. SWL s QRM ON 2 METRES

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-25 07:20:39 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 1936 Message: 1936
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1937. my harmonic

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-25 06:49:50 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 1937 Message: 1937
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1938. Re: [m_a_r_s] my harmonic

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-25 07:30:02 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 1937 Message: 1938

good news congratulation

regards
vu2sfn

sandesh chandrakant kamat <VU2SXF@...> wrote:

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Shailesh

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1939. Re: [m_a_r_s] my harmonic

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-25 11:03:14 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1937 Message: 1939

Congratulations to you and your XYL. Hope the harmonic also takes to the airwaves.

73s
VU2CDP-Deepak

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SANDESH KAMAT

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1940. Lalbagcha Raja(2004)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-25 11:05:41 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1940 Message: 1940

Preview for those who will get to see it and also for those won't(unfortunate ones like me).

73s
VU2CDP

To: vu2cdp@...
Subject: FW: Fwd: Lalbagcha Raja__ GANAPATI BAPPA MORYA (Wall paper) Lalbaug cha RAJA (2004)
Date: Sat, 25 Sep 2004 15:01:32 +0530

From: "Srinivas Rao" <ssr9583@...> To: anusha_krishnan@..., battleram115@..., rdstyle@..., divakardube@..., geeteshk@..., sangram_vk@..., pooyam89@..., lookmanish@..., ani1970us@..., rdstyle57@..., bull_taurus@... Subject: FW: Fwd: Lalbagcha Raja__ GANAPATI BAPPA MORYA (Wall paper) Lalbaug cha RAJA (2004) Date: Sat, 25 Sep 2004 12:59:43 +0530

> ATTACHMENT part 3 message/rfc822
Date: 24 Sep 2004 03:26:27 -0000
From: "vijay vishnu kolhal"
To: big_abhi@..., aks_ark@...
CC: awm_123@..., bhosle_vivek_2002@...,
heramrock@..., kaustubh_s_h@..., kp_extc@...,
manasee24@..., rocky_getme@..., mudassar_08@...,
pbm_82@..., r_ryan@..., sachin_gaokar@...,
sachinbhogale@..., shruti_71@..., siddhesh_2k@...,
sohil_shah@..., umakant_222@..., vnvaze@...,
sfit2004_extc@..., wimroy@...
Subject: Lalbagcha Raja__ GANAPATI BAPPA MORYA (Wall paper) Lalbaug cha RAJA (2004)

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From: Amol Thombre <amolbthombre@...>
To: vvk2200@...
Subject: Fwd: GANAPATI BAPPA MORYA (Wall paper) Lalbaug cha RAJA (2004)

> ATTACHMENT part 3.2 message/rfc822
From: Amol Thombre
Subject: Fwd: GANAPATI BAPPA MORYA (Wall paper) Lalbaug cha RAJA (2004)
To: vvk2200@...

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> ATTACHMENT part 3.2.2 message/rfc822
Date: Wed, 22 Sep 2004 10:59:10 +0100 (BST)
From: Shreenivas Iyer
Subject: GANAPATI BAPPA MORYA (Wall paper) Lalbaug cha RAJA (2004)
To: pankajkone@..., parul195@...,
akshata210982@..., maneck@...,
Rahul Manekar , visalakshyv@...,
shiva@..., Bhabhi ,
Akka , rush7a@...,
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Bhupesh Punch , patelvir@...,
Friends , michael_de_silva@...

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> ATTACHMENT part 3.2.2.2 message/rfc822
Subject: GANAPATI BAPPA MORYA (Wall paper) Lalbaug cha RAJA (2004)
To: umangathavia@...,
satre@...,
sachinatredac@...,
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deepakbadiger@...,
smartcowboy003@...,
rr_1728@...,
k_bhirud@...,
kaushalb@...,
hirenc@...,
chavda_hiren@...,
bhavesh_d80@...,
adole@...,
vsg2k@...,
v.godbole@...,
rohit_goel81@...,
ashish@...,
ashis_hazra@...,
godrejguy@...,
shreenivas_i@...,
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From: Biswajeet.Ray@...
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09/22/2004 09:54 Subject: GANAPATI BAPPA MORYA (Wall paper) Lalbaug cha RAJA
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1941. SWL s QRM ON 2 METRES (Onus is on all of us)...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-25 12:24:36 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1936 Message: 1941

Dear Sandesh,

Congratulations on the arrival for your Harmonic...

I totally agree with you about any SWL or any invalid licence holder should not be operating....I have requested the net controller to allow SWLs to operate only on 2 occasions (15th August and the other time when Ankur helped me putting up the repeater).. I never encourage illegal activities

You may be aware (since you are monitoring) that whenever Ankur or anyone else is operating illegally, I am not present on the air, as I am hardly active on VHF or HF.. I don't monitor, if I am present I will always make sure that the SWLs do not operate, I have personally requested our net controllers not to allow any SWLs and invalid licence to check in or to operate..

I am the secretary of our society, but I cannot be around on the air all the time to restrict the illegal users... We all licenced holders have to guard and follow protocol,, if you are frequency and hear any SWL operating, why don't you tell that person to stop transmitting... after all you are also responsible to guard our bands..

JPN was asked not to transmit, because after repeated reminders over the land line and offering him all the assistance to help him renew his licence he did not bother to do so, (he is required to have valid licence at all times especially since he is on our disaster management team, and he may need to mobolize any time).. We all must understand our responsibilities (hams and SWLs), why make NLF or any other person point out your mistakes...we must have self disipline, after all we are setting example for the next generation to come ... if our current SWLs are operating illegally now, I wonder how they will stop their next generation from transmitiing illegally..

MARS has always been lenient as compared to other societies.. we have always allow SWLs (only who have cleared their exams) to operate once in a while on occasions like Independence day, Ganesh Visarjan, JOTA and Scramble Team exercises..all this is done with the supervision of a senior ham present... this is to keep them interested in our hobby, while they are waiting for their tickets.. unfortunately some SWLs are taking advantage of our leniency and are also encouraged by our senior hams..

I again request all the SWLs to have a little more patience and NOT TO TRANSMIT...

Please note I am the secretary of MARS and not the Wireless Advisor, so please understand I am doing what I can to guard our band and avoid illegal operations, but onus is on all of us to guard and not only me ok.. I would

therefore request you that in case you hear any station operating illegally, please break in and make sure that the station stops transmitting..

73
NLF

-----Original Message-----
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat [mailto:VU2SXF@...]
Sent: Saturday, September 25, 2004 12:51 PM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] SWL s QRM ON 2 METRES

Friends
The purpose of writing this mail is to make all MARS members aware that an SWL called Ankur Puranik is regurarly transmitting on 2 metres without having any license nor does he have any call sign now this is something very annoying to me & some other hams, and the shocking fact is that there are many senior hams who are aware of this & are raghchewing with him ,he also checks into the nightowls net. sometime back when 2 of our hams viz JAIPRAKASH VU2JPN & MAHESH VU2IIA had QSY ed to their new qth, then our hon secretary OM NILESH VU2NLF had asked them on AIR not to transmit without getting the new adress on ticket, now the same person is allowing swl to talk on air, I fail to understand why such things happens. Iam not aware that about any other swls coming on 2 metres, but I feel that if such things are encouraged then we will have some other swls also on 2 mt. I remember the days when it took almost 3 yrs for me to get my ticket we didnt transmit even once nor did any of my friends.But today swls atleast get chance to come on air for jota, ganapati etc .I have no complaints for such occasions.
I now would like to request all hams not to entertain such things on air. Remember we started MARS to promote this hobby honestly & sincerely.
I hope iam not hurting anyones sentiments in this mail. Any hams should not take it personally particularly NILESH & ANKUR.
Any MARS member can correct me if iam wrong & can send reply on GROUPS .

THANKS & 73

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1942. QRM on 2M

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-25 13:33:36 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 1942 Message: 1942

To

All new and old hams

I am very glad to read VU2SXF?s &VU2NLF?s mail really we all have to protect our band from illegal operators. Day before yesterday when I was testing the VU2MIG?s rig in my QTH I was able to listen to repeater and the QSO between VU2IZO and Ankur I could not break in. Then I tried simplex and asked VU2IZO why Ankur is transmitting? He said I took permeation from net controller and they allowed to transmit I am very surprise how net controller can give permeation when they themselves are honest to HAM BAND and never allowed illegal transmitter (I remember early birds net). I personally feel that all SWL s must wait for tickets to come and believe VU2NLF who is working hard to get your tickets ASAP.

Please don?t take anything personal.

This is the matter of HAM BAND and not society so we all have to stick to our rules.

If someone heart by this mail I am very sorry. But fact is fact

73?s and all the best

DE

VU2SFN

Shailesh

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1943. RE: [m_a_r_s] my harmonic

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-25 16:07:43 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 1937 Message: 1943

Yay Sandesh!!!!!
Congrats!!.Make sure he says CQ CQ before anything else!!!

As regards Ankur, young man,take a chill pill and wait for your licence!!!!
Sarla

>From: "sandesh chandrakant kamat" <VU2SXF@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] my harmonic
>Date: 25 Sep 2004 06:49:50 -0000
>
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>DE VU2SXF
>SANDESH KAMAT

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1944. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 834

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-25 18:16:28 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1944 Message: 1944

HI! Sandesh

Congrats to you and XYL for the bonny baby.

As far as illegal activity is concerned this should be discouraged. However there is a provision under which a non call sign holder can modulate a HAM station under observation of a valid call sign holder . It is good to see people taking part in radio activity.

I suggest newcomers/ SWLs itching to operate to visit some nearby friends and modulate their station legally. Hope this will keep all happy.

73

Rahul VU3WJM

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THANKS & 73

DE
VU2SXF
SANDESH KAMAT

[This message contained attachments]

Message: 2
Date: 25 Sep 2004 06:49:50 -0000
From: "sandesh chandrakant kamat"
Subject: my harmonic

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[This message contained attachments]

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1945. Re: [m_a_r_s] SWL s QRM ON 2 METRES (Onus is on all of us)...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-25 19:05:12 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 1936 Message: 1945

Dear SWLs,
Harmful Intereference/Illegal Use of Wireless sets on our Bands could be reported to Wireless Monitoring stations in the area. It could be troublesome. Kindly avoid the use of wireless sets untill one gets the Licence to operate Amateur Radio station.

Pse have little patience for the Licence to arrive. NLF, HIT and there are many in MARS who are doing the best to get the licences well before the time. Even one of our MARS member visited WPC for your licences.No club in VU land is doing such a wonderful Job for swls.

With best wishes,

Basappa Arabole
Life Member MARS
VU2NXM
AT4HQG
AT0BI
QTH.. Nr Khopoli

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1946. Harmonic of Sandesh

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-25 19:08:48 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 1937 Message: 1946

Congratulations Sandeshji. Great NEWS.

Basappa
VU2NXM

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1947. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-26 05:24:18 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1947 Message: 1947
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Mumbai Amateur Radio SocietyMARS wishes it Founder & Life Member - Ratnesh Javeri - VU2 OUT a very Happy Birthday.

1948. SWLs QRM ON 2 MT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-26 06:08:59 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 1948 Message: 1948
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1949. Icom America Comic Books> The Adventures of Zack and Max

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-26 13:13:21 UTC
From: kiran_padiyar
Topic: 1949 Message: 1949

Follow the link and have some fun
http://icomamerica.com/amateur/comic_book/

Happy hamming!
VU3KPL

1950. VU2HIT on Star News 2200 hrs 26th Sunday

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-26 14:45:09 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1950 Message: 1950

Dear All,
It has come to my attention that VU2HIT was interviewed by Star News about Hams at Ganpati Visarjan. This programme will be aired at 2200hrs on Sunday the 26th of September.

Please watch our fellow HAM publicising our hobby.

73
Shantanu Chand
SWL

1951. hit hits star news...!!!...keep up the good work.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-26 17:05:01 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1951 Message: 1951

Dear VU2HIT ,

It was nice to see you on star news !!! A short n sweet clip!

You have brought HAM RADIO into limelight !

Keep up the good work!!!

best regards,

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1952. hit hits star news...!!!...keep up the good work.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-26 17:02:46 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1951 Message: 1952

Dear VU2HIT ,

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Keep up the good work!!!

best regards,

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1953. Ganpati Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-28 04:52:05 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1953 Message: 1953

Dear All,
Congratulations to all who were involved in the Ganpati Visarjan arrangements done by MARS.

A big thank you to all the HAMs and SWLs who contributed to the success of the event.

This was the first time I was involved, though for a very short time, assisting at the BMC and Lost and Found. It is truly an experience which I would like to repeat in the years to come and hopefully with more time on hand.

Thank you once again to all volunteers who worked as a well oiled unit to make this event a successful one.

73
Shantanu Chand
SWL

1954. Happy Daddy Days Ahead ...kamat

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-28 06:20:16 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1954 Message: 1954
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1955. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganpati Visarjan , GREAT SHOW KEEP IT UP

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-28 06:23:44 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1955 Message: 1955

DEAR HAMS

WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE YOU ALL ON THE EFFORT AND TIME YOU ALL HAVE PUT IN

DURING THE GANPATTI IMMERSION 2004

VU2ZRS

Fortune Cookie India
300 , cawasji hormasji patel street
marine lines
mumbai 2
tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

1956. ganesh visarjan 2k4

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-28 20:36:36 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1956 Message: 1956

Dear friends,

The pictures of Ham Radio support for Ganesh Visarjan 2004 have been uploaded on yahoo main group under the folder "Ganesh Visarjan 2k4".

Ganpati Bappa Morya!!!

73's

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1957. Happy Birthday - Shantanu Chand.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-30 05:00:08 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1957 Message: 1957
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Untitled DocumentMumbai Amateur Radio Society

MARS wishes its Life Member - Shantanu Chand - Grade - I a very Happy Birthday.

1958. happy birthday

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-30 05:09:26 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1958 Message: 1958

Dear Shantanu,

many happy returns of the day my dear friend!!!

hav fun, enjoy to the fullest on this special day!

73's

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1959. happy birthday

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-30 05:09:43 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1958 Message: 1959

Dear Shantanu,

many happy returns of the day my dear friend!!!

hav fun, enjoy to the fullest on this special day!

73's

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1960. big boy shatanu "hurray" just call -1-800-partyhams

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-30 10:05:22 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1960 Message: 1960

dear shatanu

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Try remembering what you did on your last b'day and make this one a better one .

if you want we all can make it a better one . we are just cq cq phone call away

Anyway just joking .

Have a great day and thank your parents for it . They made it happen .

enjoy life and take care of yourself

73's vu2zrs

----- Original Message -----
From: Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...>
Date: Thursday, September 30, 2004 10:39 am
Subject: [m_a_r_s] happy birthday

> Dear Shantanu,
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> many happy returns of the day my dear friend!!!
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> hav fun, enjoy to the fullest on this special day!
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> 73's
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> Ankur PuranikIndiatimes Email now powered by APIC Advantage. Help!
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tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

1961. HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-30 11:41:25 UTC
From: milind korde
Topic: 1961 Message: 1961

Dear TANTATANU

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

If i had my way, i woud have declared u r Birthday as a Bank Holiday

73's

de: VU2 IZO

Get a job today. Post your CV on naukri.com today.
(http://g.msn.com/8HMBENIN/2734??PS=47575)

1962. Re: [m_a_r_s] HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-09-30 13:34:04 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 1961 Message: 1962

Yes indeed,

Considering VU2ZRS is willing to supply the booze and VU2IZO is willing to declare the bank holiday after getting is arranged,
all we need now is just a little party from Shan-Man!

Wish you all the best buddy and may you have a call sign by your next one :-P

Cheers,
VU2MIG

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"In omnibus requiem quaesivi, et nusquam inveni nisi in angulo cum libro"

"I have sought tranquility in everything, but found it nowhere except in a corner with a book"
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1963. Revisions

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-01 06:47:22 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1963 Message: 1963

For all ye faithful,
Though many of you must have already read it, it's important that we fully understand what the changes mean. Your opinions expected on the revisions and their possible implications.

73s de VU2CDP,Deepak.

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Introduction
On 4th July 2003 the World Radiocommunication Conference, Geneva, 2003 ended and on the following day, the 5th July 2003 the new international regulations governing the amateur and amateur satellite services, Article 25 of the Radio Regulations, that had been adopted by the Conference come into effect.

The language of many provisions in Article 25 as it was before 5th July 2003 was the language of many years ago, reflecting the priorities, structures and attitudes of a time long gone. Provisions such as requiring amateur stations to use "plain language", that communications be limited to messages "relating to experiments", and remarks "for which by reason of their lack of importance, the use of the telegraph service could not enter into consideration", the prohibition of "international communications emanating from third parties", though that provision "may be modified by special arrangements between the interested countries", the requirement for Morse Code, and a number of other provisions are to be found in Article 8 of the General Radio Regulations annexed to the International Telecommunication Convention, Madrid, 1932.

The IARU policy was to seek the simplification of the Regulations affecting the amateur services by removal of regulations that were no longer necessary, the removal of provisions that were redundant because the subject matter was covered elsewhere in the Radio Regulations, the updating of provisions to reflect today's attitudes and activities, the identification of some standards for the qualification of amateurs and the addition of provisions that encouraged amateurs to be given the ability to provide emergency communications and to encourage the international recognition of amateur licences.

The Radio Regulations, the international regulations, define the fundamentals of the amateur services, and regulate international communications between stations in the amateur and amateur-satellite services. Administrations may and do make additional regulations, and regulate in detail the amateur services in their country.

This article compares the previous regulations with the new regulations and attempts to identify what is new and what is different. It does not attempt to explain why the particular provision was adopted in a particular form, which is another story told elsewhere. The numbers used to identify provisions are the temporary numbers used by the ITU in the course of the WRC.

Banned countries list

The first provision of Article 25, the so called "banned countries" list is a provision that is to be found in the 1932 Regulations, and is almost the same as the previous regulation except that it is now expressed positively rather negatively. The provision reads:

25.1 Radiocommunications between amateur stations of different countries shall be permitted unless the administration of one of the countries concerned has notified that it objects to such radiocommunications.

That is a provision that has only a limited effect on most amateurs.

The balance of Article 25 is more directly relevant to the day to day activities of radio amateurs.

What may be transmitted by Amateur Stations

The old international regulation relating to what an amateur station may transmit was as follows:

"When transmissions between amateur stations of different countries are permitted, they shall be made in plain language and shall be limited to messages of a technical nature relating to tests and to remarks of a personal character for which, by reason of their unimportance, recourse to the public telecommunications service is not justified."

This dealt with two distinct matters, the content of messages and the encryption of messages.

The phrase "messages of a technical nature relating to tests and to remarks of a personal character" could be construed unnecessarily narrowly, and did not reflect today's world, and the qualifying phrase "which, by reason of their unimportance, recourse to the public telecommunications service is not justified" was both vague and uncertain, and certainly reflected a time when in most countries the common carrier was a government monopoly.

So, the old provision was replaced by a new provision as follows:

25.2 Transmissions between amateur stations of different countries shall be limited to communications incidental to the purposes of the amateur service, as defined in No. 1.56 and to remarks of a personal character.

The term "incidental to" is wide, certainly not requiring a narrow connection with the "purposes of the amateurs service" and as the "purposes" of the amateur service set out in the definition are "self-training, intercommunication and technical investigations", the subject matter goes much beyond "tests". The new provision much more accurately reflects what in fact is the subject matter of amateur transmissions today.

Coded Messages

It is assumed that the phrase in the old provision requiring transmissions to be in "plain language" meant something transmitted by either voice or Morse that anyone could hear and understand. But today amateurs use many codes, and so what is meant by the phrase "plain language" could become a question in some countries. The language is no longer really appropriate. And, in any event a total prohibition is not appropriate as encryption is required for the control of satellites by command stations.

The requirement is not for "plain language" but a prohibition of messages encoded for the purposes of obscuring their meaning.

So, the simple phrase in the old regulation was replaced by a new provision, as follows:

25.2A Transmissions between amateur stations of different countries shall not be encoded for the purpose of obscuring their meaning, except for control signals exchanged between earth command stations and the space station in the amateur satellite service.

The IARU had suggested that it would be desirable for the exception to be expressed more widely than limited to satellite control signals, but a number of countries resisted this for security reasons. Of course the provision applies only to international communications. Therefore, repeater control signals, which are almost invariably transmitted within a single country and so are subject to national rather than international, regulation, may be encoded unless prohibited by national regulation.

"Third party" messages
One of the most difficult areas was the old provisions dealing with so called "third party messages." The provisions were as follows:

It is absolutely forbidden for amateur stations to be used for transmitting international communications on behalf of third parties.

The preceding provisions may be modified by special arrangements between the administrations of the countries concerned.

That prohibition of international communication on behalf of third parties is very wide. What is a communication on behalf of a third party? School children speaking to an astronaut is a communication on behalf of a third party, as is participation in the Jamboree on the Air. The provision inhibited preparation for disaster communication, and indeed, international disaster relief communications unless a special arrangements were in place between the two countries concerned.

The requirement that the prohibition could be modified by "special arrangements between the administrations of the countries concerned" was slow and clumsy, in many countries involving the ministry responsible for foreign relations.

The IARU suggested the suppression of both provisions, taking the view that each administration was fully empowered to regulate its amateurs, and in particular to define what communication could and could not be carried by an amateur station both nationally and internationally.

Of course, the fundamental requirement that the amateur service is non commercial is to be found in the definition of the amateur service and Article 25.2 set out above.

The new provision reads as follows:

25.3 Amateur stations may be used for transmitting international communications on behalf of third parties only in the case of an emergency or disaster relief. . An administration may determine the applicability of this provision to amateur stations under its jurisdiction.

The exception to the blanket prohibition for cases of emergency and disaster relief is important, and when read with the new provision intended to encourage emergency communication by amateur stations will hopefully lead administrations to adopt new regulations to facilitate such activities.

This second sentence of this provision enables each administration to define what is a communication on behalf of a third party, and with whom the stations under its jurisdiction may exchange such communications. If the other station's administration permits the same communication, then the communication may be exchanged internationally.

The removal of the requirement for bilateral agreements between countries is significant as the new regulation certainly provides the means by which each administration can permit many activities, such as disaster relief, practice for emergency communication, and educational communications to take place internationally.

Morse Code
The old regulation that Morse was a requirement for the operators of amateur stations below 30 MHz was found in a provision that read as follows:

Any person seeking a licence to operate the apparatus of an amateur station shall prove that he is able to send correctly by hand and to receive correctly by ear texts in Morse code signals. The administrations concerned may, however, waive this requirement in the case of stations making use exclusively of frequencies above 30 MHz.

That was replaced with a provision giving each administration the right to decide whether or not Morse is a required qualification as follows:

25.5 Administrations shall determine whether or not a person seeking a licence to operate an amateur station shall demonstrate the ability to send and receive texts in Morse code signals.

The alternative of simply deleting the old provision was rejected because a number of administrations thought that the matter was so important that a positive decision not to require Morse as a qualification was appropriate. The effect is actually the same: Morse code is no longer an internationally required qualification for an amateur licence, though an administration may still require it.

The Qualification of Amateurs
Apart from the Morse code as a qualification, the previous regulation provided:

Administrations shall take such measures as they judge necessary to verify the operational and technical qualifications of any person wishing to operate the apparatus of an amateur station.

This was replaced by a new provision as follows:

25.6 Administrations shall verify the operational and technical qualifications of any person wishing to operate an amateur station. Guidance for standards of competence may be found in the most recent version of Recommendation ITU-R M.1544.

The reference to the Recommendation is a non-mandatory reference. That is, an administration is not bound to follow it, but it is expected that all administrations will take the Recommendation into account when setting the qualification for an amateur licensee.

The Recommendation is very general, for example providing that any person seeking a license to operate an amateur station should demonstrate a "theoretical knowledge of: Radio regulations, international, domestic", and under the heading "Radio system theory", "transmitters, receivers, antennas and propagation and measurements." Consistently with the decisions of the Conference, the Recommendation does not suggest any requirement for a Morse skill.

That accords with the IARU position that the Radio Regulations should give some guidance as to the qualification appropriate for an amateur licence, but should not attempt to set a syllabus, as the diversity of environments for which a standard must be set is very great.

The identification of a standard, the topics on which knowledge is required, reflects one of the essential elements of the amateur service, namely that an amateur is a person who has demonstrated an operational and technical qualification, distinguishing that amateur from many other users of the spectrum.

Power

The next provision in the new Regulations is:

25.7 The maximum power of amateur stations shall be fixed by the administrations concerned.

That is almost the same as the old regulation, but with the words after those words in the old provision being omitted, so the words "having regard to the technical qualifications of the operators and to the conditions under which these stations are to operate" are no longer part of the provision.
The application of other provisions of the Radio Regulations

Again, Article 25.8 is a shortened version of the previous article, and reads as follows:

25.8 All pertinent Articles and Provisions of the Constitution, the Convention and of these Regulations shall apply to amateur stations.

That changes the reference to "general rules" to "pertinent" provisions of the current ITU documents and omits the sentence "In particular, the emitted frequency shall be as stable and as free from spurious emissions as the state of technical development for such stations permits." which is unnecessary as the requirements apply to amateur stations in any event.

In reality, there is no change arising from the different wording. Probably the provision is unnecessary in any event, but it offered some assurance to administrations that amateurs will abide by all pertinent rules.

Call signs

Finally, a provision that is the same as the previous provision:

25.9 During the course of their transmissions, amateur stations shall transmit their call sign at short intervals.
Emergency Communications

Then, a completely new provision is included in Article 25, a provision that really needs no explanation.
25.9A Administrations are encouraged to take the necessary steps to allow amateur stations to prepare for and meet communication needs in support of disaster relief.

That provision should be read in conjunction with Article 25.3, and it is hoped that administrations will make regulations that facilitate amateurs preparing for emergency situations and providing communications in emergencies and for disaster relief. This was an important IARU objective.
The international recognition of the licences of visiting amateurs

A further completely new provision is added to Article 25:

25.9B Administrations may determine whether or not to permit a person who has been granted a licence to operate an amateur station by another administration, to operate an amateur station while that person is temporarily in its territory, subject to such conditions or restrictions it may impose.

This provision has been interpreted by some to mean that an administration may, if it wishes, permit a licensee from another country to operate in its territory without issuing a licence, as would otherwise be required by Article 18 of the Radio Regulations. There is some substance in interpretation, as the provision deals with "permissions" and applies only to a person temporarily in the territory of the other administration.

The interpretation of the provision is, of course, a matter for administrations, but hopefully it is a provision that will encourage administrations to allow amateurs to enjoy their hobby while travelling by recognising the foreign licence. A global recognition would fill in the gaps left by the CEPT Recommendation T/R 61-01 and the International Amateur Radio Permit of the OAS.

The Amateur-satellite service

The final two provisions deal with amateur-satellite service, the first being unchanged and reading as follows:

25.10 The provisions of Section I of this Article shall apply equally, as appropriate, to the amateur-satellite service.

The next provision is the only operative provision in Article 25 dealing with the amateur-satellite service. The previous provision read as follows:

Space stations in the amateur-satellite service operating in bands shared with other services shall be fitted with appropriate devices for controlling emissions in the event that harmful interference is reported in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 22. Administrations authorizing such space stations shall inform the IFRB and shall ensure that sufficient earth command stations are established before launch to guarantee that any harmful interference which might be reported can be terminated by the authorizing administration (see No. 2612).

The provision was unnecessarily complex, repeating obligations that are found elsewhere in the Radio Regulations, particularly Article 22.

In the end, the following simplified provision was adopted:

25.11 Administrations authorizing space stations in the amateur-satellite service shall ensure that sufficient earth command stations are established before launch to ensure that any harmful interference caused by emissions from a station in the amateur-satellite service can be terminated immediately (see No. 22.1).

The new provision avoids the repetition in different words of regulations that already apply to the stations, and simply requires that sufficient earth command stations are established before launch.

The Definition of the Amateur Service

When, in 1996, the IARU commenced its examination of the issues raised by placing Article 25 of the Radio Regulations on the agenda of a future World Radiocommunication Conference, it very quickly saw that the definition remained as relevant and appropriate as it had been over the many years that it been a part of the Radio regulations.

It is worth setting out that definition for the sake of completeness:

1.56 Amateur service: A radiocommunication service for the purpose of self-training, intercommunication and technical investigations carried out by amateurs, that is, by duly authorised persons interested in radio technique solely with a personal aim and without pecuniary interest.

Similarly, the definition of the amateur-satellite service remains unchanged:

1.57 Amateur-satellite service: A radiocommunication service using space stations on earth satellites for the same purposes as those of the amateur service.

The Conference decided that no change was required to those definitions in Article 1.

Conclusion

The Radio Regulations are the written result of the welding together of the different views of different people with different languages and from different cultures. It is no doubt easy to say that some of the provisions could be expressed more elegantly, and that some of the provisions are not necessary.

Of course, it is true that the narrower provisions of the old international regulations have not really inhibited the amateur service in many countries, with administrations preferring a liberal interpretation. But in the long run, the amateur service cannot afford to have countries ignore the international regulations. It is fundamental that the amateurs have appropriate "operational and technical qualifications." A speed limit that is unrealistic and not enforced is going to be ignored. What was appropriate in 1932 may not be appropriate in 2003.

In the end it is suggested that the meaning of Article 25 is clear, even if expressed in language different from the language suggested by the IARU. What is important is the substance, not the form, and it is suggested that the changes and additions made to Article 25 by WRC 2003 will meet the needs for the future of the amateur service identified by the IARU.

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Yahoo! Mail Address AutoComplete - You start. We finish.

1964. Debriefing for Ganesh Visarjan & Hamfest Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-01 14:01:17 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1964 Message: 1964
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Dear Friends,

Once again MARS provided communication support during Ganesh Visarjan quite successfully. A detailed report will be posted very shortly.

The Debriefing Meeting for the Ganesh Visarjan will be conducted on Sunday 3rd October 2004 at 10:00 AM at B.S.Bengelle Girls School, Churchgate. All participants are requested to attend the meeting on time.

The above meeting will be followed by the Hamfest Meeting, All Hamfest Team members may please attend.

73

NLF.

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

1965. Ganesh Visarjan Report

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-01 15:32:46 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 1965 Message: 1965

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Hi All,

MARS pulls it off again!
Following its famous trademark rapid deployment of members and resources ,the Mumbai Amateur Radio Society, (MARS), had its very own Observation Tower at Chowpatty to keep a look out for situations of distress and emergency.Another team of HAMs and SWLs was keeping watch from the Life Guard tower working with a team of lifeguards from the Mumbai YMCA and other life saving societies under the aegis of Red Swastik,an umbrella organisation of such societies.An example of the varied repertoire of skills found in MARS,was the presence of VU2GYM and VU2LUB at the lifeguard tower.Both,VU2GYM and VU2LUB,in addition to being call sign holders are also fully qualified Lifeguards and were thus, well positioned to utilise their skill sets.

Other MARS teams were positioned for liasing with the BMC and First Aid Services.Observation teams were also operating from critical points along the route of the processions at CP Tank and Prarthana Samaj.These teams rendered yeoman service with their timely and accurate description of the arrival of various Mandals,rendering assistance to the massive crowds and helping to build up an accurate picture of the state of the vibrant ceremonial send off to Mumbai's favourite deity.

Like always,a few MARS members had the unparalleled experience of being at sea(literally) aboard various boats operated by life guards.Such cross-postings enable members to develop insights into the functioning of other emergency services as well as displaying MARS capabilities to future collabrators.VU2HIT,VU2RIO,Nilesh Dixit were among those who enjoyed sailing under the ink blue sky.

All the above teams were ably guided by a team of mature(not in age but in operating) ,experienced HAMS from Chowpatty Control.Chowpatty Control veritably functioned like a control room,relay station,a matchmaker for emergency services rolled into one.VU2NLF and VU2NHR were the calm and resourceful controllers from the station.

The event provided members with fantastic opportunities to hone their radio,public relations,management skills and have wonderful close up views of Mumbai's best Ganesh processions.

Mention must also be made of the ample supply of food and beverages for volunteers.Controllers and VU2HIT must be complemented for doing a timely job of arranging and delivering delicious food,snacks and beverages to the widely spread members with an accuracy rivalling that of the Cesium clocks at CERN,Geneva.

Lots of impromptu get togethers were held at Chowpatty Control discussing the nuances of classic rigs,anecdotes from the HAM world and plain admiration for the various Ganesh Mandals's artistic skills.

Chowpatty Control was finally shut down in the wee hours of dawn with a sudden realisation that yet another Ganesh Visarjan has come to a close.

Overall,it was a memorable event with tremedous learning opportunities for particpants both old and new.

Congratulations to VU2JPN,VU3AUA,VU2OZO and their teams for a wonderful espirit de corps.

MARS looks forward to more such events in the future with more such enthusiastic participants.

73s,

VU2MIG
Kapil Chandni

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"In omnibus requiem quaesivi, et nusquam inveni nisi in angulo cum libro"

"I have sought tranquility in everything, but found it nowhere except in a corner with a book"

1966. Ganesh Visarjan Report

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-02 05:32:12 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1965 Message: 1966

Dear NLF,

I regret to inform you of my inability to attend the meeting this sunday as i will be out of town. I am enclosing my report and my thoughts for future Ganpati Visarjans.

As you are well aware i was posted at the BMC wireless control with ASO (BMC) Ajit Tawde. I was also liasing with the police Lost and Found along with Napolean.

I have never worked with such a dynamic personality such as Napolean. He was inventive and resourceful and always on the run and never saying "no" to anything. Together we cleared 8 lost and found cases between 1430 hrs and 1730hrs, till i was relieved by SWL Pankaj Shah.

We cleared 8 cases of lost and found children, one case where a lady had lost her husband and he turned up in a few minutes.

All in all it was a great experience and i look forward to doing it all over again next year.

Just a suggestion at the end. We need to have a ham dedicated to the lost and found as running between BMC and Lost and Found was not convenient.

Thanks to all once again.

73

Shantanu

ALL-NEW Yahoo! Messenger - all new features - even more fun!

1967. ARISS 2m repeater

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-02 07:55:06 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1967 Message: 1967

New 2m repeater on International Space Station

A new 2m repeater is now operating on the International Space Station 24x7 the uplink is on UHF 437.800 and the downlink is on VHF 145.800
No tone burst or CTCSS is required.The radio is a Kenwood TMD-700 operating in remote crossband mode.It just retransmits on VHF what it hears on UHF so if you are getting through you can hear yourself on the downlink. Anyone can work it using a co-linear.

To see where the space station is 'live' check

http://science.nasa.gov/temp/StationLoc.html

for 3 days in advance predictions download the pcsat decoder program

http://www.ui-view.com/uiview32/pcdec242.msi

When the ISS Repeater is being worked the audio may be streamed in the AMSAT conference server on Echolink so anyone, anywhere in the world can listen in.

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1968. A.R.T.S.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-02 07:58:12 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1968 Message: 1968

What is ARTS? It stands for the Amateur Radio Tolerance Society. And who should know more about that than our XYL's?

With the recent introduction of the RCC Award, the question was raised as to why there isn't an award for the ladies who put up with us hams. So, in response to popular demand, SPAR is pleased to announce the immediate availability of the ARTS Award for our beloved XYL's.

So, for those honest hams who want to show some appreciation for their long-suffering XYL's, the ARTS Certificate can be downloaded, printed, filled out and presented to their tolerant half. The certificate is on the SPAR web site at ARTS for the XYL.

Source: QRZ.com

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1969. Addendum to ARTS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-02 08:12:21 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1969 Message: 1969
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The Society for the Preservation of Amateur Radio (SPAR) is pleased to offer a distinguished award for the many XYL's who patiently endure the Amateur Radio addiction of their spouses. We know, deep down inside, that many people could never live with a real ham, but our spouses somehow seem to accept us anyway. They have learned to accept that ham fests and ham shacks are a part of life.

Any normal woman would be offended by being referred to as an "XYL." But somehow a select few have learned to accept us, along with our radios, antennas, QSL cards and work benches with unfinished projects. They have learned to sleep through contests and DX chasing. They have accepted that the ducks that talk on our radios are really saying something and the funny beeps in the night are not aliens. They have at least offered an encouraging word while we put up the ugliest antennas they have ever seen and have even found a way to help budget our radios, antennas, books, software, gizmos and gadgets.

To these stalworth women, the few, the once proud, we offer an tribute in the form of full membership in the A. R. T. S., complete with a certificate suitable for framing. Heaven knows we'd like to give you more, but there's always another radio to consider and the amplifier you got for your birthday took most of our resources.

The certificate in PDF format can be downloaded, printed, filled out and presented to your XYL.

Thanks for tolerating us, ladies!

See the attachment.
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1970. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 839

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-02 19:36:16 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1970 Message: 1970

WHAT A PARTY WITHOUT ME!!!!!!!!!

You all just wait to see how many of you I catch hold by your pants.

73

Rahul

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:

There are 5 messages in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. Re: HAPPY BIRTHDAY
From: "Kapil Chandni"
2. Revisions
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
3. Debriefing for Ganesh Visarjan & Hamfest Meeting
From: vu2nlf
4. Ganesh Visarjan Report
From: "Kapil Chandni"
5. Ganesh Visarjan Report
From: Shantanu Chand

Message: 1
Date: Thu, 30 Sep 2004 19:04:04 +0530
From: "Kapil Chandni"
Subject: Re: HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Yes indeed,

Considering VU2ZRS is willing to supply the booze and VU2IZO is willing to declare the bank holiday after getting is arranged,
all we need now is just a little party from Shan-Man!

Wish you all the best buddy and may you have a call sign by your next one :-P

Cheers,
VU2MIG

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"In omnibus requiem quaesivi, et nusquam inveni nisi in angulo cum libro"

"I have sought tranquility in everything, but found it nowhere except in a corner with a book"
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[This message contained attachments]

Message: 2
Date: Thu, 30 Sep 2004 23:47:22 -0700 (PDT)
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Subject: Revisions

For all ye faithful,
Though many of you must have already read it, it's important that we fully understand what the changes mean. Your opinions expected on the revisions and their possible implications.

73s de VU2CDP,Deepak.

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For immediate release New Regulations For The Amateur Services
By Michael Owen, VK3KI
WRC-03 IARU Observer Team Member

Introduction
On 4th July 2003 the World Radiocommunication Conference, Geneva, 2003 ended and on the following day, the 5th July 2003 the new international regulations governing the amateur and amateur satellite services, Article 25 of the Radio Regulations, that had been adopted by the Conference come into effect.

The language of many provisions in Article 25 as it was before 5th July 2003 was the language of many years ago, reflecting the priorities, structures and attitudes of a time long gone. Provisions such as requiring amateur stations to use "plain language", that communications be limited to messages "relating to experiments", and remarks "for which by reason of their lack of importance, the use of the telegraph service could not enter into consideration", the prohibition of "international communications emanating from third parties", though that provision "may be modified by special arrangements between the interested countries", the requirement for Morse Code, and a number of other provisions are to be found in Article 8 of the General Radio Regulations annexed to the International Telecommunication Convention, Madrid, 1932.

The IARU policy was to seek the simplification of the Regulations affecting the amateur services by removal of regulations that were no longer necessary, the removal of provisions that were redundant because the subject matter was covered elsewhere in the Radio Regulations, the updating of provisions to reflect today's attitudes and activities, the identification of some standards for the qualification of amateurs and the addition of provisions that encouraged amateurs to be given the ability to provide emergency communications and to encourage the international recognition of amateur licences.

The Radio Regulations, the international regulations, define the fundamentals of the amateur services, and regulate international communications between stations in the amateur and amateur-satellite services. Administrations may and do make additional regulations, and regulate in detail the amateur services in their country.

This article compares the previous regulations with the new regulations and attempts to identify what is new and what is different. It does not attempt to explain why the particular provision was adopted in a particular form, which is another story told elsewhere. The numbers used to identify provisions are the temporary numbers used by the ITU in the course of the WRC.

Banned countries list

The first provision of Article 25, the so called "banned countries" list is a provision that is to be found in the 1932 Regulations, and is almost the same as the previous regulation except that it is now expressed positively rather negatively. The provision reads:

25.1 Radiocommunications between amateur stations of different countries shall be permitted unless the administration of one of the countries concerned has notified that it objects to such radiocommunications.

That is a provision that has only a limited effect on most amateurs.

The balance of Article 25 is more directly relevant to the day to day activities of radio amateurs.

What may be transmitted by Amateur Stations

The old international regulation relating to what an amateur station may transmit was as follows:

"When transmissions between amateur stations of different countries are permitted, they shall be made in plain language and shall be limited to messages of a technical nature relating to tests and to remarks of a personal character for which, by reason of their unimportance, recourse to the public telecommunications service is not justified."

This dealt with two distinct matters, the content of messages and the encryption of messages.

The phrase "messages of a technical nature relating to tests and to remarks of a personal character" could be construed unnecessarily narrowly, and did not reflect today's world, and the qualifying phrase "which, by reason of their unimportance, recourse to the public telecommunications service is not justified" was both vague and uncertain, and certainly reflected a time when in most countries the common carrier was a government monopoly.

So, the old provision was replaced by a new provision as follows:

25.2 Transmissions between amateur stations of different countries shall be limited to communications incidental to the purposes of the amateur service, as defined in No. 1.56

and to remarks of a personal character.

The term "incidental to" is wide, certainly not requiring a narrow connection with the "purposes of the amateurs service" and as the "purposes" of the amateur service set out in the definition are "self-training, intercommunication and technical investigations", the subject matter goes much beyond "tests". The new provision much more accurately reflects what in fact is the subject matter of amateur transmissions today.

Coded Messages

It is assumed that the phrase in the old provision requiring transmissions to be in "plain language" meant something transmitted by either voice or Morse that anyone could hear and understand. But today amateurs use many codes, and so what is meant by the phrase "plain language" could become a question in some countries. The language is no longer really appropriate. And, in any event a total prohibition is not appropriate as encryption is required for the control of satellites by command stations.

The requirement is not for "plain language" but a prohibition of messages encoded for the purposes of obscuring their meaning.

So, the simple phrase in the old regulation was replaced by a new provision, as follows:

25.2A Transmissions between amateur stations of different countries shall not be encoded for the purpose of obscuring their meaning, except for control signals exchanged between earth command stations and the space station in the amateur satellite service.

The IARU had suggested that it would be desirable for the exception to be expressed more widely than limited to satellite control signals, but a number of countries resisted this for security reasons. Of course the provision applies only to international communications. Therefore, repeater control signals, which are almost invariably transmitted within a single country and so are subject to national rather than international, regulation, may be encoded unless prohibited by national regulation.

"Third party" messages

One of the most difficult areas was the old provisions dealing with so called "third party messages." The provisions were as follows:

It is absolutely forbidden for amateur stations to be used for transmitting international communications on behalf of third parties.

The preceding provisions may be modified by special arrangements between the administrations of the countries concerned.

That prohibition of international communication on behalf of third parties is very wide. What is a communication on behalf of a third party? School children speaking to an astronaut is a communication on behalf of a third party, as is participation in the Jamboree on the Air. The provision inhibited preparation for disaster communication, and indeed, international disaster relief communications unless a special arrangements were in place between the two countries concerned.

The requirement that the prohibition could be modified by "special arrangements between the administrations of the countries concerned" was slow and clumsy, in many countries involving the ministry responsible for foreign relations.

The IARU suggested the suppression of both provisions, taking the view that each administration was fully empowered to regulate its amateurs, and in particular to define

what communication could and could not be carried by an amateur station both nationally and internationally.

Of course, the fundamental requirement that the amateur service is non commercial is to be found in the definition of the amateur service and Article 25.2 set out above.

The new provision reads as follows:

25.3 Amateur stations may be used for transmitting international communications on behalf of third parties only in the case of an emergency or disaster relief. . An administration may determine the applicability of this provision to amateur stations under its jurisdiction.

The exception to the blanket prohibition for cases of emergency and disaster relief is important, and when read with the new provision intended to encourage emergency communication by amateur stations will hopefully lead administrations to adopt new regulations to facilitate such activities.

This second sentence of this provision enables each administration to define what is a communication on behalf of a third party, and with whom the stations under its jurisdiction may exchange such communications. If the other station's administration permits the same communication, then the communication may be exchanged internationally.

The removal of the requirement for bilateral agreements between countries is significant as the new regulation certainly provides the means by which each administration can permit many activities, such as disaster relief, practice for emergency communication, and educational communications to take place internationally.

Morse Code
The old regulation that Morse was a requirement for the operators of amateur stations below 30 MHz was found in a provision that read as follows:

Any person seeking a licence to operate the apparatus of an amateur station shall prove that he is able to send correctly by hand and to receive correctly by ear texts in Morse code signals. The administrations concerned may, however, waive this requirement in the case of stations making use exclusively of frequencies above 30 MHz.

That was replaced with a provision giving each administration the right to decide whether or not Morse is a required qualification as follows:

25.5 Administrations shall determine whether or not a person seeking a licence to operate an amateur station shall demonstrate the ability to send and receive texts in Morse code signals.

The alternative of simply deleting the old provision was rejected because a number of administrations thought that the matter was so important that a positive decision not to require Morse as a qualification was appropriate. The effect is actually the same: Morse code is no longer an internationally required qualification for an amateur licence, though an administration may still require it.

The Qualification of Amateurs
Apart from the Morse code as a qualification, the previous regulation provided:

Administrations shall take such measures as they judge necessary to verify the operational and technical qualifications of any person wishing to operate the apparatus of an amateur station.

This was replaced by a new provision as follows:

25.6 Administrations shall verify the operational and technical qualifications of any person wishing to operate an amateur station. Guidance for standards of competence may be found in the most recent version of Recommendation ITU-R M.1544.

The reference to the Recommendation is a non-mandatory reference. That is, an administration is not bound to follow it, but it is expected that all administrations will take the Recommendation into account when setting the qualification for an amateur licensee.

The Recommendation is very general, for example providing that any person seeking a license to operate an amateur station should demonstrate a "theoretical knowledge of: Radio regulations, international, domestic", and under the heading "Radio system theory", "transmitters, receivers, antennas and propagation and measurements." Consistently with the decisions of the Conference, the Recommendation does not suggest any requirement for a Morse skill.

That accords with the IARU position that the Radio Regulations should give some guidance as to the qualification appropriate for an amateur licence, but should not attempt to set a syllabus, as the diversity of environments for which a standard must be set is very great.

The identification of a standard, the topics on which knowledge is required, reflects one of the essential elements of the amateur service, namely that an amateur is a person who has demonstrated an operational and technical qualification, distinguishing that amateur from many other users of the spectrum.

Power

The next provision in the new Regulations is:

25.7 The maximum power of amateur stations shall be fixed by the administrations concerned.

That is almost the same as the old regulation, but with the words after those words in the old provision being omitted, so the words "having regard to the technical qualifications of the operators and to the conditions under which these stations are to operate" are no longer part of the provision.
The application of other provisions of the Radio Regulations

Again, Article 25.8 is a shortened version of the previous article, and reads as follows:

25.8 All pertinent Articles and Provisions of the Constitution, the Convention and of these Regulations shall apply to amateur stations.

That changes the reference to "general rules" to "pertinent" provisions of the current ITU documents and omits the sentence "In particular, the emitted frequency shall be as stable and as free from spurious emissions as the state of technical development for such stations permits." which is unnecessary as the requirements apply to amateur stations in any event.

In reality, there is no change arising from the different wording. Probably the provision is unnecessary in any event, but it offered some assurance to administrations that amateurs

will abide by all pertinent rules.

Call signs

Finally, a provision that is the same as the previous provision:

25.9 During the course of their transmissions, amateur stations shall transmit their call sign at short intervals.
Emergency Communications

Then, a completely new provision is included in Article 25, a provision that really needs no explanation.
25.9A Administrations are encouraged to take the necessary steps to allow amateur stations to prepare for and meet communication needs in support of disaster relief.

That provision should be read in conjunction with Article 25.3, and it is hoped that administrations will make regulations that facilitate amateurs preparing for emergency situations and providing communications in emergencies and for disaster relief. This was an important IARU objective.
The international recognition of the licences of visiting amateurs

A further completely new provision is added to Article 25:

25.9B Administrations may determine whether or not to permit a person who has been granted a licence to operate an amateur station by another administration, to operate an amateur station while that person is temporarily in its territory, subject to such conditions or restrictions it may impose.

This provision has been interpreted by some to mean that an administration may, if it wishes, permit a licensee from another country to operate in its territory without issuing a licence, as would otherwise be required by Article 18 of the Radio Regulations. There is some substance in interpretation, as the provision deals with "permissions" and applies only to a person temporarily in the territory of the other administration.

The interpretation of the provision is, of course, a matter for administrations, but hopefully it is a provision that will encourage administrations to allow amateurs to enjoy their hobby while travelling by recognising the foreign licence. A global recognition would fill in the gaps left by the CEPT Recommendation T/R 61-01 and the International Amateur Radio Permit of the OAS.

The Amateur-satellite service

The final two provisions deal with amateur-satellite service, the first being unchanged and reading as follows:

25.10 The provisions of Section I of this Article shall apply equally, as appropriate, to the amateur-satellite service.

The next provision is the only operative provision in Article 25 dealing with the amateur-satellite service. The previous provision read as follows:

Space stations in the amateur-satellite service operating in bands shared with other services shall be fitted with appropriate devices for controlling emissions in the event that harmful interference is reported in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 22. Administrations authorizing such space stations shall inform the IFRB and shall ensure

that sufficient earth command stations are established before launch to guarantee that any harmful interference which might be reported can be terminated by the authorizing administration (see No. 2612).

The provision was unnecessarily complex, repeating obligations that are found elsewhere in the Radio Regulations, particularly Article 22.

In the end, the following simplified provision was adopted:

25.11 Administrations authorizing space stations in the amateur-satellite service shall ensure that sufficient earth command stations are established before launch to ensure that any harmful interference caused by emissions from a station in the amateur-satellite service can be terminated immediately (see No. 22.1).

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1971. Monthly Meeting for October 2004 at Thane

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-04 12:12:44 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1971 Message: 1971
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Dear Friends,

In view of the fact that most of our members from Thane region are not attending our meetings, may be due to inconvienence of coming all the way to Churchgate.

To accomodate our members, we will be conducting our October meeting at Gyan Sadhna College, Thane on Sunday 10th October 2004 at 10:00 AM Sharp. All members are requested to attend the meeting on time.

Members who have not paid their fees may please come with the fees. members who are interested in taking the Raffle tickets, may also take advantage of this meeting.

All students from our last Thane Batch, may please attend and give their choice of call signs for their licences.

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NLF.

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

1972. RE: [m_a_r_s] Monthly Meeting for October 2004 at Thane

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-04 18:44:35 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 1971 Message: 1972

Hi all,
Glad to note that there is a MARS meeting in Thane. I am leaving for Korea
to attend an International YL Meet and will be back only the 15th and hence
will not be able to attend the meeting.
You guys have fun!!!
Sarla
VU2SWS

>From: vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: "M_A_R_S@Yahoogroups. Com" <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>CC: "Mars_Classes@Yahoogroups. Com" <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>,
>"Mars_Academy_2003@Yahoogroups. Com" <mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Monthly Meeting for October 2004 at Thane
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1973. Reminder : October Meeting at Thane.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-07 04:29:28 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1973 Message: 1973
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Dear Friends,

1974. Visiting HAM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-07 04:52:49 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1974 Message: 1974

Dear Friends,
Yesterday i was visited by an International HAM at my morning QTH. He visited me with regards to my morning QTH but on entering my office he saw various literature on HAM radio lying on my desk. He then went on to introduce himself as I1HJT- Alfeo Caputo from Italy.

His DX callsign is II1H. US call K46STL and Lebonese call ODG/I1HJT.

He has already interacted with some HAMS in Mumbai and I had the pleasure of making him meet OM VU2NLF with whom he has been having an eyeball for many years.

He keeps coming to India on business and he has to meet me for the same. So the next time if any HAM is interested in meeting the number CW DXer of Italy, I would be happy to setup a common eyeball QSO with him.

73

Shantanu Chand

1975. Mumbai Marathon January 2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-08 05:09:39 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 1975 Message: 1975

Dear Friends,

I was going through the Indian Express Newsline this morning and saw that preparations for the Mumbai Marathon 2005 were in full swing.

This time the route has also changed from South Mumbai all the way to Bandra Reclamation. I was just wondering if MARS would be interested in providing communication to this event. If so this might be a good time to approach the organisers to find out how we can be useful during this mega event.

Hope this works out for the benefit for Amateur Radio.

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Shantanu Chand

1976. Re: [m_a_r_s] Mumbai Marathon January 2005 MARS takes part in the run ..vu2ozo

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-08 10:06:51 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1976 Message: 1976

dear shantanu
nice suggestion
i have also one why dont we MARS take part in the DEAM RUN that is very easy to complelte.
let MARS also have some sport involvement .

nice idea shantanu .
vu2zrs

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1977. 47th World Jamboree On The Air

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-08 19:50:16 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 1977 Message: 1977

Hi OMs/YLs,

MARS is happy to announce its participation in the 47th World Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) Event in association with Maharashtra State Bharat Scouts & Guides for the 5th consecutive year. The event is on 16th-17th October 2004.

So far we have received following names for the participation:

HAMs :-
Shailesh-VU2SFN, Mukesh - VU2UGJ, Basappa - VU2NXM, Kiny - VU3KNY, VU2GYM - Mohammed, VU2LUB - Mustafa, VU2SXF - Sandesh, VU2GBI - Gubbi, VU3PIT - Pitale, VU3MWH - Ananta, VU3ZNA - Zohar, VU2JPN - Jaiprakash, VU3AUA - Arun, VU2DGB - Dilip, VU3PPE - Pranav, VU2TPI - Tirandaz

SWLs :-
Variava, Ulhas, Anurag, Mukesh Vaidya, Saurabh Shah, Anish Pancholi, Andrews Kariyatil, Suren Shete, Mukesh Vaidya, Shantanu Chand, Nilesh Dixit

The location of this year's JOTA stations with the names of station-in-charge are as follows:
1. Scout Pavilion, Shivaji Park, Dadar - VU2HIT - Huzefa Merchant
2. Suman Nagar, Chembur - VU2OZO - Anish Korde
3. Sriram High School, Andheri - VU2HVK - Harsha Kallur
4. P.E. Society, Kopari, Thane - VU2CBU - Prashant Koli
5. Shanti Nagar, Meera Road - VU2UGO - Sandip Adiwarekar
6. K.B.Patil, Naigaon, Thane - VU2DGB - Dilip Bhandari

Everyone (those listed above as well as those who are not listed but willing to participate) are requested to attend the briefing meeting at 12.00noon (i.e. after monthly meeting).

For more info about JOTA event visit:-
MARS 1st Year JOTA Report (43rd JOTA 2000) - http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/message/73
MARS 2nd Year JOTA Report (44th JOTA 2001) - http://www.mumbai-hams.org/jota.htm
MARS 3rd Year JOTA Report (45th JOTA 2002) - http://www.mumbai-hams.org/jota2002.htm
MARS 3rd Year JOTA Photos (45th JOTA 2002) - http://photos.groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/lst
MARS 4th Year JOTA Report (46th JOTA 2003) - http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/message/1359
JOTA at ARRL - http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/jota.html
JOTA at World Scout - http://home.zonnet.nl/worldscout/

de VU2UGO - Sandip
Event-in-Charge

Let's give 100%
What makes 100%?
What does it mean to give 100%?

Here's a little mathematical formula that might help you answer that.

If,
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16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

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8+1+18+4+23+15+18+11 = 98%

But,
A-T-T-I-T-U-D-E
1+20+20+9+20+21+4+5 = 100%s

1978. Re: [m_a_r_s] Mumbai Marathon January 2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-09 13:38:18 UTC
From: Yogesh Thakkar
Topic: 1975 Message: 1978

Dear shantanu,
I am agree with you & am ready to come for this event too.

73.

Yogesh Thakkar

Shantanu Chand <bombayboy400011@...> wrote:

Dear Friends,

I was going through the Indian Express Newsline this morning and saw that preparations for the Mumbai Marathon 2005 were in full swing.

This time the route has also changed from South Mumbai all the way to Bandra Reclamation. I was just wondering if MARS would be interested in providing communication to this event. If so this might be a good time to approach the organisers to find out how we can be useful during this mega event.

Hope this works out for the benefit for Amateur Radio.

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1979. Subscription for 2004-05

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-11 03:28:05 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1979 Message: 1979

Hi All,

The following members have paid their subscription since 21st September,2004.

- Priya Gopalkrishnan,SWL

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Thanks for co-operation.

73s

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-11 11:37:19 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 1980 Message: 1980

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Assisted by - VU3AUA, VU2IZO, VU2SFN, VU2IES 3567 5226 25418196 25408165
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-11 19:09:06 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1980 Message: 1981

Excellent...!!! All the best guys...
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Sent: Monday, October 11, 2004 5:07 PM
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Date: 2004-10-11 23:36:40 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 1980 Message: 1982

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> b.. Limited amount of expenses spent on Food / Travel by Station-
> in-charge during the event will be reimbursed by the Society.
> c.. License copy of Temporary Shift of Station will be passed on
> to the Station-in-Charge as soon as it is received from Delhi.
> All the best !!!
> 73s de Sandip VU2UGO,
> JOTA Event-in-Charge
>
> ============================
> vu2ugo@...
> Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
> ============================
>

1983. RE:[m_a_r_s] JOTA 2004 Event Briefing

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-12 00:28:16 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 1980 Message: 1983

Hi Sandip,
Very nice illustrated work. I can only count one other
event in recent MARS history which would have had such
nice instrunctions and info(i.e Fox hunt by ZRS).

Keep up the good work!

All the best
Kiran
DE W2/VU3KPL

--- mehul2k@... wrote:

> One of the most concise and to-the-point info mail.
> Great going UGO.
>
> Hats Off.
>
>
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: VU2UGO <vu2ugo@...>
> Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 7:37 pm
> Subject: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2004 Event Briefing
>
> > What is JOTA?
> > JOTA is an annual event in which Boy and Girl
> Scouts and Guides
> > from all over the world speak to each other by
> means of Amateur
> > (ham) Radio. Scouting experiences are exchanged
> and ideas are
> > shared via radio waves. Since 1958 when the first
> Jamboree-on-the-
> > Air was held, millions of Scouts have met each
> other through this
> > event. Many contacts made during JOTA have
> resulted in pen pals
> > and links between Scout troops that have lasted
> many years.
> >
> > With no restrictions on age or on the number of
> participants, and
> > at little or no expense, JOTA allows Scouts to
> contact each other
> > by ham radio. The radio stations are operated by

> licensed ham
> > radio operators. Many Scouts and leaders hold
> licenses and have
> > their own stations, but the majority participate
> in JOTA through
> > stations operated by local radio clubs and
> individual radio
> > amateurs. Some operators use television or
> computer-linked
> > communications.
> >
> >
> > When
> > JOTA is held the third weekend in October of each
> year, this year
> > it's 16th - 17th October 2004. JOTA takes place
> starting Saturday
> > at 0001 hours local time to Sunday, 2359 hours
> local time, though
> > some activity continues over from Friday to Monday
> to take
> > advantage of long distance (DX) time differences.
> >
> >
> > How Do We Take Part?
> > For details Contact the Station-in-Charge of the
> station nearest
> > to your locaiton.
> >
> > Station Requirements
> > a.. HF on 40/20/15M band (10M optional) & VHF on
> 145.000
> > b.. HF & VHF station in two seperate rooms manned
> by 2 peoples
> > each (1 to operate & 1 to log contacts)
> > c.. Dress Code - MARS T-shirt/Cap/ID with Ponchos
> > d.. Banner - MARS banner at prominent location
> preferably 1 at
> > station & another at entrance gate
> > e.. For Distribution - JOTA Brochure, MARS
> brochure, ICOM comic
> > book, Phonetics / Morse Code Chart
> > f.. For Display - 47th JOTA Logo, QSL Cards,
> Amateur World Map,
> > Books by Rajesh Verma / Saad Ali / Ham Radio Guild
> > g.. License Copy - Station-in-charge (ticket) &
> Temporary Shift
> > of Station
> > h.. Code practice oscillator with Morse Key
> > i.. Photographs of your station

> > j.. OPTIONAL :
> > a.. Echolink Node (Multimedia PC/Laptop with
> Fixed Wireless
> > Phone/GPRS) b.. e-QSL Card (more info & free
> registration visit
> > www.eqsl.net) c.. Small recording clip of
> on-air QSO of
> > scout/guide in audio / video format
> > QRV Frequencies :
> > a.. 40 meters 7.035 MHz
> > b.. 20 meters 14.290 MHz
> > c.. 15 meters 21.360 MHz
> > d.. 2 meter 145.000 MHz
> > Instructions for Station-in-Charge
> > a.. Contact the Scout Co-ordinator before the
> event
> > b.. Brief him about the event and hand over the
> JOTA brochure,
> > MARS Brochure, ICOM comic book, Phonetic/Morse
> Code Chart etc. and
> > ask him to make as many copies required for his
> location for
> > display as well as for distribution.
> > c.. Have a look at the station location &
> co-ordinate the
> > timings for setting up the station and the
> operating hours.
> > d.. Ask the Co-ordinator for necessary Help (e.g.
> transport for
> > shifting the station, mast for the antenna, food
> arrangement etc.)
> > e.. Equipment borrowed for the event to be
> collected in advance,
> > take enough precaution while handling it during
> the event & should
> > be delivered back immediately in 'As-It-Is'
> condition after the event.
> > f.. While DXing look out for Scout Station
> Callsigns like HB9S,
> > K2BSA, JA1YSS, PA6JAM, 5Z4KSA, VK1BP, GB2GP,
> XE1ASM, DU1BSP,
> > TF3JAM etc.
> > g.. Give an opportunity to new ticket holders to
> talk on air and
> > the SWLs under your presence only.
> > h.. After the event, fill-up the Report Form &
> submit it to
> > Event-in-Charge with the Log Sheets & Photographs
> before 24th
> > October'2004. i.. Return the banners (2 nos.) &

> ponchos (4 nos.),
> > remaining mars brochures to Arun-VU3AUA.
> > Instructions for HAMs/SWLs assisting
> Station-in-Charge
> > a.. Assist station-in-charge to shift & setup his
> station at
> > JOTA location and vice versa.
> > b.. Follow the instructions of your
> station-in-charge.
> > c.. Help in organising the station
> > d.. Operate the station under the presence &
> guidance of station-
> > in-charge.
> > e.. Maintain the log
> > f.. Explain 'ham radio' to scouts & guides, tell
> them about
> > phonetics, morse code, Q-codes, answer their
> queries.
> > Station Details
> >
> > Sr. Location - Station Callsign Station-in-
> Co-ordinator
> > Examiner Participants
> > No. Assistance & Equipment Charge
> 2004 2003
> > 2003
> > Exp Pst Exp
> >
> > 1. Dadar Shivaji Park - VU2HIT VU2HIT
> Mr.P.R.Kulkarni
> > Mr.Ayub Khan 150 89 250
> > Assisted by - VU2GYM, VU2LUB, Ulhas 98927
> 86110 24454337 /
> > 24440381 9819475927
> > HF Rig - IC-718 VHF Rig - Alinco
> > HF Ant - Dipole VHF Ant - 5/8
> > HF Coax - RG58 VHF Coax - Teflon
> > HF SMPS Pulse VHF SMPS Pulse
> > SWR Meter with Patch Cord - Diwa
> >
> > 2. Suman Nagar, Chembur - VU2JPN (9892186646)
> VU2OZO
> > Mr.Maharudra Bolar Mr.M.D.Kamble 500 517 600
> > Assisted by - VU2OZO, VU3MWH, VU2GBI 98200
> 83879 56293471
> > 9869105603
> > HF Rig - 757 by KNY VHF Rig - V8000 by IZO
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> > HF Ant - Dipoles by JPN VHF Ant - 5/8 by JPN
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> > HF Coax - RG58 by JPN VHF Coax - RG58 by JPN
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> > HF SMPS Pulse by JPN VHF SMPS Pulse by IZO
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> > SWR Meter with Patch Cord - Diwa by KNY
> >
> > 3. Sriram High School, Andheri - VU2UGJ
> (9820034431) VU2HVK
> > Smt.Sarojini Prabhu Mr.B.R.Shah 300 430 1000
> > Assisted by - VU2HVK, Suren, Mukesh Vaidya
> 98203 54572
> > 28805960 31035601
> > HF Rig - 747 by NLF VHF Rig - GM338 by NLF
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> > HF Ant - Dipoles VHF Ant - 5/8
> > HF Coax - RG58 VHF Coax - Teflon
> > P/Supply Yaesu VHF SMPS Pulse
> > SWR Meter with Patch Cord - Diwa
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1984. get the sukhoi's right into ur radios

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-12 11:58:18 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1984 Message: 1984

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OR

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All the best!!!! happy sukhoing!!!

73's

ANKUR PURANIK.

* not all radios will be able to tune into this particular frequency.Indiatimes Email now powered by APIC Advantage. Help!
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1985. time correction

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-12 12:08:28 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1985 Message: 1985

Dear friends,

the activity is between 3:00PM to 5:00PM & not 3:00AM.

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1986. Re: Success with packet radio YAM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-13 09:41:43 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1986 Message: 1986

Congo!!! to Nilesh Malpekar and team for success in YAM packet radio modem!!!
keep up the good work guys!!!

73's

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1987. Mumbai Repeater AND Echolink

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-13 18:40:09 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1987 Message: 1987

Dear friends,

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Rgds,

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From: brijesh raghavan >To: vu2cbu@... >Subject: Re: [mars_classes] Subscription for 2004-05 >Date: Wed, 13 Oct 2004 09:37:51 -0700 (PDT) > >hi Prashant, > > i paid the subsciption too :) > >brijesh >vu2bij > >--- Prashant Koli wrote: > > >---------- > > > >Hi All, > >The following members have paid their subscription >since 21st September,2004. > > Priya Gopalkrishnan,SWL > Ananta More,VU3MWH > Minal Magigeri,VU2MUF- Life Membership > Edward Rodrigues,SWL > Sriram Narayanan,SWL > Arun Narayanan,SWL > Shivkumar Iyer,SWL > >Thanks for co-operation. > >73s > >-- Prashant Koli > > > >ONE WORLD.. ONE LANGUAGE.. HAM RADIO.. > >Prashant KoliWEBSITE:www.qsl.net/vu2cbu >Ham Radio Call Sign: > >Past President,Rotary Club of Bombay Mulund East, >Rotary Dist.:3140 > >VU2CBU > > > > > > > >---------- >Millions of eligible singles. Find the perfect match >on BharatMatrimony.com >Yahoo! Groups Sponsor ADVERTISEMENT > >---------- >Yahoo! Groups Links > > To visit your group on the web, go to: >http://groups.yahoo.com/group/mars_classes/ > > To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to: >mars_classes-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com > > Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to the Yahoo! >Terms of Service. > > > > > > >_____ >Do you Yahoo!? >Yahoo! Mail - You care about security. So do we. >http://promotions.yahoo.com/new_mail

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1988. Mumbai VHF repeater AND Echolink

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-13 18:41:25 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1988 Message: 1988

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1989. Re: [m_a_r_s] sukhois - NO PTT Pse

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-14 02:28:09 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 1984 Message: 1989

Dears,

On Sukhois :-

I hope you will not make QRM by pressing your PTT, not even for the fun sake. Better Lets be 1000 miles away from these Listenings.

Basappa

Do you Yahoo!?
Yahoo! Mail Address AutoComplete - You start. We finish.

1990. Sukhoing-what on Earth!!!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-14 04:29:53 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1990 Message: 1990

Dear all,
It is very surprising that people are blatantly disobeying laws by encouraging others to tune into frequencies not alloted to us. (Hello SWL have you forgotten the rules?) Such acts only encourage others to take even more bold steps. First it was the issue of TX-ng w/o a licence and now openly telling people IAF frequencies by sms/ mail. What's wrong with MARS senior members? Why are you all turning a blind eye to such activities? If a SWL is so enthusiastic give him a direction to channelise his energies in the proper direction. If not nipped in the bud, such acts are going to have drastic repurcussions. Let's be responsible, PLEASE.

AMATEUR RADIO- not a hobby, an obsession.
73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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1991. Outstation cheques

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-14 14:54:56 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1991 Message: 1991

Dear friends,

Recently one of the member submitted outstation cheque towards annual subscription fees.It may be clarified that in such cases, although our bank will honour the payment, the bank will deduct some collection charges.It is requested that Mumbai clearing cheque may be sent or DD may be sent.

73's

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1992. Jota Wishes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-15 16:30:08 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1992 Message: 1992

Hi Everybody.

Count down for Jota 10.... 9... 8 ....

Great arrangements in detail by UGO - Excellent Dear -
A true leader for the event. Let's all make it happen
with great crowd - contacts - all routes busy on all
modes of communication.

Good luck & best wishes to all

73's

jpn

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1993. Hamfest expectation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-15 16:33:37 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1993 Message: 1993

Dear

Looking out for MARS 2004's last event - Hamfest.

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JPN

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1994. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 849

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-16 04:32:46 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 1994 Message: 1994

HI!

Watch out for Action TV oops HAM VU2AXN Ankur. Congrats OB the wait is finally over.

73

Rahul VU3WJM

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:

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1995. Re: [m_a_r_s] get the sukhoi's right into ur radios

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-16 07:23:41 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1984 Message: 1995

dear vu2axn

thanks for the info on the frequency

reall pleasure seeing the planes of our IAF

. 73's

vu2zrs

----- Original Message -----

From: Ankur Puranik
Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 5:28 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] get the sukhoi's right into ur radios

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tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

1996. Hot Tickets finally

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-16 07:26:30 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1996 Message: 1996

dear ankur /shantanu and the rest

make use of your ticket tot he most and congrats

vu2zrs

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1997. Re: [m_a_r_s] get the sukhoi's right into ur radios

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-16 07:35:16 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 1984 Message: 1997

Hi:

Isn't all this downright illegal and irresponsible ?

I believe UGO had spoken quite a bit on ethics and moral responsibility, and such when teaching us Morse. I guess you guys just didn't listen...

Have you hot shots ever considered the bad name that you might get MARS founders and MARS members in general ? Why would the government/WPC now entertain MARS when we request them to clear our license applications ? And all the murmuring in India against MARS, and the murmuring within MARS about the active members woudl now only get more vocal.

It seems to me that all the big talk all these months about thanking MARS founders and seniors for the good work was just a grand mouthing of pieties..Get your licenses and then run around scot free, eh ?.. After all, who's to stop you ?

So, what's next ? Tutorials on playing havoc with the Police bands ? Broadcasting porn on the air ?

-- Sriram

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-16 07:47:36 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 1984 Message: 1998

You know, I was thinking about this a bit after I sent the mail..

It is not uncommon in the computing world for true techies to apply their minds
in seeing how far one might stretch the limits of technology and computing.
Heck, I do such stuff all the time for my bread and butter.

But irrespoinsibility cannot be condoned at all. Especially, when you put
others at a risk.

I heard this profound statement in the movie "Spiderman" - "With great power
comes great responsibility". I hope you realize this soon.

-- Sriram

--- Sriram N <sriramx_2000@...> wrote:

> Hi:
>
> Isn't all this downright illegal and irresponsible ?
>
> I believe UGO had spoken quite a bit on ethics and moral responsibility, and
> such when teaching us Morse. I guess you guys just didn't listen...
>
> Have you hot shots ever considered the bad name that you might get MARS
> founders and MARS members in general ? Why would the government/WPC now
> entertain MARS when we request them to clear our license applications ? And
> all
> the murmuring in India against MARS, and the murmuring within MARS about the
> active members woudl now only get more vocal.
>
> It seems to me that all the big talk all these months about thanking MARS
> founders and seniors for the good work was just a grand mouthing of
> pieties..Get your licenses and then run around scot free, eh ?.. After all,
> who's to stop you ?
>
> So, what's next ? Tutorials on playing havoc with the Police bands ?
> Broadcasting porn on the air ?
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> -- Sriram
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> --- fortunecookie@... wrote:
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> dear vu2axn
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> thanks for the info on the frequency
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> reall pleasure seeing the planes of our IAF
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> . 73's
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> vu2zrs
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> ----- Original Message -----
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> From: Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...>
>
> Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 5:28 pm
>
> Subject: [m_a_r_s] get the sukhoi's right into ur radios
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> > Dear friends,
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> >
> > You all must me aware of the AIR SHOW scheduled on Sunday the 17th
> > Oct 2004. The air traffic movements for this particular event can
> > be heard on your radio*. The rehearsals are being conducted
> > everyday between 3am to 5pm. During this time slot you can tune
> > into your radios and listen to the complete air traffic QSO's.
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> >
> > To know the frequency please call me on 33853504
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> >
> > OR
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> >
> > SMS " your name " & the word " freq " to 33853504. and i
> > will sms you the frequency.
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> >
> > If your are in the vicinity of the air activity then you can get
> > them directly on your rubber duct antenna. (rubber ducky). Else

> > you may have to connect an external antenna to receive the QSO' s
> > in case the signal strength is weak. The conventional 5/8 /1/4
> > lamda or yagi which we normally use for 2 m will work well.
> >
> >
> > Since air traffic communications use horizontal polarization , you
> > may have to tilt your antenna (make it horizontal) to receive
> > these qso's more clearly. (if im mistaken pls correct me). Yagi
> > owners will have to face the yagi in the right direction.
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> > All the best!!!! happy sukhoing!!!
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1999. New Tickets

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-16 13:29:45 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 1999 Message: 1999

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Prashant Koli
VU2CBU

2000. JOTA 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-16 13:38:15 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2000 Message: 2000

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Would appreciate if other stns can give their tally.

Rgds,
VU2CBU

2001. Re: [m_a_r_s] Hot Tickets finally

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-16 14:33:06 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1996 Message: 2001

Dear VU3WJM , VU2ZRS & VU2CBU.

Thank you so much for your good wishes.

73's

Ankur Puranik

VU2AXN

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2002. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-16 16:46:09 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 2000 Message: 2002

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2003. Re: [m_a_r_s] New Tickets

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-16 16:50:39 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1999 Message: 2003

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2004. Andheri JOTA Station Report

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-16 16:59:45 UTC
From: harshvardhan_k
Topic: 2004 Message: 2004

Hello All,

This is a preliminary report on our JOTA activities
at Andheri (West) JOTA Station VU2UGJ.

Firstly, a big thank you to VU2UGO for organising a
pretty flawless event. A big round of applause to
VU2UGJ, VU2IVO, VU2SFH (for those of you who do not
know, that call sign belongs to Surendra Shete).
Also, SFH stands for Sadae Fundae Hardham - :)

Thanks are also due to all HAMs who participated in
this event and/or supported this event.

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Shri Ram Welfare Society High School. Although, our
VHF and HF Stations were up before 0900 hrs (16/10/04),
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We operated the JOTA Station from 11:30 to 17:30 hrs on
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attended by the Scout & Guide Teachers and by Mr. Shah
who is the District Chief Commissioner for Scouts &
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VU2ESY.

Due to bad band conditions, we only managed to contact
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basics of HAM Radio to these students.

UV2IVO and VU2SFH expertly manned the VHF JOTA Station
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which he managed with his usual flair.

At about 16:30 hrs there were a group of about 20 parents
who also came to the event and VU2UGJ gave them a wonderful
presentation on HAM Radio.

Once again, a big thank you to all those who made this event
a success.

Cordially,

Harsh Vardhan KALLUR

2005. Re: JOTA 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-16 18:00:05 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2000 Message: 2005

Hi Mukesh,

All credit to ensure number goes to Micky,VU2IZO, who relentelessly went to different schools to arrange a good sked for them.

Most of the students attended today was from the same school where this station is.VU2IZO's personal rapport with the Principal of the school, Mrs.Mangala Karandikar,helped us to see the number game.But alas! The school exams are commencing on 18th Oct. and today i.e. 16th Oct was actually a study leave (holiday)for the students.But to ensure compliance she kept one exam paper in the morning (changed time-table)so that parents will send their wards for the exam and on the other hand she instructed scout and guide teacher/s to ensure participation of scouts/guides in JOTA.

Three cheers to VU2IZO!!!

- Prashant,VU2CBU operating VU2OZO-JOTA stn.,Thane,Mumbai.

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, Mr Mukesh Jaitley <mjaitley@y...> wrote:
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2006. Re: Andheri JOTA Station Report

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-16 18:13:04 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2004 Message: 2006

> Unfortunately, as advised by the Scout Leaders, we shall not
operate the JOTA station on
> 17/Oct/2004 due to examinations.

Friends,
Back to VU2IZO. He has arranged skeds of schools,in consultation
with Mrs.Almeida.the Scout/Guide station-in-charge, in such a way
that schools where exams are getting over by 16th Oct. will only
attend on 17th Oct.The turn out may be less however.
Great going so far....
--Prashant Koli,VU2CBU

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2007. Re: [m_a_r_s] New Tickets

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-17 04:05:38 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1999 Message: 2007

Congratulations for getting the tickets. Feel like using a cliche" Join the club" ;-) Good to have a steady rise in our population. Congratulations once again to Shantanu and Action Man AXN. Look forward to your exploits in the world of ham radio.

Regards,
VU2CDP.

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2008. Re: [m_a_r_s] New Tickets

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-17 05:02:53 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 1999 Message: 2008

Hi Guys,
Congratulations on getting your tickets and welcome aboard!!!
Till u guys get your own HF stations, please feel free to use my shack.
This is an open invitation.
Good luck and enjoy the pileup!!!!!
Sarla
VU2SWS

>From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley <mjaitley@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] New Tickets
>Date: Sat, 16 Oct 2004 09:50:39 -0700 (PDT)
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2009. Re: [m_a_r_s] New Tickets

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-16 13:33:07 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
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2010. Re: [m_a_r_s] New Tickets

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-17 12:43:20 UTC
From: vu2nlf@mtnl.net.in
Topic: 1999 Message: 2010
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2011. Re: [m_a_r_s] New Tickets

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-17 15:19:48 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 1999 Message: 2011

Hi
SURENDRA/ULHAS/MUKESH/Ankur / Shantanu/anish
Congratulations
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from.
KAUSHIK

2012. Re: [m_a_r_s] New Tickets

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-17 16:33:01 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 1999 Message: 2012

Hello

NLF/HIT/UGO/CBU/VVP/JPN and all the SIRs.
Great job being done by MARS. So many classes, so many licenses,
Many hands getting ready for DISASTER COMMUNICATIONS.

GREAT GOING NILESHJI and all the Instructors.
Bravo Zulu,

Basappa Arabole
Proud Life Member MARS

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2013. DONT GET THE SUKHOIS RIGHT ON YOUR RADIO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-18 06:22:46 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2013 Message: 2013
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2014. GMAIL Invites

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-18 08:55:22 UTC
From: harshvardhan_k
Topic: 2014 Message: 2014

Hello All,

I have a few Google Mail (GMail) invites. Please
send me off-line email message if you are interested
in getting the Gmail invite. Do not post your replies
to the Group as I do not want to contribute to un-related
QRM in the Group.

First come first served !!

Cordially,

Harsh Vardhan KALLUR

2015. RE: [m_a_r_s] DONT GET THE SUKHOIS RIGHT ON YOUR RADIO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-18 13:11:19 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2013 Message: 2015

Hi all,
I am quite amused at all the comments on what "Seniors", "Founders", and other members should do or not do!!! C'mon people, we are just members of a group practicing a common hobby and not the Moral Police!!!!!!!Have'nt you guys ever turned the knob of the radio from one end to another, trying to hear all sorts of voices? The only difference maybe with the rest and Ankur is that he was an eager guy who spoke about his monitoring, while the rest, I bet do it too, but don't talk about it. I dont think any of the youngsters or new hams are so dumb as to press the PTT on defence frequencies because they can definitely be caught and jailed for ever!!!
As a parent who has grown up kids, my experience says that the more you try being "Moral Police", the more the youngsters try to do "masti". Instead of yelling and screaming, try talking it out. It always works. If it doesnt, then grin and bear it!!!
Bottom line, if you want to scream at someone, do it, but dont question other people's responses. All are not alike!!!
I am just back from an International YL Meet in Korea where I had a great time with 100 other YLs!!
Cheers,
Sarla

>From: "sandesh chandrakant kamat" <VU2SXF@...>
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>SANDESH KAMAT
>FOUNDER MEMBER (MARS)
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2016. RE: [m_a_r_s] DONT GET THE SUKHOIS RIGHT ON YOUR RADIO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-18 13:42:17 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 2013 Message: 2016

Hi All,
It was a matured and satisfying answer to all the
questions we youngsters might have, Sarla.
I understand and agree with what you say and believe
others also agree with you.

All of the YM OM YL s who don?t know me I am one of
the inactive voice on air, but active listener since
age 12. I have always wondered and listened to strange
frequencies. One thing I kept in mind was not to
utilize or spread content of what I heard.

Please keep this(yahoogroup) channel open for useful
thoughts and insights about advancing world of Amateur
Radio, it?s all about fun guys whether you talk or
not.

Thank you
Kiran

W2/VU3KPL

--- sarla sharma <sarla_sharma@...> wrote:

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> and jailed for ever!!!
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> Sarla
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> <VU2SXF@...>
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2017. RE: [m_a_r_s] DONT GET THE SUKHOIS RIGHT ON YOUR RADIO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-18 14:53:47 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2013 Message: 2017

--- kiran padiyar <kiran_padiyar@...> wrote:

>
> Hi All,
> It was a matured and satisfying answer to all the
> questions we youngsters might have, Sarla.
> I understand and agree with what you say and believe
> others also agree with you.
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I've met Sarla once, and yes, I will immediately admit that she must be a very good Mom.

However, I did not see any gentle rebuke or ticking off at all.

> All of the YM OM YL s who don?t know me I am one of
> the inactive voice on air, but active listener since
> age 12. I have always wondered and listened to strange
> frequencies. One thing I kept in mind was not to
> utilize or spread content of what I heard.

You know, I've been a computer hardware technician, and am a self-taught programmer. I work as a developer today. And one of my official responsibilities is to explore how far I can stretch technology.

However, I also work in the field of Industrial Automation, where we believe in "safety first". No one believes in fooling about with lives.

"Hey, this is just a hobby !", you might say. Sure. But what assurance do we have that some member might _not_ press the PTT (at the very least) ?

Did you attend the Hamfest in Gujrat last year ? Far from maintaining decorum, grown up MARS members were busy throwing papers at other people in the audience. When folks cannot be expected to just sit quietly or leave the hall, how can you expect them to maintain discipline at all times ?

You know, I personally have a good opinion of Ankur as a techie. I was to have worked with him / Nilesh Malpekar to get the Packet Radios working. But broadcasting such knowledge is wrong.

He's been blessed with curiosity and perseverence. These are gifts and must be used responsibly.

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Yes. But reminding ourselves of where to draw the line should also be a part of advacing this wonderful hobby, IMO.

> Thank you
> Kiran
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> W2/VU3KPL
>
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2018. RE: [m_a_r_s] DONT GET THE SUKHOIS RIGHT ON YOUR RADIO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-18 15:02:36 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2013 Message: 2018

--- sarla sharma <sarla_sharma@...> wrote:

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> frequencies because they can definitely be caught and jailed for ever!!!

Would you believe how dumb people can be ? What's to stop someone from "Just trying it for the fun of it ?" And then claim innocence ? Or just say "Hey, everyone was doing it ! Our club supports this !".

> As a parent who has grown up kids, my experience says that the more you try
> being "Moral Police", the more the youngsters try to do "masti". Instead of
> yelling and screaming, try talking it out. It always works. If it doesnt,
> then grin and bear it!!!

Yup. I concur. But aren't we talking about laws of the land here ?

I bet no parent would grin and bear it when their child announces his intent to commit crime with impunity !

> Bottom line, if you want to scream at someone, do it, but dont question
> other people's responses. All are not alike!!!

I agree with your point about all not being alike.

But aren't grown ups supposed to be self disciplining ? And if they aren't, I think it's the duty of others around to speak up.

And in my experience with other user groups (on a whole variety of topics), such discussions and voicing of opinions
1. help build up awareness of various issues
2. are a sign of a vibrant community
3. help establish a code of conduct

After all standards and conventions must withstand questioning, and must be tested once in a while.

> I am just back from an International YL Meet in Korea where I had a great
> time with 100 other YLs!!

Great. Please write in more about your experiences. I've joined this list
recently, and would love to learn more about Mumbai HAMs' experiences.

> Cheers,
> Sarla
>
-- Sriram

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2019. Tickets ,Sukhois, Welcome and Thanks

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-18 15:10:31 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2013 Message: 2019

Dear Sarla and all other HAMs,

Thanks all around to all those ,who have showered us new hams with all your good wishes.Its great to be here. Look forward to QSOing with you all some day.

As for the Sukhois I completely agree with you Sarla. Everyone knows their responsibilities and thats why they are here in the first place with tickets in hand etc. We have all gone through the procedure and know the consequences.

By the way I suggest to all HAMs with internet access to do a search on google or yahoo for " aircraft frequencies" or "aeronautical frequencies" and check out the results for yourself. Its all there for the taking in any case.

Well, anyways all the very best to all my fellow HAMs who too have got their tickets along with me. GET ON AIR NOW. There is no excuse for you to stay off. You have waited over a year for this and now the time has come to put all that hardwork into practice.

Last but definitely not the least. Thanks to all the senior hams who taught us and went through all the effort to make a full fledged HAMS. The list is too long and i am afraid i might forget someone so I am not going to put the list here.

Three cheers for MARS hip hip (i want to hear the rest on air)

73

VU2SCQ
sarla sharma <sarla_sharma@...> wrote:

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2020. grow up guys!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-18 17:05:47 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2020 Message: 2020

Dear friends,

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And please use the e-groups for constructive or educational purposes rather than . . .

grow up guys!

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ANKUR PURANIK (VU2AXN)

(MARS LIFE MEMBER) & RADIO WORKSHOP HEADIndiatimes Email now powered by APIC Advantage. Help!
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2021. Dunno why !!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-18 18:27:31 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2021 Message: 2021

Do you know that many a times protest to ban a book or a movie came from those who didn't read/saw it? When the protesters were asked why did they think the book or the movie should be banned, their reply was that somebody else told them that the book/movie should be banned....but they really didn't know for sure why so?

Cheers!

2022. forgot to sign

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-18 18:29:58 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2022 Message: 2022

The earlier post was authored by me...but forgot to sign...

...Prashant Koli,VU2CBU

2023. Re: [m_a_r_s] grow up guys!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-19 05:16:09 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2020 Message: 2023

hi Ankur vu2axn
there you are
100% agree with you
i am with you

73's de
shailesh vu2sfn

Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...> wrote:

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Shailesh

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2024. Touché

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-19 07:22:51 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2020 Message: 2024

Hi Ankur:

You've upt up a solid bit of valid points.

I decided to write direct to you, since I believe my mails are starting to sound like QRM to folks :-)

Anyways, my responses below:

--- Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...> wrote:

> Dear friends,
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> I don't understand why do people put up mails without having sufficient
> knowledge on the topic.

Yup, I'm a newbie, and have never held a radio in my hand.
Neither do I remember much Morse, nor do I recall the frequencies.
> Firstly to start with the FREQ IS NOT AN Indian Air Force OR DEFENCE
> frequency. It is a general AIR TRAFFIC SPARE FREQUENCY.
Sure.

> Secondly the information about the frequencies IS FREELY AVAILABLE ON THE
> INTERNET from Department of telecommunications . (DoT's) website , and also
> on many other sites related to the mumbai airport.
Ack, again.

> Many of our HAM RADIO sites also CLEARLY STATE THE AIR BAND FREQUENCIES, So
> it is public information, and nothing confidential about it.
Agreed.

> Thirdly the PTT DOES NOT OPERATE ON SUCH FREQUENCIES (yah people will be
> ready to put the next mail..... "so ankur tried pressing the ppt" ...wait ..!
>) .....THE RADIO MANUAL SPECIFIES WHAT YOU CAN RECEIVE AND WHERE YOU CAN
> TRANSMIT.
Hmm, ok.

> And if you people still have a problem pls approach ICOM & YAESU asking
> them to block the non ham bands on the rig.
Yes, this is sufficient deterrent for electronically-challenged folks like

myself.

>
> HAM RADIO is such a wonderful hobby , enjoy it.
Indeed
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> And please use the e-groups for constructive or educational purposes rather
> than . . .
Hmm, I concur.
>
> grow up guys!
:-)

All well in their place, Ankur.

There's always this debate about how much should one share with rookies. Those intelligent and knowledgable enough to go seek such information are likely to use such knowledge sensibly.

However, those who're not smart enough to go dig out such information, don't deserve to get it easily on a platter. Yup, we've got google, and lots of underground sites out there. But the best one could do would be to help ensure that lusers don't get info on their hands easily. Again, this has long been a debate among techies, the world over - I do not intend to make this another flame fest!

As I've said before, I quite looked forward to working with you in the past. And I'd definitely look forward to doing so in the future as well.

Just my 2 paise..
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>
> ANKUR PURANIK (VU2AXN)
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-- Sriram

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2025. HAM software on Linux (slightly long mail)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-19 08:04:34 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2025 Message: 2025

Hi all:

For those who use Linux, or are considering trying it out, Suse Linux 9.1 has a lot of apps bundled.

Here's a list of apps that Suse Personal bundles:
http://www.suse.com/us/private/products/suse_linux/pers/packages_personal/index_group.html
Suse Personal contains just

kradio 0.2.7a (A Video4Linux Front-End for Radio on BTTV Cards)

However, here's a list of apps that Suse Professional bundles:
http://www.suse.com/us/private/products/suse_linux/prof/packages_professional/index_group.html

Productivity/Hamradio/Fax

* acfax 981011 (Amateur Radio FAX Receiving Software for Linux / X11)
* HamFax 0.6.2 (HamFax is a Qt/X11 app for transmitting and receiving facsimiles on ham radio.)

Productivity/Hamradio/Logging

* conlogv 1.1 (Contest Log Program for VHF/UHF/SHF-Contests)
* contest 0.21 (Simple logging program, e.g. for vhf/uhf/shf contests)
* hamlog 0.9.1 (Amateur Radio Logging program for X using GTK)

Productivity/Hamradio/Morse

* unixcw 1.1a (Morse Code Tutor)

Productivity/Hamradio/Other

* aprsd 2.1.5b9 (APRS Internet server program)
* baken 0.5 (Display of VHF/UHF and microwave beacons on a map of Europe)
* hamsoft 0.2 (Reader for New Ham Radio Linux Software at radio.linux.org.au)
* ibp 0.20 (Monitoring the International Beacon Project)
* kamplus 1.1.2b (Host mode terminal program for the Kam Plus TNC)
* multimon 971208 (Linux Radio Transmission Decoder)
* qgrid 2.1 (Converts between Maidenhead grid squares and latitude/longitude)
* qsstv 5.2d (A SSTV program for Linux/X11)
* qtpcr 1.1.3 (Linux software that controls PCR-1000)
* tkconv 3.0.1 (Converse client)
* xqrz 1.0 (A Linux CLI/GUI interface to the QRZ! (tm) callsign database)

Productivity/Hamradio/Packet

* 7plus 2.25 (File Converter for Store and Forward)
* ax25-apps 0.0.6 (Applications for kernel AX.25)
* ax25-doc 1.0 (AX.25 Documentation)
* ax25-tools 0.0.8 (AX.25 tools)
* ax25spyd 0.23 (This daemon listens for AX.25-packets from the kernel)
* axssh 0.4 (Secure login with linemode and ssh)
* axw3 0.2 (HTTP proxy and IP/AX25 gateway)
* digi_ned 0.3.2 (Intelligent APRS Digipeater)
* dpbox 6.00.00 (Amateur Packet Radio Mailbox)
* fbbsrv 7.04h (F6FBB packet radio mailbox)
* fpac 3.25 (Applications dedicated to FPAC X25 node)
* linkt 0.8rc2 (Packet radio-terminal for the K Desktop Environment (KDE))
* mailgw 0.3.1 (Bidirectional mail gateway)
* node 0.3.0 (Simple node frontend)
* rspfd 1.0 (Routing Daemon for Use Over Amateur Radio Links)
* soundmodem 0.6 (Multi-Platform Sound Card Packet Radio Modem)
* tfkiss 1.2.4 (Software TNC Emulator)
* tnn 1.77.nk07 (TheNetNode Portable Network Software)
* tnt 1.9.1 (Terminal program for packet radio)
* wampes 991216 (A NET/NOS port to various flavors of Unix)
* xastir 0.3.6_3 (Amateur Station Tracking and Information Reporting)
* xconvers 0.4.2 (Convers client for amateur radio)
* z8530drv-utils 3.0 (Linux driver for Z8530 based HDLC cards for AX.25)

Productivity/Hamradio/Psk31

* gpsk31 0.2.4a (PSK31 with GTK+ Frontend)
* twpsk 1.1 (PSK31 for Linux)

Productivity/Hamradio/Satellite

* mtrack 0.3 (X window based satellite tracking program)
* p3dtelem 0.1 (AMSAT OSCAR-40 P3D Telemetry Decoder)
* pbpg 1.5 (Programs to upload/download data to/from digital satellites)
* qtelemetryview 0.9 (An application to view AO-40 satellite telemetry
data)

Getting Suse Linux:
You can get the Suse 9.1 personal Linux ISO from the links listed here:
http://www.suse.com/us/private/download/ftp/personal_iso_int.html

Suse 9.1 has also been distributed with several Linux For You issues in the
recent past.

Do you really need Suse Linux ?

You can always run the same apps on other Linux distributions as well. This
month, Linux For You has distributed Knoppix 3.6. This is a bootable CD-ROM,
something that you need not really install to your hard disk.

Only, if you boot your computer off a CD-ROM based Linux, you'll have to
reinstall apps that you might download off the Net.

Once you have Suse Linux, or some other linux, you can download and install those HAM related apps that might interest you. You can get these HAM radio apps off web-sites such as freshrpms.net, rpmfind, and the debian mirrors.

-- Sriram

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2026. Handy's on Aircraft

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-19 10:14:35 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2026 Message: 2026

Dear All,

Could anyone please tell me if one can carry a handy on board an aircraft in the power off mode? Also how does one get through security check with it? Do the authorities know what HAM radio is at the airport? Does anyone have any experience they would like to share?

73

Shantanu Chand
VU2SCQ

2027. RE: [m_a_r_s] Handy's on Aircraft

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-19 12:19:05 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 2026 Message: 2027

Hi,

If you are talking about importing them - then u can just put it into ur hand baggage or checked in baggage and carry without any problem. Obviously the equipment would be in power off mode.

If u are talking about carrying them open with a possibility of operating the equipment in aircraft or even at airports - then pls dont do that. U might be in trouble.

As far as mumbai customs goes - they wont make an issue if u carry one handy with battery, antenna and main body spreaded over in a suitcase. But ensure that u carry ur HAM licence along.

Thanks,

Mehul
-----Original Message-----
From: Shantanu Chand [mailto:bombayboy400011@...]
Sent: Tuesday, October 19, 2004 6:15 PM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Handy's on Aircraft

Dear All,

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2028. RE: [m_a_r_s] Handy's on Aircraft

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-19 13:19:42 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2026 Message: 2028

Dear Mehul,
Thanks for the insight. I was only talking in terms of domestic travel so as to be in a position to get on air as soon as one steps out of the airport. I would obviously not even consider operating at the airport or in the air.

Just was wondering whether the CISF chaps at local airports know what an Amateur Radio License is or are we supposed to waste time explaining to the Commandante on duty the whole rigmarole of HAM radio.

Anyways, I guess you have more or less answered my question and thanks for the advise about not operating at the airport, i know my responsibilities but would work as a nice piece of advice for the others who are not aware.

Thanks once again Mehul.
Look forward to QSOing with you some day.

73
Shantanu Chand
VU2SCQ

Mehul Chovatia <mehul2k@...> wrote:
Hi,

If you are talking about importing them - then u can just put it into ur hand baggage or checked in baggage and carry without any problem. Obviously the equipment would be in power off mode.

If u are talking about carrying them open with a possibility of operating the equipment in aircraft or even at airports - then pls dont do that. U might be in trouble.

As far as mumbai customs goes - they wont make an issue if u carry one handy with battery, antenna and main body spreaded over in a suitcase. But ensure that u carry ur HAM licence along.

Thanks,

Mehul
-----Original Message-----
From: Shantanu Chand [mailto:bombayboy400011@...]
Sent: Tuesday, October 19, 2004 6:15 PM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
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2029. come on don't we have better things to discuss

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-19 14:26:23 UTC
From: firani@vsnl.com
Topic: 2029 Message: 2029

Dearest Ankur VU2AXN,

Dont always go by what others say.
Always trust your own instincts too.
As long as you only listen and dont share the info (conversation) Or for that mattter don't misuse it ,I think its totally OK .
I am for you and go exactly as per your thoughts.

73's
Farokh Irani (VU2WET)(Lifemember)

Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...> wrote:

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ANKUR PURANIK (VU2AXN)

(MARS LIFE MEMBER) & RADIO WORKSHOP HEAD

2030. PLEASE CLEAR THE FREQUENCY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-19 15:47:19 UTC
From: VU2HIT
Topic: 2030 Message: 2030

Dearest Ankur and all other concerned MARS Ham

I feel the issue is unnecessary blown out of proportion & we are stretching it too far ,I share the same views as Ankur, When we had to restratint the swl's on the air, we did that by informing them personally,we founders members do understand the sense and responsibilty, but do understand the people pointing fingers to any individual are pointing the other four towards themselves, I hope the my signals are quite clear 5/9 +20 if you do not copy then you have a bad rig(brains)....

I do not wish to hurt ankur or any one else nor want to justify anyone , if you think that someone is wrong you have to personally request , this group is not a forum to discuss or criticise , it is to discussed purely HAM & Society related issues, no moral policing... if a member thinks so ... sorry your are in a wrong world

WE in MARS are not an individual member but a extended family we(founder member) do have difference of opinion but never have discussed here, but are sorted out other ways not on a group. c'mon we are here to enjoy, and I understand that members who are Valid call sign holder, or waiting for their tickets do understand their responsibilty towards the MARS family & Society.

I REQUEST YOU ONE AND ALL PLEASE CLEAR THE (GROUP)FREQUENCY FROM THIS (ISSUE)TRAFFIC AND HAVE MORE RAGCHEWING ABOUT THE RADIO..

I HOPE THIS PUT THE ISSUE TO END .....and with a slogan

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signing clear
73's
de
VU2HIT
Huzefa Merchant

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(O) +91 22 23460575 / 23459761
(R) +91 22 23731646
(MOB) +91 9892 786110

2031. HAMS standing by throughout the day. Pls come in over.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-20 09:08:11 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2031 Message: 2031

Dear Friends,
Since the last two days VU2AXN, VU2IZO and VU2SCQ have been standing by on the repeater frequency throughout the day. We have had short QSOs with Hams like VU2WLL,VU2PJM,VU2VVP, VU2DIB and of course VU3MWH.

I request all hams to please come on air anytime during the day, as we shall be standing by for a short QSO. We shall now give a call every 2 hrs starting 0800hrs IST and hopefully someone would give us a reply. Lets maintain the October heat on our 2m band as well.

QSO times:
0800hrs, 1000hrs, 1200hrs, 1400hrs, 1600 hrs,1800 hrs and 2000hrs

Anytime in between would also do.

73
Shantanu Chand
VU2SCQ
Life Member

2032. 2m day activity

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-20 09:33:09 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2032 Message: 2032

Dear all,
Further to my previous mail i must add that VU2ZRS gave a Cq call at about 1000hrs on 19th and was pleasantly surprised to hear VU2SCQ and VU2AXN on the band. That qso is what prompted me to be on stand by throughout the day.
Thanks ZRS for giving me and AXN that initiative.

73
VU2SCQ
Life Member

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2033. Who do we contact for the MARS goodies?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-20 14:38:42 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2033 Message: 2033

Dear MARs MC,

Can you please tell us how to go about collecting the goodies offered by MARS for the new ticket holders and life members. I am talking about the caps, lapel pins and anything offered with our call signs. I have already spoken VU3AUA about the membership cards and he shall be putting out a mail in this regard directly.

Meanwhile, thanks once again to all at MARS who have made it possible for us to be here today. We really appreciate the effort put in by all you guys.

Cheers

73
VU2SCQ

2034. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 853

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-20 19:05:47 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 2034 Message: 2034

Hi!

How often we mention with great pride that HAMs have often picked up distress signal and have been present to help out at time of crisis. Now this could happened only if the hams had been listening to related freqs other than ham bands.

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2035. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 853

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-21 02:20:09 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2034 Message: 2035

Hi Rahul,
I didnt know that I lived in Lucknow!!!!
Sarla
VU2SWS

>From: Rahul Srivastava <vu3wjm@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 853
>Date: Wed, 20 Oct 2004 12:05:47 -0700 (PDT)
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2036. NEW CALL SIGN PLEASE READ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-21 08:52:08 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2036 Message: 2036

Hi New Call Sign Holder

Kinldy update your Call sign & other details in the www.qrz.com database, this is widely & acceptable website used by Hams for retriving information for any call sign world wide., also get yourself registered at www.qsl.net which not only gives an email as an vu....@... but also a webspace of 5mb , please follow the instruction on the qsl.net webpage

de
VU2HIT

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Huzefa Merchant
Ham Radio call Sign : VU2HIT TEL NO :

Email : vu2hit@... (O) +91 22 23460575 / 23459761

vu2hit@vrmerchants.com (R) +91 22 23731646

ICQ # : 81941713 (M) +91 9892 786110

MSN : vu2hit@...

Yahoo : vu2hit@...

Website : www.qsl.net/vu2hit

2037. Register your Call

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-21 09:19:31 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2037 Message: 2037

Hi YBs/YLs

CONGRATULATIONS to you for your TICKET!!!

The following INFO will help you ALL to register your callsign on the INTERNET :

Online International Callsign Servers :
http://www.qrz.com/
http://www.buck.com/cgi-bin/do_hamcall

Indian Callbook Database at VU2NCT Vigyan Prasar, Delhi
http://www.serc-dst.org/HamSearch.htm

E-mail your complete qsl information with your licence number, phone, email and website to
Mr.Sarath - VU3RSB, NIAR, Hyderabad
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http://www.eqsl.cc/qslcard/Index.cfm

There are lot many egroups (approx. 3400) at yahoo
e.g. Radiohams, CQ_VU, vuhams, vusat, eh-antenna, eeham, digitalradio, etc.
For a detail list visit http://dir.groups.yahoo.com/dir/1600063108

ECHOLINK which allows licensed Amateur Radio stations to communicate with one another over the Internet. There are more than 130,000 registered nodes in 150 nations
(requires scanned image of your ticket)
http://www.echolink.org/

73s de Sandip VU2UGO

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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2038. Egroup Guidelines

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-21 09:23:20 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2038 Message: 2038

MARS e-Group is an information resource area and discussion forum for all members of the Society. Following are some basic rules to ensure MARS e-Group can function positively and successfully, and be of assistance to all its members.

1. MARS e-Group is for use by its authorised members only.

2. Within MARS e-Group, information may be shared that is confidential to this group. It is your responsibility to ensure that this confidentiality is maintained by protecting your password and not divulging it to any other person to prevent non-member access to MARS e-Group through the use of your user name and password; and not disclosing by any means information shared in confidence within MARS e-Group to anyone who is not a member of this e-Group.

3. The value of MARS e-Group is the richness of its members? knowledge and experience, however, please take note that when you share information here, you must avoid statements that may be interpreted as unfairly intolerant of other people and their views. You are free to disagree with other points of view, but any communication conveying this should be done in a mature, non-offensive and non-aggressive way. Respect other user's opinions.

4. In the same way, you should NOT use MARS e-Group to post off-topic, irrelevant messages or bulk mailings including spam mail (promotional email), chain letters, pyramid schemes, solicitations and/or other advertising that has nothing to do with the focus of the e-group.

5. MARS e-Group enables the sharing of information and resources between members to meet, interact, and share ideas related ham radio with each other. It is not an area for the sharing of personal or private matters whether yours or someone else?s. Using an e-Group to spread personal information or gossip about anyone else, whether a member of this group or not, will not be tolerated.

6. Do NOT post any materials of any kind which contain a virus or other component that could be harmful to other users' computers or would allow others to inappropriately access software or web sites.

7. You are responsible and liable for all your activities while participating in MARS e-Group. You are responsible for all you write or post.

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10. The moderator(s) of an e-Group reserve the right to take action against any person who breaches these guidelines.

2039. Jota 2004 pictures ???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-21 09:44:55 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2039 Message: 2039

dear ugo vu2ugo

please if there were any photo taken during the JOTA 2004 .

Please put them on the mail . would relly love to see them .

thank you and good show done by you and all those participated in JOTA2004

REGARDS

VU2 ZRS

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mumbai 2
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cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

2040. Alternatives to EchoLink !

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-21 10:27:58 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2040 Message: 2040

All:

While we have EchoLink for VoIP, EchoLink's source code is not available. While this does not really affect most HAMS, it can cause problems to those who use Linux, or who whish to add to EchoLink !

CQiNet might be of interest to such folks:

From their website: http://cqinet.sourceforge.net/
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What is CQiNet?

CQiNet is a family of programs that combine Ham Radio with the Internet using Voice over IP (VoIP) technology. Two programs are currently in the family, "theBridge" and echoLinux.

Thebridge is a iLink/EchoLink compatable conference bridge that runs under various versions of Unix as well as Windows.

EchoLinux is a EchoLink client program for the Linux operating system.

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CQiNet is marked as "Production/Stable". Meaning, it has been tested by users and programmers, and found to be working as desired for quite some time.

-- Sriram

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2041. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 855

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-22 17:49:54 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 2041 Message: 2041

HI! Sarla ji

It is nice to see that I cant get away with any thing, in this case call it slip of fingures or tounge or my friend call sign are more familiar and come automaticaly.

The person metioned is VU2SIS Om Sanjay Sharma who was on a short stint here with UP electricity board and had good opportunity to work HAM bands as during his night shifts has his MQTH had an HF set for the local link. He also had a peculiar way of giving his call SHEEERA INDIA SHEEERA (Presently in Uttranchal). The incident is well documented in BSG publication and also with one of the ORGs down S. Many OTs might remember.

It would have been realy nice to have you among LKO HAMs never the less how abt paying a visit to the city of Nawabs we all would look forward to your company. It is festive season we are having Awadh Mahotsav ripe moment to enjoy the cusine, culture and company of friends.

73

Rahul VU3WJM

PS: And of course HAM radio.

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:

There are 6 messages in this issue.

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2042. HAPPY BIRTHDAY VU2NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-26 13:41:44 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 1378 Message: 2042

dear Nilesh, VU2NLF

wishing you a very happy birthday!!!

may your new qth bring you lots of name, fame, good luck & success!!!

hope to catch u on 2m very soon.

73's

Ankur Puranik

VU2AXN
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2043. Many Many Happy Returns of the day - VU2NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-26 04:14:35 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 1378 Message: 2043

Hello Nilesh,

Wish you many many happy returns of the day.... Hope the year comes with
luck and happiness.

Enjoy your day....

Regds,

Mehul
VU2 ICQ
-----Original Message-----
From: Ankur Puranik [mailto:ankurpuranik@...]
Sent: Tuesday, October 26, 2004 9:42 PM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] HAPPY BIRTHDAY VU2NLF

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2044. Happy Birthday November Lima Foxtrot

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-26 05:00:52 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2044 Message: 2044

Dear Nilesh,

Wish you a very happy birthday and many more to come.

73

VU2SCQ

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Shantanu Chand

2045. to vu2nlf

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-26 05:27:56 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2045 Message: 2045

hi nilesh vu2nlf
wish you HAPPY BIRTHDAY

BEST REGARDS
SHAILESH VU2SFN

Do you Yahoo!?
Yahoo! Mail Address AutoComplete - You start. We finish.

2046. CQ NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-26 08:55:40 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2046 Message: 2046

OM jivet sharadah shatam.
Anglo-Sanskrit blessings on this wonderful day to a wonderful person.

AMATEUR RADIO- not a hobby, an obsession.
73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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2047. Police Report 2003

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-26 10:11:21 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2047 Message: 2047

Nilesh

Appreciating your effort to get the tickets of the last Batch , I would request you to adhered the "police enquiry report 2003" sent to you after the police enquiries, which states the level of interest and anxiety of the SWL waiting for the tickets.

SWL Blacklisted for their unco-operative attitude and low level interest as regards to the hobby , still getting the licences will be a unfortunate for the society as i had clearly stated in my "police enquiry report 2003", that IF LICENCES ARE PROVIDED TO THIS CATEGORY " THEY WILL BE A LIABILTY RATHER THAN AN ASSETS TO THE SOCIETY AND TO THE HAM COMMUNITY"

I will appreciate if the report is adhered and accepted in Toto, which will enable us to have better Hams for the society and the ham Community

I will leave the decision on you , to justify and analyze whether they really deserve the licences which we get after so much effort and pain.

De
Huzefa Merchant
VU2HIT

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MSN : vu2hit@...

Yahoo : vu2hit@...

Website : www.qsl.net/vu2hit

2048. Re: HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-26 15:12:11 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 1961 Message: 2048

Dear Nilesh,

Wishing you
A very
Happy Birthday

Kaushik.

2049. Birthday Calendar

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-26 15:46:01 UTC
From: Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 2049 Message: 2049

Hi

Please click (or copy and paste) the link below and enter your birthday into my calendar. It's quick, easy and you'll be helping me out:-).

http://www.BirthdayAlarm.com/dob2/6110149a4523026b258287729c905

Mukesh

2050. HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-26 17:03:50 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1961 Message: 2050

Happy Birthday Nilesh. Missed you during the net.

Regards

JPN

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2051. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-26 15:12:39 UTC
From: milind korde[VU2 IZO]
Topic: 2051 Message: 2051

Dear NLF,

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

IZO [MICKY]

Yahoo! India Matrimony: Find your life partneronline.

2052. Another "Island On The Air" from India

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-27 15:20:20 UTC
From: Shailesh Deshmukh
Topic: 2052 Message: 2052
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2053. HB2NLF ("Hotel Bravo" 2 November Lima Foxtrot)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-28 05:41:26 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2053 Message: 2053

Happy Birthday Nilesh Pr?gue,

Tusi Maj? s? janm din man?n?!
Khoob roshogoll? khob?!

Best wishes,
VU2NHR

2054. Ham Fest meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-28 15:17:05 UTC
From: Anish
Topic: 2054 Message: 2054

All Ham Fest India - 2004 Mumbai Volunteers are resquested to attend
the meeting on sunday. since the website is up we have some action.
so see u all there,
73's

2055. RE: [m_a_r_s] HAPPY BIRTHDAY VU2NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-29 09:11:17 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 1378 Message: 2055

thank you all of you guys for your good wishes..really appreciate it...

73
nlf
-----Original Message-----
From: Ankur Puranik [mailto:ankurpuranik@...]
Sent: Tuesday, October 26, 2004 7:12 PM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] HAPPY BIRTHDAY VU2NLF

dear Nilesh, VU2NLF

wishing you a very happy birthday!!!

may your new qth bring you lots of name, fame, good luck & success!!!

hope to catch u on 2m very soon.

73's

Ankur Puranik

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2057. Please don't open the attachment sent with the earlier message

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-29 10:39:57 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 2057 Message: 2057

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The message is not posted by me! OR

I guess my computer is infected and the message was sent by the computer on its own!

Sorry for the incovenience caused.

Sandip

2059. GMAIL INVITATION

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-29 11:19:14 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2059 Message: 2059

HI

Any one interested in GMAIL invitaion please let me know i have few invitation left

Huzefa Merchant

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2062. FW: ARTICLE IN AMERICAN RADIO RELAY LEAGUE WEB SITE- BASAPPA ARABOLE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-30 08:21:50 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2062 Message: 2062

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Prashant Koli

WEBSITE:

www.qsl.net/vu2cbu (http://www.qsl.net/vu2cbu)

Ham Radio Call Sign:

Past President,Rotary Club of Bombay Mulund East, Rotary Dist.:3140

VU2CBU

From: VU2NXM >To: sarla_sharma@..., vu2cbu@..., Mahesh Vhatkar , Rahul Srivastava-Lucknow , Satish Arabole >CC: shankerdas_mehta@..., virupakshi_havaldar@..., ashok_pabbavar@... >Subject: ARTICLE IN AMERICAN RADIO RELAY LEAGUE WEB SITE- BASAPPA ARABOLE >Date: Fri, 29 Oct 2004 19:53:48 -0700 (PDT) > >HELLO DEARS, >NAMASTE. > YOU MAY LIKE TO READ THE ARTICLE ON FOLLOWING WEBSITE >"ANOTHER ISLAND ON THE AIR FROM INDIA" > >http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2004/10/26/1/ > > >MY AMATERU RADIO ACTIVITY IS MENTIONED . > >73' (73 = BYE BYE IN HAM RADIO) > >BASAPPA ARABOLE >MY CALLSIGNS :- > >VU2NXM >AT0BI > > > > > > > >---------- >Do you Yahoo!? > Yahoo! Mail ? CNET Editors' Choice 2004. Tell them what you think.

Hey there NRIs! Desi news, films, ?n more! Stay in the loop! (http://g.msn.com/8HMBENIN/2740??PS=47575)

2064. new licencse holder

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-30 10:39:15 UTC
From: arun singh rawat
Topic: 2064 Message: 2064

hi,to everbody
this vu3aua (arun singh),
1)new licencse holder please mail me
name,callsign
photo (when required in digital or analog format)
address
licencse no
and important your membership status .if you have not paid membership please pay it.
and beside this all the old licesce holder and member who have not collected id cards
please collect your cards and cap .
2)person who require green bird vhf channelized set can contact me please just don't give
your name, pay rs 1500/- cash only.
3)member who have not returned thier libary magazine also please return the book.

resi 25951921,cell no 9820329185

rawat arun singh
62,sanman singh kunj,
s.p.s marg,bhandup,
mumbai-400078.
landmark - gadhav naka

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2065. Hamfest Logo

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-30 15:58:49 UTC
From: Yogesh Thakkar
Topic: 2065 Message: 2065

Note: forwarded message attached.

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2066. Green Bird

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-30 16:30:47 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 2064 Message: 2066

Hello Arun Singh,

Parin Here. Hey, I have already paid Rs. 2000/- for the Green Bird
Last year only to NLF. What about me yaar?

Parin

On Sat, 30 Oct 2004 11:39:15 +0100 (BST), arun singh rawat
<vu3aua@...> wrote:
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> and beside this all the old licesce holder and member who have not collected
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PARIN

2067. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-30 18:00:48 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 2064 Message: 2067

hello arun,

think about me too ,i too have paid up for green
bird,rather had financed the project ,pls do the need
ful,as i dont have a single set to operate ,not even
my HF.so please consider.

de vu2 ugj
mukesh
--- Parin Gangar <paringangar@...> wrote:

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> Hello Arun Singh,
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> Parin Here. Hey, I have already paid Rs. 2000/- for
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> Last year only to NLF. What about me yaar?
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2068. TEFLON COAX FOR FIELD USE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-10-31 05:18:00 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2068 Message: 2068
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2069. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-01 13:33:06 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 2064 Message: 2069

hello arun,
arun i have also paid the amount for green bird and have not received my
set. my antenna is already up and just waiting for the base station.pls do
the needful.
de vu3sob

>From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley <mjaitley@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird
>Date: Sat, 30 Oct 2004 11:00:48 -0700 (PDT)
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>hello arun,
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2070. HF TRANCEIVER FOR SALE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-01 14:47:45 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2070 Message: 2070
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2071. Article on VU4 -Andaman/Nicobar

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-01 16:16:33 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 2068 Message: 2071

Hello MARS !!

A article is worth reading on IZ8BRI's site.. Dynamic Dx Charterhouse - A Dx portrait from India

MARS is well organised have very good operators of all modes, Can you surface at VU4 ???.

WE in MARS should think about it.

Best of Luck.

Basappa Arabole
Ex - Submariner

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2072. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-01 17:01:29 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2064 Message: 2072

Dear Friends

So we all are in Q now.

I have paid for 2 green birds @ 2000/- each long back
for vu2gbi & vu2hbn. Both their 5/8 with cable are
put up to their proposed shack awaiting green birds.
Hope to receive it soon.

73's

vu2jpn

--- DHAVAL PATEL <mschumaker2001@...> wrote:

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2073. Re: [m_a_r_s] new licencse holder

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-01 17:12:41 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2064 Message: 2073

Dear Arun

Before taking orders and selling Green Bird verify who
all have paid for the same well in advance.

No discrepancies please.

73's

vu2jpn

--- arun singh rawat <vu3aua@...> wrote:

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> also please return the book.
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> mumbai-400078.
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2074. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-01 15:39:20 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2064 Message: 2074

Dear Arun,
Me too!!!

-VU2MIG

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"In omnibus requiem quaesivi, et nusquam inveni nisi in angulo cum libro"

"I have sought tranquility in everything, but found it nowhere except in a
corner with a book"
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----- Original Message -----
From: "DHAVAL PATEL" <mschumaker2001@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, November 01, 2004 7:03 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird

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> hello arun,
> arun i have also paid the amount for green bird and have not received my
> set. my antenna is already up and just waiting for the base station.pls do
> the needful.
> de vu3sob
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> >From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley <mjaitley@...>
> >Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> >To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> >Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird
> >Date: Sat, 30 Oct 2004 11:00:48 -0700 (PDT)
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> >hello arun,
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> >think about me too ,i too have paid up for green
> >bird,rather had financed the project ,pls do the need
> >ful,as i dont have a single set to operate ,not even
> >my HF.so please consider.
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> >de vu2 ugj
> >mukesh
> >--- Parin Gangar <paringangar@...> wrote:
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> > > Hello Arun Singh,

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> > > Parin Here. Hey, I have already paid Rs. 2000/- for
> > > the Green Bird
> > > Last year only to NLF. What about me yaar?
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> > > Parin
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> > > On Sat, 30 Oct 2004 11:39:15 +0100 (BST), arun singh
> > > rawat
> > > <vu3aua@...> wrote:
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> > > > hi,to everbody
> > > > this vu3aua (arun singh),
> > > > 1)new licencse holder please mail me
> > > > name,callsign
> > > > photo (when required in digital or analog format)
> > > > address
> > > > licencse no
> > > > and important your membership status .if you have
> > > not paid membership please
> > > > pay it.
> > > > and beside this all the old licesce holder and
> > > member who have not collected
> > > > id cards please collect your cards and cap .
> > > > 2)person who require green bird vhf channelized
> > > set can contact me please
> > > > just don't give your name, pay rs 1500/- cash
> > > only.
> > > > 3)member who have not returned thier libary
> > > magazine also please return the
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2075. Happy Birthday Alpha X-ray November

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-02 05:02:54 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2075 Message: 2075

Dear Ankur,

Happy Birthday!!! Wish you all the best for the years to come. May the Green Birds fly and fill the air with their humming and buzzing.

Best Wishes once again and may you enjoy your youth before the real stuff starts.

73

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VU2SCQ

2076. Happy Birthday - VU2AXN

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-02 06:03:07 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2076 Message: 2076

MARS wishes its active life member Ankur Puranik - VU2AXN a Very Happy Birthday.

2077. Belated Happy Birthday - VU2SFN

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-02 06:04:46 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2077 Message: 2077

MARS wishes its active life member Sailesh Pradhan - VU2SFN a Very Happy Birthday.

2078. green bird

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-02 10:29:22 UTC
From: arun singh rawat
Topic: 2078 Message: 2078

Hi, everybody,
as everyone know green bird Qrm start after my mail for green bird.
as most of people had previously paid for greenbird (transformed exterior).i would like to have the name of people who have paid Rs 2000/- for green bird.because the set going to be sent to vu2wjm for repair.some of the sets are been repaired. but now set will be given after all of them are ready.otherwise it would create another Qrm on groups.
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untill previous previous green bird matter is solved no green bird issue now .
all them sent mail to my email ac vu3aua@...
can call at resi;-25951921
cell:- 9820329185

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2079. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday Alpha X-ray November

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-02 05:37:25 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2075 Message: 2079

Yes indeed,
Happy Birthday AXN!

Have a blast

SCQ-- What do you mean real stuff starts? All of us are still in our
youth.My Yahoo profile infact shows me as 3 years old!

-MIG

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"I have sought tranquility in everything, but found it nowhere except in a
corner with a book"
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----- Original Message -----
From: "Shantanu Chand" <VU2SCQ@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 02, 2004 10:32 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday Alpha X-ray November

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> Dear Ankur,
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> Happy Birthday!!! Wish you all the best for the years to come. May
> the Green Birds fly and fill the air with their humming and buzzing.
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2080. Happy Birthday Ankur and Shailesh

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-03 01:35:07 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2080 Message: 2080

...How Time Flies....

...Sorry I Missed Your Special Day...

...Happy Belated Birthday To You, Ankur (VU2AXN) and Shailesh (VU2SFN)...

...Hope You Spent Your Special Day Doing Something You Love...HAM RADIO...

...Wishing You Happiness And Good Health and Wealth....

---Prashant

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Prashant Koli

WEBSITE:

www.qsl.net/vu2cbu (http://www.qsl.net/vu2cbu)

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(http://g.msn.com/8HMBENIN/2734??PS=47575)

2081. Hamfest site is up and kicking...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-03 02:20:33 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2081 Message: 2081

Dear Nilesh and Sandip,

Great Job Done?our HAMFEST website is now fully functional and operational? nothing was happening in making website....only tall promises....one could see nothing but (feel) DARKNESS?..and as usual it needed likes of NLF (and UGO) to chip in to tweak the dormant site?.and suddenly there was LIGHT?.

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2082. Happy Birthday Maniji

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-03 04:40:54 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2082 Message: 2082

Dear Maniji,

Here's wishing Mani Bathija, Life Member and Grade 1 (License expected), a very happy birthday and many more to come.

Many happy returns of the day to you, Manibhai. Today God has really showered you with good wishes in the form of rain. May your license come soon.

73
VU2SCQ
Shantanu Chand

2083. thank you !!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-03 15:38:23 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2083 Message: 2083

Dear friends,

Thank you very much my dear friends for the birthday wishes...!!!

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Ankur Puranik / VU2AXNIndiatimes Email now powered by APIC Advantage. Help!
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2084. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 862

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-03 14:32:42 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 2084 Message: 2084

Dear Friends,

Hi!

There appears some confusion regarding the Green Birds status at Mumbai. I have been working on it so I feel it is better to put up the exact position.

Initialy 15 sets were procured from Agra by NLF and add on cards for their modification was sent by me from Lucknow. It was decided to distribute them all together.

This summer we modified 10 sets at Mumbai and 5 set needed more repairs due to condition and some had been experimented upon go a greater extent. These 5 sets are being sent to me for repairs as I have related setup here.

Seing the difficulty in having the set modified at Mumbai I will be also sending 10 more ready to operate sets from here. Thus in all we plan to have about 25 Green Birds on air before Hamfest.

I hope this would make the position clear.

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Rahul VU3WJM

PS: Tickets booked for 21st Dec reaching 22nd night. CU all.

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Message: 10
Date: Tue, 2 Nov 2004 10:29:22 +0000 (GMT)
From: arun singh rawat
Subject: green bird

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Message: 11
Date: Tue, 2 Nov 2004 11:07:25 +0530
From: "Kapil Chandni"
Subject: Re: Happy Birthday Alpha X-ray November

Yes indeed,
Happy Birthday AXN!

Have a blast

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Shantanu Chand"
To:
Sent: Tuesday, November 02, 2004 10:32 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday Alpha X-ray November

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Message: 12
Date: Wed, 03 Nov 2004 01:35:07 +0000

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2085. Registrations for Hamfest India 2004.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-03 15:02:18 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2085 Message: 2085

Dear Members,

The preparations for our hamfest India 2004 is in full wing, We have already opened the registrations for the fest. Our Hamfest website www.hamfest2004.org is up and fully functional.

The dates and the Venue of the fest are as follows:-

Dates : 24th / 25th / 26th December 2004. (Fri /Sat / Sun).

Venue : P.L.Deshpande Kala Academy. (Ravindra Natya Mandir) , Worli, Mumbai.

Registration Fee: For
HAM/XYL/SWL ☐ Rs.500/-
For Harmonics between age 5
to 12 ☐ Rs.250/-
For Senior Citizens (age
above 60 yrs) ☐ Rs.250/-
For Harmonics below age
5 ☐ Free
Mode of payment : Deposit Cheque in ICICI Bank / Demand Draft / Cash

The registration fees also includes food (Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Tea & Dinner).

We have trying to make Hamfest India 2004 as interesting and interactive as possible, we have added lots of new programs such as Quiz Competitions, Morse competitions, Fox Hunt, Treasure Hunt, Special movies, etc..etc.. we are sure that you will a wonderful time during this festival.

We also have kept lucky draws for early bird registrations (before 25th November 2004), we have 3 ICOM IC-2100 VHF Base Stations as lucky draw prizes.. All those registering before 25th November 2004 will also get a customized callsign cap of hamfest 2004.

We also have 200 Raffle Tickets of Rs.500/- each, You may opt for
as many tickets as you wish, the more tickets you buy more the
chances are of you winning the mega prize of ICOM ☐ IC-706-MK-II G,
All mode all band mobile transceiver.

If you are interested in a exhibition stall, you may contact us as soon as possible.

If we get good number of registrations of XYLs & Harmonics, we would arrange special programs for them in our mini theatre so that they

don't get bored..

All members are requested to kindly register for our hamfest as soon as possible, We suggest that you register before 25th November 2004 and take advantage of the lucky draw.

We also request you to get us as many advertisements as possible, this will help is financially, also if you know companies interested in sponsoring or co-sponsoring our hamfest then please get in touch with me immediately.

We would also appreciate if you get hold of companies interested in putting up stalls during our festival. The commercial stall charges are Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten thousand Only) for 3 days.

There are few tickets left in Raffle ticket draw which is exclusively for our society, hence you may still take advantage of it. We would be opening this draw very very soon now.

The coming Hamfest meeting is on Sunday 7th November 2004 at Gyan Sadhna College, Thane at 10:00 Am sharp . All members are requested to join us and register for the hamfest.

Looking forward to having a eyeball with you..

73

Nilesh Rathod, VU2NLF.
Convenor. ☐ HFI-2004
Secretary - MARS
Convenor@...

2086. Re: [m_a_r_s] Hamfest site is up and kicking...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-03 15:32:46 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 2081 Message: 2086

Hi Nilesh & Sandip,
Really great job done,
We Thank You for your real hard work in putting up
HAMFEST website fully functional and operational,
Thanks for the bright spark in darkness
I fully agree with Prashant,
anyway here there is a piece of information
which I feel, it might be usefull in
"Hamfest History Section"

Year
Place
General Convenor
Call Sign

1991
Kuttikkanam
Shri. Joseph Mattappally
VU2JIM

1992
Alwaye
Shri.. K.N. Gopinathan
VU2EGM

1993
Salem
Shri. K. Premchand
VU2RPC

1994
Mysore
Shri. K.R.Madhukar
VU2MUD

1995
Mumbai
Shri. Adolf Shepherd
VU2AF

1996
Calcutta
Shri. Avinash Misra
VU2EM

1997
Kochi

Shri. S. Suresh
VU2SUO

1998
Bangalore
Shri. R. Ramachandra
VU2RCR

1999
Mysore
Shri. M.T. Kesari
VU2MTK

2000
Hyderabad
Shri.Chalam Chivukula
VU2CLM

2001
Nagpur
Shri.Shrikant Jichkar
VU2SJA

2002
Chennai
Shri. M.Saravanan
VU2MSS

2003
Gandhinagar
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2004
Mumbai
Shri. Nilesh Rathod
VU2NLF

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Kaushik Sanghvi.

----- Original Message -----
From: Prashant Koli
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com ; mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com ; mars_classes@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 03, 2004 7:50 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Hamfest site is up and kicking...

Dear Nilesh and Sandip,

Great Job Done.our HAMFEST website is now fully functional and operational. nothing was happening in making website....only tall promises....one could see nothing but (feel)

DARKNESS...and as usual it needed likes of NLF (and UGO) to chip in to tweak the dormant site..and suddenly there was LIGHT..

Thank you Nilesh and Sandip..

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Prashant Koli

2087. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday Maniji

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-03 15:35:03 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 2082 Message: 2087

Dear Manibhai,

Wishing you
A very
Happy Birthday

Kaushik.
73's

2088. last chance - Raffle draws opens on Sunday (7th Nov 2004)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-04 06:44:49 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2088 Message: 2088

Dear Members,

The Raffle Tickets draw will be opened on Sunday 7th Nov 2004 at Gyan Sadhna College, Thane , During the Hamfest Meeting.

members who have not taken the raffle tickets, have this last chance to opt for the tickets. Any change of hearts or mind take advantage of the scheme now...

All members who have opted for the raffle tickets are requested to come for the meeting, the chances are that you may go home with goodies...

looking forward to having an eyeball with you,

73
NLF - Convenor - HFI-2004.
Secretary - MARS.

2089. Re: [m_a_r_s] HF TRANCEIVER FOR SALE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-02 06:29:20 UTC
From: George Philips
Topic: 2070 Message: 2089

Dear Sandesh,

I am interested in the Diamond Power Meter. Please can you send me the details and price expected ?

George, 2GT.

2090. Diamond meter

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-05 15:25:40 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2090 Message: 2090
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2091. UK Amateurs Enjoying Extra Spectrum at 7 MHz

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-06 08:52:13 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2091 Message: 2091

For more such news send a blank email to radiohams-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Date: Fri, 5 Nov 2004 19:52:26 -0800 (PST)
From: VU2JOS <at0j@...>

UK Amateurs Enjoying Extra Spectrum at 7MHz

UK radio amateurs gained access to new frequencies between 7.1 and 7.2MHz from 31 October, 2004. After dark, the band between 7.1 and 7.2MHz is still full of powerful broadcast stations, although some clear frequencies can be found. The band became available on the second day of the CQ World Wide DX Phone Contest. Many UK stations took advantage of the new band by making contest QSOs with stations in the USA on their own frequency, instead of having to work 'split' as had been the case when contacting North America on 40 metres SSB. During the daytime, numerous UK stations are now able to have virtually interference-free inter-G contacts above 7.1MHz. The new band is available to radio amateurs on a Secondary (non-interference) basis until 2009. After the end of March 2009, the broadcast stations should move to other frequencies and 7.1 to 7.2MHz will then become an amateur Primary band.

Amateurs in the Republic of Ireland were also granted access to 7.1 to 7.2MHz towards the end of October, joining those in Croatia, Norway and San Marino who already had access to these frequencies. Radio amateurs in Switzerland will also gain access to 7.1 to 7.2MHz from 1 January 2005.

From RSGB website via
Mike Terry <miketerry73@...
Cumbredx mailing list
http://cs2.ralabs.com/mailman/listinfo/cumbredx

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EchoLink-Node 133507 VU2NRO
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www.niar.org

2092. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 865

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-06 10:53:39 UTC
From: Graham (Home) Kemp WIANews
Topic: 2092 Message: 2092
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GRAHAM VK4BB

2093. Customized domain names

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-07 04:31:47 UTC
From: Anish
Topic: 2093 Message: 2093

Pls check out www.mail2world.com for ur personal customized domain
names eg: mine are anish@... & ham@....
with upto 250mb of storage space & fast service. one of its kind
mail service with 2000 domain names.

73's
Anish
vu2ozo

2094. Raffle Results

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-08 11:13:46 UTC
From: Anish
Topic: 2094 Message: 2094

Hello everyone, will someone pls post Raffle Tickets results

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Anish
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2095. Raffle Results

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-08 11:13:20 UTC
From: Anish
Topic: 2094 Message: 2095

Hello everyone, will someone pls post Raffle Tickets results

73's sk
Anish
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2096. Raffle Tickets Draw opened - Congratulations Winners.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-08 12:53:32 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2096 Message: 2096

Dear Members,

The Raffle Draw (Exclusively for our Society) was opened on 7th November 2004.

The Lucky winners are :-

5/8 Antenna - Prashant Koli. ? VU2CBU
5/8 Antenna - Prashant Koil - VU2CBU
5/8 Antenna - Milind Korde - VU2IZO
Power Supply - Vijay Vaidya - VU2CFO
Power Supply - Prashant Koli - VU2CBU
Power Supply - Pankaj Pasad - VU2RIO
VHF Base - Dr. Anukant Mital - VU2TAL
VHF Base - Vijay Vaidya - VU2CFO
VHF Base - Aslam Furniturewala - VU2AHE
IC-706MK-IIG ? Vijay Vaidya - VU2CFO.

Congratulations to all the winners.. We are very grateful for the members who participated in this raffle ticket Draw, We sincerely hope you have better luck next time.

The second raffle is already opening for registrations the tickets are for Rs.500/- each (200 Tickets only). The first prize is once again IC-706 MK-II G. this raffle is open to all hams/Swls registering for the Hamfest 2004 .

All members are requested to register for the Hamfest 2004 and opt this raffle tickets..

Good Luck and 73

Nilesh ,VU2NLF, Convener HFI-2004

Secretary ? MARS.

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2097. Hearty Congrats

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-08 14:51:00 UTC
From: Anish
Topic: 2097 Message: 2097

My heartiest & Warmest congrats to all winners of the the Raffle Draw. Thanks to all who made this event sucessfull by purchasing the tickets. we hope to have more raffle entries in the second round as well as registrations for the hamfest 2004.

73's
Anish

2098. FAST-n-EASY way to register for HFI'04 via ICICI Cheque Deposits

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-08 19:29:18 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 2098 Message: 2098

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AND SEND THE REGISTRATION INFO
BY ONLINE FORM / E-MAIL / FAX / COURIER
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Hi Everybody!!

The fast & easy way to register for Hamfest India 2004 is to
DEPOSIT CROSSED CHEQUE (NO CASH DEPOSIT PLEASE) of appropriate amount
(i.e. REGISTRATION FEE and 'RAFFLE TICKET MONEY + Special Event Entrance Fee
+ Accommodation Cost, if required') into your nearest ICICI Bank Branch/ATM
in the name of :

Saving Account Name - 'HAMFEST INDIA 2004'
Account Number - '003201031174'

AND USE ANY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING METHOD TO INFORM US:

ONLINE FORM at
http://www.hamfest2004.org/regform.htm
OR
E-MAIL your name with your contact number at
vu2ugo@...
OR
FAX your registration form to
- 28683910 (between 8am to 8pm)
OR
COURIER your registration form to :
Hamfest India 2004,
c/o Mumbai Amateur Radio Society,
Avijha Building, Room No.14, 1st Floor,
Jambulwadi, Next to Kyani Bakery, Mumbai 400002

To find out the nearest ICICI Branch / ATM visit
https://infinity.icicibank.co.in/web/services/jsp/Locateus.jsp

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http://www.hamfest2004.org/reg.htm

Please remember to mention your cheque number and ATM/Branch Name where you
deposited your cheque with your registration info. Your registration &
receipt details will be confirmed by me on the LL or e-mail.

Please register before 25th November 2004 to receive 1 lucky draw ticket
with every registration. Three Lucky Draw winners will get IC2100 VHF base
station each. For further details visit

http://www.hamfest2004.org/lucky.htm.

200 tickets of Rs.500/- each are also available. One Lucky Winner will get IC706MKIIG - HF/VHF/UHF Multi-mode rig. For further details visit - http://www.hamfest2004.org/raffle.htm

For further queries send an e-mail to vu2ugo@...

73 de
Sandip VU2UGO
Registration Portfolio

2099. Re: Raffle Tickets Draw opened - Congratulationswinners

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-08 19:29:28 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 2099 Message: 2099
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear Friends!!

Thanks a lot for your participation in the raffle and gr8 support!!
Congratulations to all the winners!

73 de Sandip VU2UGO

2100. Re: Raffle Tickets Draw opened - Congratulationswinners

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-08 23:04:11 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2099 Message: 2100

Hi All,

Congratulations to all the winners!

I am one of the winners- you would say lucky- but in reality unlucky as those (seemingly) three lucky tickets were denied a chance to participate in a Grand/Bumper/Big prize by way of cancellation!

How is that?

Well, I will try to explain....

There are two procedures :

1.'ascending value order system'- in this system tickets are randomly drawn for a lower value item/prize first. However,tickets are returned to the draw to be eligible for other grand prizes...the logic is that the ticket is being purchased with the Grand prize in mind...the common example is Housie game

2.'descending/reverse value order system'- the most widely follwed system-in this system the grand prize shall be selected first, followed by prizes in descending retail value However,tickets may be or may not be returned to the draw ...as the one who has already got a better prize would not mind if he is excluded from the further draw...the common example is Lotto or Lottery.

I would like to know the draw procedure that was followed at the draw.

I did not attend the meeting when this draw took place. But from what I understand the organiser of raffle had 'ascending retail value order system'procedure' in mind but created blunder by not replacing or returning the tickets in the 'draw drum'.This has effectively barred those who got smaller prizes in participating for the Grand prize.Unlucky were those whose fate was sealed by offering them small baits earlier.

I wasn't there at the draw, but I failed to understand why nobody present there could follow the wrong logic being pursued at the draw.

Agreed that in the first place my (for that matter all of us) decided to purchase raffle tickets with a simple aim of supporting our society and not by looking at the prize.However, when you learn that your ticket was not given an opportunity to participate in a full draw it's a crude shock.Were my tickets 'children of a lesser god?' or simply they were not worth getting any bigger prize?

(One more piece of info for those who are into organising Raffle :

The lowest prize at the raffle should be more than a ticket price!
Whatever may be the reason for buying the ticket,surely one is not
buying to get a prize worth less than his single raffle ticket.)

-Prashant,VU2CBU

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, Sandip Adiwarekar <vu2ugo@v...>
wrote:
> Dear Friends!!
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> Congratulations to all the winners!
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> 73 de Sandip VU2UGO

2101. job vacancy

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-09 14:58:46 UTC
From: Anish
Topic: 2101 Message: 2101

Job requires basic pc knowledge, understanding the american asscent,
& some college education. job is to listen us ads & titling them.
pay is 10k, Morning / evening / night / part time / weekend shifts
available. cntct me or pls check out aircheckindia.com for further
detail. loc is santacruz w

anish
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2102. job vacancy

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-09 14:59:16 UTC
From: Anish
Topic: 2101 Message: 2102

Job requires basic pc knowledge, understanding the american asscent,
& some college education. job is to listen us ads & titling them.
pay is 10k, Morning / evening / night / part time / weekend shifts
available. cntct me or pls check out aircheckindia.com for further
detail. loc is santacruz w

anish
9820083879

2103. att hit

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-09 16:21:01 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2103 Message: 2103

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&category=48707&item=5729886384&rd=1

Shailesh

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2104. Greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-10 16:18:23 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 1471 Message: 2104

Dear Friends

Wishing Happy diwali to all martians and may the new
year bring more joy & properity.

Regards

JPN

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2105. Happy Diwali & a Prosperous New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-13 08:13:56 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 896 Message: 2105

Dear Friends,

W I S H I N G Y O U

&

Y O U R F A M I L Y

H A P P Y D I W A L I

&

P R O S P E R O U S

N E W Y E A R

73,

NLF

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2106. Happy Diwali

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-13 12:50:57 UTC
From: VU2HIT
Topic: 2106 Message: 2106
Attachments: 5 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

DisclaimerDear All,

May this Diwali bring Peace, Joy & Happiness.

Wishing you a very Happy and Prosperous Diwali.

Warm Regards,

Umme-Aiman & Huzefa Merchant
VU2VAH & VU2HIT

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(MOB) +91 9892 786110

2107. happy diwali

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-13 03:12:00 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2107 Message: 2107
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2108. teflon coax att : 2NXM / 2SWS / 2IZO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-14 13:29:54 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2108 Message: 2108
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2109. teflon coax att : 2NXM / 2SWS / 2IZO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-14 13:29:57 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2108 Message: 2109
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2110. teflon coax att : 2NXM / 2SWS / 2IZO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-14 13:29:50 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2108 Message: 2110
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2111. teflon coax att : 2NXM / 2SWS / 2IZO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-14 13:29:50 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2108 Message: 2111
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2112. teflon coax att : 2NXM / 2SWS / 2IZO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-14 13:30:07 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2108 Message: 2112
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2113. teflon coax att : 2NXM / 2SWS / 2IZO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-14 13:29:52 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2108 Message: 2113
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2114. Re: [m_a_r_s] teflon coax att : 2NXM / 2SWS / 2IZO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-14 13:36:28 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2108 Message: 2114

Dear SXF,

Tell me when you want to meet up for the Rotator.

THX 73

Shantanu
VU2SCQ

On 14 Nov 2004 13:29:50 -0000, sandesh chandrakant kamat
<vu2sxf@...> wrote:
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>
> TO : 2NXM / 2SWS /2IZO
>
> Dear Friends
> I have ordered for the teflon coax for 100mt bundle.
> when I get it I will let you know. Micky since 2IIA have
> backed off you can opt for the coax also. After getting the
> coax the connector have to be fixed regarding this I will
> mail you later.
> Please QSL this mail.
>
> THANKS & 73
> DE VU2SXF
> SANDESH KAMAT
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Shantanu Chand
VU2SCQ

2115. SSTV and internet >> http://www.sidesaddleasp.info/

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-14 23:55:09 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 2115 Message: 2115

Hello All,
There is no short of communication channels these
days. You speak of VOIP based Repeater links, or
Digital Stars, WiFi or yet to come bla bla bla, Hams
have excelled the way of communication.
While there will be always arguments on these, people
enjoy talking and knowledge building.
I know at Mumbai we(some of hams like me) had tried
eQSO, which i had not much interested in earlier. But
now this Cute little utility has cheered me here in
Wland.
Other day i had an opportunity to speak to a ham from
Honduras, which would have been very difficult with
RF. Ofcourse there is no channel which beats the
excitement of being on AIR with your rig. But
something more is always better to know.
Here is something to try: Group in UK (2E1EHM) is
devicing something similar using Internet.
Interested hams can visit their Site
http://www.sidesaddleasp.info/
I am not exactly sure how it works. but David (2E1EHM)
told me that its similar to SSTV.

Have Fun
73s
DE VU3KPL
Kiran

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2116. Fwd: Fwd: [kutchyuvaksangh] I am Proud to be a Indian

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-15 05:18:51 UTC
From: viren gada
Topic: 2116 Message: 2116
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2117. Re: [m_a_r_s] teflon coax att : 2NXM / 2SWS / 2IZO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-15 15:34:05 UTC
From: Anish Korde
Topic: 2108 Message: 2117

greetings

i will let izo know, thnx sxf

73's

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Lone Wolf

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2118. Re: SSTV and internet >> http://www.sidesaddleasp.info/

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-16 04:50:08 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2115 Message: 2118

Hi there Kiran!

Nice to know that u r active on eQSO.

I have had same feelings about eqso (VoIP) programs.

When I got ticket with VU3PDZ callsign and did not have access to HF I was using various such IRLP programs like Iphone,I Link and even remote HF operation from W7DXX site.That was in the year 2000.All this stopped when I got my HF rig.And yes I had the same feeling ....nothing beats actual, hardcore HF operation over air.

However, recently, few of my old friends from VE and W land sent me mail and invited to EchoLink.So after a long gap I was back on EchoLink....and this time I thoroughly enjoyed EchoLink.Now with such VoIP programs u can talk to hams whenever u like and now u can enjoy this hobby whenever u have sparetime.

Regarding SSTV program....I am on similar program,ISSTV (http://www.isstv.co.uk/), since last few months.I am not able to comprehend the program or I have not given much try.

Anyway, it is a nice idea to try these different modes of communication when u do not have ur own HF setup or when HF conditions are not that favourable or simply when u want to have a nice,small & quick shot straight from ur computer/internet.

Members can also have a look at 'UI-View 32', an APRS program,available at http://www.ui-view.com/ or can visit http://ja1ogs.com , home page of JA1OGS,Art, who is ever willing to help you in installation.

All hams who have got tickets recently can consider all these options.

Fave fun and frolic...

73s
Prashant Koli
vu2cbu
--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, kiran padiyar <kiran_padiyar@y...>
wrote:
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> While there will be always arguments on these, people
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> 73s
> DE VU3KPL
> Kiran
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> _____
> Do You Yahoo!?
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2119. About HAMFEST-INDIA-2004 Website

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-16 09:28:24 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2119 Message: 2119

Dear All,

This is to inform you that http://www.hamfest2004.org/ website is not working.

Please do the needful.

Regards,

Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S DE VU2LOC

2120. Re: [m_a_r_s] About HAMFEST-INDIA-2004 Website

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-18 08:16:44 UTC
From: Abhay Shah
Topic: 2119 Message: 2120

Dear All,

I think it is working now.at 13.50 HRS on 18.11.2004

Abhay Shah
vu2aih

--- VU2LOC <vu2loc@...> wrote:

> Dear All,
>
> This is to inform you that
> http://www.hamfest2004.org/ website is not working.
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> Please do the needful.
>
> Regards,
>
> Shailesh Deshmukh.
> 73'S DE VU2LOC
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2121. Re: [m_a_r_s] About HAMFEST-INDIA-2004 Website

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-18 08:37:33 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2119 Message: 2121

Dear all OM/YLS of MARS
As we all know that HAM FEST 2004 is in our town and we should work hard for the same to serve better.i personally request MARS members to Register as fast as you can.
you can down load form hear http://hamfest2004.org/Registration%20form.pdf
even we are getting forms by courier (in next 2/3 days but why to wait get it from web)
SO PLEASE REGISTER YOURSELF TODAY

regards DE
shailesh vu2sfn

Abhay Shah <abhay69in@...> wrote:
Dear All,

I think it is working now.at 13.50 HRS on 18.11.2004

Abhay Shah
vu2aih

--- VU2LOC <vu2loc@...> wrote:

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> http://www.hamfest2004.org/ website is not working.
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> Please do the needful.
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> Regards,
>
> Shailesh Deshmukh.
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2122. FAST-n-EASY way to register for HFI'04 via ICICI Cheque Deposits

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-18 11:52:56 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2098 Message: 2122

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Hi Everybody!!

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(i.e. REGISTRATION FEE and 'RAFFLE TICKET MONEY + Special Event Entrance Fee
+ Accommodation Cost, if required') into your nearest ICICI Bank Branch/ATM
in the name of :

Saving Account Name - 'HAMFEST INDIA 2004'
Account Number - '003201031174'

AND LATER USE ANY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING METHOD TO INFORM US:

ONLINE FORM at
http://www.hamfest2004.org/regform.htm

OR

E-MAIL your name with your contact number at
vu2ugo@...

OR

FAX your registration form to
- 28683910 (between 8am to 8pm)

OR

COURIER your registration form to :
Hamfest India 2004,
c/o Mumbai Amateur Radio Society,
Avijha Building, Room No.14, 1st Floor,
Jambulwadi, Next to Kyani Bakery, Mumbai 400002

To find out the nearest ICICI Branch / ATM visit
https://infinity.icicibank.co.in/web/services/jsp/Locateus.jsp

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Please remember to mention your cheque number and ATM/Branch Name where you
deposited your cheque with your registration info. Your registration &

receipt details will be confirmed by me on the LL or e-mail.

Please register before 25th November 2004 to receive 1 lucky draw ticket with every registration. Three Lucky Draw winners will get IC2100 VHF base station each. For further details visit http://www.hamfest2004.org/lucky.htm.

200 tickets of Rs.500/- each are also available. One Lucky Winner will get IC706MKIIG - HF/VHF/UHF Multi-mode rig. For further details visit - http://www.hamfest2004.org/raffle.htm

For further queries send an e-mail to vu2ugo@...
or visit http://www.hamfest2004.org

73 de
Sandip VU2UGO
Registration Portfolio

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Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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2123. You can also register for Hamfest India 2004 at these places

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-19 05:48:47 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2123 Message: 2123

Hi

You can also register for Hamfest India 2004 at these places whichever is convenient to you.

1. VU2RIO - Pankaj
Shop 2/3, Shree Ganesh Bhuvan,
349, Lamington Road,
Opp. Police Station,
Mumbai 400007.
Shop : 23885302
Telefax - 56374756
Time : 11.00am to 7.00pm

2. VU2DCE - Darshan
Ami Childrensware
5A, Rashman Apartment
S.L Road, Mulund (W)
Below Upasani Hospital,
Mumbai 400080
Time : 11.30am to 5.00pm
Shop : 25671204
Mob : 9820302523

Please remember to collect your receipt for cash/cheque payments.

25th November is the last day to receive free lucky draw ticket for IC2100.

73s de Sandip VU2UGO

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Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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2124. Hamfest India 2004.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-19 07:19:36 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2124 Message: 2124

Dear Members,

The preparations for our Hamfest India 2004 is in full swing, You may have visited our website www.hamfest2004.org and would have found it informative.

The Hamfest Team members are working very hard to make this event not only sucessful but also a memorable one.

I am sure that you will not miss this wonderful festival no matter what... it is happening in mumbai after 10 years. we don't know the next will be after god knows how many years.

Even if you cannot give time for the Hamfest work, least what is expected out of you as a MARS member is to register for hamfest and support us in making this wonderful festival happen.

with much regret I have to say, inspite of repeated reminders by UGO and other, we have not received many registeration from our members.
Your early registerations will boost the morale of all the Hamfest Team members.

Anyways you will be coming for the hamfest, we know that, do why delay, register before 25th Nov 2004 and take advantage of the free raffle ticket. don't miss this golden opportunity... register now...and join us...

73
NLF - Convenor - HFI-2004,
Secretary - MARS.

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2125. MARS JOTA2004 Report

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-19 07:23:43 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2125 Message: 2125
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Brief report of JOTA'2004 Activity by MARS

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Mumbai Amateur Radio Society in association with Maharashtra State Bharat Scouts and Guides participated in 47th Jamboree On the Air event on 16th - 17th October, 2004.

The participants at 5 JOTA locations were VU2HIT, VU2UBP, VU2AXN, VU2SCQ, VU2OZO, VU2JPN, VU3KNY, VU3MWH, VU2GBI, VU2CBU, VU2IZO, VU2SFN, VU2IES, VU3AUA, VU2UGJ, VU2IVO, VU2HVK, VU2SFH, VU2UGO, VU3DGB and SWLs - Vishal Shah, Nilesh Dixit & Andrew.

Total 1900 scouts and guides from 42 schools took part in this event. They all received participation certificate from Maharashtra State Bharat Scouts and Guides.

The stations were QRV on HF & VHF. Total 6 VU & 4 DX JOTA stations were contacted on HF. This year for the first time VU2CBU OM-Prashant with VU2SFN OM-Shailesh operated JOTA Station on Echolink and they logged 8 DX JOTA contacts.

Local Press coverage for the general awareness of Ham Radio & JOTA was made at Thane Location.

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Station Call
VU2HIT
VU2JPN VU2OZO
VU2UGJ
VU2UGO

QTH
Shivaji Park Dadar
Scout Pavilion Chembur
P.E. Society School, Kopari, Thane
Sriram High School, Andheri (W)
Shanti Nagar High School Mira Road

HAMs
VU2HIT
VU2UBP

VU2AXN

VU2SCQ
VU2OZO
VU2JPN

VU3KNY

VU3MWH

VU2GBI
VU2CBU
VU2IZO

VU2SFN

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VU2IVO

VU2HVK

VU2SFH
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SWLs

Andrews K.

Vishal Shah

Nilesh Dixit

Co-ordinator
Mr.P.Kulkarni
Mr.M.Bolar
Smt.J.Almeda
Smt.S.Prabhu
Mr.S.Kambli

Examiner
Mr.A.Khan
Mr.M.Kamble
Smt.M.Patankar
Mr.B.Shah
Mr.Subroto

Total Scouts & Guides participated
63
468
337
215
821

No. of Schools participated
5
15
8

10
4

No. of JOTA stations contacted :

VU – India
6
4
9
6
5

DX – Foreign
1

9

(8 on echolink)
1
4

HF
IC-718
FT757GX
IC-706MKIIG
FT-747
TS-50S

HF ANT
Inverted ‘V’
Inverted ‘V’
Inverted ‘V’
Inverted ‘V’
Inverted ‘V’

VHF
DR-140
IC-V8000
IC-2100
GP668
FT212RH

VHF ANT
5/8 GP
5/8 GP
5/8 GP
5/8 GP
5/8 GP

2126. Congratulations on the successful JOTA.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-19 14:29:00 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2126 Message: 2126

Hi UGO:

Congratulations on the successful JOTA. I'd planned to come, but was away at a customer site..

But it's nice to see that things went farely well..I bet the DX contacts would've left the scouts and guides thrilled. Maybe we might have inspired some of them to become HAMS themselves :)

-- Sriram

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2127. INFO on ICICI Cheque deposit for HFI-04 Registration

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-22 21:47:18 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 2127 Message: 2127

IMPORTANT!!
a.. You can deposit ICICI or non-ICICI Bank cheques into HFI'04 account to register.
b.. Please note that you need not have ICICI Bank account to use this facility.
c.. Whether you are depositing the cheque in ICICI Branch or ATM, filling up the pay-in slip alongwith the cheque is mandatory.
d.. If you are dropping the cheque in ICICI Bank ATM Dropbox, please write your name and contact number behind the cheque.
e.. Days taken to process / realisation of cheque
a.. ICICI Cheque deposited in ICICI Branch - 1 day
b.. ICICI Cheque dropped in ICICI ATM dropbox - 2 days
c.. Non-ICICI Cheque deposited in ICICI Branch - 3 days
d.. Non- ICICI Cheque dropped in ICICI ATM dropbox - 4 days
The fast & easy way to register for Hamfest India 2004 is to DEPOSIT CROSSED CHEQUE (NO CASH DEPOSIT PLEASE) of appropriate amount i.e. REGISTRATION FEE PLUS "Raffle Ticket Money + Special Event Entrance Fee + Accommodation Cost, if required", into your nearest ICICI Bank Branch/ATM in the name of :

Saving Account Name - 'HAMFEST INDIA 2004'
Account Number - '003201031174'

AND REMEMBER TO SUBMIT ONLINE FORM
at http://www.hamfest2004.org/regform.htm

To find out the nearest ICICI Branch / ATM visit
https://infinity.icicibank.co.in/web/services/jsp/Locateus

Please pass on this info to your HAM friends who are not QRV on the internet and help them register for the event.

Ask your batchmate whether he/she has registered for HFI'04, if not, do it fast to get free lucky draw ticket!

For further enquiries contact on following Garuda Nos.
20623636 - Sandip VU2UGO
20623483 - Micky VU2IZO

2128. INFO on ICICI Cheque depositforHFI-04Registration

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-23 19:08:27 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 2128 Message: 2128

Hi,

Friends, please note that for HFI'04, we are inviting 'HAMs/SWLs and their XYL/Harmonics only'.

AT PRESENT we are not accepting any registrations from non-HAM / non-SWL. If anyone is interested in ham radio and hamfest as well, the only way is, register for the HFI-04 as well as become MARS member.

Also note that registration fee for any 1 OR 2 days of the hamfest is fixed i.e. Rs.500/- for Individual (Rs.250/- for senior citizen & harmonics between age 5 to 12yrs)

Thanks Feroze for the update, gr8, keep up the good work!

73s de Sandip VU2UGO
----- Original Message -----
From: Feroze
To: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 23, 2004 7:03 AM
Subject: Re: [mars_academy_2003] INFO on ICICI Cheque depositforHFI-04Registration

Dear Sandeep,
Brief update on registration.
Mr Uday Roy is registering on site and paying thru ICICI. If unable he will get in touch with me
Mr Shabir Lokhandwala will register with Huzeefa as his shop is next to HIT's shop. informed HIT.
Mr Rajesh Sethia has received his registration form and will be depositing with ICICI
Mr. Jiggar Mehta is in Goa for a training. I have requested him to come over for the weekend in Dec. He is considering.
Mr Charles Barbosa is unsure as it is Christmas time.
A boy is studying in VJTI wants to attend the HAMFEST and may get hooked on to HAM radio. Can I take his registration? If we insist on MARS membership he may opt out as he will only attend on Saturday &/or Sunday.
I will contact Issac, Jesal Shyam Kapadia and a few more today
73's
Feroze
----- Original Message -----
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
To: Undisclosed-Recipient:;
Sent: Tuesday, November 23, 2004 3:17 AM
Subject: [mars_academy_2003] INFO on ICICI Cheque deposit for HFI-04Registration

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2129. 9th plan of AIR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-24 10:15:18 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2129 Message: 2129

Broadcasting is the most powerful medium of mass communication. The importance of All India Radio as a medium to inform, educate and entertain the masses needs no emphasis in a developing country like India. As a public service broadcaster AIR continues to contribute to the national building process and socio-economic and cultural development of the nation. The thrust areas of Ninth Plan of AIR are:
Expansion of Border Area Coverage:

(i) North-Eastern region:

For strengthening radio coverage in the north-east, replacement of Guwahati-50 KW MW Transmitter by 100 KW MW Transmitter, Silchar 10 KW MW Transmitter by 20 KW MW Transmitter, Imphal-50 KW MW Transmitter by 300 KW MW Transmitter and Kohima-50 KW MW Transmitter by 100 KW MW Transmitter are under implementation. New FM channels with stereo-playback facilities are also being provided at Shillong, Imphal, Agartala, Aizwal, and Itanagar. New Radio stations are being set up at Dhubri, Tezpur, Churachandpur, Dharmanagar and Longtherai.

AIR Kokrajhar in the Bodo Autonomous Council Area (BAC) has already been commissioned and another station at Dhubri in the same area is being commissioned shortly.

A special scheme to set up Community Radio Stations at 10 places is also under implementation. To cater to the small groups of people with different languages and dialects to realise and nurture their cultural and artistic expressions by listening to programmes in their own dialects.

(ii) Jammu & Kashmir:

For the purpose of expansion of coverage, upgradation of 1 KW SW Transmitter at Jammu by 50 KW SW Transmitter, Leh-10 KW MW Transmitter by 20 KW MW Transmitter and replacement of Srinagar-1 KW MW Transmitter by 10 KW FM Transmitter are under implementation. Besides, one 6 KW FM Transmitter at Jammu is also under implementation. In addition, provision of stereo playback facilities in Srinagar studio are also under implementation.

An integrated plan for enhancing the coverage in Jammu & Kashmir area has also been recently approved, which shall be implemented in a set time-frame.

Upgradation of programme production facilities:

Steps have been taken for the improvement of technical quality of programmes. State-of-the art digital equipment is being provided in the studios. Digital based technology which are in use the world over is also being inducted in All India Radio to ensure superior recording and editing facilities.

(i) Compact disc players have already been provided in all the major stations;

(ii) Computerised hard disc based recording, editing and playback system for broadcast are in use in many broadcast organisations through out the world. All India Radio has also planned to introduce such system in the network. To start with major stations have been

provided with these facilities.

Audio Refurbishing and Archives:

AIR has established a sophisticated audio refurbishing centre in New Delhi under a UNDP scheme. Old and degraded archival audio materials are being refurbished regularly for digital storage ensuring longtime preservation. A permanent archival centre at Todapur in New Delhi is also planned to be implemented soon.

Extension of FM stereo channel:

The FM stereo service which is presently functional at Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Panaji and Cuttack has become very popular and is generating a good revenue for the network. This service is being extended to all the state capitals and important cities.

Expansion of entertainment channel:

As a part of introducing stereo service at state capitals, it is proposed to convert Vividh Bharati Service from Mono to Stereo. The studios at Mumbai, which are originating VB service, were converted to stereo format last year. Digital stereo uplink facility has also been provided.

Expansion and strengthening of External Services:

All India Radio has emerged as a major international broadcaster transmitting in 16 foreign and 9 Indian languagues for a total duration of about 70 hours per day. AIR External services cover about 80 countries of the world except two American Continents. These external services are radiated with the help of 15 number of high power short wave transmitters. The following measures have been undertaken to strengthen these services:

(i) Establishment of five additional high power short wave transmitters of 250 KW each at Delhi (Khampur) and replacement of two existing high power shortwave transmitters of 250 KW each at Aligarh.

(ii) Broadcasting of external services programmes on Internet.

Replacement of old transmitters with new transmitters:

Schemes have been undertaken to replace old transmitters with high power transmitters as per ITU assignments to overcome shrinkage and strengthen the primary grade service. High power transmitters are being provided at Jodhpur-300 KW MW Transmitter in place of 100 KW, Nagpur-300 KW MW transmitter in place of 100 KW, Imphal-300 KW MW transmitter in place of 50 KW, Nazibabad-200 KW MW transmitter in place of 100 KW, Indore-200 KW MW transmitter in place of 100 KW, Kohima-100 KW MW transmitter in place of 50 KW and Port Blair-100 KW MW transmitter in place of 20 KW.

Besides the above, a 1000 KW MW Transmitter at Rajkot and several 20 KW MW transmitters are included under the replacement scheme. 1 KW MW transmitters at a number of places are being replaced mostly with 10 KW FM transmitters. With there replacement, Vividh Bharati Service at quite a few places will get shifted from medium wave to FM.

New Broadcasting House:

There has been a long felt need for providing studio facilities for the broadcast of various services from Delhi. Therefore, a scheme to set up a New Broadcasting House at New

Delhi, at an estimated cost of Rs.60 crores was approved by the Government in February 96.

The new complex will house studios equipped with latest state-of-the-art technical facilities for the External Services Division, News Services Division and Home Services.

Research & Development:

The Research Department of All India Radio is engaged in the development of systems which are not available in the open market, formulating plans for introduction of new services and technologies in the network. Some of the activities are highlighted below:

(i) AIR News-on-Phone: All India Radio has started an interactive broadcasting service for providing AIR News-on-Phone. Through this service, listeners can access a capsule of the latest news highlights.

(ii) Radio on demand: It is an interactive radio service developed and recently started by AIR in Delhi. Here the listeners telephone the broadcasting house and dials the pre-published music code number to register the demand for a particular music. The music stored in the computer server gets retrieved and automatically linked to the FM transmitter for broadcasting.

(iii) Digital Audio Broadcasting (DAB): AIR joined the select group of braodcasters on 1st April 1998 by introducing two hour daily transmission of Digital Audio alongwith one FM Channel on experimental basis.

Staff Training Institute :

The Staff Training Institute located at Kingsway, Delhi caters to the training needs of staff of All India Radio & Doordarshan. Strengthening of Staff Training Institute is proposed under the plan.

Another Staff Training Institute has been set up at Bhubaneshwar (Orissa).

Radio Networking through INSAT:

All the broadcasting centres of AIR throughout the country have been networked through satellite for the relay of national and regional programmes. 18 Uplinks are available for uplinking the programmes in different state capitals to be used by the regional and local stations of respective states. Aizwal, Kohima, Imphal and Agartala are being provided uplinking facilities during the current plan. Uplinking facilities at Jammu are also proposed.

http://allindiaradio.org/plan9.html

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73s de
VU2CDP
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2130. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-25 04:38:50 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2130 Message: 2130
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Dear Friends,

The following tickets of our last churchgate batch has arrived..

Ankur Puranik - VU2AXN.

Shantanu Chand - VU2SCQ

Darshan Hemani - VU2DCE

Anuraag Chugh - VU2AXC

Harsha Salian - VU2HRU

Deepa Ganeshan - VU2DGA

Huafrid Bhatena - VU2HBV

Anish Pancholi - VU2CUN

Aslam Furniturewala - VU2AHE

Yogesh Thakkar - VU2YOT

Viren Gada - VU2VGC

Kalpana Shah - VU2KPW

Swati Deshpande - VU2SQS

Yazad Bisni - VU2YOB

Kaushik Sanghvi - VU2KTW

Anand Dedhia - VU2AFC

Saurabh Shah - VU2SQR

Vishal Shah - VU3VME

Mehernosh Variava - VU2MWW

Congratulations......hope to see you on the AIR soon....

73

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2131. Registration date to avail free lucky draw extended.... join now...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-25 09:37:42 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2131 Message: 2131

Untitled DocumentMumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

The preparations for our Hamfest India 2004 is going on war footing... Hamfest Team is working round the clock to make this event the best ever hamfest in India.

This event is NOT something that you can afford to miss out... it is not ganesh visarjan, JOTA, or Foxhunt.. that you can always participate next time... The next hamfest in Mumbai come after 10 years you never know.. it is happening in Mumbai after 10 years that is a fact....

The registeration fees for 3 days is measly Rs.500/-.. The food which we are giving you itself is going to cost us Rs.750/- per head for 3 days... and ofcourse sovernior and gifts.... so Rs.500/- is like almost free....

By now all of you must have got the hamfest invitiation by courier... if not please download it from ou website www.hamfest2004.org

The last date for Lucky Draw Coupon is extended to 10th December 2004.. so take advantage of and join us now without further delay..

Hams from all over India and Abroad are coming for the fest.... It would be totally Illogical you very much here in Mumbai and not attend...

Register for the fest now and support our society.. it is WIN WIN situation, you have nothing to loose only gain gain & gain...

Sandip - VU2UGO has already posted mails how to register with convenience.... never the less if you have any queries you may directly reach him... vu2ugo@...

Please pass this message to all our other Ham friends who are not on internet... You must register not only yourself but all get the registerations from your fellow hams and help us in making this Mega Event Successful..

73

NLF - Convenor - HFI-2004

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2132. Re: [m_a_r_s] - NEW TICKETS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-25 12:21:09 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 2130 Message: 2132

CONGRATULATION TO MARS TOP BRASS & THE TRAINING TEAM,

WELL DONW MARS.

BASAPPA

Do you Yahoo!?
The all-new My Yahoo! ? What will yours do?

2133. Members telephone Numbers

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-26 09:21:57 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2133 Message: 2133
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Dear Friends,

I have posted (attached) these telephone numbers list many a times... but most of members when asked to call up members always come up with excuses that they do not have the details.

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2134. Need Help For Power Supply.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-26 10:01:07 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2134 Message: 2134

Hello Friends,

Please guide me for

• Power supply requirement : 13.8 V DC ±15% with at least 15 A capacity & 20A Fuses.

Can anybody suggest a genuine Power Supply Dealer?

Regards,

Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S DE VU2LOC.

2135. Re: [m_a_r_s] Need Help For Power Supply.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-27 04:50:21 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2134 Message: 2135

Well pal I am facing the same problem since most people ask why I need 15A!!!!! Haven't been able to procure one but in touch with a few people who may help by putting extra windings on the X'fmer. I honestly do not know how good their supplies are but a better and safe option is Aplab. I plan to buy one from them since I've gotten used to Aplab Power Supplies right from college days . Do keep in touch on this as i may land down at Lamington Rd. someday to scout for some more dealers.

73s
VU2CDP

PS: If you intend to make one on your own then I can give you a good design but procuring the X'fmer still remains a bottleneck

VU2LOC <vu2loc@...> wrote:

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2136. Re: Member's tel nos / NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-27 05:07:39 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2136 Message: 2136

I have posted (attached) these telephone numbers list many a times... but most of members when asked to call up members always come up with excuses that they do not have the details.
Hence once again I am sending these files to you guys...PLEASE save them and take a hard copy too...
73
NLF

Dear NLF,

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Just trying to help.

73,

de
VU2NHR

2137. RE: [m_a_r_s] Re: Member's tel nos / NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-27 06:08:57 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2136 Message: 2137

thanks NHR
-----Original Message-----
From: Nirav [mailto:niravsanghavi@...]
Sent: Saturday, November 27, 2004 10:38 AM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Re: Member's tel nos / NLF

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2138. Member nembers listed in the mail

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-27 06:32:42 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2138 Message: 2138

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98210-25289

GIRISH C.SHUKLA. VU2LNZ 385 8195 287 0824

NILESH M.RATHOD. VU2NLF 2386 6312 2413 6636
98205-47074

MINOO HOMI CONTRACTOR. VU3MHC 492 0898
98211-94242

PANKAJ RAVJI PASAD. VU2RIO 819 7272 388 5302
98200-50135

NAFISA H.SHIKARI. VU2NFS 373 9546 261 5413

NIRAV HASMUKH SANGHAVI VU2NHR 495 1736 289 8812

P.V.JAIPRAKASH. VU2JPN 524 4784

SARLA N.R.SHARMA. VU2SWS 567 3390

UDAYAN C.DESAI. VU2AUU 387 2245

ZARIR BOMI VESUNA. VU2VPQ 387 9248

ARUN SINGH RAWAT. VU3AUA 565 4547
9622-301724

HUZEFA H.MERCHANT. VU2HIT 373 1646 346 0575

SANDESH KAMAT. VU2SXF 873 4719

RATNESH NEELARATNA JAVERI. VU2OUT 389 3407
98201-31722

JYOTIKA D.DALAL. VU2JYO 369 0268

JAYESH KHARWAR. VU2ESP 445 8105 270 0385
98210-82216

MADHU S.RAJAN. VU2LIB 769 6933 281 4000

RAJEN PURSHOTTAM KAVADIA. VU2RIG 386 2840 496 1441

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2139. next meeting

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Date: 2004-11-27 06:37:41 UTC
From: vu2nlf
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Dear Friends,

The next meeting for Hamfest India 2004 will be held on 28th November 2004 at 10:00 AM at B.S.Bengelle girls school... All Hamfest Team members are requested to please attend the meeting without fail..

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2140. Invitation

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From: Micky Korde
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Micky Korde has invited you to join hi5. By joining hi5, you will be connected to Micky and all of Micky's friends.

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Join Micky, meet Micky's friends, and meet people that share your interests now!

Click here:
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2141. 73's

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-27 09:22:15 UTC
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Topic: 2141 Message: 2141

History of 73 From the 1969 ARRL "The Radio Amateur's Operating Manual"

The traditional expression "73" goes right back to the beginning of the landline telegraph days. It is found in some of the earliest editions of the numerical codes, each with a different definition, but each with the same idea in mind - it indicated that the end, or signature, was coming up. But there are no data to prove that any of these were used.

The first authentic use of 73 is in the publication 'The National Telegraph Review and Operators' Guide,' first published in April 1857. At that time, 73 meant "My love to you!" Succeeding issues of this publication continued to use this definition of the term. Curiously enough, some of the other numerals then used have the same definition now that they had then, but within a short time, the use of 73 began to change.

In the National Telegraph Convention, the numeral was changed from the Valentine-type sentiment to a vague sign of fraternalism. Here, 73 was a greeting, a friendly "word" between operators and it was so used on all wires.

In 1859, the Western Union Company set up the standard "92 Code." A list of numerals from one to 92 was compiled to indicate a series of prepared phrases for use by the operators on the wires. Here, in the 92 Code, 73 changes from a fraternal sign to a very flowery "accept my compliments," which was in keeping with the florid language of that era.

Over the years from 1859 to 1900, the many manuals of telegraphy show variations of this meaning. Dodge's 'The Telegraph Instructor' shows it merely as "compliments". The 'Twentieth Century Manual of Railway and Commercial Telegraphy' defines it two ways, one listing as "my compliments to you"; but in the glossary of abbreviations it is merely "compliments". Theodore A. Edison's 'Telegraphy Self-Taught' shows a return to "accept my compliments". By 1908, however, a later edition of the Dodge Manual gives us today's definition of "best regards" with a backward look at the older meaning in another part of the work where it also lists it as "compliments".

"Best regards" has remained ever since as the "put-it-down-in-black-and-white" meaning of 73 but it has acquired overtones of much warmer meaning. Today, amateurs use it more in the manner that James Reid had intended that it be used - a "friendly word between operators". 73,VU2AXNAnkur Puranik

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2142. ham lingo...

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LINGO
Say What , Its Amateur Radio lingo or the Jive that cutts down on too much talking

Common Abbreviations/ Prowords

Word
Meaning

Copy
I copy your Transmission

QSL
I copy

Enroute
Going to a location

ETA
Estimated Time of Arrival

QTH
Location

This is
This station follows

Here is
This station follows

Net
Gathering of radio stations

K
Go ahead

QRL
Is the frequency in use?

CQ
Seek contact with any stations

Clear
same as out, end of transmission

Secure
Station Cleared, out

Stand By
Please stay near your station

Back to you
Returning the frequency to you

QSY
Changing to frequency_____

Hi Hi
Same as an audible laugh

In and out
Leaving the Net

Short Time
Leaving the Net

IN
Recognize me for a comment

VE
Canadian Callsign Jurisdiction

VE
Volunteer Examiner

VEC
Volunteer Examiner Coordinator

CW
Continuous Wave (Morse Code)

HF
High Frequency (aka shortwave)

Traffic
Radio Tranmission information

RF
Radio Frequency Radiation

Oscar
Orbiting Satelitte Carrying Amateur Radio

Machine
Radio Repeater

PEP
Peak Envelope Power

CAP
Civil Air Patrol member

FIX
Navigational Pinpoint

Beam
Directional Antenna

Vertical
Omnidirectional Antenna

Mag-Mount
Magnet Based Antenna, Used on Vehicles

HT
Handheld transciever

BNC
Type of connector used on HT's

DTMF
Dual-tone multifrequency (telephone type tones)

CTCSS
Continuous tone-controlled squelch

squelch
threshold of noise to quiet, setting on radio

NyeCAD
NiCd - Nickel Cadmium battery

simplex
use of communications on one frequency alone

duplex
use of more than one frequency

RFI
Radio Frequency Interference

RF
Radio Frequency - Radiation

EMI
Electromagnetic Radiation - eg: Lightning

IFR
Instrument Flight Rules

VFR
Visual Flight Rules

VASI
Visual Assisted glideSlope Indicator

FCC
Federal Communications Commision

QRT
Ending Transmissions

FAA
Federal Aviation Administration

ARRL
A double R L ...American Radio Relay League

MIC
Microphone

VFO
Variable Frequency Oscillator

VHF
Very High Frequency

SHF
Super High Frequency

TNC
Terminal Node Connector SEE PACKET

SSB
Single Side Band

AM
Amplitude Modulation

FM
Frequency Modulation

UHF
Ultra High Frequency

Packet
Digital data over the air communications

OSCAR
Orbiting Satellite Carrying amateur Radio

ORS
Official Relay Station

OES
Official Emergency Station

OO
Official Observer

OBS
Official Bulliten Station

TX
Transmitt

RX
Receive

VOX
Voice Operated Transmitt

VLF
Very Low Frequency

USB
Upper Side Band

LSB
Lower Side Band

GHZ
Gigahertz

FEMA
Federal Emergency Management Agency

SSTV
Slow-Scan Television

ATV
Amateur Television

ATC
Air Traffic Control

ALC
Automatic Level Control

dB
Decibel, Unit of signal strength

UTC
Coordinated Universal Time

Zulu
Same as UTC

RTTY
Radio Teletype

WWV
Time Station... transmitts the correct time

WWVh
Time Station in Hawaii-WWV is in Fort Collins CO

DEC
District Emergency Coordinator

EC
Emergency Coordinator at county level

EMP
Electromagnetic Pulse

DX
Distant Station - Long Distance

AEC
Assistant Emrgency Coordinator

NC
Net Control

DSP
Digital Signal processing

DSS
Digital Spread Spectrum

STM
Section Traffic Manager

SM
Section Manager

SET
Simulated Emergency Test

SEC
Section Emrgency Coordinator, EC state level

MUF
Maximum Useable Frequency

Patch
Usually a phone patch

Prowords are commonly used

Proword
Meaning

Proword
Meaning

Affirmative
Yes

Number
Messsage number follows

All After
Say again all after ______

Out
End of transmission (Final)

All Before
Say again all before _____

Over
End of Tranmission (Please reply)

Break
Used to seperate message parts

Roger
I copy your transmission

Break
Stop Transmitting

Say Again
Repeat your transmission

Correct
That is Correct

Slant
Slant Bar

Figures
Numerals Follow

This Is
This transmission is from____

From
Message originator follows

Time
File or date time of message follows

Groups
Number of words follows

To
Addressee Follows

Incorrect
That is Incorrect

Wait
Short Pause

Initial
Single letter follows

Wait out
Long Pause

I Say Again
I repeat

Word after
Say again after the word ______

I spell
Phonetic Spelling Follows

Word before
Say again before the word______

Message Follows
Prepare to copy message

More to follow
Standby, More traffic for you

Negative
No, Not received

Mars - Army Radiotelephone Prowords

Ham Radio is a fun hobby but, there is a more serious side. Distress calls must be actual and precise,
NEVER even mention MAYDAY unless its Life threatning !!
Distress Calling

Word
Emergency Level
Where to be used
Notes

MAYDAY

HIGHEST
LIFE and DEATH
Recognized by all agencies

PAN-PAN
Almost as urgent as Mayday
Primarily on water
Pronounced PON-PON

Break-Break
Local - Non Life Threatning
Amateur Radio
Use this for emergencies only

Break

Lowest Level
Amateur Radio
This may be used to get assistance
When using Morse Code or CW USE S?O?S for emergencies only !!

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-27 09:31:23 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2143 Message: 2143

W I R E S I G N A L S

1
Wait a moment

2
Important Business

3
What time is it?

4
Where shall I go ahead?

5
Have you business for me?

6
I am ready

7
Are you ready?

8
Close your key; circuit is busy

9
Close your key for priorit business (Wire chief, dispatcher, etc)

10
Keep this circuit closed

12
Do you understand?

13
I understand

14
What is the weather?

15
For you and other to copy

17
Lightning here

18
What is the trouble?

19
Form 19 train order

21
Stop for a meal

22
Wire test

23
All copy

24
Repeat this back

25
Busy on another wire

26
Put on ground wire

27
Priority, very important

28
Do you get my writing?

29
Private, deliver in sealed envelope

30
No more (end)

31
Form 31 train order

32
I understand that I am to ...

33
Car report (Also, answer is paid for)

34
Message for all officers

35
You may use my signal to answer this

37
Diversion (Also, inform all interested)

39
Important, with priority on thru wire (Also, sleep-car report)

44
Answer promptly by wire

73
Best regards

88
Love and kisses

91
Superintendant's signal

92
Deliver promptly

93
Vice President and General Manager's signals

95
President's signal

134

Who is at the key?

73's

VU2AXN

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2144. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 882

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-27 17:27:29 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 2144 Message: 2144

Hi! Friends,

Another Dear friend has a surplus Icom PS 85 SMPS 20amp supply for sale . Interested people may drop me a line at: lkorahul@....

I would be glad to direct you to the owner. Asking price is 5K.

73

Rahul VU3WJM

Message: 1
Date: Fri, 26 Nov 2004 20:50:21 -0800 (PST)
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Subject: Re: Need Help For Power Supply.

Well pal I am facing the same problem since most people ask why I need 15A!!!!! Haven't been able to procure one but in touch with a few people who may help by putting extra windings on the X'fmer. I honestly do not know how good their supplies are but a better and safe option is Aplab. I plan to buy one from them since I've gotten used to Aplab Power Supplies right from college days . Do keep in touch on this as i may land down at Lamington Rd. someday to scout for some more dealers.

73s
VU2CDP

PS: If you intend to make one on your own then I can give you a good design but procuring the X'fmer still remains a bottleneck

VU2LOC wrote:

Hello Friends,

Please guide me for

• Power supply requirement : 13.8 V DC ±15% with at least 15 A
capacity & 20A Fuses.

Can anybody suggest a genuine Power Supply Dealer?

Regards,

Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S DE VU2LOC.

Yahoo! Groups Links

Do you Yahoo!?

The all-new My Yahoo! ? What will yours do?

2145. My Current Telephone Number

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-27 21:38:29 UTC
From: vu2kiz
Topic: 2138 Message: 2145

Nilesh,

My telephone listed is changed. The present telephone number is
+1 701 235 1505 that is in Fargo, North Dakota, USA. Please correct
your records.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ & KG6SQR

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, vu2nlf <vu2nlf@m...> wrote:
> Untitled DocumentMumbai Amateur Radio Society
>
>
>
> Dear Friends,
>
> I have listed below these telephone numbers list many a times...
but most of
> members when asked to call up members always come up with excuses
that they
> do not have the details.
>
> Hence once again I am sending these files to you guys...PLEASE
save them and
> take a hard copy too...
>
> 73
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> NLF
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> NAME CALLSIGN RESIDENCE
OFFICE MOBILE
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> 98210-25289
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> Shabbir Lokhandwala 6423190 3471597 9820277785 skl29@h...
> Shirish Dhuru 4449964 4362235 shirishdhuru@y...
> Shyam Kapadia 3698234 9820077573 shyam_kapadia@h...
> Subrata Chakraborty 7490783 subrata@b...
> Tirandaz Irani 3884852 2870739
> Uday Sankar Roy 2020510 8221744 9821260428
> Zarthun Zend 2842954 3445515 9820008108 zarthun86@h...
> Zohar Attari 6103650 3749317
> Zorben Zend 2013297 zorbenzend@h...
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> Checked by AVG anti-virus system (http://www.grisoft.com).
> Version: 6.0.781 / Virus Database: 527 - Release Date: 10/21/04

2146. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Member's tel nos / NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-29 04:30:35 UTC
From: dilip bhandari
Topic: 2136 Message: 2146

Dear Nilesh

Kindly note the change in my telephone nos.

Residence 2647 2290
Mobile 9324389617
Office 2494 4003 & 2494 5482

73's

Dilip Bhandari
VU3DGB

_____
ALL-NEW Yahoo! Messenger - all new features - even more fun! http://uk.messenger.yahoo.com

2147. My contact details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-11-29 10:02:39 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2147 Message: 2147

Dear NLF and others,
For your information my tel. no. and email ID are given as under:

+919820762216 (cell)
vu2cdp@...

Please update your records for all future references.

73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

Do you Yahoo!?
Yahoo! Mail - You care about security. So do we.

2148. Happy Birthday - VU2YJM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-03 08:58:30 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2148 Message: 2148
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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MARS wishes its Life Member - Yogesh Mehta - VU2YJM a very Happy Birthday.

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Version: 6.0.781 / Virus Database: 527 - Release Date: 10/21/04

2149. 3rd last meeting for hamfest India 2004 -- 20 days and counting..

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-04 05:50:40 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2149 Message: 2149

Untitled DocumentMumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

The next meeting for Hamfest India 2004 will be held on 5th December 2004 at 10:00 AM at B.S.Bengelle girls school... All Hamfest Team members are requested to please attend the meeting without fail..

73

NLF - Convenor - HFI-2004.

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Checked by AVG anti-virus system (http://www.grisoft.com).
Version: 6.0.781 / Virus Database: 527 - Release Date: 10/21/04

2150. Increase your Yahoo mailbox capacity to 250 MB

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-08 05:10:13 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2150 Message: 2150

Lot of peoples are asking about Upgrading their Yahoo Mail Box.

And now i come up with another trick, let's try this. it will work surely.

If you are still using 100 MB mailbox in yahoo! Then follow the following
trick so that your mailbox size gets upgraded to 250MB.

1.Goto http://edit.yahoo.com/config/set_intl
2.It asks for the username & password
3.Enter the username and password, which is still 100MB
3.Change the language content there to UK English from US English
4.Click on Accept
5.Click on Check Email
6.Check your mailbox size

2151. Fwd: [CQ_VU] Digest Number 672

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-08 05:52:58 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2151 Message: 2151

CQ_VU@yahoogroups.com wrote:Date: 7 Dec 2004 08:52:20 -0000
From: CQ_VU@yahoogroups.com
To: CQ_VU@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [CQ_VU] Digest Number 672

There is 1 message in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. Significant move...
From: "Sandeep Baruah"

Message: 1
Date: Mon, 06 Dec 2004 19:14:49 -0000
From: "Sandeep Baruah"
Subject: Significant move...

Dear friends,
In a significant move, the Ministry of Home Affairs of the Goverment of India, has convened a joint meeting of the different Ministries, Govt. Departments and different Amateur Radio (ham radio) promoting bodies in India on December 6, 2004. The meeting which was held at the behest of the National Disaster Management Wing of the Ministry of Home Affairs aimed at removing the bottlenecks of ham radio promotion in India and to bring up a 'National Roadmap' for its promotion.

Brainstorming sessions on the following aspects were held:

(1) Amateur Radio in Education (School/College/Technical Institutes);
(2) Amateur Radio for Volunteer Groups under youth development schemes;
(3) Amateur Radio Promotion and related Legal/Security/Regulatory aspects.

The ham radio operators in the India were represented by the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI), Vigyan Prasar (National Council for Science & Technology Communications & Vigyan Prasar Club VU2NCT, Govt. of India), National Institute of Amateur Radio (NIAR), Mumbai Amateur Radio Society (MARS), and Institute of Amateur Radio Gujarat (GIAR).

Hams who have represented on behalf of the above organisations were:
Lion Ajoy from Bangalore, VU2JHM (representing ARSI-an IARU

affiliated body) and Shri Sahruddin, VU2SDN (Ex-President, ARSI), Shri S. Suri, VU2MY (National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad), Shri Sandeep Baruah, VU2MUE (Ex-VU2MSY) & Dr. Subodh Mahanti from Vigyan Prasar, Deptt. of Science & Technology, Shri Nilesh Rathod, VU2NLF (Mumbai Amateur Radio Society, Mumbai), and Shri Jinofer Bhujwala (Institute of Amateur Radio Gujarat-GIAR).

ARSI's views were earlier faxed by Mrs. Sarla Sharma, VU2SWS (Vice-President, ARSI) to the Home Ministry.

Shri Rama Rao, Assistant Wireless Adviser to the Govt. of India, WPC Wing was also present in the meeting. It was informed by Shri Rama Rao that WPC is now considering an amendment of the Indian Wireless Telegraph (Amateur Service) Rules 1978 (which was last amended in 1984). For example, there may be just two categories of ham radio licences in India, i.e.'Restricted Grade' and a 'General Grade' licence.

The meeting was convened and presided over by Shri Saroj Kumar Jha, Director (NDM-III, Ministry of Home Affairs), who strongly felt that that the grievances of amateur radio enthusiasts in India are genuine and that these attract serious attention. He also expressed his feelings to do away with the age old rules & regulations pertaining to ham radio in India.

Most of the participants came to a common consensus that following are the bottlenecks of ham radio promotion in India:

(1) Long delay in the 'Licencing' (due to the long process involved in police verification etc.)

(2) Restrictions like the permissions involved in ham radio operation (for portable operation, mobile operation, field day operation, awareness programmes, expeditions, dxpedition, reciprocal operations, car rallies etc.)

(3) Customs duty imposed on amateur radio equipments (those that come under the HS Code 852520 04).

(4) Mandatory requirement of the knowledge of Morse Code etc.

In this regard, an elaborate report is submitted to the NDM (Home Ministry) by VU2NCT club station of Vigyan Prasar, which is available at http://www.qsl.net/vu2msy/VU2NCT_Suggestions_to_Home_Ministry.pdf . These are in line with the views which are separately submitted by ARSI to the NDM (Home Ministry).

We on behalf of VU2NCT club station would like to thank all the hams who have submitted their valuable suggestions through an online Internet form long time back (http://www.qsl.net/vu2msy/amendment.htm) .

Many of the views in our report to the Home Ministry are directly 'taken' or 're-produced' from the views which were deliberated by the individual hams in India through the online Internet form.

Thanks to OM Gopal Madhavan, VU2GMN, YL Sarla Sharma, VU2SWS (Vice President, ARSI), Shri Sahruddin, VU2SDN (Ex-President, ARSI) and Lion Ajoy, VU2JHM for catalyzing the effort.

Thanks to VU2UKR, VU3FUN, VU2ZZA, VU2LID, VU2ZAP, VU2UYC, VU2DUF, VU2KFR, VU2ATN, VU2PCD, VU2CBU (Ex-VU3PDZ), VU3DJQ, VU3SNM, VU2JPS, VU2NGB, VU3HCL, VU2LLA, VU2GRM, VU3RJH, VU2PAI, VU2SBJ, VU2HSM, VU2JN, VU3HCL, VU2SDU, VU2LLA, VU2PAI, VU2DRL, VU2LIB, VU2WEE VU2ARC/JHM, VU2YK, VU2RAK, VU2HFR, VU2SXA, VU2BTM, VU3VOA, VU2NTA, VU3GRB, VU2FTF, VU3GTF, VU2SWM, VU3SLV, VU3ALK, VU3NSP, VU2KFL, VU2PQ, VU2NGD, VU3AGU, VU2PN, VU2QGQ, VU2QGS, VU2OGR, VU2HY, VU2CRD, VU2CMR, VU2KYP, VU3KSP, VU2XMX, VU3VOC, VU3PAN, VU3BWB VU3RCN, VU3KPL, VU2MKD, VU2RPC, VU2SKD, VU3BFO, VU3WCI, VU2RAR, VU2IVG, VU3KSP, VU2RDQ, VU2SXA, VU2TNA, VU3BGS, VU3BHU, VU3CSB, VU3MHM, VU2NJN, VU3GHB VU2TES, VU2TNA, VU3HPF, VU3AZI, VU3BSW, VU2NYR, VU2CVT, VU2AMU, VU2AVE, VU3OAM, VU2DXC, VU3XTO, VU2JSH, VU2LU, VU2VTH and also many SWLs, especially OM Ramakrishnan (Bangalore), OM Abhijit Dharmadhikari (Mumbai) who have been waiting for their licences for more than two years since they passed their exams...

The different ministries/Deptts. who have particiapted the meeting are:
Deptt. of Space, Ministry of Defence, Ministry of HRD, Deptt. of IT, DOT, DCPW (Police Wireless), Confederation of Indian Industries, Orissa State Disaster Mitigation Authority (OSDMA), Govt. of Uttaranchal and Govt. of AP etc.

We expect that a National Roadmap for the promotion of ham radio in India would come up soon.
Kudos to the Disaster Management Division of the Ministry of Home Affairs for coordinating and promoting amateur radio as a tool for effective disaster communication. It is expected that the present impediments of amateur radio promotion can be removed by implementing a new amateur radio policy with active cooperation of different Ministries (e.g. DOT, Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Defence, Revenue Ministries, Ministry of HRD & other concerned deptts.) and amateur radio promoting bodies.

Thanks & Best 73
de
(Sandeep Baruah) VU2MUE

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WWW Location http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CQ_VU/
Message Archives http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CQ_VU/messages/
Files Archive: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CQ_VU/files/
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Post message: CQ_VU@yahoogroups.com
Subscribe: CQ_VU-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
Unsubscribe: CQ_VU-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com
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Kindly report any abuse to the group moderator
mailto:CQ_VU-owner@yahoogroups.com

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Yahoo! Groups Links

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VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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Yahoo! Mail - You care about security. So do we.

2152. Ha(r)m-less

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-09 06:30:43 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2152 Message: 2152

Site to get new changed Reliance numbers

http://www.relianceinfo.com/Infocomm/Rim/rim_93home.html

2153. RE: hamming in Mumbai

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-09 16:59:00 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 2153 Message: 2153

Hello David,

Great to hear that you will be visiting bombay. Unfortunately i m out of country but our Bombay guys will hopefully be able to arrange an eyeball for you.

I have marked a copy of this mail to our group and they should take it on from there.

Thanks,

Mehul

-----Original Message-----
From: David King [mailto:dking@...]
Sent: Friday, December 10, 2004 12:42 AM
To: huzefam@...; mehul2k@...
Subject: hamming in Mumbai

Dear Mr. Merchant and Mr. Chovatia,

My name is David King, and I'm an American ham. My callsign's AA2KV.
I'm coming to Mumbai tomorrow, the 10th, and will stay until the 13th. It would be great to get a chance to do some DXing. Would it be possible to visit with someone and operate an HF rig?

Thanks,
David

2154. Re: [m_a_r_s] RE: hamming in Mumbai

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-10 02:34:26 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 2153 Message: 2154

Hello David,
Namaste.
Firstly very warm welcome to VU land.
You can visit my QTH just 70 kms away from Mumbai. A small village on the National Highway, 90 minutes drive. You may use my TEN TEC 580 D or TEN TEC 540. (of N7XM). Electronic key for CW. I have inverted Vee.

Last year HL1EJT/Park visited my qth.

My LL office : 02192 306162 Mobile : 093708 55031

Regards,

Basappa
VU2NXM
AT0BI (IOTA AS 169)
Proud life Member of MARS.

Do you Yahoo!?
Send holiday email and support a worthy cause. Do good.

2155. Registrations done so far!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-10 11:37:47 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2155 Message: 2155

Hi

Following is the list of members who have registered their names for the hamfest!
Rest of the members are requested to register ASAP, visit http://www.hamfest2004.org
For any further info contact me on vu2ugo@... or (M) 20623636

Ratnesh Javeri VU2OUT
Dinsh Patel SWL
Milan Gudka SWL
Suren Shete VU2SFH
Manohar Bhatija SWL
Viren Gada VU2VGC
Rajendra Pitale VU3PIT
Mandke
Gubbi VU2GBI

A. Sivamanickam VU3CAO
Abhaykumar Shah VU2AIH
Amit Malgaonkar
Ananta More VU3MWH
Andrews Kariyattil SWL
Anish Korde VU2OZO
Ankur Puranik VU2AXN
Anurag Chug
Arjun Ferrao
Arun Singh Rawat VU3AUA
Ashok R. Parab VU2PWP
Basappa Arabole VU2NXM
Darshan Hemani VU2DCE
Deepak Pathak VU2CDP
Dilip Bhandari VU3DGB
Firoz Patel VU2FEO
Girish Zalke SWL
Gururaj G. Shanbhag SWL
Hardeep Singh Khalsa VU2HKL
Huafrid Bathena VU2HBV
Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Kaushik Sanghvi VU2KTW
Labhesh More VU2EGO
Mehernosh Noshir Variava VU3MWW
Milind Korde VU2IZO
Mohammd Bhanvadwala VU2GYM
Mustafa Bhanvadwala VU2LUB
Nandini Gangal SWL

Nilesh Dixit SWL
Nilesh Rathod VU2NLF
Pankaj Shah SWL
Perviz Mirza VU2PJM
Pranav Koli VU3PPE
Prashant Koli VU2CBU
Pravin P. Panchal VU3PAN
Rajesh N. Shethia VU2WCS
Rajiv Sain VU2UGA
Sandesh Kamat VU2SXF
Sandhya Koli VU2CBW
Sandip Adiwarekar VU2UGO
Sanjay Kadam VU2KDM
Sanjay Shinde VU2HIM
Sanosh Vedante VU2IES
Shailesh Deshmukh VU2LOC
Shailesh Pradhan VU2SFN
Shantanu Chand VU2SCQ
Sudhir Kalkar VU2CBV
Tirandaz Irani VU2TPI
Ulhas Paralkar VU2UBP
Vaibhav P. Palande VU3ICU
Vijay Vaidya VU2CFO
Vilas More VU2ITV
Vispi Mirza VU2WLL
Yogesh Mehta VU2YJM
Yogesh Thakkar VU2YOT
Zohar Attari VU3ZNA
Zyros Zend VU2ZRS

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vu2ugo@...
Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
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2156. my mobile no

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-15 09:51:30 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2156 Message: 2156
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2157. Fw: Advertisment for Hamfest

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-16 08:17:16 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2157 Message: 2157

----- Original Message -----
From: Yogesh Thakkar
Sent: Thursday, December 16, 2004 01:17 PM
Subject: Advertisment for Hamfest

To
All Hames
Kindly send the advertisments form along with the advertising material to me before saturday i.e. 18/12/04.Pl confirm the speical position advertisements with me before collecting the cheque from the party.

73
Yogesh Thakkar
(VU2YOT)

2158. Hamfest Logo

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-17 08:42:08 UTC
From: Yogesh Thakkar
Topic: 2065 Message: 2158
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

To
Pankaj
Attach herewith Hamfest Logo for you.
73
Yogesh Thakkar

Do you Yahoo!?
Yahoo! Mail - now with 250MB free storage. Learn more.

2159. US Windows Short for Andaman and Nicobar Islands (VU4) DXpedition

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-18 07:37:41 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2159 Message: 2159
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2160. Last Sunday Meeting for our Hamfest India 2004.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-18 10:12:41 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2160 Message: 2160

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Dear Friends,

Just 5 more days left... Almost all the preparations are done and ready for the show... All Hamfest volunteers are requested to attend the sunday meeting at B.S.Bengelle Girls School at 10:00 AM sharp..

73 and all the best...

NLF

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Version: 6.0.781 / Virus Database: 527 - Release Date: 10/21/04

2161. Re: Registrations done so far! VU2JHM member name missing

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-21 12:06:25 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 2155 Message: 2161

Dear Friends,

I am just checking up. Not sure if you mean by MARS Members of Mumai only, as I too am MARS Life Member and Registered Delegate of HFI 2004.

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
MARS Lifemember from Bangalore - The Ham Radio Capital of India.

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, VU2UGO <vu2ugo@v...> wrote:
> Hi
>
> Following is the list of members who have registered their names for the
> hamfest!
> Rest of the members are requested to register ASAP, visit
> http://www.hamfest2004.org
> For any further info contact me on vu2ugo@g... or (M) 20623636
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> Dinsh Patel SWL
> Milan Gudka SWL
> Suren Shete VU2SFH
> Manohar Bhatija SWL
> Viren Gada VU2VGC
> Rajendra Pitale VU3PIT
> Mandke
> Gubbi VU2GBI
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> A. Sivamanickam VU3CAO
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> Yogesh Thakkar VU2YOT
> Zohar Attari VU3ZNA
> Zyros Zend VU2ZRS
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> ============================
> vu2ugo@q...
> Yahoo & MSN ID : sandipadiwarekar
> ============================

2162. Ants on WTC NY # 911

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-21 17:19:00 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 2162 Message: 2162

Dear Mumbai friends,

Would be carrying a short amateur video CD taken by Hams of New York on top of World Trade Centre with all the QRM caused by TVI and other wireless tx, plus without any tripod, unedited 10 minutes shot.

This CD has nothing to do with the Sep 11th attack, but became important later so I have it.

Hope there would be a short slot for this badly taken video at HFI 2004.

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM,
Disater Manager & Custodian,
Lions Clubs International -Ham Radio Station - VU2LCI

Life Member of Mumbai Amateur Radio Society.

2163. my new email address

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-22 06:16:04 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2163 Message: 2163

hi everybody
my new email address is vu2sfn@... kindly add in your address book

best regards
shailesh pradhan

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2164. Season's Greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-22 10:56:55 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 440 Message: 2164

Dear Friends,

Wish You A Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year!!!

Best wishes from

Shantanu Chand

VU2SCQ

2165. Re: [m_a_r_s] Season's Greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-22 12:53:16 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 440 Message: 2165

Hi Shantanu,
Congratulations!. Your article on Ganesh visarjan has
been published in WorlRadio Magazine(www.wr6wr.com)
January 2005 edition.
Nice and brief article reminded me about the only
event i attended couple of years back.
Also Ankur: the photos were crisp.
Congrats again!.

To all hams at mumbai, Wishing merry Xmas and best
wishes to Hamfest.

73s
W1/Vu3KPL

--- Shantanu Chand <VU2SCQ@...> wrote:

>
> Dear Friends,
>
> Wish You A Merry Christmas and a Happy and
> Prosperous New Year!!!
>
>
>
> Best wishes from
>
>
>
> Shantanu Chand
>
> VU2SCQ
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Do you Yahoo!?
The all-new My Yahoo! - What will yours do?
http://my.yahoo.com

2166. Greetings - Hamfest 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-26 02:48:32 UTC
From: vu2kiz
Topic: 2166 Message: 2166

I wish the Hamfest 2004 great success. Wishing merry Xmas and happy 2005 to MARS members, famalies and friends.

Kailash Gupta
Doctoral Researcher and
Doctoral Student in Emergency Management
North Dakota State Universtiy
Fargo, ND 58102, USA

2167. UPDATE YOUR KNOWLEDGE ON EARTHQUAKE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-26 14:30:57 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 2167 Message: 2167

Check for Earthquake on the internet for updates

ADVERTISEMENT

Dear Friends,

The following is the website for knowing abt EQs

http://neic.usgs.gov/neis/bulletin/

The Indian Met Dept also has a site, but not that well updated...

http://www.imd.ernet.in/main_new.htm

Do know abt the Aftershocks of the earthquakes and be prepared for
the worst.

Best of 73's

de Lion Ajoy -VU2JHM
Disaster Manager & Custodian,
Lions Clubs International Ham Radio Station - VU2LCI

reporting from Dadar, Mumbai - returning from HFI 2004 by nite train.

2168. Andaman and Nicobar EQ updates

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-26 14:35:04 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 2168 Message: 2168

Dear Friends,

After the BIGGEST EARTHQUAKE in Sumatra measuring 8.9 Mag followed by 5.9, 5.8, 5.9 Here in Andaman and Nicobar there are seperate EQs reported Measuring 5.8, 6.1, 7.3 !!! Boy these are very big ones.

Please update your knowledge on these EQs

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Disaster Manager & Custodian,
Lions Clubs International Ham Radio Station - VU2LCI

Presently in Dadar Rly Stn, Mumbai boarding Train to Bangalore on 26th Dec...

2169. Earthquake, Tsunamis Hit Southern Asia; VU4 DXpedition in Emergency Mode

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From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2169 Message: 2169

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NEWINGTON, CT, Dec 26, 2004--A magnitude 8.9 earthquake struck off the coast of the northern Indonesian island of Sumatra just before 0100 UTC today, killing or injuring many thousands and causing widespread damage. The disaster also has shut down the Andaman and Nicobar Islands VU4RBI/VU4NRO DXpedition--perhaps permanently. The team appears to have shifted into emergency mode, since one of the stations was reported on the air earlier today using battery power to maintain communication with India. The earthquake, multiple aftershocks and tidal waves--tsunamis--of 30 feet or higher following the initial quake subsequently jolted the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The US Geological Survey's National Earthquake Information Center reports aftershocks between 5.7 and 7.3 on the Richter scale in the vicinity of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, which are closer to the earthquake's epicenter than the Indian mainland.

"All of us here in the US are watching the unfolding news of the earthquake and tsunamis with shock and horror," ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, messaged Charly Harpole, K4VUD/VU3CHE, who has been visiting the VU4 DXpedition. Sumner asked Harpole to relay word "that all of you, and friends and families affected by the tragedy, are foremost in our thoughts and prayers." It's not known if Sumner's e-mail got through. Harpole has been filing regular e-mail dispatches via The Daily DX.

Unconfirmed DX spots from stations hearing VU4NRO or VU4RBI after the earthquake indicate that the five team members of the National Institute of Amateur Radio-sponsored DXpedition are okay. DX spots further indicated that power in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands was knocked out by the earthquake, which occurred at around 6:30 AM local time, and the consequent tsunamis. The VU4RBI/VU4NRO team was reported on the air running 20 W from battery power, working back to India and likely passing emergency traffic--although that has not been confirmed. The DXpedition had been scheduled to conclude operations December 31.

An IndiaNews report called the destruction in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands "unprecedented, with the gigantic tidal waves sinking two civilian ships and destroying dry docks."

Hardest hit were Indonesia, southeastern India and Sri Lanka (formerly Ceylon). Estimates vary, but the natural disaster reportedly has claimed upward of 7000 lives, and the death toll continues to rise. It is the height of the tourist season in that part of the world, and many tourists were believed to have been among the earthquake's

victims.

The DXpedition is headquartered in Port Blair on Andaman. News reports earlier today said that at least 20 people were killed and more than 100 injured in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. There was no prior warning of the disaster, and an unknown number of people among the islands' fishing crews at sea were reported missing. Many buildings and the main jetty at Port Blair were said to have been severely damaged. The airport, while damaged, was reopened and operating, and IndiaNews said the Indian Air Force had already sent three transports carrying relief supplies to the remote islands. Flights to evacuate tourists were pending.

Damage to the Port Blair jetty was hampering relief and rescue efforts by sea, according to Indian news media. Additional details were not available.

According to one news account, panic-stricken citizens of Port Blair ran out of their houses as the earthquake rocked the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. Residents were being advised to stay outdoors. The tidal wave caused some flooding in the city.

The Andaman and Nicobar Islands are in a part of the world that makes them extremely vulnerable to major earthquakes as well as to tsunamis from large local quakes and from massive distant shocks such as today's. No warning system is presently in place for any of the islands of the chain. A major earthquake in 1941 caused extensive damage in Port Blair, destroying many of its major buildings.

Today's earthquake off Sumatra is being called the fifth largest in history.

From: www.arrl.org

Regards,
Shailesh Deshmukh
73' DE VU2LOC

2170. Fwd: [CQ_VU] Digest Number 687

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-28 04:19:30 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2170 Message: 2170

FYI

73s
de VU2CDP

CQ_VU@yahoogroups.com wrote:
Date: 27 Dec 2004 22:05:30 -0000
From: CQ_VU@yahoogroups.com
To: CQ_VU@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [CQ_VU] Digest Number 687

There are 5 messages in this issue.

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From: "Sandeep Baruah"
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From: "Alokesh Gupta"

Message: 1
Date: Mon, 27 Dec 2004 08:23:02 +0530
From: "Alokesh Gupta"
Subject: Fw: [dxld] OPDX December 27: Andaman Island Update

FYI

Regds/Alokesh

----- Original Message -----
From: "John Norfolk"
To:
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2004 6:01 AM
Subject: [dxld] OPDX December 27: Andaman Island Update

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> ** ANDAMAN ISLANDS (Update). As this was being typed Sunday morning,

> December 26th, word came out that a major earthquake (8.9 magnitude)
> hit the Indonesia area from the eastern Indian Ocean. Reports of many
> deaths and severe injuries are reported. The effects of the
> earthquake were very strong in India and tsunami waves have caused
> problems on the Andamanns. Charles Harpole, K4VUD, who usually
> provides updates on the VU4 operations daily, did not Sunday.
> However, on the air reports and InterNet sources indicate that the
> VU4 team is fine. Reports also state VU4RBI is now on low power and
> providing emergency communications. There is an interesting Web page
> to view the current earthquakes. Please visit:
> http://earthquake.usgs.gov/recenteqsww/Quakes/quakes_big.html
> Let`s hope that the reports about the VU4 team are true, and they are
> all in good health.
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> In Charle`s updates on the VU4 operations this past week, he
> mentioned that the team is using paper logs. However, a SWL volunteer
> is taking the logs and typing the QSOs into a computer. The hand logs
> will be kept to solve any questions that may come up as QSL requests
> come in. Charles did mention he will explain to the VU4 team the
> possible use of the LoTW and hope later that all logs can be loaded
> there. On Thursday, December 23rd, Charles stated that the ``team has
> now passed the 30,000 QSO mark and has mounted HF signals on SSB, CW,
> Slowscan TV, RTTY, and PSK on all bands --- including all 3 WARC ---
> from 160-6 meters.`` (KB8NW\OPDX December 27\BARF-80 via John
> Norfolk, dxldyg)
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Message: 2
Date: Mon, 27 Dec 2004 11:20:30 +0530
From: Sunil U K
Subject: DXpedition Team Safe: Andaman Islands

I had a Contact with VU4NRO [QRP] Operated by VU2MYH OM Mohan,
Early this morning [27-dec-04] 00:30 IST.

The Dxpedition Team is keeping Fine.
They have no power supply there, that was the msg recvd.

RST was 56 deeep QSB - QSO lasted 15 minutes.

Dear fellow HAMs keep watch on your Radio as tremors are still being
reported here and
there. May be you can be of great help!

27-dec-2004
Latest update from VU3CYL [YL Sindhu] in Cherthala 9' 44 N 76'23 E

- VU4 RBI is active on 20 meter band [11:10 IST]
waiting for permission to initiate emergency communications at
carnicobar.

Please give support to the emergency communications going on. Listen
first, Keep watch, stay on frequency.

de VU2UKR /New Delhi
Sunil.U.K
Moderator

Message: 3
Date: Mon, 27 Dec 2004 16:05:47 +0530 (IST)
From: "Sandeep Baruah"
Subject: Andaman Emergency Frequency

Now there are two emergency frequencies.
VU4NRO is QRV on 14.190 MHz and
VU2NRO (at Hyderabad) is on 14.160 to receive QSPs for Portblair.

Two more hams (VU2DVO and VU2JOS) have already arrived Portblair..
Some landlines are working in Andaman. But No electricity..No water at
the VU4NRO's operating location (Hotel Sinclair, Portblair).

Car Nicobar is totally cut off-which is the worst affected area.
Thousands are missing. Ham radio operators may proceed to that area after
clearance from the local authority.

As per National Disaster Management Wing information, 5 nos. of AN-32
aircrafts with a medical team and 8 Satellite Telephones arrived
Portblair.

ham stations from India are in constant communication with VU4RBI to
handle QSPs. VU2HFR is relaying to VU4 from Kolkata.
Our club VU2NCT is also on-air.
For any QSP to Portblair my mobile no. is 9811686572

73
Sandeep, VU2MUE

Message: 4
Date: Mon, 27 Dec 2004 17:43:17 +0530 (IST)
From: "Sandeep Baruah"
Subject: Andaman Update

12:00 hrs UTC 27th December: The local administration has formally asked
for ham's assistance in Andaman. VU4RBI is still operating from Hotel

Sinclair. The other DXpedition station VU4NRO would be operating from the
Deputy Commissioner's office from tomorrow.
Just now heard VU2GMN in contact with VU4RBI
VU2MYH may proceed to Car Nicobar.
73s
de
Sandeep, VU2MUE
Club: VU2NCT
New Delhi
Mobile# 9811686572

Message: 5
Date: Tue, 28 Dec 2004 00:13:32 +0530
From: "Alokesh Gupta"
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From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2171 Message: 2171

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2172. The Mahatma's Hams / Article from www.wr6wr.com

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-29 05:33:13 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2172 Message: 2172

The Mahatma's Hams
Owen Williamson, AC5OE

http://www.wr6wr.com/

Few present-day radio amateurs know about the essential contribution made by two Amateur Radio operators, "Bob" Tanna, VU2LK, and Nariman Abarbad Printer, VU2FU, who risked their own personal safety and freedom to help Mahatma Gandhi win India's struggle for independence. While Gandhi's life and work have long been admired in America and around the world, almost nothing has yet been published about the important role Amateur Radio operators played at a crucial moment in his struggle. Since his death in 1947, Gandhi's philosophy of homespun self-reliance has often been espoused by those who mistrust high technology. However, when Gandhian leaders were being jailed and shut out of the media, it was Ham operators who stepped forward and offered their expertise with the highest available technology of the day to provide crucial radio communications equipment and know-how for the Mahatma's nonviolent freedom movement.

At the outbreak of World War II in Europe in 1939, all Amateur Radio licenses were suspended "for the duration" throughout the British Empire. In that era, India had less than fifty licensed amateur operators, the majority British nationals involved with the colonial administration. All received written orders to turn in their transmitting equipment to the police, both for possible use in the war effort and to prevent transmitters from falling into the hands of Axis collaborators and spies.

However, Tanna, the owner and operator of Bombay's Tanna Radio Acoustics, and Printer, a freelance inventor and Principal of a Bombay technical institute, opted to hide or disassemble their rigs rather than turn them in to British colonial authorities. Printer later claimed in court that he intended to use the components of his transmitter for classroom teaching purposes only. Tanna, an active member of Bombay's nonviolent Gandhian underground , found a more immediate and urgent use for his equipment: working for the freedom of his country.

By the time of the Second World War, British imperial rule over India was thoroughly unpopular, and its future prospects after the war were in serious question. From the first outbreak of hostilities, Gandhi and his leadership were determined to take every possible advantage of world events to promote Indian independence and neutrality from both Allies and Axis. In 1940, young Tanna spontaneously seized the spirit of the moment to put "Azad Hind Radio" (Free India Radio) on the air, briefly using his 40-meter AM transmitter to broadcast Gandhian protest music and uncensored economic news from his former Ham shack, loading his wife's clothesline as an antenna. However, he was quickly arrested, briefly jailed, and his transmitting equipment seized.

In mid-1942, the situation facing the British in India had become critical, with domestic popular discontent at a boiling-point, and Japanese air-raids battering the deep-water port of Chittagong and elsewhere along India's eastern border. A land- or sea-based invasion of the Indian subcontinent was now an imminent military threat. On the home front,

a dissident faction of Gandhi's movement had broken with the Mahatma and his nonviolent philosophy, and was engaged in active material sabotage against the British "raj," cutting phone and telegraph lines, stoning troop-trains, and pulling up railway tracks.

One popular former Gandhian leader, "Netaji" Subhash Chandra Bose, had even gone to Berlin, and there received Adolph Hitler's help to establish a totally different, Axis-sponsored "Radio Azad Hind" network, which bombarded India with violent anti-British propaganda from Nazi Germany, Imperial Japan, and Japanese-held Singapore, Rangoon and Saigon. Within India, popular support for "Netaji" (Hindi for "the dear Fuehrer") was growing. Under his command, a puppet "Free Indian Army" was being recruited and trained in Japanese-occupied Southeast Asia, and would soon join Imperial Japanese forces in a joint attack on British India's remote and vulnerable northeastern Manipur front.

On 9 August 1942, after Gandhi's "Quit India" campaign brought yet another strong wave of nonviolent pro-independence protest, frantic British colonial authorities ordered sweeping arrests, including that of Mahatma Gandhi himself and his top leadership. All news of the Indian National Congress (Gandhi's umbrella-organization) was summarily banned from India's press and (state-monopoly) broadcast media. Gandhian activists who remained free saw a real danger that their movement could soon end up splintered and derailed into violent anarchy and terror, or else fall by default into the Axis orbit, unless something was done quickly to reestablish broken communication links between underground Congress leadership and the movement's grass-roots supporters.

In Bombay, clandestine Congress leader Vitalbhai Javeri and student activist Usha Mehta decided to secretly sound out the few ethnic Indians in the Bombay area who were Amateur Radio operators, among them Tanna and Printer, with a view toward establishing an underground Gandhian broadcasting station. Both Hams readily agreed, but Tanna was immediately betrayed to colonial authorities by a still-unidentified, pro-British radio engineer, whom he had quietly approached to construct the transmitter. On 31 October 1942, a fully-working HF transmitter was delivered to Tanna, but only to serve as "bait" in a British sting-operation. The Tanna family home was searched, unearthing two old, non-working UHF transceivers, and Tanna was promptly re-arrested and charged with possession of wireless telegraphy apparatus. He was held briefly, but then set free on bail.

Printer, who a colonial judge later described "a mainstay of the conspiracy," succeeded in reconstructing his old homebrew 40-meter amateur transmitter, after replacing several parts including a microphone. Though not a member of the Gandhian movement, he immediately agreed to sell the working transmitter, a 50-watt AM unit with microphone and "electrically driven gramophone pick-up," to activists. This was to become "Congress Radio," which began broadcasting 2 September 1942 on 7.12 MHz. With Printer's ongoing technical assistance, the station broadcast messages of nonviolent resistance at 8:30 a.m. and 8:45 p.m. daily through the high point of Mahatma Gandhi's "Quit India Movement," in October, and November of 1942.

Despite sporadic British jamming, the crystal-controlled signal of Congress Radio was audible on the then-unoccupied 40-meter band throughout the Indian subcontinent, and as far away as Japanese-occupied Burma. The station transmitted recordings of the Mahatma's sermons and his calls for nonviolence, uncensored news, pro-independence music, instructions for Gandhian activists, and political declarations by the movement's underground leadership. For security, programs were recorded on 78 rpm disks at a remote location and then played at the transmitting site, which was shifted randomly between

apartments rented for the purpose in different areas of Bombay. Leaflets were secretly distributed by neighborhood-level Congress activists, with times and frequencies of transmissions.

The station was detected by colonial authorities almost immediately, and Printer and the Gandhian activists involved with the clandestine broadcasts had several "close calls" when British direction-finders nearly succeeded in triangulating the location of the transmitter. On 11 November 1942, Tanna and one of his employees were arrested once again, even though no evidence could be found to directly connect them to the clandestine Congress Radio broadcasts. On November 12, Printer was arrested, and subsequently agreed to cooperate fully with colonial authorities.

It is unclear what caused his sudden change of heart, but court documents of the time show that Printer was heavily in debt, and may have been threatened with serious fraud charges connected with alleged mismanagement of his technical school. In a 1988 interview with German journalist Peter Ruhe, former Congress Radio announcer Usha Mehta suggested she still strongly lamented Printer's "betrayal," even though contemporary court records show that his cooperation with prosecutors, though complete, may not have been fully voluntary. Other Congress Radio defendants allegedly received harsh treatment at the hands of colonial jailers (including being forced to sleep lightly-clothed on blocks of ice), so Printer's decision to turn "Crown's evidence" may have been extracted by external factors.

On 12 November 1942, Printer led colonial police to Javeri's office, where the underground Gandhian leader was arrested, and later to the Congress Radio transmitting site, where Mehta and another nonviolent activist were also taken into custody. On 14 May 1943, after a secret trial in a "Special Court," Mehta was sentenced by a "Special Judge" to five years "rigorous imprisonment." Two other Congress Radio defendants were sentenced to shorter prison terms, while Javeri was acquitted, thanks to strong efforts by his defense attorney. Prosecution efforts to link Tanna to Congress Radio were unsuccessful, and he also walked free.

Nariman Printer was offered and accepted full immunity from prosecution in return for his testimony for the Crown. Printer dropped from sight after the Congress Radio trial, and his expired call sign, VU2FU, was re-issued to a different Indian amateur operator after the war. Today, even elder members of Bombay's small and tightly-knit Parsi community, to which Printer belonged, profess to remember neither his name nor his story, and no further records of his life or activities after 1943 have been located.

Usha Mehta was freed, along with all other Gandhian activists convicted of pro-independence activities, when independent India finally achieved its freedom in 1947. She later earned her PhD, and received numerous honors as a national hero and noted Gandhian scholar. She passed away from natural causes on 11 August 2000.

After independence, Bob (as he is still known on the air), VU2LK, was once again licensed as an Amateur Radio operator. He received official recognition as a nonviolent Freedom Fighter and was named a national hero for his underground radio work in the Gandhian movement. As of this writing he is, at 86 years of age, the oldest active licensed radio amateur in India (and one of the most honored). He is currently in seclusion following the death of his beloved wife of 67 years, but he has not given up on either Ham radio or the ideals that led him to risk his life and freedom a half-century ago, when he offered his technical know-how to aid the Mahatma's nonviolent struggle for his country's freedom.

2173. Asian Radio Amateurs Bridging Communication Gap following Tsunami

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-29 13:43:21 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2173 Message: 2173

Asian Radio Amateurs Bridging Communication Gap following Tsunami

NEWINGTON, CT, Dec 28, 2004--Amateur Radio organizations and individual amateurs in several of the countries affected by the December 26 earthquake and consequent tsunamis in South Asia have begun emergency communication activities. The death toll from the disaster has been estimated at more than 50,000 lives, and health authorities now worry that thousands more may die from disease, due in part to a lack of potable water. Relief organizations and governments around the world have rallied to assist the victims, many of whom are homeless. DXer Charly Harpole, K4VUD/VU3CHE, was visiting the National Institute of Amateur Radio (NIAR) VU4RBI/VU4NRO DXpedition in Port Blair on Andaman Island when the earthquake struck. He said the team suspended DXpedition operation and shifted quickly to emergency mode.

"By that afternoon, the team had set up one rig outside with a mobile whip and tuner, powered by the hotel generator, and Bharathi [Prasad, VU2RBI--the DXpedition team leader] was taking health-and-welfare messages from the people standing around there," Harpole reported to ARRL. He is scheduled to relate his earthquake experience on US national television during an appearance on NBC's Today show Wednesday, December 29.

"Many wanted to tell relatives on the Indian mainland that they were OK," Harpole continued, "and Bharathi established contact with many India ham stations in various cities as needed." He said Bharathi was able to relay a message to his wife via a contact with a station in Thailand that he was all right.

Harpole, who returned to Thailand December 27 as scheduled, speculates the team may resume DXpedition operation since Port Blair escaped the worst damage, and the aftershocks have apparently ceased. Sandeep Baruah, VU2MUE, reports that VU4NRO is active on 20 meters, and two additional hams from the Indian mainland--VU2DVO and VU2JOS--have arrived in Port Blair to assist.

Calcutta VHF Amateur Radio Society Assistant Secretary Horey Majumdar, VU2HFR, relayed information from VU4RBI today that the situation in the Andamans has improved considerably with power and some telephone service being restored, although some aftershocks were occurring from time to time. He also says that VU4RBI and VU4NRO were having a lot of trouble copying signals from the Indian mainland, in part due to RF interference from local sources.

C. K. "Ram" Raman, VU3DJQ, in New Delhi reports that one member of the VU4RBI/VU4NRO DXpedition team, S. Ram Mohan, VU2MYH/VU4MYH, has

established a station on Car Nicobar Island, one of the worst hit areas that had been totally cut off. Traffic has been noted on 14.190, 14.195 and 14.200 MHz. Raman has been operating at low power to avoid interfering with a nearby army communication site.

Majumdar says the VU4MYH station marks the very first Amateur Radio operation from Nicobar Island. "Mohan's signals were extremely weak, and he was in the skip zone of the Andaman stations on 20 meters," he said. "Improvisation was the name of the game. Hams had to switch to good old CW and switch frequencies from 14.190 and 14.160 MHz to 7.090 MHz." He said in the afternoon, signals were best on 15 meters (21.240 MHz) between the Andaman and Nicobar Islands stations.

"The Amateur Radio station from Nicobar is perhaps playing the most vital part in what is turning out to be the world's largest disaster operation," Majumdar said. "Hams from Sri Lanka, Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia, Hong Kong, Singapore, Australia and even Israel are checking into the VU emergency nets and extending their fullest cooperation in the truest spirit of Amateur Radio."

Elsewhere, he reports, upward of three dozen stations on the Indian mainland are participating in an emergency net on 7.050 MHz. He said hams from South India have established stations in Tamil Nadu, the hardest hit area on the mainland where thousands died in fishing villages. Hams were handling both health-and-welfare and emergency and medical communications, he told ARRL.

Fragmented information continues to arrive from other areas affected by the earthquake and tsunami. At this point, there have been no specific requests for communication assistance from outside the region.

Musa Suraatmadja, YB0MOS, the secretary-general of the Indonesia Amateur Radio Organization (ORARI) responded gratefully to an International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) request to assist. "So far we can still manage," he said. "Our ORARI members are amongst the first to go to the stricken areas doing emergency communication, rescue operations and other things." The 9.0 magnitude earthquake occurred off the Indonesian island of Sumatra.

Tony Waltham, HS0ZDX, vice president of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) called the earthquake and tsunamis "truly a disaster of catastrophic proportions which has never before been experienced by Thailand--or by our neighbouring countries that share an Indian Ocean or Andaman Sea coastline." He said communication needs in Thailand are being met.

"The situation is now under control, with Thai hams helping to relay information between the affected areas along the west coast in the south to government agencies--mostly on VHF and 40 meters as well as by disseminating news and information over VHF frequencies in Bangkok." He said EchoLink also has been playing a role in enabling

hams in Thailand to relay information to friends and relatives of those who had been on vacation in the stricken areas.

Waltham says what is needed most is help for the thousands of injured and homeless, and RAST now is accepting donations for that purpose to pass on to the Thai government. He said the best method to donate is by wire transfer.

Contributions are being accepted at Siam City Bank, Ratchawat Branch No 111, Account type: Saving; Account number: 111-2-22688-4; Account name: RAST (Radio Amateur Society of Thailand under the Royal patronage of His Majesty the King).

He requests that donors send details of their support to RAST via e-mail dx@... "for our records and so that we can acknowledge this and give full credit."

The ARRL and IARU have been sharing information with other agencies and organization.

Salvation Army Team Emergency Network (SATERN) National Director Pat McPherson, WW9E, reports Salvation Army personnel continue to offer emergency disaster services aid in southeastern Asia and costal India. "Salvation Army personnel are based in many of the devastated areas and have been on the forefront of offering aid and relief to the people struggling after this unexpected tragedy," he said. "Salvation Army volunteers fed more than 1200 people in the Kanyakumari and Muttom areas in India and many Salvation Army facilities are being used as feeding sites and emergency shelters in affected communities."

Salvation Army Emergency Disaster Services teams are also assisting government and other agencies in assessing needs and trying to find ways to meet them. The Salvation Army's International Emergency Disasters Services Office located in London is coordinating the relief operation.

Third Party Traffic Question

Since none of the countries affected by the earthquake and tsunami have third-party traffic agreements with the US, the question has been raised about the legality of such traffic--especially health-and-welfare messages--between those countries and US amateur stations. A staff member in the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau points out that the international Radio Regulations as revised at World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 (WRC-03) provide that amateur stations may be used for transmitting international communications of behalf of third parties only in case of emergencies or disaster relief.

"An administration may determine the applicability of this provision to amateur stations under its jurisdiction," the FCC staff member told ARRL. Although the FCC has not formally adopted the changes approved

at WRC-03, he continued, "the FCC has no objection to US stations passing disaster-related traffic to and from stations in the affected areas if the administrations responsible for the Amateur Service in those countries do not object to their amateur stations receiving messages from our amateur stations on behalf of third parties."

From: www.arrl.org

Regards,
Shailesh Deshmukh
73'S DE VU2LOC

2174. Hamfest 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-30 05:22:20 UTC
From: vu2scq
Topic: 1425 Message: 2174

Dear VU2NLF/VU2IZO and the rest of the Team,

A Very Big Congratulations to You All for A Successful and
informative Hamfest 2004.

Three Cheers For MARS hip hip.....HOOOOOOORRRRAAAAAAAAAYYYYYYYY!!!!

73
VU2SCQ
Shantanu Chand

2175. Thank You!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-30 05:31:43 UTC
From: vu2scq
Topic: 2175 Message: 2175

Dear VU2AXN, VU2HIT and VU2ZRS,

Thank you very much for reviving the repeater this morning. Last evening ie 29th Dec the repeater was not functioning and the conditions were so bad that the net could not be conducted in all its glory. Now that things are back on line its a major relief. We did not realise how dependant we were on the repeater till it went off air.
Anyways, we look forward to VU2NLF's final approval for the placement of the antennae and we are back in full form.

Thanks once again for all the trouble you guys went through to get us back in business.

73s
VU2SCQ
Shantanu

2176. Amateur Radio "Saved Lives" in South Asia

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-30 10:09:15 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2176 Message: 2176

Amateur Radio "Saved Lives" in South Asia

NEWINGTON, CT, Dec 29, 2004--As governments and relief organizations attempt to gauge the scale of death and devastation from the December 26 South Asia earthquake and tsunami and to aid the victims, Amateur Radio operators throughout the stricken region are offering their services as emergency communicators. The death toll from the disaster now is being estimated at upward of 60,000. Thousand remain unaccounted for, millions have been left homeless and many are without food or water. Victor Goonetilleke, 4S7VK, president of the Radio Society of Sri Lanka (RSSL), reports that "uncomplicated short wave" radio saved lives.

"Ham radio played an important part and will continue to do so," he said in an e-mail relayed to ARRL. Goonetilleke said that even Sri Lanka's prime minister had no contact with the outside world until Amateur Radio operators stepped in. "Our control center was inside the prime minister's official house in his operational room," he recounted. "[This] will show how they valued our services."

Goonetilleke reports that even satellite phones failed, and only the Amateur Radio HF link remained open. One problem: Batteries were running out, and there are no generators to recharge them.

Charly Harpole, K4VUD/HS0ZCW, now in Bangkok, Thailand, reports he's been helping to handle emergency traffic to India on 20 meters. Harpole's scheduled appearance this week on NBC's Today show apparently was scratched, although he has told ARRL that CNN has contacted him about an interview.

Harpole had been visiting the VU4RBI/VU4NRO DXpedition in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands when the earthquake and subsequent tsunami struck.

The DXpedition's sponsor, the National Institute of Amateur Radio (NIAR) in India, told ARRL that the DXpedition team is continuing its communication efforts at the government's request on behalf of rescue and relief operations in that region. "Ham radio is the main link from the people of Andaman Island to people all over," said S. Suri, VU2MY, the NIAR's chairman and director.

Many radio amateurs on the Indian mainland are said to be pitching in to handle emergency and health-and-welfare traffic. Some communication has been on CW and PSK31 to overcome poor conditions and interference.

Wyn Purwinto, AB2QV, relayed information he received via the Indonesia Amateur Radio Organization (ORARI). He notes that the government of Indonesia's Aceh province has banned Amateur Radio since the rebel

uprising in that region, and he's asked the Aceh government to lift the ban so Indonesian amateurs can handle emergency traffic. Aceh was among the most severely affected regions in Indonesia.

Some emergency communication between amateurs in the North Sumatra capital of Medan has been established with the Aceh provincial capital of Banda Aceh on 80 meters and with the east coast city of Lhokseumawe through a linked VHF repeater.

Purwinto says YB6ZZ or YB6ZES are serving as net control stations of a national emergency net using 7.055 and 21.300 MHz as well as several linked VHF repeaters throughout northern Sumatra and along the west coast of Malaysia. He reports Anto, YD6AT, is standing by on 3.815 MHz in Banda Aceh. He reports several cities in coastal areas of Sumatra experienced power, telecommunication and water outages.

The Wireless Institute of Australia has asked its members to monitor HF frequencies and report any requests for assistance.

Echo (AO-51) Satellite Put into Emergency Mode

AMSAT-NA will put its Echo (AO-51) satellite into 9k6 bps store-and-forward mode to assist in emergency communication in the wake of the earthquake-tsunami disaster. The current AO-51 schedule will be on hold for the interim, and a planned mode change to FM repeater mode in high power will not occur. AMSAT News Service says the change will occur December 30 at approximately 0305 UTC, putting AO-51 into store-and-forward PacSat BroadCast Protocol (PBBS) mode. The PBBS downlink will be 435.150 MHz, FM 9600 baud PBBS. The uplink will be 145.860 MHz.

"The PBBS will still be open to general amateur use, but amateur operators should be ready to cease BBS operations at any moment, when we start to receive message traffic," says Mike Kingery, KE4AZN, of the Echo Command Team. "We ask that all unattended PBBS operation stop until further notice." He notes that AO-51 PBBS users may be requested to help download and forward messages.

Boat Watch Net Seeking Missing Vessel Reports and Information

Mike Pilgrim, K5MP, reports that the Boat Watch Net is seeking and coordination reports on vessels that have not been heard from since the earthquake and tsunami. Pilgrim has begun a listing in the "Current Watch Full Text" link of the International Boat Watch Web site. Pilgrim emphasizes that the Boat Watch Net service is strictly limited to mariners in the affected area and is not intended nor prepared to handle general health-and-welfare inquiries.

Third Party Traffic

Although the US does not have third-party traffic agreements with any of the countries affected by the disaster, international emergency and disaster relief communications are permitted unless otherwise

provided. The international Radio Regulations as revised at World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 (WRC-03) provide that amateur stations may be used for transmitting international communications on behalf of third parties only in case of emergencies or disaster relief.

While FCC Part 97 has not yet been updated to reflect this change, ARRL understands from FCC staff that if the government agencies responsible for the Amateur Service in India, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Indonesia, and other affected countries do not object to their amateur stations receiving messages from our amateur stations on behalf of third parties, the US has no objection to its amateur stations transmitting international communications in support of the disaster.

A government may determine the applicability of this provision to amateur stations under its jurisdiction. This could include either permitting a broader range of international third-party communications, or prohibiting even emergency and disaster relief communications.

Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network (SATERN) National Director Pat McPherson, WW9E, says The Salvation Army is providing food, clothing, shelter and fresh water to victims in Sri Lanka and India.

The Salvation Army also has issued an urgent appeal for funds. Donations earmarked "South Asia Disaster Fund," may be sent to local Salvation Army chapters, made online via The Salvation Army Web site or by calling toll free 800-SAL-ARMY (800-725-2769).

From: www.arrl.org

Regards,
Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'D DE VU2LOC.

2177. Sri Lanka Tsunami – Amateur Call

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-30 10:12:05 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2177 Message: 2177

Sri Lanka Tsunami – Amateur Call

29 December 2004 19:25 hours

Sri Lanka's amateur radio operators are offering their services to any area that needs communications services.

Until yesterday The Radio Society of Sri Lanka operated a short wave radio link between Hambantota and the Prime Minister's disaster management office at Temple trees, and government offices in the stricken area.

"We closed the link after the police got a communications link up in Hambantota," Victor Goonetilleke, President of the Radio Society of Sri Lanka said.

"We went in because the District Secretaries office only had a satellite phone and communications was difficult."

Amateur radio operators, popularly known as 'Ham' operators are hobbyists who are licensed to operate two-way communications equipment.

The Hambantota station was operated by Asantha Illesinghe (4S7AK), Dimuthu Wickremesinghe (4S7DZ), Kusal Epa (4S7KE).

Mobile signals also began to come up later. As landlines went down, Sri Lanka's mobile networks provided vital links to many tsunami-hit areas.

Amateurs used to be the only line of communication to disaster struck areas in the past, playing a vital role in disaster recovery and mitigation, though resilient mobiles in Sri Lanka kept many areas covered in the current disaster.

The Radio Society is standing by to relay messages from any area that need their services, subject to the availability of manpower and resources.

At the moment a team is being deployed to Tangalle to help relay messages from the members of the public to their loved ones.

"We are preparing to operate a mobile unit between Matara and Galle," Goonetilleke said.

"We can establish links especially government offices do not have proper communications facilities."

A few years ago, a disaster mitigation plan proposed by the Telecom Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka listed the integration amateurs in a national disaster recovery action plan.

But the amateur community in Sri Lanka is not getting enough young blood to keep it going partly because getting an amateur radio license is a tedious process, requiring defence clearances, in addition to an examinations and licensing by the telecommunications regulatory authorities.

Often Hams residing in disaster struck areas are the only link to the outside world.

An amateur who gets on air can be virtually guaranteed to talk to a counterpart as soon as get on to a crowded 'ham' band, where others of his ilk are chatting away.

Short waves, which propagate by bouncing off the ionosphere and the earth's surface, can cover large distances.

A small desktop transceiver with an output of a few hundred watts can even establish communication between two countries, thousands of miles apart.

From: www.lankabusinessonline.com

Regards,
Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S DE VU2LOC.

2178. Re: [m_a_r_s] Hamfest 2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-30 12:44:40 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 1425 Message: 2178

dear hamfest team

well done on the ham fest 2004

to all the team memebers who put in their time and energy thank you for a wonderfull show and event completed.

wish you all a happy NEW YEAR

VU2 ZRS

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2179. Technology to the aid of Tsunasmi victims: Ham goes:

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-31 11:27:51 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2179 Message: 2179

Technology to the aid of Tsunasmi victims: Ham goes:

[India News]: Vadodara, Dec 30 : The Institute of Amateur Ham Radio Station, a Gujarat government supported NGO, would set up Ham radio stations in Tsunami ravaged areas of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands to help the victims communicate.

"We had made the offer for setting up Ham stations to Lt Governor of Andaman & Nicobar Prof Ram Kapse during a meeting with him yesterday," president of the Institute and state civil supplies department additional chief secretary Sudeep Kumar Nanda told PTI over the phone from Port Blair today.

Kapase has accepted the offer and we would now set up the stations after necessary clearance from the concerned agencies, Nanda said.

Kapase was informed that Ham radio stations set up in the earthquake devastated areas of Kutch in January 2001 had helped establishing effective communicative system which make the job easier for the administration.

It was also used effectively during cyclone in Orissa some years ago, he added.

Nanda is part of the team, headed by Gujarat Law Minister Ashok Bhatt, which is in Port Blair for handing over Rs two crore cheque and relief materials from Gujarat government to Kapase for Tsunami affected people.

The Gujarat team would now visit Pondicherry to hand over contribution and relief material from Gujarat government to the Lt governor there, Nanda added. PTI

From: www.newkerala.com

Regards,
Shailesh Deshmukh
73'S DE VU2LOC.

2180. hamfest India debriefing meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-31 14:28:35 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2180 Message: 2180

Untitled DocumentMumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

The Hamfest India 2004 was completed sucessfully.. Congratulations to all the Team Members for job well done.

The Debriefing Meeting will be held on sunday 2nd January 2005 at 10:00 AM at B.S.Bengelle Girls school. all Team members are requested to attend the same on time.

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2181. ARES Team Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-31 14:28:42 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2181 Message: 2181

Untitled DocumentMumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

In view of the recent disaster, a special meeting is called on Sunday 2nd January 2005 at 12:00 Hours at B.S.Bengelle girls school. all Scramble team members are required to attend the same without fail.

NIAR team is already at VU4 and operational.. GIAR team is also mobilizing tommorrow... MARS - ARES team is on standby.. if and only if required our team will also mobilize...

All possibilites to be discussed during the meeting...

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NLF - Head ARES Team.

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2182. Happy New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-31 17:47:51 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 960 Message: 2182
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Dear MARS family and friends,
Wishing You

&

Your Family

A Prosperous

&

Happy NEw Year 2005.

73s

VU2KTW

Kaushik

2183. Participation in ARES Team Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2004-12-31 21:50:15 UTC
From: vu2kiz
Topic: 2181 Message: 2183

NLF and other MARS friends,

I am a MARS Scramble Team Member and would like to attend the Special Meeting on Sunday Jan. 02, 2005. However, I am in USA and can only attend spirtually, not physically. Please let me know the developments at the meeting.

Congratulations for successful Hamfest 2004. I would like to know the debriefing of the Hamfest 2004. Please inform me the significant happenings.

It is still Friday Dec. 31, 2004 in USA and I wish all MARS members, families and friends disaster-free and happy 2005 and beyond.

Kailash Gupta
VU2KIZ, KG6SQR and Life Member, MARS
Doctoral Researcher and
Doctoral Student in Emergency Management
North Dakota State University
Fargo, ND 58102

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2184. Tsunami live photos :

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-01 07:05:57 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2184 Message: 2184
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2185. Indian woman becomes "Angel of the Seas" in tsunami-hit Andamans

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-01 12:30:59 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2185 Message: 2185
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2186. Happy New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-01 14:09:36 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 960 Message: 2186

Untitled DocumentMumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

Wishing you and your family a happy and prosperous New Year 2005.

73

NLF

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2187. Ham Radio for Tsunami Hit Andaman and Port Blair

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-02 07:15:47 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2187 Message: 2187

India, Port Blair, Jan 2, 2005 Tsunami Crisis) Bharati Prasad, India's foremost amateur ham radio operator, was attempting a new transmission record here when the Dec 26 earthquake followed by the giant waves hit the archipelago.

When tsunami waves broke all communication lines across India's Andaman and Nicobar Islands, ham radio came to the rescue.

Faced with a massive humanitarian crisis - with hundreds dying and islands with thousands of people completely out of reach - Prasad quit her project and jumped into action.

"In situations like this, the only thing that works is radio," said Prasad, one of the 20,000 Indian ham radio operators - people who run powerful radio transmission sets connecting with fellow enthusiasts across the world.

"The phone links had disappeared, so I started using my radio set to connect with people in mainland (India) and giving information about people in Port Blair.

"In fact, I was one of the first people to get in touch with a radio guy in Thailand who told me what was happening there barely minutes after the waves hit (the beach town of) Phuket."

More than 700 people are confirmed dead and hundreds still missing in the Andamans a week after the tsunami ravaged coastlines across Asia, killing more than 120,000.

Sitting in the room in the Port Blair hotel - two cracks near the door bear ugly testimony of the quake - Prasad spoke about how the first people who used her facility were bellboys and bearers at the hotel.

"There was nothing else. There was some talk of satellite phones but that was way beyond their reach. This was free," smiled Prasad, 46, looking like a mother who is a little harried, in her brown cotton sari and thinning black hair tied in a small bun.

"They brought me slips of paper which had the names and the phone numbers of their family members and I asked by radio contacts in Chennai, Delhi and Mumbai to make phone calls and tell them that their boy is safe," she said.

So impressed were local administrators by her work that she has been asked to set up eight radio centres throughout the region, including remote, and worst-affected, islands like Car Nicobar and Campbell Bay.

"The radios are really helping us," said Andaman police chief S. B. Deol. "There are providing invaluable information about conditions around the islands - who needs what, where.

"Now within a day or two 15 radio operators (from the National Institute of Amateur Radio in Hyderabad) are coming here and we would be dispatching them to the remote islands. They will be our connectivity points."

Prasad, who goes by the codename VU2RBI in the three million worldwide radio fraternity, has been an enthusiast for more than 25 years.

"I am a science graduate who got interested in ham radio because my sister and brother-in-law used to do it," said Prasad, whose 15-year-old son is one of the world's youngest radio operators.

"I got my licence after a couple of years and, since then, this has been the primary thing in my life. It wasn't easy getting the licence; you have to clear electronics tests and then get home ministry security clearance.

"I was one of the first women in India to get a licence.

This time, Prasad had come to Port Blair - the first person in 17 years to get permission to do radio work here - to get a record of contacting more than 35,000 people around the world through her radio set.

"We wanted to know how connected radio could be even at a (remote) place like the Andamans."

But all that changed with the tsunami. "Obviously disaster relief first," said Prasad.

"In fact, I believe that the ham radio was invented to help in crises like this when nothing else works."(IANS) - Express Newsline.

Publish Date : 1/2/2005 8:39:00 AM Source : South Asia News ExpressNewsline.com

Regards,
Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S DE VU2LOC

2188. HAM contact numbers for Andamans search:

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-02 07:31:24 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2188 Message: 2188

HAM contact numbers for Andamans search:

[India News]: Kolkata, Jan 1 : Amateur HAM Radio Operators have been helping in tracing the dead and providing information on the missing in calamity hit Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

An official release said here today those seeking information on their near and dear ones in the worst-hit island territory, may contact Ambarish Nag-Biswas@computerraju (Res no : 2563 8383) and Indranil Majumdar (Res no : 2440 6960) -- two HAM operators in Kolkata coordinating with 15 counterparts in the islands.

To get in touch with the HAM volunteers, the India code or Kolkata code (91-033) as applicable from other locations should be dialled first.

These volunteers, it said, had proved 'very useful' during the search and relief operations in Gujarat earthquake and the Orissa cyclonic storm.

According to the release, this group provides active on-the-spot services to the Gangasagar Mela authorities during the annual pilgrimage and for tracing missing pilgrims. PTI

From: www.newkerala.com

Regards,
Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'DE VU2LOC.

2189. How was HamFest 2004 ?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-02 12:50:08 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2189 Message: 2189

All:

Busy travelling to some customer sites in India, I was unable to attend HamFest 2004. How was the event ? May we have a post of the even debriefing on the list too, please ?

--Sriram

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2190. Radio lifeline for stricken islands

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-04 12:57:44 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2190 Message: 2190

KOLKATA: It is sheer providence that a team from the National Institute of Amateur Radio was in the Andamans on an expedition when the Tsunami struck on December 26. And even more providential that Port Blair's first HAM radio station got operational on December 15 - the 1987 bar on amateur radio operators was lifted last year.

Within hours of the tragedy, two stations had been set up at Port Blair and one more at Car Nicobar. Conventional communication links between the islands and the mainland having been snapped, these amateur radiomen turned out to be the only hope for thousands of marooned survivors. Now, a direct control room has been set up in Kolkata which acts as a relay centre between the islands and the rest of the country. "It is easier to reach Kolkata by radio from the Andamans.

We are relaying messages for the administration and relief organisations, such as the International Red Cross. A number of personal requests are also coming in from people whose relatives are still missing. We are doing our best to locate them but it is very difficult to trace individuals as we lack the manpower and the means. We have succeeded in helping out only 15-20 per cent of those approaching us with such requests," admits Indranil Majumdar of the Calcutta VHS Amateur Radio Society.

However, they have managed to provide accurate information about the state of affairs on individual islands. "Many have asked us to find out about the situation on a particular island. We have been able to tell them whether that island has been affected or not," Mukherjee added. According to him, 14-15 amateur radiomen will be soon leaving Chennai for the Andamans to set up additional stations at Little Andamans and other islands.

He thinks that the situation will be slightly better then and personal queries can be addressed. Normally, no amateur radio licence is issued for the Andaman and Nicobar Islands due to their strategic location. However, in international circles, the islands continue to remain an important radio address. "The last expedition had been to the Andamans in 1987.

The home ministry does not allow radio transmission from the Andamans. A team from NIAR began their expedition from December 1, 2004, but it was cut short by the Tsunami. Teams were then created to set up the stations at Port Blair and Car Nicobar," Majumdar said.

In the past, the amateur radiomen have performed wonders, particularly during the Bhuj earthquake and the supercyclone in Orissa. Every year

during the Gangasagar Mela in South 24-Parganas, these radiomen continue to remain the backbone of communication.

"For the Andamans, we have set up an emergency net and have kept the 20-and 40-metre bands open. The telephone number of the direct control room is 24603433. Even for the Gangasagar Mela this year, we shall take along high frequency sets and special antennae, so that we can be ready for any eventuality," Majumdar said. Amateur radio stations in Kolkata, Bangalore, Hyderabad are connected to a Delhi-based Ham operator.

From: timesofindia.indiatimes.com

Regards,
Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S DE VU2LOC

2191. Please stop Media & Press Release.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-05 08:57:22 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2191 Message: 2191

Dear Members,

Hams from NIAR & GIAR are doing a very good job to provide communications at The Disaster at Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

MARS is just providing communications from Mantralaya in Mumbai thats all. we have not deployed any team nor are we planning to do so, as already there are 23 hams from all over india working from these islands.

Recently T.V and Press releases have been made by Micky - VU2IZO, Santosh Vedente - VU2IES and Ankur Puranik - VU2AXN. These press releases are giving a very wrong picture.

In the article in Maharshtra times (Mumbai times) it is stated by Micky that we are providing communications to Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of Maharashtra, B.M.C and Indian Airforce. it also states that 750 Hams from mumbai are monitering the band.

These all information are all false.. it is seriously damaging the reputation of our society and they have to be stopped immediately. we cannot take credit for things which we are not doing..

In the photo taken at Micky's residence shows them communcicating with Andaman Islands on VHF 144.100 Mhz, well I made our Mumbai repeater, I did not know that you could talk to Andaman Islands using this repeater.

When our team had provided vital communications during Gujarat Earthquake Disaster, One Captain Manek from Skyline aviation had taken credit stating that it is their team which is providing communication.. on return of our team from Gujarat, we took up the matter with captian Manek, and he gave a press release to all the concern news papers stating that he had given wrong information and it was MARS which actually provided the communcitions...

Now in this case are we not doing the same thing as Captain Manek ? are we not trying to take credit for this we have not done... that also by our members who are not even on our Disaster Management Team.

Weather members of MARS or not, how can any ham do this kind of condemed act... how can you take credit for things you are not even involved...

In past mails have been posted on the our e groups about the policy of MARS for media and press Release.. it was clearly mentioned that only the office bearers and the event managers are allowed to give

any press release.

All members are therefore informed the following:-

No members are authorised to give press release on behalf of our society.

All press releases must be cleared with the secretary (VU2NLF). or the event manager, in this case of disaster Management it will again be me (VU2NLF). for other events like JOTA or Ganesh visarjan or Ham Radio classes, the respected event managers are authorised and can give the necessary Press releases..

Micky - VU2IZO was clearly given instructions by me (Secretary of MARS and Head of our ARES Team), NOT to give any press release, inspite of this warning articles have been publised in Mumbai times and today in Indian Express... once again giving wrong information stating that we have 15 hams operating from Mantralaya and also stating that 100 B.M.C officer are going to become Ham radio operators..

All these presss releases are immoral and inethical, we CANNOT take credit for things we are have not done... I fail to understand how members like VU2IZO, VU2KDM, VU2IES and VU2AXN have supported this condemed act. do they have no shame ?

This cannot be tolarated, how can you take credit for things you are not doing ? VU2IZO is not even on the disaster Management team, how can he give press release... he is also not on the managing committee of MARS...

These press releases have made great damage to the reputation of our society.. I am being questioned by the Government and asked for clarifications for the press releases.

I as a secretary of the society now have no choice but to take necessary displinary actions with the concerned members involved in these unauthorizesd press releases..

The Managing Committee of MARS will be held on friday, and the necessary action and fate of these members will be decided accordingly.

All the decissions taken by the managing committee will be declared during the Sunday Monthly Meeting on 9th January 2005 at 10:00.

All members are once again informed NOT to give any press releases.

73
Nilesh - VU2NLF,
Secretary MARS, Head - ARES Team.

2192. "Angel of the Seas": Post-Tsunami News Coverage Raises Ham Radio's Global Visibility

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-05 13:08:29 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2192 Message: 2192
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2193. Re: [m_a_r_s] Please stop Media & Press Release.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-05 14:19:00 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 2191 Message: 2193

Hello all friends,
HNY 2005.

I have read the article in The Indian EXPRESS-Mumbai newsline.
I was happy to say that some people started to know about HAM RADIO.
I received few calls from my friends about this article. They wanted to know more about ham radio now. Some wanted to join classes at Mumbai.

We should publish daily some good article in the papers, BUT I MUST SAY THE PHOTOS MUST BE OF GOOD RIGS/ANTENNAS/GOOD SET UP. PHOTOS CAN BE TAKEN AT SOME HAM SHACK ,WHO HAS A GOOD SET UP. This is the time during TSUNAMI wave we can put up ourselves...
LET THE PEOPLE KNOW MORE ABOUT HAMS AND THEIR SERVICES OFFERED DURING GUJARATH/BIHAR.
YOU CAN ALSO PUBLISH SOME ARTICLE ON THOSE OLD DAYS.
NOW IS THE TIME TO GET MORE AND MORE AND MORE... I remember the lecture of VU2LIC.

Our MARS and other individual hams have done so many field trips, sos training, some contests, DF etc.. that can also be publisehd, saying TRAINING HAMS FOR DISASTER COMMUNICATION. and the article should go on....

But some body to take up this job seriously, scrutinise and put up good article daily. only HAM HAM HAM .... Let the Bharti VU4RBI also get her credit in our papers. Along with her Apni bhi roti shake lo
This is the time public will know more more more about Ham Radio.

This is my view.

I have also relayed few welfare msgs received from Bharti during SOS.
Passed on LL (STD) to longer places.

Namaste

Basappa Arabole.
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2194. Amateur Radio Set New World Record, 13 Million Miles per Watt:

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-06 12:22:49 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2194 Message: 2194

From eham.net:

Bill Tippett, W4ZV, of New London, NC correctly copied code word OMAHA from the N2XE beacon transmitting with a peak carrier power of .0000406 watts at 3.5455 MHz on the 80 meter Amateur Radio band. Bill confirmed reception of the beacon at 2328Z, January 2, 2005. The precise distance between the two stations is 546.8 miles, establishing Bill's record reception distance at 13,467,980 miles per watt. Tippett used a Ten Tec Orion Transceiver with a 1000 foot Beverage antenna (named after Dr. Harold Beverage who invented it in the 1920s).

Read the full article at : http://www.eham.net/articles/9982

-- SRiram

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2195. 144.100 ??? dxing???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-06 18:41:39 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2195 Message: 2195

"In the photo taken at Micky's residence shows them communcicating with Andaman Islands on VHF 144.100 Mhz, well I made our Mumbai repeater, I did not know that you could talk to Andaman Islands using this repeater."

I aint putting this mail to support any individual, nor do i have a grudge against anyone, but would like to bring the fact into light that IT IS POSSIBLE TO WORK DX STATIONS WITH VHF.

SO pls do not have a laugh at the pic showing the rig on 144.100 communicating with dx stn.

I have myself worked dx station from germany on the first day i got my ticket using my handy.

When a rig is hooked up to the echo-link, working dx stations anywhere in the world is possible. even with a 5 watter handie-talkie.

SO I HOPE ITS CLEAR THAT... IT IS POSSIBLE TO work DX stations on local vhf repeater even with a vhf base and even with a vhf handie talkie when hooked with echolink with a vhf setup.

73

Ankur Puranik (VU2AXN)

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2196. Re: 144.100 ??? dxing???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-07 08:41:36 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2195 Message: 2196

dear ankur,

I am very well aware that we can use VHF and echolink to work DX stations...

The question is were you actually working Andaman Islands using Echolink at the time of the interview ?? can we be honest ??? do we have lie and lie again to hide and cover one lie ....

If we are able to connect to Andamans Island using Echo Link, then it means the telephone lines are working fine in Andamans Islands,, which would mean that our communications would not be required at all.

I am in touch with port blair, Car nicobar and other islands, the telephone and mobile network have just started...2 days ago..

Please take my advise and do not try to give any justifications... you are simply making a fool of yourself..

73
NLF

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, "Ankur Puranik" <ankurpuranik@i...> wrote:
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> with Andaman Islands on VHF 144.100 Mhz, well I made our Mumbai
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2197. Re: [m_a_r_s] Amateur Radio Set New World Record, 13 Million Miles per Watt:

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-07 19:16:38 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 2194 Message: 2197

Very good record of copying.

I had QRP QSO with W5DV/Chas of TEXAS on 28 Sep 2000, at 1235 UTC,
on 14 MHZ, CW, rig RM 96, Antenna inverted vee, with SWR 1.7.
Power output only 1.8 Watts.

VU2NLF (+ SWS & NFS-The President's award winner) visited my QTH.
He saw no power at my QTH. He simply kept his field day battery on his sholder and carried it to my first floor room. Asked me to come on 2M daily. This beautiful gift made me to receive QRP ARCI's 1000/MILE PER WATT Award certificate.

It is heard, In 1960's, one very old timer made such QRP QSO possible. But Mine is the only QRP QSO which is registerd at QRP ARCI. Hi ! Hi !

USE QRP and avoid QRMs.

Basappa Arabole

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2198. Re: [m_a_r_s] Amateur Radio Set New World Record, 13 Million Miles per Watt:

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-07 20:54:05 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 2194 Message: 2198

Thats great information Basappaji. You seems to have
lots of such good experience on QRP world. We are
eagerly awaiting to listen more such info from you.

Best Regards
Kiran
W1/VU3KPL

--- VU2NXM <basappaji@...> wrote:

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2199. Amateur Radio Praised as Lifeline in South Asia

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-08 07:53:46 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2199 Message: 2199

Amateur Radio Praised as Lifeline in South Asia

NEWINGTON, CT, Jan 7, 2005--As the tsunami relief and recovery effort continues in South Asia, Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh has joined those paying tribute to Amateur Radio's ongoing emergency communication role. Director and Executive Vice Chairman S. Suri, VU2MY, of India's National Institute of Amateur Radio (NIAR), noted January 5 that the PM "was all praise for hams in India and the entire world who helped us in this hour of need." Suri said the administrator of hard-hit Car Nicobar Island has asked NIAR to keep on duty Rama Mohan, VU2MYH, and five other radio amateurs who have been providing communication with the island since shortly after the December 26 disaster.

"The district administration chief of Car Nicobar Island spoke to me this morning to say even now it is only the ham communication that is aiding them for relief and rehabilitation measures," Suri said in an e-mail to Jay Wilson, W0AIR, of the Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Response Association (DERA) and shared with ARRL. Mohan, who had received DERA training in the US, was part of NIAR's VU4NRO/VU4RBI DXpedition to Andaman and Nicobar Islands. When the earthquake and tsunami struck the region, DXpedition team leader Bharathi Prasad, VU2RBI, promptly shifted the operation to handle emergency traffic and health-and-welfare inquiries between the island and the Indian mainland. More than 20 Indian radio amateurs are said to be involved in providing emergency communication support in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands--a location from which the Indian government had not allowed Amateur Radio operation for 17 years until the recent NIAR DXpedition.

In the disaster's immediate aftermath, Suri said, Mohan and other DXpedition team members risked their lives to alert the chief of administration on Andaman Island, since tsunami waves later overran the road they had traveled. An NIAR staff member, Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, has provided emergency communication from another remote island, Hutbay. For the first nine days after the disaster, only the NIAR team was assisting, until other amateurs from the mainland were able to reach the Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

Bharathi Prasad, VU4RBI, demonstrates ham radio to naval cadets during the VU4RBI/VU4NRO DXpedition on Andaman Island. She quickly shifted to emergency communication mode after the earthquake and tsunami struck the region. [Henryk Kotowski, SM0JHF/VU3HKE, Photo--used by permission]

Bharathi Prasad reported via Tony Waltham, HS0ZDX, that the VU4NRO/VU4RBI logs are safe and at the NIAR headquarters in Hyderabad. QSLing will commence once the emergency operation in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands concludes. DXer Charly Harpole, K4VUD/HS0ZCW, now near Bangkok, Thailand, told The Daily DX that QSL cards already are showing up at NIAR.

Harpole, who was visiting the DXpedition in Port Blair on Andaman Island when the earthquake and tsunami hit, has since been helping to handle emergency traffic from Thailand, where his wife's family lives. "The DXpedition and the emergency seem to have energized VU hams all over," he said in an e-mail made available by Carl Smith, N4AA, who edits QRZ DX. "I have been listening to the traffic from VU4 back to the India mainland, and by now it is smooth as silk with lots of H&W and some government messages running almost constantly."

Harpole advised amateurs worldwide to avoid the primary emergency traffic frequency of 14.190 MHz.

"The military and government are partners now with these hams," Harpole observed, noting that hams from India have been deployed throughout the Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

In Thailand, he reports, hams have been using mostly 2 meters for their emergency traffic "and doing a huge job." Harpole said he's heard very little from Bangladesh, and nothing from Sumatra and Burma (Myanmar), "which may tell us something," he added. The earthquake's epicenter was some 100 miles off Sumatra, which is part of Indonesia.

Charly Harpole, K4VUD, seen here at his Florida station, was visiting the VU4RBI/VU4NRO DXpeditioni when the earthquake and tsunami hit. He has since been operating from Thailand as HS0ZCW.

Just three days after the calamitous tsunami, Radio Society of Sri Lanka (RSSL) President Victor Goonetilleke, 4S7VK, declared that "uncomplicated short wave" radio had saved lives.

"Ham radio played an important part and will continue to do so," he said in an e-mail relayed to ARRL. Goonetilleke said Sri Lanka's prime minister had no contact with the outside world until Amateur Radio operators stepped in. "Our control center was inside the prime minister's official house in his operational room," he recounted. "[This] will show how they valued our services."

Ironically, Mohan's emergency operation marked the very first Amateur Radio operation from Nicobar Island. "Mohan's signals were extremely weak, and he was in the skip zone of the Andaman stations on 20 meters," said Horey Majumdar, VU2HFR, in Calcutta, shortly after the disaster. "Improvisation was the name of the game. Hams had to switch to good old CW and switch frequencies from 14.190 and 14.160 MHz to 7.090 MHz." Majumdar said hams from Sri Lanka, Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia, Hong Kong, Singapore, Australia, Israel and elsewhere "have been checking into the VU emergency nets and extending their fullest

cooperation in the truest spirit of Amateur Radio."

According to the latest estimate, more than 150,000 people died as a result of the tsunami, about one-third of them children. Many others are still unaccounted for, and health workers in the affected countries now fear disease will raise the toll substantially.

Although the US does not have third-party traffic agreements with any of the countries affected by the disaster, international emergency and disaster relief communications are permitted unless otherwise provided. While FCC Part 97 has not yet been updated to reflect revisions to third-party traffic rules at World Radiocommunication Conference 2003, ARRL understands from FCC staff that if the government agencies responsible for the Amateur Service in affected countries do not object to their amateur stations receiving messages from US amateur stations on behalf of third parties, the US has no objection to its amateur stations transmitting international communications in support of the disaster.

From: www.arrl.org

Regards,
Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S DE VU2LOC

2200. HAM global centre at Sagar Island during Gangasagar Mela:

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-09 05:01:32 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2200 Message: 2200

HAM global centre at Sagar Island during Gangasagar Mela:

[India News]: Kolkata, Jan 8 : Union Communications Ministry has issued licences to city-based amateur HAM Radio operators to set up a round-the-clock global communication station at the Sagar Island during this year's Gangasagar Mela.

The facility would be available from January 9 to 16 at the fair grounds and relations and pilgrims still searching for their near and dear ones hit by the tsunami would be able to avail the facility free of cost at the centre being put up, an official release here said.

HAM volunteers are setting up two special high frequency sets to provide security and communication-related assistance to the fair administration.

A 25-member HAM brigade will assist the administration at the Sagar Island in security vigil and in other aspects during the annual fair, the release said.

HAM volunteers had played an important role during search and relief operations in the aftermath of the Gujarat earthquake and the super cyclone in Orissa. PTI

From: news.newkerala.com

Regards,
Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S DE VU2LOC

2201. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-11 14:29:53 UTC
From: pushpam
Topic: 960 Message: 2201

Untitled DocumentThanks Neelesh for your new years wishes.
Will touch base with you shortly,
Till then Cheers and 73s
Milind
----- Original Message -----
From: vu2nlf
To: M_A_R_S@Yahoogroups. Com
Cc: Mars_Classes@Yahoogroups. Com ; Mars_Academy_2003@Yahoogroups. Com
Sent: Saturday, January 01, 2005 7:39 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy New Year

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Friends,

Wishing you and your family a happy and prosperous New Year 2005.

73

NLF

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2202. Strange coincidence

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-14 13:27:33 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2202 Message: 2202

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Date:Tue, 11 Jan 2005 23:14:28 +0530From:"mehta" <ledtrade@...>Subject:AMAZING COINCIDENCETo:vu2nlf@...
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This is interesting -
STRANGE COINCIDENCE Year Month and Date Place of Earthquake
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2003 December 26th Iran
2004 December 26th South East Asia

Height of coincidence!! Just amazing to note that many of the earthquakes that appeared all over the world in the recent past were all on the date 26. Year Month and Date Place of Earthquake 2001 January 26th Gujarat
2001 September 26th Chennai
2002 December 26th China
2003 January 26th New Zealand
2003 May 26th Japan / Taiwan
2003 September 26th Japan(Hokkaido)
2003 October 26th China (Sunsu)
2003 December 26th Iran
2004 December 26th South east Asia 73VU2YJMProud life Member of MARS

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2203. VU2AXN, VU2TAL,VU2KDM, VU2IES put on temperory suspension and IZO Expelled.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-14 13:47:17 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2203 Message: 2203

It has been resolved by the Managing Commitee that :-

Unauthorized T.V. interviews and press releases were given by Milind Korde - VU2IZO, Santosh Vedante - VU2IES, Sanjay Kadam - VU2KDM, Dr.Anukant Mital - VU2TAL and Ankur Puranik - VU2AXN.

Micky - VU2IZO was clearly given instructions by me (Secretary of
MARS and Head of our ARES Team), NOT to give any press release,
inspite of this warning articles have been publised in Mumbai times
Indian Express and Mumbai Samachar.

During the monthly meeting on 9th January 2005, VU2IZO and VU2IES were asked to make their clarifications, but we did not get any conviencing reply from them for these unauthorised activities.

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2204. Simulated Exercise for Disaster Communications.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-14 14:29:31 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2204 Message: 2204

Dear Members,

MARS will be conducting a Simulated exercise for disaster communication on 28th/29th/30 January 2005 (Fri/Sat/Sun). all participants will be leaving on 27th Jan - Thursday evening...

all participants will be at the same location. This exercise is a complete crash course for beginers and refreshers course for seniors.

All new callsigns holders, not on the ARES Team, and wanting to join the AES team may come and enroll at the briefing meeting on 23rd January at 10:00 AM at B.S.Bengelle girls School at churchgate..

It is mandatory for all the ARES team members to attend this exercise..

73
NLF
Head - ARES Team.

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2205. RE: [m_a_r_s] VU2AXN, VU2TAL,VU2KDM, VU2IES put on temperory suspension and IZO Expelled.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-14 14:48:13 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2203 Message: 2205

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>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: MARS E-Group <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>, classes
><mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>, mars academy
><mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] VU2AXN, VU2TAL,VU2KDM, VU2IES put on temperory
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>Date: Fri, 14 Jan 2005 13:47:17 +0000 (GMT)
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-14 15:23:01 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2203 Message: 2206

Hi:

I just came out of a week of heavy software architecture design, and read the news about the Managing Committe meet, etc.

I feel quite sad at the turn of events - entirely avoidable from the start, perhaps.

Since I very rarely come to Mumbai, I cannot get involved with MARS activities in person. The last time I tested the waters to guage the mood of the community with respect to controversial communication, I came away with a better understanding of MARS and Martians.

The way I look at it, most such tech hobby groups are a mix of people with different interests and philosophies. You have people like SWS who advocate restraint and laissez faire behaviour, and folks like myself who come in influenced by our worlds.

A number of techies such as myself are of the opinion that it is the community (any community) that should police itself, and urge its members to behave and set an example for others. The reasons ? The fear of loss of freedom. Of people being able to point a finger at us now and ever after. Of not belonging to a group that upholds certain standards of behaviour (standards which undergo change every now and then). A good number of us are leaders in our own communities.

Do we need more HAMs ? Yes, we do. But we should then have to come across as a community that has certain standards, etc. Whatever these standards may be. I believe in and understand that a consensus develops over a period of time.

I speak as a person who had attended the HamFest at Gandhi Nagar. Uptil the HamFest, I'd seen the man forces behind MARS who came to conduct classes, took us on field trips, etc. (Mind you, I'll always remember IZO's dedication at that time). When I saw the next generation of Martians play the fool at the HamFest, I was appalled at no one (Not even NLF) decided to stop some Martians from throwing rubbish at each other, or laughing aloud, or disturbing others around.

Is this what MARS is ? When ever are we going to come up with some policy on decorum ? Is this the image long time Martians would like new comers to have of MARS ?

At the company I work with, barring a colleague and I, the remaining 5 programmers have joined the company within the past year. The two of us now see ourselves playing a stronger role as a mentor, as some one who sets the standards for behaviour and software development and workplace culture. These

are very interesting anthropological issues - the over all mindset and behavioural patterns are influenced by a core group of people. Let these people slip up even a bit, and discipline and respect go out the window.

I believe MARS was founded with some principles in mind. Perhaps it is time for us all to revisit these principles.

We are adults and should be capable of taking our own decisions and are then responsible for the same.

Well, I've decided to ask MARS about the image it wants its members to carry when they travel through out India and the world.

-- Sriram

--- sarla sharma <sarla_sharma@...> wrote:

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2207. ISRO to expand HAM radio service

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-14 15:35:43 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2207 Message: 2207

NDTV Correspondent

Friday, January 14, 2005 (Cuddalore):

The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) is to launch an exclusive micro-satellite in two to three months for promotion of HAM radio service.

The service had provided vital communication when telephone link was destroyed by deadly tidal waves in Tamil Nadu and Andaman and Nicobar.

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From: www.ndtv.com

Regards,

Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S DE VU2LOC.

2208. Re: [m_a_r_s] VU2AXN, VU2TAL,VU2KDM, VU2IES put on temperory suspension and IZO Expelled.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-15 07:36:12 UTC
From: VU2SCQ
Topic: 2203 Message: 2208

Dear All,
It is truly a sad day in the history of MARS.

In my personal opinion i feel that instead of expulsion a suspension to IZO could have been meted out.Maybe a reduction in his participation in MARS events could have also helped. But to expel our fellow HAM might be a little too harsh.

If VU2IES has said that he has not given an interview and only his photograph had been taken and he has also tendered his apology then i guess a here in this case and the rest might again have been too harsh.

I personally request the Managing Committee to reconsider its decision as I am sure that all involved have already learnt their lesson. Let this be the last warning once and for all to all involved and the rest of the members as well.

They are after all our fellow HAMS and by expelling them would just create a little more QRM than there already is. Please reconsider my dear friends and give them another chance.

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VU2SCQ
Lifemember
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2209. Is the expulsion constitutionally valid?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-15 13:23:10 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2209 Message: 2209

Hello Ham friends,

Today we are discussing some unfortunate incidents. I do not, however, oppose or laud the expulsion/suspension due to limited knowledge of all the facts. I only share what I know that some respected organisations may follow world-wide.

FIRST we need to check if the constitution allows such an expulsion/suspension and what is the procedure for the same. If it does not or if it does but the Managing committee did not follow the said procedure then our books are not in order and the expulsion/suspension is constitutionally invalid so the question of reconsidering it, as suggested by someone, does not arise.

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Humbly yours,
VU2NHR
Nirav Sanghavi

2210. HEADLESS DECISION

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-15 15:46:15 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 2210 Message: 2210

Hello Fellow Hams ,

Its been long that i interacted with you all by any medium ,such as RADIO,MAIL, OR LETTERS , as i was qrl with my morning qth, but yes i was always updated about the events , through some good ham freinds of mine .

yes i came to know about explusion of vu2 IZO , through mail and also , vu2 izo also called me up, it was sad to learn about it , but there are few points on which i was just pondering over , if any one can throw some light on those i shall be very thankful about it.

A) I am calling this HEADLESS DECISION cause if at all there is any chairman heading MARS, then the explusion letter should have been written by him , rather then secretary , and i do guess thers is A CHAIRMAN , no doubt he was not on DIAS during HAMFEST,I say this cause as per VU2HIT , who resigned as chairman and subsequently VU2RIO was appointed as CHAIRMAN , as per commitees unanimous decision. so right at outset this issue of CHAIRMAN should be soretd out.

----- Original Message -----
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
To: Mars Groups ; MARS CLASSES 2002 ; MARS ACADEMY
Sent: Saturday, August 21, 2004 4:26 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] CHAIRMAN ????

Prashant

Please explain "Decision about appointing new Chairman will also be communicated to you very soon"as for my understanding before tendering my resignation as a commitee member on the 13th August '04 Managing Commitee meeting,wherein the first resolution was adopted & passed unanimously to appoint Pankaj Pasad OM VU2RIO as a chairman and thereon other resolution were adopted by your commitee as per your email appointing other office bearers.

Kinldy explain , so why this confusion....

Huzefa Merchant
VU2HIT

B) IF a decision has been taken then was accused party given mandatory 21days notice period in written and awaited the written reply , i presume there are certain rules laid out for all the things to be done under society /trust laws , remember we are REGISTERED TRUST, i just hope some wrong action should not give any one chance to take some LEGAL ACTION.

C) Okay vu2 IZO expelled cause his answer was not convincing enough so LIFE BAN, and vu2 IES given 3 months ban after he apologised in writing, but 2 accused hams VU2 AXN , VU2 TAL , didnt even bothered to attend meeting neither apologised how come they get away with just 3 months ban , guess they are as guilty as VU2 IZO , not that vu2 izo punishment is a simple one its one of the HARSHEST punishment to be given.

Theres lot to write , but lets go step by step , let me get theses answers first.

LETS BE GOOD HAMS -- NOT HAM -- HARRESMENT TO ALL MEMBERS.

73S
DE VU2 UGJ

EX-CHAIRMAN

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2211. RE: [m_a_r_s] Is the expulsion constitutionally valid?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-16 08:27:22 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2209 Message: 2211

dear Nirav and friends,

All the decisions taken by the Managing Commitee are as per the constitution, The managing commitee has the powers to expel.
please refer to the clause 32 of our bye-laws. (as per the consititutions a 21 day show cause notice is to be given to the member, who is to be expelled from the society, (which ofcourse is a formality)... VU2IZO was given verbal notice and by mail,,,he was present for the meeting held on 9th January 2005, he was asked for clarifications for these unuathorized actions (press releases) and Alcohol problem (consuming Alcohol during society events). Five out of Six managing commitee members were present for the meeting.... The M.C did not get any conviencing reply.. hence the decission of the M.C remained unchanged and as per clause 32 of our bylways he was expelled..

32 BREACH OF BYE-LAWS.

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from membership and is given an opportunity to explain his conduct

to the entire Managing Committee in writing or in person at such

meeting. The decision of the Managing Committee shall be final.

IZO and all others suspended are my friends and there are no personal grudges... The Managing Commitee has considered everything before taking the decision..

All the funds collected by VU2CFO & VU2IZO for Hamfest is greatly appreciated..no doubt..but that does not mean that it gives IZO the right to

do whatever it pleases him,,

If you guys need further clarifications please come for meetings...I cannot keep on giving you guys clarifications on the E-Group. get yourself involved in the society activies, understand our position, please don't make unnecessary QRM, I know what is right and what is wrong, what is good for our society and what is not....

Stop being arm chair rambos... come forward and start doing something for our society... because till you are not involved you will never have the complete picture, stop judging the action of the Managing Commitee... firstly nobody wants to take responsibility, nobody wants to come on Managing Commitee... the Chair of the Chairman of the Managing Commitee is empty, since VU2HIT resigned... I requested HIT not to resign, (as I told him, I will be taking over as secretary from Mehul, and I will share all the work load with him) , but he resigned under work pressure.. I practically begged to VU2UGJ & VU2ZRS to take up the chairmanship.. but both of them refused... VU2RIO was never given the chairmanship, (You may check the Minutes Book), and he is never around anyway, we don't what a dummy chairman do we ?

last year on completion of my term as the secretary, I decided not to run for office, letting other members take charge and run the society.. I had to practically beg to get 7 members for the M.C.. there were no elections mind you... all the M.C members were given the office by default. ... then VU2ICQ goes away to 9V1 land... and VU2HIT resigns.... looking at the state of our Managing Commitee and our society.. I once again took charge ... as nobody else would....

It is a very sorry state of affairs... nobody wants to take responsibilities.. just comment and question the M.C., well the present M.C is doing whatever is best to their capabilities, Judgement and Knowledge... if you don't agree or ...if you don't like it,, too bad... don't vote for us next time... or rather run for office take charge and throw us out....

I once again request all members to co-operate, help and support the M.C to run the society...

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2212. RE: Is the expulsion constitutionally valid? / NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-17 05:08:20 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2212 Message: 2212

Dear NLF,

Thanks for your report of the procedure and its accuracy.

Although many of us know the circumstances with which the present MC runs the society, your throwing light on the same helps us appreciate that even more.

Many thanks for your message. I will try to pitch in to whatever extent I can.

73,
Nirav

2213. Re: Simulated Exercise for Disaster Communications.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-17 07:57:45 UTC
From: vu2kiz
Topic: 2204 Message: 2213

Niles,

I think I am ARES member. However, I am unable to attend the
mandatory simulated exercise. I may be granted leave of absence.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ and KG6SQR
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2214. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Simulated Exercise for Disaster Communications.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-17 08:58:29 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2204 Message: 2214

Dear Kailas,

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2215. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Simulated Exercise for Disaster Communications.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-17 09:06:15 UTC
From: mehul2k@vsnl.com
Topic: 2204 Message: 2215

Hi NLF,

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Thanks,

Mehul

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2216. RE: [m_a_r_s] Re: Simulated Exercise for Disaster Communications.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-17 09:11:31 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2204 Message: 2216

dear mehul,

Excellent news, could'nt make me happier.. looking forward to having an
eyeball with you soon,

73
NLF
-----Original Message-----
From: mehul2k@... [mailto:mehul2k@...]
Sent: Monday, January 17, 2005 2:36 PM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Simulated Exercise for Disaster Communications.

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-18 03:05:51 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 2203 Message: 2217

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2218. Linux Apps Automate Your Shack

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-18 08:35:41 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2218 Message: 2218

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By Stan Horzepa
QST
01/16/05 5:00 AM PT

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Last March, I went on about Linux as an operating system to consider for your amateur radio computer. In response, an enthusiastic Linux user, Mike Markowski, AB3AP, suggested that I check out what he calls "a really great trio of Linux software: Hamlib, Xlog and gMFSK." So I did check them out and will pass along some information about the trio.

The Ham Radio Control Libraries, Hamlib for short, is a software development effort to provide a consistent interface for programmers wanting to incorporate radio control in their amateur radio programs. Hamlib is not a complete application; rather, it is a software layer intended to make controlling various radios and other amateur radio hardware much easier.

Logging Tools
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That came from the Hamlib Web site. Go there to learn more about Hamlib and to download it and other Linux applications including all the ones described in this month's column.

Mike says that applications can use the Hamlib libraries "to integrate rig/rotor control with software." For example, Xlog is "a logging program that uses Hamlib. When starting a QSO, with Hamlib talking to the rig, log fields can be automatically filled in for you: frequency, mode, power, etc., i.e., whatever your rig interface supports."

Ham-Like System
Xlog is a Linux logging program that uses Hamlib to retrieve power, frequency, mode and signal strength while logging, loop Stakenborg, PG4I and Stephane Fillod, F8CFE, developed the program. The Hamlib Web site has this to say about Xlog:

"Xlog displays a log with the most recent contacts added to the top. You can add, delete, and edit log entries. The log is saved into a text file. You can open, close and create logs, as you need them. Xlog supports the following logging formats: Cabrillo, ADIF (Amateur Data Interchange Format), TRlog (format also used by TLF), and EDI (ARRL VHF/UHF contest format), and can import TWLog and Editest files."

Finally, there is gMFSK, which Mike calls "a fantastic program" that interfaces with Xlog and Hamlib. After QSO, information is added to the gMFSK logging boxes, and clicking the LOG ENTRY button pops the information into Xlog.

Again, from the Hamlib Web site: gMFSK is a multimode HF terminal program for Linux developed by Tomi Manninen, OH2BNS, and despite its name, gMFSK can send and receive many digital conversational modes typically used by radio amateurs on HF including MFSK (MFSK16 and MFSK8), RTTY, THROB (1, 2, and 4 throbs/sec), PSK31 (BPSK and QPSK), PSK63, MT63, and Feldhell. gMFSK uses the computer sound card to interface to an SSB capable transceiver. All digital signal processing is done in the main CPU so any sound card supported by the operating system should work.

Once more from Mike: "It's well known in Linux ham circles, but doesn't seem to be generally known. Linux is so ham-like with all the tinkering you can do, that I'm surprised it's not the ham operating system of choice."

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Regards,
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73'S DE VU2LOC.

2219. RE: [m_a_r_s] Reconsider what ???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-18 09:03:51 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2203 Message: 2219

Dear NXM and fellow concerned members,

Once again I repeat that we appreciate your concern about the expelled member and members under suspension..

Do you really think that we get sadistic pleasure out of taking these kind of decisions ? Do you really think we don't care ? they all are our friends... we don't like it as well, but things have to be put to order... we cannot run the society with loose cannons like VU2IZO...

Many members have expressed their concern... but the question is.. do these expelled and suspended members care ? are they willing to admit that did something wrong ? No one expect for VU2IES have accepted their mistake.. in fact VU2IES has given a written apology to that effect...

VU2IZO.. has not admitted his mistake... on the contrary he is convinced that he has done the right thing... during the Sunday meeting he even denied that he has given the press release in "Mumbai Samachar"...and said that they (Mumbai Samachar) have copied the article from other newspaper...

funny thing is in "Mumbai Samachar" it says... {{ when S21RB, from Bangadesh came for Hamfest... he immediately asked who and where is VU2IZO ?... he came to me (VU2IZO) and gave me (VU2IZO) a big hug }} .... now frankly I don't know how true this is.. and weather VU2IZO knew S21RB, before the hamfest or not.... but the fact is this news have NEVER appeared in any news paper article... so how was it copied by "Mumbai Samachar"...??

In past we have (particularly me) have had a lot of difference of opinion ...many things our members have done, which I felt was wrong...but nothing serious... but we have never in past exercised our rights of M.C and expelled or suspended anyone... if I do that I would be wrong... I would be misusing my power vested in me....

At times there is so much QRM on our group... I am tempted to remove these members from our E -Group... but I have never done that... if I do I would be doing a wrong thing... MARS is a democratic society, all members have rights to express their opinion... but the M.C makes the final decisions..

These decisions taken by the M.C are without prejudice and after a lot of considerations....only looking in the interest of the society... so please respect the decisions taken by the M.C and bear with us

I hope we can stop this issue here... we have enough talks about it....I have tried my best to answer all queries by you guys.. let us close this topic now please..

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Sent: Tuesday, January 18, 2005 8:36 AM
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2220. this is for new hams

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-18 14:45:22 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2220 Message: 2220

HF Dipole Antennas

These antennas were modeled 40 feet over ground. The lengths given below are for one half of the antenna. You will require two equal lengths for each antenna.

Band</CENTER< td>

Frequency

Length of wire</CENTER< td>

10 Meters

28.450 MHz

99-7/8"

10 Meters

28.100 MHz

101-1/4"

12 Meters

24.950 MHz

115-1/8"

15 Meters

21.300 MHz

134-3/16"

15 Meters

21.100 MHz

135-3/8"

17 Meters

18.120 MHz

13'-3/8"

20 Meters

14.250 MHz

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20 Meters

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30 Meters

10.125 MHz

23' 9-7/8"

40 Meters

7.200 MHz

32' 10-7/16"

40 Meters

7.050 MHz

33' 6-7/16"

80 Meters

3.800 MHz

61' 9-1/16"

80 Meters

3.600 MHz

65' 3-3/16"

160 Meters

1.900 MHz

125' 8-3/8"

Please note that the 160 meter dipole SWR did not model below a 3.3 : 1 .

ENJOY HF

73's de

shailesh /vu2sfn

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2221. QRP kit links

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-18 16:06:59 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 2221 Message: 2221

Hi All,
For all those who are willing to build QRP stations following are some links.
These QRP clubs offer nice little utilities and txrcr kits. Hope you will find info usefull.

Four State QRP Club: http://4sqrp.com/
New Jersey QRP Club http://www.njqrp.org
The Americal QRP Club http://www.amqrp.org

Also check http://www.smallwonderlabs.com for excellent Kits.

Best of 73s
Kiran
W1/Vu3kpl

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2222. Mission and duty go ham in hand

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-19 06:31:10 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2222 Message: 2222

Mission and duty go ham in hand

HYDERABAD: They are expected to rush to disaster sites, okay.

But when a bunch of Ham radio operators from Hyderabad arrived in the Andamans early December, squaring up to a natural calamity was something they were not expecting, least of all a tsunami.

Excited, the team - the second Ham expedition to the archipelago in 17 years - was on a different mission altogether, making the most of a Supreme Court ban-lift on Ham activities there. Then the tsunami happened, putting them right in the thick of devastation. They were the first to establish links with the mainland from the sea wrecked islands.

Back in the city, the expeditionists from the National Institute of Amateur Radio (NIAR) shared their experiences with The Times of India.

"After the tsunami, Ham operators from several countries contacted us for information on people visiting the Andamans then," said S Ram Mohan, additional director, NIAR.

Ram Mohan himself had to scurry to safety in Port Blair as giant waves crashed into the island. Duty calling, he left for worst-hit Car Nicobar to help local authorities in relief efforts.

The other team members, including NIAR assistant director Jose Jacob, computer incharge R Sharat Babu and team leader Bharti Prasad, coordinated with officials in relief efforts in Port Blair and other places.

But before the tsunami hit, the team had already accomplished 'DXpedition', the mission for which were in the islands.

In Ham parlance, 'D' stands for making contact (with operators across the world) and 'X' means the unknown. Andamans were the 'unknown and inaccessible' for Ham radio contact.

"Our Hams established contact with 30,000 operators from practically every country in the globe," NIAR director S Suri said.

Ham operator R Sharat Babu in Port Blair after the tsunami hit the place.

From: timesofindia.indiatimes.com

Regards,

Shailesh Deshmukh.
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2223. Happy Birthday - VU2HIT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-19 10:34:25 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2223 Message: 2223

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2224. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2HIT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-19 10:42:30 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2223 Message: 2224

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vu2sfn/shailesh

vu2nlf <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
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2225. Fwd: IIH-INVITATION

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-19 15:08:44 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 2225 Message: 2225

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF HAMS <vu2iih@...> wrote:Date: 19 Jan 2005 12:19:09 -0000
From: "INDIAN INSTITUTE OF HAMS"
To: harish7388@..., kohasri@..., jaygee@...,
lkopandit@..., vidjit@..., kilashcgupta@...,
avari@..., vu3kkd@..., vu3kkg@..., kkp_gypsy@...,
vu2kkz@..., ramicici@..., vu2knq@...,
vu2koc@..., vu3kod@...
CC: metalindtrivandrum@..., vu2kov@..., vu2kpa@...,
kiran_padiyar@..., kppandya@..., raghukallur@...,
ravikumars@...
Subject: IIH-INVITATION

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4. Ms Shanthi, VU2AXG Officer-in-charge, Wireless Monitoring Station.

Please inform other Hams and SWLS to join this programme.

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2226. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2HIT(cute and cuddly)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-20 08:59:27 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2226 Message: 2226

dear hufesha merchant ,

firstly let me TELL YOU , God has blessed this earth with you being born . It was a happy and a proud day for your parents when you were born . There mus t have been joy and happiness in their world that you a beautiful little baby were born .Your parents must have distributed sweets and there must have been FALOODA and BIRYANI served in your house . When you were born you were cute , cuddly , your baby skin was soft like silk to touch ,you were full of joy , laughter and TODAY GOD JUST "LOOK AT YOUR SELF " you are still the same cute weighing 110 kilos LIKE A TEDDY BEAR , cuddly and soft with that beard of yours , full of joy and laughter and lots of hard work coming from you.

GOD we are lucky to have you amongst us a a friend and as a MARS member .

WELL I WISH YOU A "HAPPY BIRTHDAY "VU2 HIT and all the best for the days to come .

best of luck

vu2 ZRS

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cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

2227. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2HIT(cute and cuddly)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-20 10:17:35 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2226 Message: 2227

Dear All

Thanx for wishing me .. infact i had forgot my birthday as usual...my XYL wished me in the early morning so i remember... I really appreciate with my deep heart the cuddly & soft feeling which ZRS and i understand other members do have for me... I also thanx ZRS for making me know that I m 110kg (sorry boss u missed out I am 109Kg), but yes i do definetly know that "full of joy and laughter and lots of hard work coming from me" does not only implies to me especially after the chabuk, everyone's has been the same.

73's
de
Huzefa Merchant
VU2HIT

----- Original Message -----
From: fortunecookie@...
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: M_A_R_S@Yahoogroups. Com ; Mars_Classes@Yahoogroups. Com ;
Mars_Academy_2003@Yahoogroups. Com
Sent: Thursday, January 20, 2005 2:29 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2HIT(cute and cuddly)

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2228. Forwarded Invitation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-20 11:06:55 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2228 Message: 2228

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2229. Simulated Exercise briefing Meeting on Sunday

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-20 17:49:04 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2229 Message: 2229

Untitled DocumentMumbai Amateur Radio Society

Dear Members,

The briefing meeting for Simulated Simulated exercise for disaster communication will be held on 23rd January at 10:00 AM at B.S.Bengelle girls School at churchgate..

MARS will be conducting an excercise on 28th/29th/30 January 2005 (Fri/Sat/Sun). a all participants will be leaving on 27th Jan - Thursday evening...all participants will be at the same location. This exercise is a complete crash course for beginers and refreshers course for seniors.

All new callsigns holders, not on the ARES Team, and wanting to join the AES team may come and enroll at the
It is mandatory for all the ARES team members to attend this exercise..

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NLF
Head - ARES Team.

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2230. requst for swr meter

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-21 07:20:11 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2230 Message: 2230

hi OM/YLs
i required a SWR/WATTMETER if anyone intrested in selling please let me know by email shaileshpradhan@... / vu2sfn@... or by phone 9821539945

thanking you in advance

73's de
shailesh/vu2sfn

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2231. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2HIT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-19 15:20:31 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 2223 Message: 2231

Huzefa Merchant - VU2HIT

wish you a very
Happy Birthday
regards
vu2ktw/kaushik
Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

2232. Check out some shacks...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-23 10:01:46 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2232 Message: 2232

Hi everyone,
found a good link on ARRL home page. click this link to view shacks of some hams.
http://www.hamshacks.com/gallery
a novel idea to display shacks and replicate in your QTH ;-)

Enjoy.

PS: where the Hamfest photographs????

73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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2233. vu2bej

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-26 14:31:00 UTC
From: vusarla
Topic: 2233 Message: 2233

VU2BEJ, OM Derrick, qth mumbai became a silent key on 25th Jan 2005.
Sarla
VU2SWS

2234. Re: [m_a_r_s] vu2bej

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-26 14:40:42 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2233 Message: 2234

--- vusarla <sarla_sharma@...> wrote:

>
> VU2BEJ, OM Derrick, qth mumbai became a silent key on 25th Jan 2005.

I haven't had the honor of meeting him. May his soul rest in peace.

> Sarla
> VU2SWS
>
-- Sriram

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2235. Re: [m_a_r_s] vu2bej was jolly man

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-01-28 13:27:17 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2235 Message: 2235

dear hams

i had once meet vu2bej in his shack when i had just got my ticket and he was a very jolly man

sad to hear he has become a silent key , may his soul rest in peace

vu2zrs
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2236. Disaster Management Excercise (27th Jan-30th Jan)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-01 10:20:32 UTC
From: Labhesh More
Topic: 2236 Message: 2236

Hi Mars,

Just returning from the MARS organized ARES- Disaster management exercise for Old as well as new hams, I would like to state it was a happening experience.

Guided by Veterans like VU2NLF, VU2CBU there were relatively new hams like VU2SFN (Shailesh Pradhan), VU2EGO (Labhesh More), VU2DCE (Darshan Himani), VU2YOT (Yogesh Thakkar) & VU2AXC (Anurag Chugh). Also accompanying us were enthusiastic SWL's Nilesh Dixit and Nandini Gangal.

We started of by local train to Asangaon Station around 10.30 pm on 27th Jan. We then traveled to the farmhouse belonging to one of our senior hams VU2MOO (Milind Mokashi). Comforting ourselves to the chilled night we were briefed of our exercises by Vu2nlf. The next morning we raised the HF Dipole antenna for 7,14, 21 Mhz. We then operated successfully on FT-747 belonging to NLF. We were then taught all the basics pertaining Disaster Operations. This crash course definitely cleared our doubts and queries regarding the technical aspects of Ham Radio.

On 29th Jan we were taught the functions and operations of various Rigs and Handies. Young Amateurs like Me, AXC, YOT had our first hand experience on the PTT and were Jubilant to make QSO's. SWL's Nilesh and Nandini were eager too and got to do their modulation tests. We also were divided in teams to setup dipole antennas. In the eve, we had a mock drill on how to communicate during Disasters and Otherwise.

On 30th Jan we gave a test pertaining Disaster management and believe me it was a tough one. We also did help VU2MOO to fulfill his long impending desire of getting VHF operational from his farmhouse. We set up an almost 35 feet high yagi and tested it using the IC-2100 won by Nilesh Dixit in Ham fest. We did learn a lot more of Digital Communication and its softwares.

Apart from the technical aspects of Disaster, other important aspects particularly cooking food was also taught to us. We realized the importance of having good wood and utilizing it in a very resourceful way. We really did cook wonderful meal with minimum resources carried/available to us. Some delicious flavors lingering on the mouth were Lemon Tea on the last day, Grass Tea, Baigan ki Khichadi, Alu mutter with bread and rice. Hmmmmm.

Also did we realize the importance of humor in stress related situations and of course we had VU2DCE to lend us rib-tickling laughter?s with situational comedy.

All in all this was one of the adventurous, informative and hands on experience. More participation in such events will definitely help us realize the purpose of our being Amateur Radio Operators.

73s De

VU2EGO (Labhesh More)

09822524221 / 25415529
PS: the only thing really disastrous on this trip was boarding the train to Asangaon. For those who travel train, we boarded the 9:31 (from Thane) Local to 'Kasara'. Phew I almost got my sack tore.

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2237. Ham radio to the rescue

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-01 13:39:30 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2237 Message: 2237

Ham radio to the rescue

Amateurs train to help in crisis, set up local station in 1.5 hours.
Sayli Udas

Mumbai, January 30: NINE eager members of the Mumbai Amateur Radio Society's (MARS) Amateur Radio Emergency Team invaded Kavadas village near Asangaon in Thane on Saturday, all set to assist in a 'disaster'.

They were armed with a battery, transmitter and receiver, laptop, screwdrivers, wires and tape. Their task: To make an antenna using just wire and then set up a local radio station.

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For six of them, this was their first such endeavour. ''There will be two more through the year, one planned and one unplanned,'' said team head Nilesh Rathod (38), an oil exporter and part of the Gujarat earthquake disaster team.

The group is part of MARS's attempts to extend ham operating beyond a hobby and into disaster management.

''Recent disasters like the tsunami of December 26 and this week's stampede at Wai have made disaster management essential. And communication links are often the first to be destroyed. This is where we can play a major role,'' said Darshan Hemnani (27), one of the trainees.

So how successful was the group? Well, 90 minutes after they began, the ham operators were communicating with other operators in Mumbai. In an actual disaster, quite a Godsend.

Another exercise the team is planning is using the laptop as a medium of communication in times of disaster.

The sound card would then form the communication modem, and connected to the transmitter, it would send text messages and photographs.

''We could then transmit pictures of the affected areas and, in case the sound is not clear, type messages for better communication,'' said Prashant Koli (44), a HAM operator since 2000.

sayliudas@...

From: cities.expressindia.com

Regards,
Shailesh Deshmukh.

73'S DE VU2LOC

2238. "FOX HUNT 2005" this sunday the 6th

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-01 14:55:47 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2238 Message: 2238

DEAR MEMBERS

Mumbai Amateur RAdio Society will be conducting the "FOX HUNT 2005 " on the 26th and 27 of Feb.

Location will be PUNE city

last year the fox hunt was conducted in the hills of lonavla and it was a success thanks you all your participation .This year we are even going futher to the city of Pune . Dont worry some day we will reach new york city and conduct our fox hunt "2094" there .

there will be a "FOX HUNT 2005" meeting this sunday 6th of Feb at the the Bengalli Girls school at 10 a.m.

all those who would like to participate and know more details of the Fox Hunt 2005 please be present .

please bring your vhf handies along so that we can also set you up with the D F antennas

used int he fox hunt

THANK YOU

see you all on sunday

vu2zrs zyros zend / vu2nlf nuilesh rathod / vu2wet farooq irani

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2239. Tsunami

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-02 04:57:24 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2239 Message: 2239

Hello,
In the next issue of the "Ham Radio News", ARSI wishes to acknowledge and highlight the contributions made by hams in disaster communication when the Tsunami waves struck. There were many silent heroes in this effort. Please send me your story along with photos if possible.
The next issue is slated for the 1st week of March.
Thanking you,
Yours sincerely,
Sarla Sharma
VU2SWS
Mumbai.
Editor HRN

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2240. Re: [m_a_r_s] "FOX HUNT 2005" "meeting" this sunday the 6th and .....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-02 05:42:28 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2240 Message: 2240
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2241. fox hunt . a new hunt every time .meeting sunday 6th at bengali school

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-02 05:46:06 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2241 Message: 2241
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2242. Happy Birthday VU2ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-02 09:25:10 UTC
From: vu2scq
Topic: 2242 Message: 2242

Dear Zyros,
Here's wishing our very own dear Fortune Cookie Man a very happy and sugary birthday. Zyros, may this year bring you lots of joy and happiness along with all the "Foxes" you can catch.
All the best

73
Shantanu
VU2SCQ

2243. RE: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday VU2ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-02 09:57:33 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 2242 Message: 2243

Hi ZRS,

Wishing you many many happy returns of the day...

73s,

ICQ
-----Original Message-----
From: vu2scq [mailto:vu2scq@...]
Sent: Wednesday, February 02, 2005 5:25 PM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
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2244. Happy Birthday - VU2ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-02 10:52:08 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2244 Message: 2244

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2245. Monthly meeting on 6th Febuary 2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-02 11:09:11 UTC
From: vu2nlf
Topic: 2245 Message: 2245

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Dear Friends,

The monthly meeting for Febuary will be held on 6th Febuary 2005 at 10:00 AM at B.S.Bengelle Girls School, Churchgate.

Normally the monthly meeting is held on 2nd Sunday, but in order to make it convenient for all the members, we have clubed Foxhunt meeting and monthly meeting together.

73

VU2NLF, Secretary, MARS.

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2246. Dual Band antennae

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-03 07:24:06 UTC
From: vu2scq
Topic: 2246 Message: 2246

Dear Friends,

I had recently spoken to VU2GT of GT communications. I have asked
him for the dual band vertical antenae for VHF and UHF frequencies.
he is willing to make them if i can get him a minimum order 10 pcs.
If anyone is interested please let me know then i can hopefully
place the order.

Thanks
73
VU2SCQ

2247. Re: [m_a_r_s] Dual Band antennae

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-03 07:31:01 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 2246 Message: 2247

I am interested in multi band HF vertical antenna. Pse find.
Basappa

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2248. Hams operating during Enduro 3 run in Pune

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-03 07:31:25 UTC
From: vu2scq
Topic: 2248 Message: 2248

Dear Friends,

It has come to my notice that the National Education Foundation CLub
VU2PUF is conducting an annual endurance race near Pune. The dates
are 4th,5th and 6th of February 2005.

The whole operation is spear headed by OM VU2PPT, Prasad Purandare.

Those interested in more information on this race may visit
www.enduro3.com for further details.

73
VU2SCQ
Shantanu Chand

2249. Re: [m_a_r_s] Dual Band antennae

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-03 08:00:29 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2246 Message: 2249

hi scq
you can count me also in the order.

73's de
vu2sfn/shailesh

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2250. Raffle Ticket Receipt

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-03 14:03:03 UTC
From: Mukesh Vaidya
Topic: 2250 Message: 2250

Hi,

greetings to all hams.

first of all i would like to Congratulate you all, for
the great success of hamfest india 2004
(a bit late though).

secondly a raffle draw was arranged somewhere in
nov/dec 2004 , where the life members of MARS had a
privilege to buy raffle tickets of rs.1000 each & win
radio's.

It was mentioned that receipts for the same will be
issued whereby we can use them for tax exempt. well i
had bought couple of them. now there's no updates wrt
receipts of raffle draw held in december 2004. can the
concerned people look into the matter and issue
receipts asap.

finally, we the new callsign holders and life members
of MARS are still awaiting for our permanent id card
(with callsign) & call sign caps. can any one update
on this too.

de VU3OMV
Mukesh Vaidya

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2251. Re: [m_a_r_s] Raffle Ticket Receipt

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-03 14:17:40 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2250 Message: 2251

Hello VU3OMV,

why don't you come for our monthly meeting on 6th Feb 2005, I am sure you will all the answers to your question there.

73
NLF, Secretary, MARS.

Mukesh Vaidya <mukeshvaidya@...> wrote:
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2252. Re:[m_a_r_s] Raffle Ticket Receipt

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-03 18:06:06 UTC
From: firani@vsnl.com
Topic: 2250 Message: 2252

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2253. Re:[m_a_r_s] fox hunt exercise

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-03 18:22:19 UTC
From: firani@vsnl.com
Topic: 2253 Message: 2253

Zyros,Please inform me as to what kind of food do you ll require for the fox hunt and for how many people. Also everybody please do not forget to carry warm clothes and blankets since it may be very cold here in PUNE...5 to 7 Degrees. Looking forward to seeing you all...vu2wet

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2254. MARS Fox hunt 2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-04 07:47:28 UTC
From: firani@vsnl.com
Topic: 2254 Message: 2254

Zyros,Please advise people to carry their own torch light..which will be required for the night fox hunt.Also do not forget your own personal medication kits..vu2wet

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2255. Re: RE: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday VU2ZRS . lunch party date

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-04 11:05:24 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2255 Message: 2255

thank you all for wishing me a HAPPY BIRTHDAY

WELL PLEASE KEEP YOUR SELF FREE AFTER SUNDAY 6 TH MARS AND FOX HUNT MEETING FOR A MAJOR BIG PARTY BY ME FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN KIND TO REMEMBER MY BIRTHDAY .

please mention veg or non veg . c u all on sunday

thanks again for remebering and wishing

vu2zrs

From: Mehul Chovatia
Date: Wednesday, February 2, 2005 3:27 pm
Subject: RE: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday VU2ZRS

> Hi ZRS,
>
> Wishing you many many happy returns of the day...
>
> 73s,
>
> ICQ
> -----Original Message-----
> From: vu2scq [vu2scq@...]
> Sent: Wednesday, February 02, 2005 5:25 PM
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday VU2ZRS
>
>
>
> Dear Zyros,
> Here's wishing our very own dear Fortune Cookie Man a very happy and
> sugary birthday. Zyros, may this year bring you lots of joy and
> happiness along with all the "Foxes" you can catch.
> All the best
>
> 73
> Shantanu
> VU2SCQ
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2256. Re: [m_a_r_s] Raffle Ticket Receipt

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-04 13:18:39 UTC
From: Mukesh Vaidya
Topic: 2250 Message: 2256

hello NLF,

thanks for u'r reply.

afraid to say i can't attend monthly meeting on 6th
Feb 2005 since im in bangalore.

73s
de vu3omv
mukesh vaidya

nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@...> wrote:

> Hello VU3OMV,
>
> why don't you come for our monthly meeting on 6th
> Feb 2005, I am sure you will all the answers to your
> question there.
>
> 73
> NLF, Secretary, MARS.
>
> Mukesh Vaidya <mukeshvaidya@...> wrote:
> Hi,
>
> greetings to all hams.
>
> first of all i would like to Congratulate you all,
> for
> the great success of hamfest india 2004
> (a bit late though).
>
> secondly a raffle draw was arranged somewhere in
> nov/dec 2004 , where the life members of MARS had a
> privilege to buy raffle tickets of rs.1000 each &
> win
> radio's.
>
> It was mentioned that receipts for the same will be
> issued whereby we can use them for tax exempt. well
> i
> had bought couple of them. now there's no updates
> wrt
> receipts of raffle draw held in december 2004. can
> the
> concerned people look into the matter and issue

> receipts asap.
>
> finally, we the new callsign holders and life
> members
> of MARS are still awaiting for our permanent id card
> (with callsign) & call sign caps. can any one update
> on this too.
>
>
> de VU3OMV
> Mukesh Vaidya
>
> Life Member
> mumbai amateur radio society (www.mumbai-hams.org)
> bangalore amateur radio club (www.bangalorehams.com)
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2257. Re: [m_a_r_s] Dual Band antennae

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-04 14:59:50 UTC
From: Abhay Shah
Topic: 2246 Message: 2257

Hi SCQ,
You can also count me ,
As I have got my new ICOM 706 MIIG,

Abhay
VU2AIH
--- shailesh pradhan <shaileshpradhan@...>
wrote:
> hi scq
> you can count me also in the order.
>
> 73's de
> vu2sfn/shailesh
>
> vu2scq <vu2scq@...> wrote:
>
> Dear Friends,
>
> I had recently spoken to VU2GT of GT communications.
> I have asked
> him for the dual band vertical antenae for VHF and
> UHF frequencies.
> he is willing to make them if i can get him a
> minimum order 10 pcs.
> If anyone is interested please let me know then i
> can hopefully
> place the order.
>
> Thanks
> 73
> VU2SCQ
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2258. Re: [m_a_r_s] Dual Band antennae

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-04 15:31:13 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2246 Message: 2258

Dear Shantanu, Abhay and friends,

I really appreciate your efforts for making use of our 70CM band. nevertheless I personally feel dual band antenna is not a good idea... it will always be a compromise, it will not do justice to either band

Instead I suggest ask GT to make a 5/8 for 70CM, infact I have homebrewed a slim-jim for 70CM and the preformance is out of this world... the slim-jim will cost you less then Rs.100/- and you can make it in about 2-3 hours.

Then again, I am against dualband antenna,Rigs & people, but thats my opinion... many may not agree...

73
NLF
Abhay Shah <abhay69in@...> wrote:
Hi SCQ,
You can also count me ,
As I have got my new ICOM 706 MIIG,

Abhay
VU2AIH
--- shailesh pradhan <shaileshpradhan@...>
wrote:
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> vu2sfn/shailesh
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> place the order.
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> Thanks
> 73

> VU2SCQ
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2259. Fox hunt 2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-05 08:37:52 UTC
From: firani@vsnl.com
Topic: 2259 Message: 2259

Dear Zyros,Kindly conform reservations for accomodation by monday latest....since you all are coming on a weekend.

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2260. HAM, man's best friend during disaster

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-07 12:02:00 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2260 Message: 2260
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2261. RE: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 927

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-07 14:11:42 UTC
From: Ratnesh Javeri
Topic: 2261 Message: 2261

Hi,

Does anybody has ICQ Mehul's Singapore address /email / mobile / tel nos?

Pl pass on to me.

73 & Best Regards
Ratnesh Javeri

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2262. How to Keep Having Fun During the Declining Solar Cycle

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-07 14:39:43 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2262 Message: 2262

How to Keep Having Fun During the Declining Solar Cycle

By Rod Vlach, NN0TT
February 4, 2005

Ten ways to enjoy your favorite pastime until the sunspots come back.

The resourceful Amateur Radio operator can continue to enjoy ham radio, both on and off the air, even though solar activity is on the downswing. It looks as though the current solar cycle will reach its approximate low point (least number of sunspots) sometime next year, so we may as well dig in our heels and make the best of things. Here are 10 ideas on how to cope with less than ideal operating conditions:

1) Stay on the Air!

Although the upper high frequency bands (10, 15 and 20 meters) are a lot less productive than during peak solar conditions, it gives us an opportunity to become better acquainted with the lower bands. I have never operated throughout an entire "bottomed out" cycle, and in some strange way (and being there is nothing I can do to prevent it) I am "sort of" looking forward to how well I can do with my 100 watts and vertical antenna. It's also a good time to ragchew! If your signals aren't always getting across the ocean, there are lots of in-country QSOs to be had!

2) Learn Why and How Solar Activity Affects Communications

It is rather amazing that the quality of our earthly radio communications is determined by an object that is 93 million miles away--the sun. And the greater number of sunspots there are, the more the ionosphere is "ionized," causing HF radio signals to "refract" (skip) back to earth, making global communications possible. The maximum/minimum number of sunspots occurs in a repeating 11 year cycle.

All the solar propagation terms can be confusing, even intimidating. I have been able to ascertain that if the "solar flux" is up and the "K index" is down, it is good for radio communications. Although there will be occasional upward spikes, the solar flux and number of sunspots will continue heading downward for a while yet. A current solar chart resembles a "very bumpy" downhill road. Two good chart sites, the Solar Terrestrial Activity Report and WM7D's Solar Resource Page are available on the Web. K9LA has a good article on defining the solar terms.

3) Submit an Article to QST or the ARRLWeb

Have you ever wondered how adept you might be with a pen and paper (or keyboard and word processor) to spin out an article for QST or the ARRLWeb? You'll never know unless you give it a try! It's not as difficult as you might think. In fact, one of my past ARRLWeb pieces was on that very subject--how to write an article.

The author doesn't let less than ideal solar conditions interfere with the pursuit of the fun Amateur Radio has to offer.

4) Design a New QSL Card

Whether you consult with a QSL printer or have the facilities to design and print your own, now would be a great time to create a card that will knock everybody's socks off! I recently designed my first "photo" QSL card, with a picture I took myself at a Minnesota nature park, and had it printed by professionals. I also had a lot of input into the design of the back of the card. Whatever style you choose, creating a QSL "mostly from scratch" was a fun experience for me. The Basics of a QSL Card is another past article of mine that you can refer to.

5) Meet Some New Hams; Form a Club

It's a lot more fun to complain about poor band conditions in a group than all by yourself! Check into a local club or if there is none, consider starting one of your own. This can be anything from having a pizza together once a month to having a full-blown club station. Check with ARRL for any affiliated clubs in your area. I have also had a lot of fun discussing DX and "other stuff" with e-mail buddies, most of whom I have never met personally!

6) Try a New Mode or Activity

Compared to the mid 1960s when I got my first amateur license, there is a plethora of modes and activities to choose from today. Some may be cost/location prohibitive for many of us (such as an EME, or "moonbounce" station) but in addition to the old standbys of phone and CW, there is PSK 31, radioteletype, amateur television, satellite, FM and others. And, although it is not a "mode," don't forget QRP (low power). Modern rigs will allow the output power to be lowered to 5 watts or less, enabling the operator to go QRP whenever the urge strikes! Lots of QRP info is available from Anthony Luscre's series of Web articles. One good one is called Shopping for QRP items and Supplies. You can find others by searching for Luscre at the ARRLWeb home page.

7) Collect More QSL Cards

My ongoing project is attempting to get a photo QSL from all the DXCC entities I have worked, for my QSL album. I am active in the ARRL Outgoing QSL Service, and my feature on using it can be found on the ARRLWeb site. Now that DX contacts are less frequent, I am QSLing more to entities I already have confirmed, because incoming cards are

always fun to receive, and each one is unique. It helps "fill the gap" between on-air DX QSOs.

8) Experiment with a Different Antenna

I stay with a vertical antenna mainly for its small footprint and ease of operation, but if you have the time, finances and space, trying out a different antenna design could prove beneficial. You could even design one of your own and test it out! Do you have a situation that is keeping you from "getting out" as well as you would like? See if you can improve it! Need some help? The ARRL has many antenna books; check out the online store.

9) Upgrade your License; Go Vanity (if you wish...)

Some may say that upgrading your ham license has never been easier; to some extent, this is true. Exams are overseen by volunteers, in many convenient locations (with a more cordial atmosphere than many of us old-timers remember who have taken exams at an FCC field office). Morse code requirements have been lessened considerably (or eliminated entirely, depending on the license grade). In the old days, hams taking an exam for the first time had no idea what the actual exam questions would be, as compared to today's "question pool" examples. Although seeing the questions beforehand provides an advantage, the question pool is so large that hams still have to accumulate a considerable amount of information to pass an exam. What better time to prepare to get more operating privileges, and be ready to go when the better propagation returns! ARRL study guides for all the current license grades are available.

If "going vanity" (applying for a specific call sign) has been in the back of your mind for a long time, at least investigate the possibilities. Information on how to get started is readily available. If you have a problem with "giving up" your old call sign of many years, my past feature on the "psychology" of applying for a vanity call sign may help.

The self-designed QSL card (see Tip #4) is both attractive and fun to create.

10) Brush-Up On CW

Anyone who thinks Morse code is an outdated mode hasn't heard a CW DX pileup lately. Many hams operate CW worldwide, and it is still one of the best ways to "work the world" with low power. With the declining propagation, you may find CW will get through where some other modes won't. ARRL headquarters station W1AW faithfully broadcasts Morse practice sessions and Code Proficiency qualifying runs. It takes one minute of solid copy to get a nice certificate at various speeds. You don't even need to be a licensed ham to apply for the CP wallpaper! Code practice is available on the Web, too!

We hams may not be spending as much time sitting in front of the radio as we did during the last solar peak, but that doesn't mean there isn't ham-related activity off the air as well. These items are just a few of the things we can do until those peak conditions roll around again. Keep having fun!

ARRL member Rod Vlach, NN0TT, and his wife Diane hail from Willmar, Minnesota. Rod enjoys DXing, ragchewing and writing articles about ham radio. He and his wife are property managers. He can be contacted at nn0tt@....

From : www.arrl.org

Regards,

Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S DE VU2LOC

2263. RE: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 927

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-08 04:52:31 UTC
From: VU2SCQ
Topic: 2261 Message: 2263

Dear Ratnesh,
You may contact mehul on mehul2k@...
73
VU2SCQ
Shantanu

Ratnesh Javeri <ratneshjaveri@...> wrote:
Hi,

Does anybody has ICQ Mehul's Singapore address /email / mobile / tel
nos?

Pl pass on to me.

73 & Best Regards
Ratnesh Javeri

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2264. Re: [m_a_r_s] "FOX HUNT 2005" list of PARTCIPANTS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-11 09:27:54 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2264 Message: 2264
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2265. Re:Re: [m_a_r_s] "FOX HUNT 2005" list of PARTCIPANTS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-12 03:38:24 UTC
From: firani@vsnl.com
Topic: 2264 Message: 2265

Thanks Zyros,I Think we should book of the accomodation for 30 People min...vu2wet
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---- Original Message ----

2266. Wireless communications in Industrial Automation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-14 02:39:42 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2266 Message: 2266

Hi all:

This is slightly off topic, but since it's related to wireless, I decided to write in anyways.

I returned from two troubleshooting campaigns to some steel plats where we'd faced technical problems. I finally diagnosed these are related to problems with network cabling (Industrial networks have a different higher grade cable and protocol called Profibus). I contacted Siemens' who informed me that they now have wireless offerings. These are WiFi devices that operate in the 2Ghz and 5Ghz ranges. Siemens' is not certain if communication over the 5Ghz band is permitted in India.

For those who don't know: Manufacturing lines sometimes have high EMI due to the large motors and drives that are installed. Typically, these motors are drives by Drives that are rated for 200A/440V. The motors give off high EMI.

My questions:
1. Does any one have experience with communicating over radio in and around manufacturing units that have high EMI ?

2. Where do I find if the 5Ghz band is permitted in India ?

-- Sriram

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2267. Next MARS meet ?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-14 02:41:57 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2267 Message: 2267

Hi all:

May I know when the next MARS meet is likely to be held, please ?

I plan to take a break from this long bout of travelling and work, and recharge my batteries by becoming a student again.

Thanks in advance,

-- Sriram

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2268. Received a letter from the WPC regarding license :)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-14 02:45:17 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2268 Message: 2268

Hi NLF:

Something that's really thrilled me :)

I've received a letter from the WPC asking me to send my photographs and Call Sign preferences.

What do you recommend I do next ? Should I reply to them with the information or send it to you/MARS office address for collective processing etc ?

-- Sriram

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2269. Latest MARS CD-ROMS ?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-14 02:51:23 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2269 Message: 2269

Hi:

I still have the useful CD-ROMs compiled during 2003. Are there plans for any new compilation ? I'm looking for the following content:
1. Morse tutors
2. Electronics Tutors
3. Antenna how-tos
4. Radio equipment selection guides.
5. List of recommended books and links.

I realise that I could get all this off the net, but just wished to ask more experienced persons first.

FYI, I have the paperback version of the book: The Art of Electronics. This makes excellent reading.

-- Sriram

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2270. Ham Jokes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-15 12:56:38 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2270 Message: 2270

YOU MIGHT BE A HAM IF.....
1. YOUR WIFE SAID "LETS GO SEE AUNT ANNA AND YOU THOUGHT SHE SAID ANTENNA!
2. YOUR WIFE SAID "COULD YOU CUT THE GRASS?" AND YOU THOUGHT SHE SAID
POUND
THE BRASS!
3. YOUR WIFE SAID "WE'VE BEEN INVITED TO BREAKFAST AND YOU THOUGHT SHE
SAID
HAM FEST!
4. YOUR WIFE SAID "SOMETHING IS WRONG WITH THE CHECK BOOK AND YOU
THOUGHT
SHE SAID LOG BOOK!
5. YOUR WIFE SAID "IS MY SEAM STRAIGHT? AND YOU THOUGHT SHE SAID, " IS MY
BEAM
STRAIGHT?'

A HAM NAMED ELMER LIVED WITH HIS XYL NAMED SUE.
WHILE AT THE QTH ONE NIGHT, SUE SUDDENLY WENT QRT. (DIED).
ELMER PICKED UP THE PHONE, AND CALLED 911 AND REPORTED THAT HIS WIFE HAD
JUST DIED AND COULD SOMEONE COME OVER TO PICK HER UP. THE OPERATOR ASKED FOR
HIS ADDRESS AND ELMER SAID HE LIVED ON THE END OF EUCALYPTUS LANE...SHE
ASKED HIM TO SPELL THAT.
THERE WAS A LONG PAUSE ON THE END OF THE LINE AND THEN ELMER SAID.
"HOW ABOUT I JUST DRAG HER OVER TO OAK STREET AND YOU MEET ME THERE"!!

HEARD ON 2O METERS
"Yesterday, my XYL said she'd leave me if I didn't give up ham radio.
Over."

Two elderly hams had been friends for many decades.
Over the years they had shared all kinds of activities
and adventures on the ham bands. Lately, their activities have been
limited to meeting a few times a week to play cards.
One day they were playing cards when one looked at the
other and said, "Now don't get mad at me.....I know
we've been friends for a long time.....but I just
can't think of your name and your call.! I've thought and thought,
but I can't remember them. Please tell me what they are."
His friend glared at him. For at least three minutes
he just stared and glared at the gray haired old man.. Finally he said,
"How soon do you need to know?

An elderly ham and his XYL were on a cruise and it was really
stormy. They were standing on the back of the boat
watching the moon, when a wave came up and washed the
old woman overboard. They searched for days and
couldn't find her, so the captain sent the old ham back

to shore with the promise that he would notify him as
soon as they found something. Three weeks went by and
finally the old man got a fax from the boat. It read:

"Sir, sorry to inform you, we found your wife dead at
the bottom of the ocean. We hauled her up to the deck
and attached to her posterior was an oyster and in it was a
pearl worth $50,000 . .please advise"
The old man faxed back: "Send me the pearl and re-bait
the trap!"

Three brothers ages 92, 94, and 96 live in a house together. One night
the 96 year old draws a bath. He puts his foot in and pauses. He yells
down the stairs and says "Was I getting in or out?"

The 94 year old yells back "I don't know. I'll come up and see." He starts
up the stairs and pauses. Then he yells "Was I going up the stairs or
down?"

The 92 year old HAM is sitting in front of his HF rig and listening to his
brothers. He shakes his head picks up the mic and says "I sure hope I never
get that
forgetful." He knocks on wood for good measure. He then yells into the mic,
"I'll come
up and help both of you as soon as I see who's at the door".

Electricity originates inside clouds. There, it forms into lightning, which
is attracted to the Earth by golfers.After entering the ground, the
electricity hardens into coal, which, when dug up by power companies and
burned in big ovens called 'generators,' turns back into electricity...where
it is transformed by TV sets into commercials for beer, which passes through
the consumers and back into the ground, thus completing what is known as a
"circuit".....Dave Barry

2271. Re: [m_a_r_s] "FOX HUNT 2005" vu2nhr (nirav)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-16 06:03:13 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2271 Message: 2271

dear nirav

hope you will attend the FOX HUNT 20005 either in person or your FT-11R YASEU

will highly appreciate both but if not either will do

please call me need to speek to you . do not have your new numbers

vu2zrs

9821025289

Fortune Cookie India
300 , cawasji hormasji patel street
marine lines
mumbai 2
tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

2272. Re: [m_a_r_s] FOX HUNT 2005 (nilesh malpekar entry)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-16 06:09:33 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2272 Message: 2272

dear nilesh malpekar

yes you can join the fox hunt 2005 . last date for entry is theis sunday the 20th at bengalli girls school

at 10 am

the cost for the 2 days fox hunt is Rs 500 per head min. includes all

foooood , staying , transportation , sight seeing , equip;ment , for both days

in short a 2 day outing doing fox hunt 2005 for the same amount

please call me on 9821025289 to confirm verbally . train tickets have to be bought

thanks 73 's

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2273. Re: [m_a_r_s] "FOX HUNT 2005" nilesh malpekar

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-16 06:22:57 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2273 Message: 2273
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2274. Re: [m_a_r_s] FOX HUNT 2005 meeting 20th feb at bengalli school

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-16 06:26:06 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2274 Message: 2274
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2275. Re: [m_a_r_s] FOX HUNT 2005 (vu2LOC)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-16 10:04:43 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2275 Message: 2275
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2276. 25 MEMBERS PARTCIPATION IN FOX HUNT 2005 . ANY MORE????

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-16 10:19:00 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2276 Message: 2276
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2277. Amateur Radio In 2050

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-19 09:25:22 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2277 Message: 2277

Amateur Radio In 2050

(KC8VWM) on February 16, 2005
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Hams have historically been tinkers. We have developed many of the communication technologies seen in use today.

While many think of amateur radio as a hobby that involves people who tinker with tubes, oscillator coils and transformers; I am left wondering what will happen in the next 40 - 50 years for Amateur Radio.

Will it be "radio" as we know it today or will we evolve into a new communications evolution?

So what may be in the future for ham radio?

For example, will tomorrow's hams communicate long distances by bouncing modulated light waves from the sun using large dish reflectors into the deep fringes of space?

Will we find a way to learn to harness the light and gigawatt power of the sun to achieve this powerful communication network in the future if it should even exist?

Perhaps we may use a form of earth vibration modulation technology using Mother Nature as a new communication medium.

Or, we might find a way to communicate using atoms as the vehicle for communications in the future.

Will we be able to use atoms to send signals by compressing packets somehow into these atoms and then sending them over long distances along a narrow beam of light?

Who knows?

As we evolve into the future of Amateur Radio what do you think we will invent? Will the ARRL have new interplanetary DX entities? How do you envision the typical Radio Amateur in 2050?

73

Charles -- KC8VWM

From : www.eham.net

Regards,
Shailesh Deshmukh.
73' S DE VU2LOC

2278. QGM? What was that ... see for yourselves

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-19 10:17:13 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2278 Message: 2278
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Aha, all new ARES members have made Q codes of their own. About time they knew that their innovativeness is not unique. Somebody already has copyright (The Intl. Telecom Union)hehehehe. Read the attachment.

73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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2279. In the line of Fire.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-20 02:02:37 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2279 Message: 2279

Hi Martians:

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2280. RE: [m_a_r_s] In the line of Fire.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-20 03:20:20 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2279 Message: 2280

Hi all,
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to Ham discussions please?
Sarla

>From: Sriram N <sriramx_2000@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] In the line of Fire.
>Date: Sat, 19 Feb 2005 18:02:37 -0800 (PST)
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2281. Apologies for the off-topic post (RE: [m_a_r_s] In the line of Fire.)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-20 03:24:27 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2279 Message: 2281

--- sarla sharma <sarla_sharma@...> wrote:

> Hi all,
> With due respects to Major Vikram Batra, can we keep this group restricted
> to Ham discussions please?

Sure Sarla, you're right. My apologies for the off topic post.

> Sarla

-- Sriram

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2282. AX.25 programming libraries

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-20 03:29:24 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2282 Message: 2282

Hi all:

http://hams.sourceforge.net/ax25/ has some libraries for AX.25 programming.

AX.25 is the protocol used to transfer data over Amateur Radio.

(http://www.networksorcery.com/enp/protocol/ax25.htm)

I'm curious to know : Has any MARS member programmed AX.25 or written a program
to interface the computer with the radio ?

-- Sriram

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2283. Re: Apologies for the off-topic post (RE: [m_a_r_s] In the line of Fire.)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-20 03:32:23 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 2279 Message: 2283

Dear Sriman,
My tears rolled down while reading about Kargil war memories.
The project manager was the luckiest person in this world to shake his hands with the Subhedar who hoisted the tricolour on point 4875.

Off topic but it was great.

Basappa

PS. You young engineers try getting in to defence. You may get less pay but the life is enjoyable. Unforgettable.

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2284. Re: Apologies for the off-topic post (RE: [m_a_r_s] In the line of Fire.)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-20 03:50:54 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2279 Message: 2284

Hi NXM:

--- VU2NXM <basappaji@...> wrote:

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Well, I was moved too. In the corporate world, it the the manager who sends his people into battle and risk. In the Army, the opposite seems to be true. It must take quite some courage to go out fearless of death.

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Hmm... I'm a commerce graduate with pass class grade. I'm not quite sure if the defence would accept a person with my qualifications.

I'm instead doing my bit by teaching programming for free, helping schools install and configure computers, mentoring Engineering students in their software projects, etc.

-- Sriram

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2285. fox hunt2005..Confirm reservations

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-21 03:26:33 UTC
From: firani@vsnl.com
Topic: 2285 Message: 2285

Dear VU2ZRS,Please confirm reservations of hotel accomodation for hotel as soon as possible.also please note Pune Is cold once again since past 2 days...VU2WET

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2286. infermation about 10M band

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-21 07:48:22 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2286 Message: 2286

Hi all members

First I would like to thank to VU2NXM for the advice of the 10M antenna.

Friends as you all know that in amateur wire less world power should not be a problem. And if your antenna is perfect then you can work QRP also very easy.

From last few days I was bit confuse that I got a 10M rig and everybody says the 10M band is dead.

Then after lot of R&D and talking to people I could not do any thing on 10M and about to give-up.

Then I had a word with VU2NXM and he advice me for the half square antenna.

And then WOW!!!!!!!!!!!!

I started receiving stations but hard to understand it was because of antenna. I manage to fix the problem and one fine day I manage to contact Saudi Arabia and Brazil.

Believe me working QRP is not a big deal after this experience.

I work these stations on 3W and 2 ? W SSB and got report 5-7 isn?t it gr8.

I really thanks to VU2NXM because of him I could do this QSO.

The information for all of you that the 10M band is not dead.If you have a antenna you can also work. The band opens in the afternoon and night also.

have fun in hamming and enjoy the hobby

73's De

vu2sfn /shailesh

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2287. indrayani train info!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-21 11:03:10 UTC
From: Saurabh Gadkari
Topic: 2287 Message: 2287

dear ZRS,
this is the indrayani express timetable for all those who are not
boarding from CST.

Station Arrival Departure Distance
CST 5:40:00 AM 5:40:00 AM 0
Dadar 5:50:00 AM 5:53:00 AM 9
Kalyan 6:39:00 AM 6:42:00 AM 52
Lonavala 8:12:00 AM 8:15:00 AM 128
Pune 9:25:00 AM 9:25:00 AM 192

hope its all clear!

73's
saurabh

2288. Re: Details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-21 16:35:32 UTC
From: shaileshpradhan@yahoo.com
Topic: 1909 Message: 2288
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

See the attached file for details.

2289. Re: [m_a_r_s] infermation about 10M band

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-21 16:48:58 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 2286 Message: 2289

Hi shailesh,
Can you post construction details of your antenna.. I used to have 10m inverted Vee to make contacts, it used to be fun operating JA stations on that quiet band. But half square you are talking about seems to give much more window...

Thank you
Regards
W4/Vu3KPL

shailesh pradhan <shaileshpradhan@...> wrote:

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vu2sfn /shailesh

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2290. Re: [m_a_r_s] infermation about 10M band

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-22 05:28:55 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2286 Message: 2290

Hi Kiran
certanly i will post the construction details of the half square antenna with photo soon

Thank you for the intrest
regards & happy hamming
vu2sfn / shailesh

kiran padiyar <kiran_padiyar@...> wrote:
Hi shailesh,
Can you post construction details of your antenna.. I used to have 10m inverted Vee to make contacts, it used to be fun operating JA stations on that quiet band. But half square you are talking about seems to give much more window...

Thank you
Regards
W4/Vu3KPL

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2291. Ham radio, rescue link in disaster

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-23 05:21:42 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2291 Message: 2291

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From: www.orissa.net

Regards,

Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S DE VU2LOC

2292. fox hunt 2005 LIST OF ITEMS TO CARRY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-23 06:22:44 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2292 Message: 2292

Dear Fox hunters 2005

please bring the following

1) M.A.R.S t-shirts , id -cards, caps , metal badges

2) comfortable walking shoes

3) warm cloths

4) tourch

5) personal tiolets kit and medicine

6) ham radio licenses

7) 1 bed sheet

8) pocket money for the poonas favorite cakes and pastries from vu2 wet bakery

9) magnet compass

10) sunglasses

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2293. 10M band antenna

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-23 09:04:15 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2293 Message: 2293
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi all
The photo of half square antenna for 10M band

From 3-2-1 is a single wire and 3-4 is a single wire

The distance of 3-2 is 17 1/2 " and then bend the wire

The distance from 2-1 is near about 9"

The distance from 3-4 is near about 9"

connect the wire 3-2-1 to the center of the fiddler line
connect the wire 3-4 to the outer core of the fiddler line

best of luck and happy hamming 73's
vu2sfn / shailesh

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2294. Re: [m_a_r_s] fox hunt 2005 LIST OF ITEMS TO CARRY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-23 08:00:38 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2292 Message: 2294

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fortunecookie@... wrote:

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2295. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ham radio, rescue link in disaster

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-23 07:50:46 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2291 Message: 2295

Hmm..
Interesting to read that NIAR trained charlies are going to get rigs without having to pay for it.
MARS walon ne kya bura kaam kiya hai?
Food for thought for higher ups(those in the echelons of power).

73s

VU2CDP

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2296. Re: [m_a_r_s] fox hunt 200 5 (extra) ITEMS TO CARRY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-25 07:46:41 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2296 Message: 2296

dear fox hunters

good news we are being covered by the maharastra herald new paper for this FOX HUNT 2005

"THEY WILL BE THERE FOR THE EVENT "

as of the extra list of items to carry

1) magnifying glass . small but handy

all is set see you all on the train .

73's vu2zrs

----- Original Message -----

From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Date: Wednesday, February 23, 2005 1:30 pm
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] fox hunt 2005 LIST OF ITEMS TO CARRY

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2297. Thank you members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-27 13:13:29 UTC
From: firani@vsnl.com
Topic: 2297 Message: 2297

Dear fox hunters, I would like to thank all of you ll for participating ...and being sporting enough ...helping us make this fox hunt 2005 a great success. I am sure you all will agree that we all enjoyed ourselves.It gives me great pleasure to state that all efforts taken for this event were very fruitfull..thanks once again...VU2WET

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2298. Make your HOTMAIL 250MB!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-02-28 11:07:36 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2298 Message: 2298

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Your account size will now increase to 25 MB, which a month later becomes
250MB.

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2299. Back from the foxhunt

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-01 16:44:12 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2299 Message: 2299
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2300. International Space Station Reference

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-02 11:36:25 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2300 Message: 2300

International Space Station Reference

Ham Radio

When astronauts, cosmonauts and mission specialists from many nations fly on the International Space Station, they will have amateur, or ham, radio as a constant companion.

Since its first flight in 1983, ham radio has flown on more than two-dozen space shuttle missions. Dozens of astronauts have used the Space Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment, or SAREX, to talk to thousands of kids in school and to their families on Earth while they were in orbit. They have pioneered space radio experimentation, including television and text messaging as well as voice communication. The Russians have had a similar program for the cosmonauts aboard the Russian Space Station Mir. When U.S. astronauts were aboard Mir in preparation for the long duration missions of the International Space Station, they used amateur radio for communication, including emergency messaging while Mir was in distress.

As human space flight moves into a new uncharted era, an organization called ARISS, which stands for Amateur Radio on International Space Station, has been formed to design, build and operate equipment. In 1996, delegates from major national radio organizations and from AMSAT, which stands for the Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation, in eight nations involved with the International Space Station signed a Memorandum of Understanding to form ARISS.

NASA and the Russian space organization Energia have signed agreements that spell out the place of amateur radio on the station. A technical team, called ISS Ham, has been officially established to serve as the interface to support hardware development, crew training and on-orbit operations.

In the United States, the American Radio Relay League, which is also known as ARRL, and AMSAT provide leadership and consultation. They also donate and build hardware as well as making sure safety and qualification tests are successfully completed so the equipment can fly. The Russians have provided ports so that antennas can be mounted on the station's Zvezda Service Module -- the space station unit that provides living quarters for the astronauts and cosmonauts. United States and Russian teams have trained the astronauts and cosmonauts to operate the equipment. The Italian team has designed and built antennas. The German team has built sophisticated repeater stations that will allow crews to make recorded reports on their daily activities and permit hams on Earth better contacts with men and women

aboard the station.

IThe initial space station operations will be mostly voice and packet, a text messaging device. The first initial radio station was flown onboard the Space Shuttle Atlantis on STS-106. The crew transferred the ham radio gear into the space station for future use by the Expedition One crew.

More than 40 missions over five years will be required to assemble the International Space Station in orbit. The astronauts and cosmonauts will work hard on these missions, but they plan to take some time off for educational outreach contacts with schools. NASA's Division of Education is a major supporter of the amateur radio activity.

The sponsoring agencies have stated that they consider access to a ham radio system a requirement for psychological support of the crews, by providing family and general contacts for people who will be in space many weeks at a time.

As the International Space Station takes its place in the heavens, the amateur radio community is prepared to do its part by helping to enrich the experience of those visiting and living on the station.

Frequencies
Worldwide downlink for voice and packet = 145.80
Worldwide packet uplink = 145.99
Region 1 voice uplink = 145.20
Region 2 and 3 voice uplink = 144.49
Worldwide uplink for cross band voice repeater = 437.80
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Russian callsigns RS0ISS, RZ3DZR
U.S.A. callsign NA1SS
Packet station mailbox callsign RS0ISS-11
Packet station keyboard callsign RS0ISS-3
Packet Digipeater ARISS

From : http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/station/reference/radio/

Regards,

Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S DE VU2LOC.

2301. Re: [m_a_r_s] Thank you members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-02 15:06:57 UTC
From: Nilesh Malpekar
Topic: 2297 Message: 2301

Dear All,

Indeed Foxhunt 2005 was a great success.

Innovative thinking and successful planning and
successful execution of the plan by the foxhunt
organizers, made this foxhunt a gr8 success and an
enjoyable and learning experience for all of us.

I also appreciate VU2ZRS' efforts to collect feedback
from all of us while returning back to Mumbai.

Cheers,

Nilesh Malpekar
SWL

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2302. CROSS POST from CQ_VU Zero duty Notification URL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-04 07:28:24 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2302 Message: 2302

----- Original Message -----
From: Sandeep Baruah
To: indiahams@yahoogroups.com
Cc: CQ_VU@yahoogroups.com ; vu3gtf@...
Sent: Friday, March 04, 2005 10:16 AM
Subject: [CQ_VU] Re: Zero duty Notification URL

Hi Karan, VU3GTF
I could locate the following URL regarding the 'zero-duty' notification (issued on March 1, 2005). This would be of use to us:
http://indiabudget.nic.in/ub2005-06/cen/cus2405.pdf

Our ham items fall under the item no.8525 20 (at Serial no. 3 of the table) The HS (Harmonized System) Code for Amateur Radio items is 8525 20 04.

'Import Permit'
The 'Import Permit' is infact issued by DGFT (Director General of Foreign Trade). What the WPC issues is a 'Import Certificate', 'Certifying' that the item to be imported is an 'Amateur Radio Equipment/Accessories.

This certificate is NOT REQUIRED if don't claim a 'Duty Exemption'.
It allows us to 'CLAIM' a duty exemption for "ONE YEAR'.

Who knows may be in the next year the Customs Duty would be gain imposed?

If the 'Proforma Invoice' describes the item as an 'Amateur Radio Item' with the HS Code 8525 20 04, I think that is enough for the Customs Officials to believe. But again being hams claiming an 'exemption', I think we need to take this 'certificate'!

Of course we can try by-passing WPC. But to be on the safe side, it is better to get a 'Cetrtificate' from WPC so that there is no problem at the time of release of the item from the customs.

IMPORT PERMIT:

In case of hams, Import Permit from DGFT is also not required. I referred to the Ministry of Commerce (DGFT) Exim Policy 1997-2002 at
http://dgft.delhi.nic.in/exim/2000/proc/hbchap-04.htm
Refer to Chapter 4 (Policy 4.1) # (iii) which says that persons importing or exporting goods for their personal use not connected with trade or manufacture are exempted from getting the IEC No. (Importer Exporter's code no)

Amateur radio equipment" (HS Code 852520 04), falls under the "Free Importability Clause" (OGL) in the "Exim Policy" of the Ministry of Commerce; So we don't need this too.

This way I was successful in importing my 'personal' ICOM IC-718 in 2000; But that was a month long nightmare for me till I could trace my rig and finally getting it from the 'postman' ! ! HI :-)

tnx & best 73 cheerio!
de
sandeep vu2mue
http://www.qsl.net/vu2msy

2303. CROSS POST from ARSI Import duty structure on Amateur Radio Equipments

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-04 14:01:35 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2303 Message: 2303

----- Original Message -----
From: ARSI
To: arsi@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, March 04, 2005 7:08 PM
Subject: [ARSI] Import duty structure on Amateur Radio Equipments

As per new budget, following are the Import duty structure on Amateur Radio Equipments effective 01.03.2005

Classification No. : 85252016
Description : Amateur Radio Equipment
Customs duty : NIL - as per Customs Notification No.24/01.03.2005
CVD : 16%
EDU.CESS(Central excise) : 2% on 16% (0.320)
EDU.CESS(Customs) : 2% on 16% + 2% (16.320)

TOTAL : 16.646%

According to above, a ham need not obtain a WPC permit or exemption certificate. There is no need to produce your Amateur Radio Operators licence while clearance at Customs Clearance

HOWEVER;

The earlier system of obtaining an Import permit from WPC is also in existence.

According to Customs Notification No.21/2002 Sl.No.283 List.35 condition No.60 the rate of duty will be CUSTOMS DUTY 5% CVD 16% + 2% edu CESS & + 2% EDUCESS ON OVER ALL DUTY - this is confusing and contradictory.

Condition No.60 says that:

1. Obtain WPC permit
2. Total CIF Value Import should not exceed Rs.75,000/= under this notification.
3. Import of parts should not exceed Rs.1000/=

For any further clarification in this regard you may contact me.

73s de VU2DH - DAS
K.M. DEVADAS
CHENNAI
98410 15516

ARSI Governing council thanks OM Das for his help. OM Das is an customs cunsultant.

2304. DAYANIDHI MARAN PRAISES THE YEOMAN SERVICE RENDERED BY THE UNSUNG HAM OPERATORS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-04 15:07:22 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2304 Message: 2304

DAYANIDHI MARAN PRAISES THE YEOMAN SERVICE RENDERED BY THE UNSUNG HAM OPERATORS
11:45 IST

In order to acknowledge the yeoman services rendered by various organisations and teams who have voluntarily engaged themselves in the relief operations, etc., in the Tsunami-affected areas, the Minister of Communications & Information Technology, Shri Dayanidhi Maran, has placed on record his appreciation of the exemplary work of National Institute of Amateur Radio (NIAR), Hyderabad in the Tsunami affected areas, particularly in the Islands of Andaman & Nicobar. Shri Maran, himself a HAM, released the Amateur Radio Acknowledgement Card (popularly called HAM Card) to be sent as a thanks giving letter to all the 36,000 Ham Operators worldwide who were in contact and were associated with the relief services after the Tsunami disaster, so as to make the world community know about Indian resources, technical skills and institutions, like NIAR, which provided support during natural disasters.

The Department of Information Technology (DIT), in the year 1983-84 (then it was Department of Electronics) with a view to create awareness about Amateur Radio, popularly known as HAM, its use both as a hobby and in emergency communications, established the National Institute of Amateur Radio. It is the infrastructure established at NIAR which came as a great help over the last 20 years whenever a major natural calamity occurred – be it Orissa Super Cyclone in the year 1999 or the Gujarat Earthquake 2001 or Amarnath Yatra disaster and Latur Earthquake – or for that matter recently, the Tsunami disaster. Under a project funded by DIT recently, NIAR has augmented its infrastructure with state-of-the-art communication system, and has set up 10 new centres to help in Disaster Management in coordination with Ministry of Home Affairs and the associated State units. These centres also aim at training a large number of interested persons to become licensed HAM Operators.

It would be interesting and coincidental to note that as part of the project, a 5 member Amateur (HAM) Radio Operators Team form NIAR were conducting expedition, after 17 years, in Port Blair from 3rd December 2004, just three weeks ahead when the Tsunami waves came in. The earthquake, preceding the Tsunami, hit this region when the members of the team were on their regular routine of contacting other amateur radio stations worldwide. The team immediately took photographs of Tsunami waves and informed NIAR and other Hams all over the world about the impact of the earthquake, and swing into action in tandem with the local authorities.

The support provided by the NIAR Ham operations, using the equipment procured under the DIT, came very handy when other means of communications were either damaged or failed in the Tsunami affected areas of Andaman & Nicobar Islands. It enabled various sections of the affected population to communicate within and outside the Islands. The communication support and relief operations provided by NIAR received appreciation the world over, and from the local administration.

Following are some of the salient features in respect of the rescue and relief operations carried out, which attracted the worldwide attention:

¨ A total of 15 Ham members were deployed by NIAR

¨ 36,000 contacts were established on HAM

¨ Local authorities were first informed and provided with instant communication facilities to assist in their relief operations along with Air Force, Army and local administration units.

RM/AMA- 010305 Ham Operators

From: http://pib.nic.in

Regards,

Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S DE VU2LOC.

2305. thanks to MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-10 15:43:02 UTC
From: madhu rajan
Topic: 2305 Message: 2305

A big thank you to MARS for putting two more licences on the scene!!!!

To let you all know that my sister and brother recently got their licenses .

Sujata - VU2CVS - Charlie Victor Sierra
Karthik - VU2IZK - India Zulu Kilo

Appreciate all the efforts behind the scenes to get them!

Btw NLF, been unsuccessfully trying tomail you on vu2nlf@... . You
getting too much fan mail huh?!

Cheers!
VU2LIB

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2306. Fwd: FOX HUNT 2005 report and pictures

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-13 09:08:39 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2306 Message: 2306
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2307. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fwd: FOX HUNT 2005 report and pictures

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-14 08:17:04 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2306 Message: 2307

Wow ZRS..

That was a nicely paced and interestingly worded account of the Fox Hunt !

I'd read all the reports over the past two weeks, but it's only now that I could get an inkling of the thrill of the whole event.

Congratulations, all !

-- Sriram

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2308. balancing the egg . did you try it ? only yesterday (Balancing and the Vernal Equinox)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-21 08:16:15 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2308 Message: 2308
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2309. Happy New Year (AY 1375)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-22 07:04:20 UTC
From: harshvardhan_k
Topic: 2309 Message: 2309

Hello,

I wish all our Zoroastrian friends a very
happy, peaceful and prosperous New Year.
May AY 1375 bring you lots of good
fortune.

Best wishes,

Harsh Vardhan
VU2HVK

2310. New file uploaded to m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-22 09:08:47 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 58 Message: 2310

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the m_a_r_s
group.

File : /US_SpectrumPolicyCartoon.pdf
Uploaded by : harshvardhan_k <harshvardhan_k@...>
Description : US Radio Spectrum Cartoon

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files/US_SpectrumPolicyCartoon.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

harshvardhan_k <harshvardhan_k@...>

2311. New file uploaded to m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-22 09:11:25 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 58 Message: 2311

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the m_a_r_s
group.

File : /US_spectrum_front.pdf
Uploaded by : harshvardhan_k <harshvardhan_k@...>
Description : Citizens Guide to US Airwaves - Front

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files/US_spectrum_front.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

harshvardhan_k <harshvardhan_k@...>

2312. DXing tips from dxing.com

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-23 12:35:50 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2312 Message: 2312
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi to all on the "Isle of Static and Crackle",

Came across some info on dxing .com which i wanted to share. Please refer the attachment. I hope it is of help to anyone and everyone.

Until next time, happy hamming.

73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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2313. Holi hai

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-26 05:00:11 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2313 Message: 2313
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2314. Letter received from WPC

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-26 05:01:27 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2314 Message: 2314
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2315. HAPPY HOLI

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-26 07:14:10 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 2315 Message: 2315

Wish you & your family a very Happy & a Colourful HOLI

73's VU2SFH

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Surendra.Shete.
+91 98206 60662

2316. Fw: [RADIOHAMS] Digest Number 247

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-28 05:29:19 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2316 Message: 2316

> From: "ian abel" <g3zhi@...>
> Date: Fri, 25 Mar 2005 19:03:59 -0000
> From: "ian abel" <g3zhi@...>
> rsgb video on ham radio
>
> http://www.essexamateurradio.org.uk/RSGBvideo2.wmv
>
> 73 ian g3zhi
>
> http://www.qsl.net/g3zhi

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2317. RECEIPTS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-28 08:15:42 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 2317 Message: 2317

TO , 28/03/05.
THE CONVENOR,
HAMFEST2004INDIA
(MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY)
MUMBAI.

SUB : RECEIPTS.

SIR,
Through my contacts and to be of some use to society ,
i had collected some donation for HAMFEST2004 INDIA,
the donors are asking for their receipts and copies of
brochures , as financial year is closing and they have
to account for it. so i request you to look into it
and take some neccessary action upon it.
Hope to have some MARS like efficient action on it.

THANKING YOU

YOURSFAITHFULLY

MUKESH JAITLEY

73S , DEVU2UGJ.

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2318. Re: [m_a_r_s] RECEIPTS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-28 20:23:41 UTC
From: Mukesh Vaidya
Topic: 2317 Message: 2318

even i had requested for the same a month ago

73s
de VU3OMV
Mukesh Vaidya

--- Mr Mukesh Jaitley <mjaitley@...> wrote:
> TO , 28/03/05.
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2319. ISS school contact today 29th march at 2215 hrs IST

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-29 17:04:08 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2319 Message: 2319

Hi all,
Just finished listening(& recording of course) the ISS conatct with school students over the edu_net conference server via Echolink . Unfortunately the audio was not coming in clear. probably they were hoding the PC mic close to the xcvr(but not close enough) or the squelch was turned off as there was lot of QRM. Could make out the QSO in parts only and one of the many questions asked by the students which I could hear was regarding the kind of experiments the astronauts carry out on board and what kind of technical training is required to become an astronaut. The replies were sadly garbled.But i will go through the audio file again and see if i can get some more out of it and post more about this QSO. The only things that came in loud and clear were the squeals of delight and all round applause of those present. Like someone commented "as if someone had just scored a goal HI HI " It was good to hear happy voices after the contact.
The next conatct is scheduled for Friday, 8/4/2005 at 18:12 UTC (approx. 2345 hrs IST) yeah it's late.

So until next time my friends,
de VU2CDP gazing heavenwards and clear.

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2320. Re: [m_a_r_s] Letter received from WPC

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-31 09:12:01 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2314 Message: 2320

Dear Amit,

firstly, if you have already submitted you application to me, then you do not have to send it again, if you have sent it to me, I am sure your application is already under process in WPC.. unfortunately I cannot confirm about your application as I am not in town and I don''t have access to all the paper work..

Nevertheless, if you have not submited your papers to me, then I suggest that you send your papers directly to WPC...and I will do the necessary followup once when I am back in town...

This goes for all students whose licences are pending.. all students who have already given their applications to me, will be receiving their tickets directly at their given address very shortly...

73

NLF

Amit Malgaonkar <amitbm@...> wrote:

Dear NLF,
Yesterday I received a letter from the Department of
Telecommunications, WPC wing asking me to submit the
following:
1) Two photographs
2) DD for the licence fee
3) photocopy of the letter
4) Nationality certificate
5) and my preferences for the callsign
The letter is dated 19/1/2005 and the postal stamp
is of 19/3/2005.
Should I send a reply back to them with the required
attachments. I don't know what to make of the letter.
Could you please guide me?

73's
AmitM
(SwL)

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2321. Re: [m_a_r_s] RECEIPTS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-31 09:22:08 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2317 Message: 2321

Dear Mukesh,

Please follow up with Sailesh Pradhan - VU2SFN, who is the acting treasurer for Hamfest India 2004 or with Prashant Koli - VU2CBU, Treasurer MARS.. regarding the receipts and sovernier... I am sure they will do the needful..

Actually these receipts should have been issued immediately against the payment, nevertheless I request our both the treasurers to do the needful..
This goes for all the members who's receipts and sovernier are pending...

MARS is very grateful to all our members who have put in their efforts for getting these funds, which has made our Hamfest India 2004 possible..

VU2SFN & VU2CBU are requested to kindly look into these matters and do the needful ASAP...

73
NLF

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2322. MARS / HAMFEST INDIA 2004 Accounts and our AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-31 09:42:29 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2322 Message: 2322

Dear Members,

MARS always conducts its Annual General Meeting on 1st of MAY every year...

In order to conduct our AGM all our accounts should be completed and audited before the AGM...

All members are requested to clear all their accounts and pending queries with our treasurers VU2CBU & VU2SFN immediately, which will help us is completing our accounts before our AGM...

VU2CBU & VU2SFN are requested to kindly complete the accounts ASAP and consult our C.A Mr Dinesh Jain for finalizing and auditing our books of accounts... Mr. Dinesh Jain is already waiting for you guys to bring in the books...

Please note if these books are not ready soon... we may NOT be able to conduct our AGM on 1st May 2005...

| have constantly requested both our Treasurers (VU2CBU & VU2SFN) to complete these accounts.. In fact the last meeting we held on Sunday we were to finalize the books as I would not be available for the next 15 days..unfortunately VU2SFN could not attend because of his morning QTH..

Nevertheless | once again request VU2CBU & VU2SFN to do the needful ASAP

MARS and Hamfest India 2004 commitee is very grateful and thankful to VU2SFN, who is doing a great job as a acting treasurer for us...

73
NLF

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2323. Elections for the 6th Managing Commitee for year 2005-2006

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-31 09:52:49 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2323 Message: 2323

Dear Members,

Hopefully we would be conducting our AGM on 1st May 2005... during which we would also be holding elections for our next Managing Commiteee...

All members eligible will be receiving their nomination forms shortly... I sincerely hope that this time we will good number of members contesting for the elections... we have about 230 members, out of which I think about 150 are eligible for elections...

Last year we could just barely get 7 members for MC.. they were appointed by default... I sincerely hope that this year we would have more members for elections.. especially the new generation....

73
NLF, secretary MARS

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2324. Re: Re: [m_a_r_s] Letter received from WPC

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-31 16:31:00 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2314 Message: 2324
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2325. Re: [m_a_r_s] RECEIPTS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-03-31 20:43:18 UTC
From: Mukesh Vaidya
Topic: 2317 Message: 2325

thanks a lot NLF. i'll follow up with SFN for the same

73s,
de VU3OMV

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2326. KN4LF Daily LF/MF/HF Radio Propagation Outlook #2005-013

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-01 06:35:08 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2326 Message: 2326

Hi all,
This is for your general information. If you are a DXer you should subscribe to the newsletter. It makes more sense reading it than trying to hear WWV Prop BC which generally comes in as ".....hisss.....crackle.....and the over A index was 1.....hisssssss........geomagnetic field was???? ....." (lost the tx)
:-)

Subject: KN4LF Daily LF/MF/HF Radio Propagation

Outlook #2005-013

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Date: Thu, 31 Mar 2005 20:06:52 +0200 (CEST)

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Date Format is MM/DD/YYYY

Published Friday 03/31/2005 At 1800 UTC Valid 04/01-07/2005

DISCUSSION-

The period 03/25-31/2005 was very quiet with one brief three hour minor geomagnetic storming (Kp-5) period, due to a high velocity solar wind stream emanating from geoeffective (Earth facing) coronal hole #153.

Due to the continued low daily sunspot count we experienced reduced MUF's that negatively impacted 10 and 12 meters. But we still saw some intermittent east-west F layer propagation on 10 and 12 meters, due to near equal day and night time in both hemispheres as we reached the Fall/Spring Equinox. There were also some Sporadic E (Es) openings on 6, 10 and 12 meters.

There was minor intermittent night time signal absorption on the MF AM broadcast band, 160 and 120 meters on high latitude propagation paths.

There was minor intermittent signal absorption on the LF band at nighttime and minor enhanced propagation conditions at daytime on high and mid latitude paths.

At times intense lightning QRN hampered receive conditions on 160 and 80 meters and to a lesser extent on 40 meters.

With the daily sunspot number and vaguely related solar flux on the decline and also due to seasonal chemical changes in the F layer we will not see any

appreciable east-west F layer propagation on 10 and 12 meters.

I expect HF propagation conditions to begin degrading on 04/02/2005, with LF and MF conditions to begin degrading on 04/03/2004, as a high velocity solar wind stream emanating from very large recurrent northern hemisphere geoeffective (Earth facing) coronal hole #154 begins blasting Earth's magnetosphere.

Occasionally high lightning QRN levels will continue to plague amateur and SWL radio operations thanks to the continuing weak El Nino, mainly in eastern Oceania and North and South America, including the Caribbean.

SOLAR, SPACE WEATHER AND GEOMAGNETIC CONDITIONS EXPECTED-

During the period quiet (Kp-1-2) geomagnetic conditions "WILL OCCUR".

During the period unsettled to active (Kp-3-4) geomagnetic conditions "WILL OCCUR".

During the period minor (Kp-5) geomagnetic storming "WILL OCCUR".

During the period moderate (Kp-6) geomagnetic storming is "PROBABLE".

During the period strong (Kp-7) geomagnetic storming is "POSSIBLE".

During the period severe to extreme (Kp-8-9) geomagnetic storming "WILL NOT OCCUR".

The chance of polar cap absorption on high latitude propagation paths due to excessive energetic protons >10 Mev (10+0) is "LOW".

The chance of daylight side SID radio blackouts from solar flares is "LOW".

The chance of a geoeffective (Earth facing) Coronal Mass Ejection (CME) is "LOW".

The chance of a geoeffective (Earth facing) Coronal Hole is "HIGH". CH #154.

Daily solar flux levels should range between 85-70.

No geoeffective (Earth Facing) sunspot groups currently contain a beta-gamma twisted magnetic signature capable producing M and X class solar flares.

The chance of a small C class solar flare is "LOW".

The chance of a large M class solar flare is "LOW".

The chance of a huge X class solar flare is "LOW".

Propagation Forecast Scales-

LOW- 25%

MEDIUM- 50%

HIGH- 75%

GLOBAL LF 30-300 KC PROPAGATION CONDITIONS EXPECTED-

Daytime- Poor, becoming fair on 04/03/2005.
Nighttime- Fair becoming poor for ham signals, good becoming fair for broadcast signals on 04/03/2005.

GLOBAL HF 3000-30000 KC PROPAGATION CONDITIONS EXPECTED-

Low Latitude- Good.

Mid Latitude- Good, becoming fair between 04/02-04/2005, back to good between 04/05-07/2005.

High Latitude- Fair to good, becoming poor between 04/02-04/2005, back to fair between 04/05-07/2005.

GLOBAL MF 300-3000 KC PROPAGATION CONDITIONS EXPECTED WITH AN EMPHASIS ON THE MF AM BROADCAST BAND, 160 METERS AND 120 METERS-

-Expect FAIR TO POOR "Northern Hemisphere" domestic propagation conditions on east-west paths out to approximately 1100 miles.

*Expect FAIR TO POOR "Northern Hemisphere" domestic conditions on north "TO" south paths out to approximately 1100 miles.

+Expect FAIR TO GOOD "Northern Hemisphere" domestic conditions on south "TO" north paths out to approximately 1100.

-Expect FAIR TO POOR "Southern Hemisphere" domestic propagation conditions on east-west paths out to approximately 1100 miles.

+Expect FAIR TO GOOD "Southern Hemisphere" domestic conditions on north "TO" south paths out to approximately 1100 miles.

*Expect FAIR TO POOR conditions on south "TO" north paths in the "Southern Hemisphere" out to approximately 1100 miles.

Equatorial region domestic propagation conditions out to approximately 1100 miles should be GOOD.

"High latitude" Northern Hemisphere (TA) Trans Atlantic, (TI) Trans Indian, (TP) Trans Pacific and cross equatorial propagation conditions in excess of approximately 3200 miles should be GOOD TO FAIR, becoming POOR on 04/03/2005.

"High latitude" Southern Hemisphere (TA) Trans Atlantic, (TI) Trans Indian, (TP) Trans Pacific and cross equatorial propagation conditions in excess of approximately 3200 miles should be GOOD TO FAIR, becoming POOR on 04/03/2005.

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Equatorial region to Northern Hemisphere "mid latitude" propagation conditions in excess of approximately 3200 miles should be GOOD.

Equatorial region to Southern Hemisphere "mid latitude" propagation conditions in excess of 3200 miles should be GOOD.

Equatorial region to Northern Hemisphere "high latitude" propagation conditions in excess of approximately 3200 miles should be GOOD, becoming fair on 04/03/2005.

Equatorial region to Southern Hemisphere "high latitude" propagation conditions in excess of 3200 miles should be GOOD, becoming fair on 04/03/2005.

Propagation Forecast Scales-

Excellent- +1 db Over S9 Or better
Good- S7-9
Fair- S4-6
Poor- S1-3

GLOBAL NOISE (QRN) OUTLOOK-

U.S. LIGHTNING STRIKE DATA
(See Where Your QRN Is Coming From)

Sorry but global views of near real time lightning strikes are no longer available.

https://thunderstorm.vaisala.com/tux/jsp/explorer/explorer.jsp

During the 7 day outlook period there will be "HIGH TO MODERATE" lightning induced QRN levels in low latitude areas of the Northern Hemisphere tied to winter season thunderstorms, cold/warm/occluded fronts, associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems and El Nino.

Northern hemisphere mid latitude regions can expect "HIGH TO MODERATE" lightning induced QRN tied to winter season thunderstorms, cold/warm/occluded fronts, associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems and El Nino.

Northern hemisphere high latitude regions can expect "MODERATE TO LOW" lightning induced QRN tied to winter season thunderstorms,

cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems and El Nino.

During the outlook period there will be "HIGH TO MODERATE" lightning induced QRN levels in low latitude areas of the Southern Hemisphere due to the proximity of the Inter Tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) and tropical cyclones.

Southern hemisphere mid latitude regions can expect "HIGH TO MODERATE" lightning induced QRN, tied to summer season thunderstorms and tropical cyclones.

Southern hemisphere high latitude regions can expect "MODERATE TO LOW" lightning induced QRN tied to summer season thunderstorms, cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems.

END OF OUTLOOK

SOLAR, SPACE WEATHER AND GEOMAGNETIC INDICES FOR THE PERIOD 03/25-31/2005

Sunspot Groups-

No sunspot group contained a beta-gamma or delta twisted magnetic signature that produced M or X class solar flares.

Solar Flux Readings- 83.0-76.1. My forecast was for 90-75.

SEC Sunspot Number- 65-11

Solar Wind Speed- 704-338

Solar Flares- C-0 M-0 X-0

Averaged Daily Background X-Ray Flux- A3.7-A2.0

Dst Index- -23 To +33

Elevated Energetic Protons >10 MeV (10+o)- 0

Geoeffective (Earth Facing) Coronal Mass Ejections- 0

Partially geoeffective (Earth Facing) Coronal Mass Ejections-0

Geoeffective Coronal Holes- 2, CH #153, 154

No polar cap absorption on high latitude propagation paths occurred due to excessive energetic protons >10 Mev (10+0).

The Ap index has been at quiet to minor geomagnetic levels, with a range of 2-39.

The Kp index has been at quiet to minor geomagnetic storming levels, with a range of 0 to 5.

The Boulder mid latitude K index has been at quiet to active geomagnetic storming levels, with a range of 0 to 4.

The high latitude K index has been at quiet to moderate geomagnetic storming levels, with a range of 0-6.

***Here are some "general" guidelines concerning correlation of propagation indices to actual expected HF/MF propagation conditions.

1.) Dropping indices numbers are better, with the exception of solar flux and sunspot number on HF.

2.) For medium frequencies a solar flux under 150, under 100 better, 70 is best for E layer multi hop. For high frequencies over 125 is good, over 150 is better, over 200 is best.

Keep in mind though that at medium frequencies the 10.7 cm (2800 mhz) solar flux index is not a "reliable" gauge of ionization in our atmosphere, as the energy of photons at this frequency is to low on the order of one million times. However most are used to solar flux and sunspot number and it's a hard habit to break. A better indicator is the background x-ray flux. See #7.

3.) Solar flux of at least 100 for E valley-F layer ducting mechanism.
4.) Previous 24 hour Ap index under 10, under 7 for several days consecutively is best.
5.) Previous 3 hour Kp index under 3 for mid latitude paths, under 2 for high latitude paths, 0-1 for several days consecutively is best.
6.) Energetic protons no greater then 10 MeV (10+0) for 160/120 meters and no greater then (10-1) on MF AM broadcast band.
7.) Background x-ray flux levels less than C1 for several days consecutively for 160/120 meters and less then B9 for MF broadcast band but A9 or less is best.
8.) No current STRATWARM alert.
9.) IMF Bz with a (+) sign, indicates a lesser chance of high latitude path auroral absorption/unpredictable refraction or scattering of MF RF signals, when the Kp is above 3.

10.) A -50 or better towards a positive number Dst index during the recovery time after a geomagnetic storm, as related to the Equatorial Ring Current.

TODAY'S PROPAGATION LESSON -

17.) Sporadic-D (Ds) Absorption & Wave Guiding-

Sporadic-D (Ds) occurrences have an inter-relationship with brief but intense Sun based and Galactic X-rays and Cosmic Rays, huge positive cloud to ground lightning strokes and interrelated Elves and Sprites. Very large bursts of Gamma Rays have also been observed to occur in conjunction with Sprites.

Sporadic-D (Ds) absorption occurs both at day and night. Much of the night time occurrence of Sporadic-D (Ds) absorption is often masked by lightning QRN, as well as a lack of radio operation during thunderstorm events due to

the lightning strike hazard and/or high QRN levels and also due to the operator not being able to recognize the mode due to unfamiliarity with it. It's doubtful that you will read about the Sporadic-D (Ds) phenomena anywhere else other then on this website.

While on the topic of lightning and propagation, an ionized lightning channel which normally has a maximum diameter of approximately a silver dollar, can reflect RF much like meteor trails do. I've personally noticed it on the 70 cm band, as a single propagation burst lasting 1/4 to 1/2 second. (See definition #20. D Region Mid Winter Absorption Anomaly).

For more information go to KN4LF LF/MF/HF Frequency Radio Propagation Theory Notes at http://www.kn4lf.com/kn4lf8.htm .

Space Weather Scales-

Kp Indices-

G5 = Extreme Storm - Kp = 9
G4 = Severe Storm - Kp = 8
G3 = Strong Storm - Kp = 7
G2 = Moderate Storm - Kp = 6
G1 = Minor Storm - Kp = 5
Active - Kp = 4
Unsettled - Kp = 3

Ap Indices-

Ap 100-400 Severe Storm
Ap 50-99 Major Storm
Ap 30-49 Minor Storm
Ap 16-29 Active
Ap 8-15 Unsettled
Ap 0-7 Quiet

Correlation Of Kp To Ap Indices-

K- 0= A- 0
K- 1= A- 3
K- 2= A- 7
K- 3= A- 15
K- 4= A- 27
K- 5= A- 48
K- 6= A- 80
K- 7= A- 140
K- 8= A- 240
K- 9= A- 400

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2327. Re: [m_a_r_s] Elections for the 6th Managing Commitee for year 2005-2006

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-02 06:42:21 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2323 Message: 2327

--- nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
> Dear Members,
>
[content snipped]

> Last year we could just barely get 7 members for MC.. they were appointed by
> default... I sincerely hope that this year we would have more members for
> elections.. especially the new generation....

While I won't be an active participant like most of the Mumbai based HAMS could be (I'm in Nashik), I volunteer for all computer and Linux related HAM activities.

I'm now a visiting lecturer at a local BE College, and will be interacting with a growing number of Electronics students - whom I hope to motivate to investigate about Amateur Radio. So local help for electronics seems feasible to me !

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> 73
> NLF, secretary MARS
>
-- Sriram

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2328. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS / HAMFEST INDIA 2004 Accounts and our AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-04 15:30:08 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2322 Message: 2328

hi nilesh

as i have already mailed you the tally file to you in feb. and i donot have any thing left with me.
just i changed my morning QTH and i will not be able to look in to the account any more.
sorry for the inconvence

regards and 73's
vu2sfn /shailesh

nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
Dear Members,

MARS always conducts its Annual General Meeting on 1st of MAY every year...

In order to conduct our AGM all our accounts should be completed and audited before the AGM...

All members are requested to clear all their accounts and pending queries with our treasurers VU2CBU & VU2SFN immediately, which will help us is completing our accounts before our AGM...

VU2CBU & VU2SFN are requested to kindly complete the accounts ASAP and consult our C.A Mr Dinesh Jain for finalizing and auditing our books of accounts... Mr. Dinesh Jain is already waiting for you guys to bring in the books...

Please note if these books are not ready soon... we may NOT be able to conduct our AGM on 1st May 2005...

| have constantly requested both our Treasurers (VU2CBU & VU2SFN) to complete these accounts.. In fact the last meeting we held on Sunday we were to finalize the books as I would not be available for the next 15 days..unfortunately VU2SFN could not attend because of his morning QTH..

Nevertheless | once again request VU2CBU & VU2SFN to do the needful ASAP

MARS and Hamfest India 2004 commitee is very grateful and thankful to VU2SFN, who is doing a great job as a acting treasurer for us...

73
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2329. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS / HAMFEST INDIA 2004 Accounts and our AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-05 10:03:26 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2322 Message: 2329

Dear SFN,

Thank you for all your efforts, As I am not in India and will be away for few days, I would request you to kindly co-ordinate with CBU and handover the tally file to him, so that he can check and get it audited with our CA..

73
NLF

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2330. Happy Birthday VU2CBU

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-14 18:33:22 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2330 Message: 2330

MARS wishes its Treasurer and founder Life Member - Prashant Koli - VU2CBU a very happy birthday.

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2331. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday VU2CBU

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-15 01:02:33 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2330 Message: 2331

Thank you Nilesh....
...Thank you all hams who called/SMSed me yesterday, on 14th...
-Prashant

On 4/15/05, nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
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2332. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday VU2CBU . all the joy and happiness

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-15 05:00:19 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2332 Message: 2332

dear cbu

we wish you a happy b'day

today was the day you were born and there was a big smile on your parents face.

happy b'day to you and may you throw a big party for us all on my house terrace .

may you be filled with happiness and joy and maximum votes .

happy birthday vu2cdu

from

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2333. Repeater Info

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-16 18:33:58 UTC
From: harshvardhan_k
Topic: 2333 Message: 2333

Hi All,

You may find this website useful.

Kevin Custer, W3KKC, put together The Repeater Builders
Technical Information Page to help other people build
and maintain their repeaters. The site deals mainly
with various Motorola®, and GE ® Mobile modifications
for duplex repeater operation, however, every repeater
builder and tinkerer will find useful information on
this Web site.
The Web site covers repeater transmitters, receivers,
power supplies, control circuits, antennas, duplexers,
circulators, isolators, feedlines and even repeater
site topics.

http://www.repeater-builder.com/rbtip/

Best wishes,

Harsh Vardhan
VU2HVK

2334. Reminder - Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual Gene...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-17 11:32:01 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1666 Message: 2334

We would like to remind you of this upcoming event.

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting

Date: Sunday, May 1, 2005
Time: 5:00PM - 7:00PM IST (GMT+05:30)

2335. Re: [m_a_r_s] Reminder - Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual Gene...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-17 15:24:20 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1666 Message: 2335

Hello Fellow hams,

I wonder it would be a good idea to have our AGM ON
1st may , its 17th of april today and there are no
accounts available for verification , besides there no
agenda given out so how does one prepares for AGM , I
Guess constitutionally too this would be correct
procedure and not just a formality
73s
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2337. Re: [m_a_r_s] Good News! Repeater back in action

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-19 23:30:07 UTC
From: Anish Korde
Topic: 2337 Message: 2337

Excellent wok Dear Old MAN HIT & ZRS & AXN (unlimited). Keep up the Good Work!!

Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT <vu2hit@...> wrote:The long duration shut repeater is back into action.

The repeater which had been shut due to some technical problems is put back into action by the trio VU2ZRS Zyros Zend, VU2HIT Huzefa Merchant and VU2AXN Ankur Puranik.

The transmitter of the repeater had blown out due to over heating and so it had to be replaced with another base station.

Last time inspite of informing everyone to keep the overs short and to allow 'carrier dropping' ,a few Hams still continued giving very long overs without letting the carrier drop, to the extent that the repeater was forced into self thermal shutdown due to over heating.

My dear friends during a QSO a repeater is transmitting continously unlike your own rigs which listen when you are not transmitting and so get enough time to cool off. But the repeater is continously listening and continously transmitting.

Hence its a sincere request to all HAMS using the repeater, to keep the overs short and to let the carrier drop in between conversations. And if you feel your HAM friend is giving long overs please inform him the same without hesitation.

Also those who wish to have long over QSO's may please QSY to another freq.

The repeater will not be attended again if it malfunctions due to over heating.

Secondly the Co-axial cable of the Repeater needs to be replaced as it has been damaged. It has been very kind of one of our fellow ham (doesnt wish to be named) to lend us his own cable for a period of one month. So many many thanks to him for the help.

Hope every one uses the repeater sensibly this time.

Its our repeater, so lets make a wiser use of it.

73's

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2338. World Amateur Radio Day

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-20 03:46:40 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2338 Message: 2338

Hello all,
I request all individuals and groups to send me a report with photographs if possible, regarding World Amateur Radio Day celebrations on 18th April, for publication in the "Ham Radio News", the official magazine of the ARSI.
Thanks,
Sarla Sharma
Editor HRN
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2339. Repeater back in action until....please read

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-20 03:56:23 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2339 Message: 2339

That is indeed good news and good work by the three of you. With my own experience I can tell there have been a few fellow hams who have operated the rptr without giving much thought to how it operates and what possible damage can be caused by a long qso(i understand it was out of sheer ignorance). Also there have been QSOs where the other charlie did not even give the customary pause in TX after the other station had stopped TX. This way the rptr has been txing continuously throughout the QSO. Before the repeater went up our good old friend UGO had sent a few files that described repeater operation & repeater operating etiquettes. Still have those files so if needed I will upload those files in the MARS egroup.
Another preventive measure would be to have a timer in the rptr that shuts off TX after a certain interval. A good example is the Calcutta Rptr which has a two minute timer (homebrewed) that auto shuts off TX. That way all are aware of their overs.

The good ham is one who does not interfere with the operating pleasure of others and same principle applies more to repeater operation. So let us vow to be more considerate towards others and care for our repeater.

Happy hamming. 73s

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2340. Re: [m_a_r_s] Good News! Repeater back in action My heartfelt gratis to VU2ZRS, VU2HIT & VU2AXN

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-20 16:51:41 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2340 Message: 2340

Hi,
I would like to express my gratitude to OM VU2ZRS, OM VU2HIT & VU2AXN.
Guys, please let me know in case I could be of any assistance for replacing the coax.

ULHAS
PHONE : 2431 1367
WORK : 24072295 OR 24092556
CELL : 98206 22237

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2341. Happy Birthday - VU2UGJ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-21 08:21:23 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 1117 Message: 2341

MARS wishes its Ex-Chairman and Founder Life Member - Mukesh jaitley - VU2UGJ a very happy birthday

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2342. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2UGJ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-21 11:32:03 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 1117 Message: 2342

Many happy returns to a very RARE DX Station.

Hope to see you someday ;-)

nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
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2343. accounts of HIF2004

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-21 13:55:49 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2343 Message: 2343
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear vu2cbu

as you know i am very busy with my morning QTH i am not able to give time for the accounts of HIF2004 so i am attaching the tally file with this mail kindly have a look.

all the members who are concern about the account please forward your questions to vu2cbu

regards & 73s
vu2sfn / shailesh

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2344. Re: [m_a_r_s] Repeater Info

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-24 03:43:18 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2333 Message: 2344

--- harshvardhan_k <harshvardhan_k@...> wrote:
>
> Hi All,
>
<snipped/>
>
> http://www.repeater-builder.com/rbtip/

There's also the yahoo group called Repeater-Builder:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Repeater-Builder?yguid=8255541

>
> Best wishes,
>
> Harsh Vardhan
> VU2HVK

-- Sriram

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2345. Re: Amateur Radio ...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-26 13:33:50 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2345 Message: 2345

One of my friends wants to become a ham - gave him NLF's contact but got this email below - anybody know wassup?

Can the alternative co-ordinator help this person become a ham / register for the next batch of classes?

Tnx, 73.

VU2NHR

----- Original Message -----
From: Amit Boob
To: Nirav
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2005 9:44 AM
Subject: Re: [Mensa India] Re: Amateur Radio ...

Hi Nirav

I have been trying to reach Nilesh (Rathod) on his mobile 98205 47074 for a lot many days now.. but not able to; it says mobile is not reachable.. Also couldnt get through to any of the mobile numbers on the website.. the landline number is wrong.

could you send me the right numbers or contact details ?

Regards/Amit

2346. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Amateur Radio ...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-27 04:07:20 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2345 Message: 2346

Hi Nirav,
NLF is outstation. Don't know when he is coming back. MARS may start a new batch for newcomers but that is after the new managing commitee comes into force for which elections will be held in due course of time. Till then your friend will have to be patient and scout the net for information on ham radio beginners. He may visit www.qsl.net/vu2mue and download all the material for the ASOC exam for his use.

73
Deepak.

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2347. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Amateur Radio ...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-27 08:43:04 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2345 Message: 2347

Dear NHR,

I am presently not in India, would be returning shortly, as CDP mentioned, I guess your friend will have to wait till the next M.C takes over.

73
NLF

Nirav <niravsanghavi@...> wrote:
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2348. Radio Service/Operating Manuals

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-27 17:45:55 UTC
From: harshvardhan_k
Topic: 2348 Message: 2348

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2349. Re: Amateur Radio ...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-28 04:52:00 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2345 Message: 2349

Dear CDP and NLF,

Will inform my friend, Amit.

Many thanks!

73,
de
VU2NHR

> Hi Nirav,
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> 73
> NLF

2350. Fwd: [CQ_VU] WPC applications for Amateurs on line !!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-28 07:19:49 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2350 Message: 2350

VU2JOS <at0j@...> wrote:To: niarindia@yahoogroups.com
From: VU2JOS <at0j@...>
Date: Wed, 27 Apr 2005 22:22:58 -0700 (PDT)
Subject: [CQ_VU] WPC applications for Amateurs on line !!!

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2351. Reminder - Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual Gene...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-28 11:32:25 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 1666 Message: 2351

We would like to remind you of this upcoming event.

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting

Date: Sunday, May 1, 2005
Time: 5:00PM - 7:00PM IST (GMT+05:30)

2352. Venue ? (Was: [m_a_r_s] Reminder - Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual Gene...)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-29 10:14:58 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2352 Message: 2352

Hi:
--- m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:
>
> We would like to remind you of this upcoming event.
>
> Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting
>
> Date: Sunday, May 1, 2005
> Time: 5:00PM - 7:00PM IST (GMT+05:30)
>

Could someone post information on the venue, please ?
I did not find this information in any previous post on this topic.

-- Sriram

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2353. Re: Venue ? (Was: [m_a_r_s] Reminder - Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual Gene...)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-30 05:46:45 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2352 Message: 2353

You can be forgiven for believing that there is an AGM on the 1st of May when there really isn't. This was an auto generated reminder from Yahoo groups. The AGM is delayed and no date is scheduled yet.

Sriram N <sriramx_2000@...> wrote:Hi:
--- m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:
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>
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2354. Re: Venue ? (Was: [m_a_r_s] Reminder - Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual Gene...)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-04-30 11:07:34 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2352 Message: 2354

--- Deepak-VU2CDP <vu2cdp@...> wrote:
> You can be forgiven for believing that there is an AGM on the 1st of May
> when there really isn't. This was an auto generated reminder from Yahoo
> groups. The AGM is delayed and no date is scheduled yet.
>

:)

Thanks for the update, CDP !

-- Sriram

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2355. New file uploaded to m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-03 09:21:08 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 58 Message: 2355

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the m_a_r_s
group.

File : /I4D Jan-05 NewsLetter.pdf
Uploaded by : mukeshvaidya <mukeshvaidya@...>
Description : I4D Jan 2005 News Letter Featuring Ham Radio Usage in Tsunami

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files/I4D%20Jan-05%20NewsLetter.pdf

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Regards,

mukeshvaidya <mukeshvaidya@...>

2356. India gives global Ham operators own satellite

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-03 12:10:27 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2356 Message: 2356

India gives global Ham operators own satellite

Indo-Asian News Service
Sriharikota, (Andhra Pradesh), May 2, 2005

India has a gift for Ham radio operators worldwide - an exclusive satellite to be launched on Thursday that they can access for free.

The 42.5 kg micro-satellite is one of two that will be sent aloft from this launch pad that day. Today, there is no HAMSAT in the skies, the last one having died two years ago. That was the American AMSAT.

The Indian HAMSAT was originally scheduled to go up in 2003 but got delayed. Once it is up, it will be the only satellite of its kind in orbit.

"The amateur radio operators' community is eagerly awaiting the ISRO (Indian Space Research Organisation) initiative, which will allow them to use the UHF/VHF bandwidths for transmission and reception," project director JP Gupta said.

Saudi Arabia has a HAMSAT in the sky, but this is available only to operators in the Middle East. The transponders are switched on only when this satellite moves over Saudi Arabia and the Gulf countries.

"India will make available the ISRO HAMSAT to everyone in the world, free of cost", Gupta said.

This satellite cost Rs 30 million ($690,000) and is expected to be operational for at least two years. By that time, ISRO hopes to come up with a second more advanced version.

Ham radio services have proved very useful in remote areas, especially during disasters. This was more than evident after the December 26 killer tsunami struck the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The Ham operators on the islands were the first to establish contact with the outside world.

There is a subscript to this tale.

The defence ministry had all these years forbidden Ham radio operators from the islands, citing their strategic location. Permission was finally granted on December 15, 2004 and two Ham operators from Chennai landed on the islands within a week, just days before the tsunami struck.

Had the Ham operators not been there, it might have taken a lot longer for the world to learn about the disaster or the extent of damage.

Most components of the ISRO HAMSAT have been fabricated in India with help from experts of the Indian AMSAT Society. ISRO developed one transponder of the satellite and the other with the help of Dutch scientists.

With its own HAMSAT, India is hoping to rope in and involve the amateur radio operators' community into its integrated disaster management plan, experts say.

From: www.hindustantimes.com

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2357. INDIAN HAM SATELITE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-04 14:17:28 UTC
From: Micky Korde
Topic: 2357 Message: 2357

Dear all,

GOOD NEWS

Indian Space Research Organisation (I.S.R.O.)will be launching a satelite which is named as CARTOSAT-1 ON THE 5th of MAY, of which the launching countdown time has already started on Tuesday at early hours.

This is the 11th one in the series of COMMUNICATION SATELITES & along with CARTOSAT-1, HAMSAT, a small satelite weighing just 42.5kgs will also be launched for the Amateur Radio Operators, especially for the Southern Asian Region Ham Operators.

The satelite will be launched by the Polar Satelite Launching Vehicle, from Satish Dhavan Space Center-SHRIHARIKOTTA between 10.19am to 10.40am

73's
de : MICKY VU2 IZO

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2358. India Space Program Goes A Little Closer To The Moon

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-05 10:50:00 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2358 Message: 2358

India Space Program Goes A Little Closer To The Moon

John Stith | Staff Writer | 2005-05-04

The Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) will send another rocket into space on May 5th 2005. At a time when NASA is dominating headlines, Indian pushes their program forward by two satellites into orbit.

The primary satellite, the CARTOSAT-1 will be Indian's 11th satellite since the ISRO program was started in 1969. The unit is a remote sensing satellite to be used primarily for cartographic purposes. It comes with two cameras and will be in polar synchronous orbit. They intended use for the satellite will be land and resource management as well as help with disasters and other civil purposes.

Riding on the back of the CARTOSAT-1 is the HAMSAT. The HAMSAT is for HAM radio operators. Launched as an auxiliary satellite along with CARTOSAT-1, the 42.5 kg HAMSAT will meet the long felt need of the Amateur Radio Operators in the South Asian region who possess the required equipment and operate in the UHF/VHF band based Satellite Radio Communication.

The rocket being used, PSLV C6, has been in India's stable since 1994. The vast improvement over its initial uses will make it much easier for India to advance their program. PSLV was initially designed by ISRO to place 1,000 kg class Indian Remote Sensing (IRS) satellites into 900 km polar Sun-synchronous Orbits. Since the first successful flight in October 1994, the capability of PSLV has been enhanced from 850 kg to the present 1,600 kg into 618 km polar Sun Synchronous Orbit.

India considers the success of this program crucial as they are giving serious consideration to a moon shot.

From: www.webpronews.com

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2359. Re: [m_a_r_s] INDIAN HAM SATELITE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-05 14:59:26 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2357 Message: 2359

anyone got the details of how to work the hamsat?

ULHAS
73
de VU2UBP

RES : 2431 1367
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2360. Please post HAMSAT audio signals when available

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-06 05:33:41 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 2360 Message: 2360

Hi All,
I am eager to listen to HAMSAT audio when its activated.
It would be great if anyone in this group record signals(may be of 5 minutes) and store that file on server!.

Best Regards
Kiran
W6/VU3KPL

2361. Re: [m_a_r_s] Please post HAMSAT audio signals when available

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-06 08:01:03 UTC
From: Huafrid Bhathena
Topic: 2360 Message: 2361

Ulhas: If you are curious about the frequency of the
Indian transponder of the Cartosat... here's something
that might help you.
Uplink: 435.225 MHz - 435.275 MHz
Downlink: 145.875 MHz - 145.925 MHz

Kiran: since you need to hear the satellite, it also
has a beacon that transmits a continuous carrier on
145.940 MHz.

Hope this might help the others as well, once it sets
in action after remote activation.

I've procured this information from external sources
and hence do not myself endorse the authenticity of
the same. It is purely for information.

Regards,
Huafrid

--- kiran padiyar <kiran_padiyar@...> wrote:
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> activated.
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>
> Best Regards
> Kiran
> W6/VU3KPL
>
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>

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2362. VU2RBI on CNN

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-06 08:33:56 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2362 Message: 2362

Hi Friends,

Don't miss this,

There weill be feature on CNN on VU2RBI and her efforts on CNN at saturday 7:30 CST which is Sunday 6:30 IST

73'S DE VU2LOC

2363. Sorry about the long mail but I really had a dream

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-06 18:12:11 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2363 Message: 2363

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Ulhas, it was very well written experience. I think most of the Hams today have started their interest more or less the same way.

Fascinating fact of the hobby is it has no boundaries. I am not sure about the in presence activity there now, but there is very much to talk on air. And if you are enthusiast, you will have no stopping. Ham radio will not end with a group of people!..

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2365. Morse Code Still Beats SMS (!!)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-07 10:29:26 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2365 Message: 2365

Hi:

http://www.160characters.org/news.php?action=view&nid=1541

A 90 year old man sends text faster with morse than a 13 year old who used SMS.

-- Sriram

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2366. Fw: INDIAN BRAVERY (Please read)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-10 15:58:13 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 2366 Message: 2366

----- Original Message -----
From: Nirjara
Sent: Monday, May 09, 2005 11:02 PM
Subject: Fw: INDIAN BRAVERY (Please read)

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From: anita.barshan@...
To: CRN.WRO.NotesUsers@...om.com
Sent: Monday, May 09, 2005 1:06 PM
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Yours truly,

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Please sign in by writing your name and then copy and paste it again to forward it to your friends and relatives. Let us give some supporting hand to Dr. Kalia in his efforts to get justice. Remember, Lt Kalia and his colleagues died on the front so that we could sleep peacefully in our home.

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37. Vivek Goyal, Pune, India
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40. Pramesh Mandraha, Bangalore, India
41. Indrajeet Singh, Hyderabad, India
42. Amit Kumar, Mumbai, India
43. Ashish Agarwal, Pune, India
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51. Sheeja Bhaskaran, Bangalore, India
52. Homa Roy Choudhury, Bangalore, India
53. Soumya Nanda Mohanty, Bangalore, India
54. Capt Abhilash Sahoo
55. Rajat Madhok, UK
56. Himmat Singh, Delhi, India
57. Anuja Gill, Delhi, India
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59. Abhishek Amal Sanyal, Pune, India
60. Sudhir Jatar

61. Rahul Bhajekar, Thane, India
62. Atul S Pathak, Mumbai, India
63. S. Narayanan, Chennai, India
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65. Arjun Wallia, Delhi, India
66. Vivek N Gour, Gurgaon, India
67. Nidhi Sekhar, New Delhi, India
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72. Pooja Raswant, New Delhi, India.
73. Pronita Roy, New Delhi, India
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75. Rajesh Sharma, Mumbai, India.
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77. JR Sharma, Mohali, India
78. Manmohan Singh, Mohali, India
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81. Parminder, Chandigarh, India
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83. Navtej Singh, Kota, India
84. SS Dulat, Sangrur, India
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86. Leelamma Jose, Kerala, India
87. Abilash Kumar, Kerala, India
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2368. CROSS POST FROM : [VUHams] RE: [vusat] VO-52

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-11 08:00:53 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2368 Message: 2368

----- Original Message -----
From: Prathap Naidu
To: vuhams@yahoogroups.com
Cc: cq_vu@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2005 12:37 PM
Subject: [VUHams] RE: [vusat] VO-52

Hi All
The Indian transponder has a continous beacon on 145.940 (you can hear upto 145. 933.with doppler) no morse msg.
It can be heard quite good.
I look for the becaon sig first , then move to other modes.

The Dutch transponder has a CW msg beacon on 145.860.
Only one transponder will be on at a time so respective beacons can be heard when switched on.
Happy HAMSATing
Best 73
Pop
VU2POP
Secy AMSAT INDIA regd

SANDEEP BARUAH <baruahsandeep@...> wrote:
Hi friends!
Thanks for info.
HAMSAT aka VUSAT aka VO-52 (VUSat OSCAR-Orbiting Satellite Carrying Amateur Radio).

Has anybody copied the CW beacon on 145.860 MHz?
How long the beacon message is?
Is it just the CW identification DE VO52?

Do you Yahoo!?
Yahoo! Mail - You care about security. So do we.

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-11 08:00:23 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2369 Message: 2369

----- Original Message -----
From: Murali Dharan
To: vusat@yahoogroups.com
Cc: CQ_VU@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2005 12:14 PM
Subject: [CQ_VU] VUSAT (VO-52) - Technical Information

Here is it,

Indian Transponder
>
>Uplink: 435.250 MHz Mode: LSB/CW/FM
>Doppler Shift Compensation adjustment for UPLINK:
>435.225 MHz to 435.275 MHz
>
>Downlink: 145.900 MHz Mode USB/CW/FM
>Doppler Shift Compensation adjustment for DOWNLINK:
>145.875MHz to 145.925 MHz
>Bandwidth: 60 kHz
>Beacon: 145.936 MHz Unmodulated Carrier
>
>Dutch Transponder
>Uplink: 435.250 MHz Mode: LSB/CW/FM
>Downlink: 145.900 MHz Mode USB/CW/FM
>Bandwidth: 60 kHz
>Beacon: 145.860 MHz with CW Message

Kep data for VO-52

1 28050U 3046A 05128.95465476 .00000418 00000-0 52649-4 0 5900
2 28050 97.9911 203.2246 0018099 138.3237 221.9358 14.80820895 584

There are atleast 3 kep for VO-52 floating around , I found this one to be
more authentic

73s
Murali

>From: Raj Narayan <raj_narayan@...>
>Reply-To: vusat@yahoogroups.com
>To: vusat@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [vusat] VUSAT (VO-52) - Technical Information
>Date: Tue, 10 May 2005 19:50:29 -0700 (PDT)
>
>Hello Folks,
>
>A few weeks ago there was a post from VU2UV, om Suby,

>which contained detailed technical information on
>HAMSAT like uplink/ downlink frequencies, beacon
>freq., modes supported etc. Could someone who has a
>copy please repost it for the information of all. It
>is a valuable piece of information much needed at this
>point in time.
>
>Secondly, there has been a question from a number of
>hams on whether the beacon on 145.860 has been heard
>by anyone or if it can be heard? Any feedback on this?
>
>73's Raj
>Sydney, Australia
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>_____
>Do you Yahoo!?
>Yahoo! Mail - Helps protect you from nasty viruses.
>http://promotions.yahoo.com/new_mail

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2370. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 977

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-11 19:35:45 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 2370 Message: 2370

Dear Dr Kalia and others,

HAM operators have proved themselves many times over during time of crisis and when ever the country calls.

We are proud of martyrs who laid down their life for our safety and security. Irony I also look upon it as a shame on the other country who did not even acknowledge death of their soldiers. What a shame indeed. I have my sympathy with the soldiers of that country they simply died in vain.
We have been guided by principles of Lord Buddha but never the less we also can tackle demons as Lord Rama did and sure enough we will fight for the truth in true spirit of Mahabharatha.

Being this a radio group : HAMSAT is up you can download Satscape and update it from kepler from hamsat india. You get accurate pass prediction as well as a good 3D visual software.

The sat can be heard on a simple 2 mtr handy with a slightly decent antenna. A 5W UHF signal with modest gain antenna will trigger the sat my good frined SBJ managed to do it with 1W and 6 el 70cm yagi.

Good luck to all.

73

Rahul VU3WJM

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:
There are 4 messages in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. Fw: INDIAN BRAVERY (Please read)
From: "kaushik"
2. Re: Fw: INDIAN BRAVERY (Please read)
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
3. CROSS POST FROM : [VUHams] RE: [vusat] VO-52
From: "Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT"
4. CROSS POST FROM :[CQ_VU] VUSAT (VO-52) - Technical Information
From: "Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT"

Message: 1
Date: Tue, 10 May 2005 21:28:13 +0530
From: "kaushik"
Subject: Fw: INDIAN BRAVERY (Please read)

----- Original Message -----
From: Nirjara
Sent: Monday, May 09, 2005 11:02 PM
Subject: Fw: INDIAN BRAVERY (Please read)

----- Original Message -----
From: anita.barshan@...
To: CRN.WRO.NotesUsers@...
Sent: Monday, May 09, 2005 1:06 PM
Subject: INDIAN BRAVERY (Please read)

They died protecting our lives. Spare some time for these brave men..

Lt. Saurabh Kalia of 4 JAT Regiment of the Indian Army laid down his life at the young age of 22 for the nation while guarding the frontiers at Kargil. His parents, indeed the Indian Army and nation itself, lost a dedicated, honest and brave son. He was the first officer to detect and inform about Pakistani intrusion. Pakistan captured him and his patrol party of 5 brave men alive on May 15, 1999 from the Indian side of LOC.

They were kept in captivity for three weeks and subjected to unprecedented brutal torture, evident from their bodies handed over by Pakistan Army on June 9, 1999. The Pakistanis indulged in dastardly acts of inflicting burns on the Indians with cigarettes, piercing their ears with hot rods, removing their eyes before puncturing them and breaking most of the bones and teeth.
They even chopped off various limbs and private organs of the Indian soldiers besides inflicting unimaginable physical and mental torture.
After 22 days of torture, the brave soldiers were ultimately shot dead. A detailed post-mortem report is with the Indian Army.

Pakistan dared to humiliate India this way flouting all international norms. They proved the extent to which they can degrade humanity. However, the Indian soldiers did not break while undergoing all this unimaginable barbarism, which speaks volumes of their patriotism, grit, determination, tenacity and valour - something all of India should be proud of.

Sacrificing oneself for the nation is an honour every soldier would be proud of, but no parent, army or nation can accept what happened to these brave sons of India.

I am afraid every parent may think twice to send their child in the armed forces if we all fall short of our duty in safeguarding the PRISONERS OF WAR AND LET THEM MEET THE FATE OF LT. SAURABH KALIA. It may also send a demoralising signal to the army personnel fighting for the Nation that our POWs in Pak cannot be taken care of. It is a matter of shame and disgust that most of Indian Human Rights Organisations by and large, showed apathy in this matter.

Through this humble submission, may I appeal to all the civilized people irrespective of colour, caste, region, religion and political lineage to stir their conscience and rise to take this as a NATIONAL ISSUE?
International Human Rights Organisations must be approached to expose and pressure Pakistan to identify, book and punish all those who perpetrated this heinous crime to our men in uniform. If Pakistan is allowed to go unpunished in this case, we can imagine the consequences.

Below is the list of 5 other soldiers who preferred to die for the country rather than open their mouths in front of enemy.

1. Sep. Arjun Ram s/o Sh. Chokka Ram; Village & PO Gudi. Teh. & Dist. Nagaur (Rajasthan)
2. Sep. Bhanwar Lal Bagaria h/o Smt. Santosh Devi; Village Sivelara; Teh. & Dist. Sikar (Rajasthan)
3. Sep. Bhikaram h/o Smt. Bhawri Devi; Village Patasar; Teh. Pachpatva;Distt. Barmer (Rajasthan)
4. Sep. Moola Ram h/o Smt. Rameshwari Devi; Village Katori; Teh. Jayal;Dist. Nagaur (Rajasthan)
5. Sep. Naresh Singh h/o Smt. Kalpana Devi; Village Chhoti Tallam; Teh.Iglab; Dist.Aligarh (UP)

Yours truly,

Dr. N.K. Kalia (Lt. Saurabh Kalia's father).
Saurabh Nagar,
Palampur-176061
Himachal Pradesh
Tel: +91 (01894) 32065

Please sign in by writing your name and then copy and paste it again to forward it to your friends and relatives. Let us give some supporting hand to Dr. Kalia in his efforts to get justice. Remember, Lt Kalia and his colleagues died on the front so that we could sleep peacefully in our home.

PLEASE DON'T BREAK THE ONWARD MOVEMENT OF THIS MAIL. WE SEND MANY SILLY MAILS TO OUR FRIENDS WHICH COMPEL ONE TO FORWARD BY SAYING THAT IT MAY HARM YOU IF YOU WON'T DO SO. BUT HERE IT IS NOTHING LIKE THAT, IT WILL ONLY BE YOU WHO WILL FEEL SATISFIED IF YOU WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE CAUSE.

JAI HIND ....Victory to India

1. Sudhir Singh (Pune, India)
2. Neha Sarode (Pune, India)
3. Sanjay H Shrotriya, Pune India
4. Vivek Apte Bangalore, India.
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162.Vishnu.S, TCS-Bangalore
163. Chandan , TCS , Bangalore
164. Praveen Kumar, Wipro Technologies, Bangalore.
165. Arun R, SAP, Bangalore
166. Prashanth.V, SLK, Bangalore
167. K P Ganesh, Bangalore
168. M Karthikeyan, BAngalore
169. Arun K Boyina, Hyderabad
170. Anju Sharma, New Delhi
171. Hena Nagpal, New Delhi

172. Piya Bagpal, New Delhi
173. Taranjeet Singh, New Delhi
174. Rakesh Sinha, New Delhi
175. Geeta Sinha, New Delhi
176. Anita B, Mumbai
177. Nirjara Doshi , Mumbai
178. Kaushik. S.Sanghvi. Mumbai.

Add your name to the list. Keep the tri-color flying.....

[This message contained attachments]

Message: 2
Date: Tue, 10 May 2005 22:19:54 -0700 (PDT)
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Subject: Re: Fw: INDIAN BRAVERY (Please read)

FREQUENCY JAMMED!!!!!!!

NOBLE IDEA BUT KEEP THIS CHANNEL CLEAR.

THANK YOU, JAI HIND AND 73.

kaushik wrote:

----- Original Message ----- From: Nirjara
Sent: Monday, May 09, 2005 11:02 PM
Subject: Fw: INDIAN BRAVERY (Please read)

----- Original Message ----- From: anita.barshan@...
To: CRN.WRO.NotesUsers@...
Sent: Monday, May 09, 2005 1:06 PM
Subject: INDIAN BRAVERY (Please read)

They died protecting our lives. Spare some time for these brave men..

Lt. Saurabh Kalia of 4 JAT Regiment of the Indian Army laid down his life at the young age of 22 for the nation while guarding the frontiers at Kargil. His parents, indeed the Indian Army and nation itself, lost a dedicated, honest and brave son. He was the first officer to detect and inform about Pakistani intrusion. Pakistan captured him and his patrol party of 5 brave men alive on May 15, 1999 from the Indian side of LOC.

They were kept in captivity for three weeks and subjected to unprecedented brutal torture, evident from their bodies handed over by Pakistan Army on June 9, 1999. The Pakistanis indulged in dastardly acts of inflicting burns on the Indians with cigarettes, piercing their ears with hot rods, removing their eyes before puncturing them and breaking most of the bones and teeth.
They even chopped off various limbs and private organs of the Indian soldiers besides inflicting unimaginable physical and mental torture.
After 22 days of torture, the brave soldiers were ultimately shot dead. A detailed

post-mortem report is with the Indian Army.

Pakistan dared to humiliate India this way flouting all international norms. They proved the extent to which they can degrade humanity. However, the Indian soldiers did not break while undergoing all this unimaginable barbarism, which speaks volumes of their patriotism, grit, determination, tenacity and valour - something all of India should be proud of.

Sacrificing oneself for the nation is an honour every soldier would be proud of, but no parent, army or nation can accept what happened to these brave sons of India.

I am afraid every parent may think twice to send their child in the armed forces if we all fall short of our duty in safeguarding the PRISONERS OF WAR AND LET THEM MEET THE FATE OF LT. SAURABH KALIA. It may also send a demoralising signal to the army personnel fighting for the Nation that our POWs in Pak cannot be taken care of. It is a matter of shame and disgust that most of Indian Human Rights Organisations by and large, showed apathy in this matter.

Through this humble submission, may I appeal to all the civilized people irrespective of colour, caste, region, religion and political lineage to stir their conscience and rise to take this as a NATIONAL ISSUE?
International Human Rights Organisations must be approached to expose and pressure Pakistan to identify, book and punish all those who perpetrated this heinous crime to our men in uniform. If Pakistan is allowed to go unpunished in this case, we can imagine the consequences.

Below is the list of 5 other soldiers who preferred to die for the country rather than open their mouths in front of enemy.

1. Sep. Arjun Ram s/o Sh. Chokka Ram; Village & PO Gudi. Teh. & Dist. Nagaur (Rajasthan)
2. Sep. Bhanwar Lal Bagaria h/o Smt. Santosh Devi; Village Sivelara; Teh. & Dist. Sikar (Rajasthan)
3. Sep. Bhikaram h/o Smt. Bhawri Devi; Village Patasar; Teh. Pachpatva;Distt. Barmer (Rajasthan)
4. Sep. Moola Ram h/o Smt. Rameshwari Devi; Village Katori; Teh. Jayal;Dist. Nagaur (Rajasthan)
5. Sep. Naresh Singh h/o Smt. Kalpana Devi; Village Chhoti Tallam; Teh.Iglab; Dist.Aligarh (UP)

Yours truly,

Dr. N.K. Kalia (Lt. Saurabh Kalia's father).
Saurabh Nagar,
Palampur-176061
Himachal Pradesh
Tel: +91 (01894) 32065

Please sign in by writing your name and then copy and paste it again to forward it to your friends and relatives. Let us give some supporting hand to Dr. Kalia in his efforts to get justice. Remember, Lt Kalia and his colleagues died on the front so that we could sleep peacefully in our home.

PLEASE DON'T BREAK THE ONWARD MOVEMENT OF THIS MAIL. WE SEND MANY SILLY MAILS TO OUR FRIENDS WHICH COMPEL ONE TO FORWARD BY SAYING THAT IT MAY HARM YOU IF YOU WON'T DO SO. BUT

HERE IT IS NOTHING LIKE THAT, IT WILL ONLY BE YOU WHO WILL FEEL SATISFIED IF YOU WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE CAUSE.

JAI HIND .....Victory to India

1. Sudhir Singh (Pune, India)
2. Neha Sarode (Pune, India)
3. Sanjay H Shrotriya, Pune India
4. Vivek Apte Bangalore, India.
5. Virendra Mantri, Mumbai, India
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7. Pratap Shinde, Nagpur , India.
8. Jaisingh Dhumal, Mumbai, India
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11. Santosh Sawant, Mumbai, India
12. Prashant Pandya, Mumbai, India
13. Dilip Gurav, Mumbai, India
14. N.V. Santosh, Mumbai, India
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99. Lt Col Sudesh Sharma, Chandigarh, India
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124. Rahul Shanker Saxena, CMC Ltd, Delhi.
125. Ashish Tonk , CellNext Solution Ltd.
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127. Lokesh Malik, Delhi, India

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2371. CNN Video Clip on HAMs

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-12 08:51:13 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 2371 Message: 2371

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2372. Re: [m_a_r_s] CNN Video Clip on HAMs

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-12 12:06:03 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2371 Message: 2372

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2373. Re: [m_a_r_s] CNN Video Clip on HAMs

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-12 15:50:50 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 2371 Message: 2373

Try Following link:
ftp://espectro.sra.ufsc.br/pub/CNN_Tsunami_HamRadio.mpg

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2374. Please help me update my address book on Ringo

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-16 08:12:49 UTC
From: Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 2374 Message: 2374

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2375. VU2 LIB

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-17 04:13:47 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2375 Message: 2375

Hi all,
Founder member of MARS, Madhu, VU2LIB has had her first harmonic, boy baby Raj on 11th May 2005. She lives in Rhode Island in W Land.
Sarla
VU2SWS

NRIs open a savings a/c with just INR 10,000
http://creative.mediaturf.net/creatives/icicibank/TOL210405.htm FREE money transfers.

2376. Thanks for your contact info on Ringo

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-19 14:00:36 UTC
From: Mukesh
Topic: 2376 Message: 2376

Hi,

Thanks for helping update my address book on Ringo. Now, every time either of us changes or adds something on Ringo, the other will stay updated.

You can always view my contact details by going to http://www.ringo.com/ and signing in. I look forward to staying in touch with you!

Mukesh

P.S. Please put in some recent photos at http://www.ringo.com/photo/upload-multi.html, so I can see what's happening in your life!

2377. Can I add you to my address book?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-21 07:31:19 UTC
From: Priya Krishna
Topic: 2377 Message: 2377

Hi

I would like to add you to my address book on Ringo. Just click on the link below to accept or decline. If you accept, we will both be able to see each other's updated contact information, and staying in touch will be easy.

http://www.ringo.com/friend/invite/requests.html?al=22db7LjXp9Hytk2S

Thanks

Priya Krishna

P.S. Have you put in any photos recently? I'd be interested to see them when you do.
Upload them here: http://www.ringo.com/photo/upload.html

This message was sent to m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com.
Ringo, 222 Sutter St, 5th Flr, San Francisco, CA 94108

2378. CW v/s SMS- The Tonight Show by Jay Leno

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-21 08:28:49 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2378 Message: 2378

Hi there to all ye faithful in radio land,

Some time back there was a mail from Sriram N. about how CW beat text messaging at a demonstration. Well there was a repeat of it on The Tonight Show hosted by Jay Leno where two old timers beat two "dudes". The video is available for download from the following locations:
http://hamradio.dyns.net
http://www.ku3o.net/

The OTs look silly as if participating in fancy dress competition dressed as old telegraph operators of the US Postal Service; but forget the outfits and try copying what they send and you shall know CW still rocks baby!!

The msg was: " I saved a bunch of money on my car insurance"

73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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2379. Today live on echolink/irlp ISS qso with School in California 17:21utc

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-05-25 08:56:16 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2379 Message: 2379

Date: Tue, 24 May 2005 14:11:58 -0000
> From: "ian abel" <g3zhi@...>
> Subject: today live on echolink/irlp ISS qso with School in California
17:21utc
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> today live on echolink/irlp ISS qso with School in California 17:21utc
>
>
> Detail for ISS contact with Coronado School in California on 5/24/05
> at 17:21UTC
>
> Coordinator: Dieter Schliemann,KX4Y Event Type: School Contact
> Start Date (mm/dd/yy): 05/24/05 End Date (mm/dd/yy): 05/24/05
> Open to the Public: Yes Special Event Callsign: NA1SS

2380. [CQ_VU] GOOD NEWS : licences to operate amateur radio channels have been deregulated

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-03 14:31:06 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2380 Message: 2380

----- Original Message -----
From: "sunil.uk" <sunil.uk@...>
To: <cq_vu@yahoogroups.com>; <vuhams@yahoogroups.com>;
<indiahams@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, June 03, 2005 11:23 AM
Subject: [CQ_VU] GOOD NEWS : licences to operate amateur radio channels
have been deregulated

> Dot frees airwaves for amateurs
>
> ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
> http://www.indianexpress.com/full_story.php?content_id=71563
> Posted online: Friday, June 03, 2005 at 0015 hours IST
>
> NEW DELHI, JUNE 2: Mountaineers, trekkers, aero-modellers and hobbyists
> sporting radio-controlled models will no longer need licences to use the
> airwaves. The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) on Thursday gave
> the go-ahead for these low-power devices that work in the so-called
> ?Citizen Band? of spectrum, to operate without licences.
>
> These low-power devices, so long as they radiate less than 5 watts of
> power and don?t have external antennae, can share the Citizen Band
> freely, without causing interference, the DoT?s Wireless Planning Cell
> has decided.
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> A notification is likely to be issued shortly to formalise the decision,
> the DoT has said.
>
> In addition, licences to operate amateur radio channels have been
> deregulated, giving the license period a 15-year extention to twenty or
> life time, as applicants would like.
>
> Amateur radio operators also need not approach the DoT to renew their
> licences, as the process has been made automatic.
>
> In January 2005, DoT had delicensed the indoor and outdoor use of
> wireless equipment (in the frequency band 2.4 to 2.4835 GHz with
> effective radiated power up to 4 watts), in line with international
> practices.
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> The indoor use of low power equipment in the Wi-Fi frequency band has
> also been delicensed, as with the low power Radio Frequency
> Identification Devices (RFID) using the 865-867 MHz frequency spectrum.

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2381. CROSS POST FROM CQ_VU Low-power wireless to be freed

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-06 10:55:16 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2381 Message: 2381

----- Original Message -----
From: Sunil.U.K
To: CQ_VU@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2005 2:43 PM
Subject: [CQ_VU] Low-power wireless to be freed

@http://www.telegraphindia.com/1050606/asp/business/story_4832465.asp
New Delhi, June 5: The government will soon de-license the use of `citizen band' low-power devices (one milli-watt) on selected frequencies to popularise the use of wireless fidelity (Wi-fi) based gizmos, amateur radio, aero-modelling, mountaineering and trekking.

According to Union communications ministry officials, the necessary notification for the use of the citizen band will be issued in the next few days.

This will allow use of low-power equipment in the frequency band 26.957-27.283 mega hertz (MHz), also known as citizen band with 5 Watt effective radiated power and built-in antenna, on non-interference, non-protection and shared (non-exclusive) basis.

The decision to de-licence the use of low-power devices was initiated by the BJP-led NDA government. But it hit a roadblock because the security agencies had sought certain clarifications and wanted some measures to avoid misuse of the facility.

Recently, the communications minister, Dayanidhi Maran, had announced that the ministry would get the necessary clearance for the citizen band to be used by the people, particularly the students, in remote parts.

Persons who are using such citizen band equipment for hobbies like aero-modelling, mountaineering, trekking and for radio control of models can now operate without a licence.

In addition, the government has also simplified the procedure to acquire licences for amateur radios and has extended the time limit for licences. The amateur licences are issued for a maximum period of five years. Now a radio amateur licence can be issued for a period of 20 years or for lifetime, which will reduce the need to approach the department repeatedly for renewal of the licence.

The government has already de-licensed the use of wireless equipment in the frequency band 2.4-2.4835 giga hertz (GHz) with effective radiated power up to 4 watts and indoor use of low-power equipment in the frequency bands 5.150-5.350 GHz and 5.725-5.875 GHz.

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2382. CROSS POST FROM [Hamradioindia] iss live school qso echolink/irlp 0910utc 10th june 2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-09 08:04:44 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2382 Message: 2382

----- Original Message -----
From: ian abel
To: Hamradioindia@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, June 09, 2005 1:15 PM
Subject: [Hamradioindia] iss live school qso echolink/irlp 0910utc 10th june 2005

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g3zhi will relay the contact on echolink in the amsat
conference room 101377 and on irlp in reflector 9258

you will only hear the iss answering as i will not be able
to hear the school in switzerland on 2m asking the questions

73 ian

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International Space Station Expedition 11's sixth ARISS school
contact will be with students at the Zurich International School,
Horgen, Switzerland on Friday, 10 June 2005. The event is scheduled
to begin at approximately 09:10 UTC.

This contact will be direct between stations NA1SS and HB9ZIS, the
school's amateur radio club. It should be audible to anyone in
central and southern Europe listening in on the 145.800 MHz downlink.
The participants will conduct the conversation in English. US
astronaut John Phillips, KE5DRY will answer the questions from the
students.

The Zurich International School (ZIS) is a day school for students
from pre-school at age 3 to graduation at age 18. ZIS has more than
900 students located at four separate campuses in the Zurich area.
The attendees come from countries around the world and primarily
from expatriate families.

Students will ask as many of the following questions as time allows:

1. Have you seen any objects from previous space projects, and are
they dangerous?
2. How do you astronauts deal with the loneliness that you face in
space?
3. What is the most important experiment on your mission?
4. Do you have Internet access on the ISS?

5. What is the hardest thing to do in space that is easy on Earth?
6. What happens if you get seriously ill and there's no doctor?
7. How do you control the orbit of the space station?
8. Which planet would you like to visit and why?
9. Does the change of gravity affect your appetite?
10. How is the ISS protected against small particles such as dust
from meteorites?
11. Can you see any phenomena caused by cosmic radiation?
12. What sort of living organisms have you worked with in space?
13. What do you find the hardest thing about living in zero gravity?
14. How does your family deal with your travels?
15. Do cell phones work from space?
16. What do you astronauts miss most about Earth?
17. How much does the moon's gravity affect the space station's orbit?
18. What kinds of experiments do you do in space that you can't do on
Earth?
19. What is the first thing you plan on doing when you get back to
Earth?
20. What has been your most interesting experiment you have done so
far?

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2383. VHF HANDY FOR SALE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-13 14:01:14 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2383 Message: 2383
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2384. Re: [m_a_r_s] VHF HANDY FOR SALE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-14 09:05:14 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2383 Message: 2384

Dear Sandesh,

I am interested in that,

Regards,

Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S DE VU2LOC

2385. Earthquake Preparedness

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-15 08:01:25 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 2385 Message: 2385

Dear Friends,

With recent big quakes happening on other side of the our world Tarapaca, Chile (i.e 69.13 W and 19.90 S) epicentre at a depth of 111 Kms on 13th Jun 2005 @ 22:44 UTC (that is our 14th June) where slight tremor was reported in and around Mumbai and on 15th June 7:49 IST there was 3.8 Magnitude quake reported in Koyana (Maharastra) that is 17.2 N and 73.8 E

Being Amateur (Ham) Radio Volunteers, request my friends to kindly get yourself updated with knowledge on Earthquake Preparedness especially going to the websites of USGS and IMD at following link

http://neic.usgs.gov/neis/current/asia.html
http://www.imd.ernet.in/section/seismo/dynamic/welcome.htm

Being a person who have studies Disaster Management, I would like to share this knowledge of EQ and Preparedness.

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Disaster Manager & Custodian,
Lions Clubs International - Ham Radio Club - VU2LCI

& Life Member, Mumbai Amateur Radio Club

2386. 2ND HAND HF REQUIRED

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-18 11:56:14 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2385 Message: 2386

Dear Friends

I am on lookout for 2nd hand HF set. In case anybody
to sell, please send me complete details.

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2387. Growing India... off topic

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-24 14:26:23 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2387 Message: 2387

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2388. Radio Taxi QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-25 05:49:16 UTC
From: vu2scq
Topic: 2388 Message: 2388

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2389. MARS ID & CallSign Cap

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-25 06:30:35 UTC
From: Mukesh Vaidya
Topic: 2389 Message: 2389

Hi All,

its been almost more than 7-8 months, the MARS 2003 batch is following up for their Identity Cards & Call Sign Caps.

Seems none of MARS 2003 batch students who are now valid callsign holders & are also life members of the society, have received their ID cards and Callsign Caps.

Humble request to all concerned to take this up on priority and issue ID and callsign caps.

Stampsize photographs and relevant documents are already provided.

Best 73s
VU3OMV
Mukesh Vaidya

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2390. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS ID & CallSign Cap

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-25 06:51:16 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2389 Message: 2390
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2391. Re: [m_a_r_s] Radio Taxi QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-25 17:26:36 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2388 Message: 2391

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2392. Re: [m_a_r_s] Growing India... off topic

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-25 17:32:24 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2387 Message: 2392

Indeed.But hey isn't it time to get things rolling? Hope all of you get the point.

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2393. Re: [m_a_r_s] Radio Taxi QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-25 17:38:44 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2388 Message: 2393

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2394. Obituray: ex-W9GTY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-25 18:29:17 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2394 Message: 2394

Jack St.Clair Kilby ex-W9GTY

There are few men whose insights and professional accomplishments have changed the world. Jack Kilby is one of these men. His invention of the monolithic integrated circuit - the microchip - some 45 years ago at Texas Instruments (TI) laid the conceptual and technical foundation for the entire field of modern microelectronics. It was this breakthrough that made possible the sophisticated high-speed computers and large-capacity semiconductor memories of today's information age.
Mr. Kilby grew up in Great Bend, Kansas. With B.S. and M.S. degrees in electrical engineering from the Universities of Illinois and Wisconsin respectively, he began his career in 1947 with the Centralab Division of Globe Union Inc. in Milwaukee, developing ceramic-base, silk-screen circuits for consumer electronic products.
In 1958, he joined TI in Dallas. During the summer of that year working with borrowed and improvised equipment, he conceived and built the first electronic circuit in which all of the components, both active and passive, were fabricated in a single piece of semiconductor material half the size of a paper clip. The successful laboratory demonstration of that first simple microchip on September 12, 1958, made history.
Jack Kilby went on to pioneer military, industrial, and commercial applications of microchip technology. He headed teams that built both the first military system and the first computer incorporating integrated circuits. He later co-invented both the hand-held calculator and the thermal printer that was used in portable data terminals.
In 1970, he took a leave of absence from TI to work as an independent inventor. He explored, among other subjects, the use of silicon technology for generating electrical power from sunlight. From 1978 to 1984, he held the position of Distinguished Professor of Electrical Engineering at Texas A&M University.
Mr. Kilby officially retired from TI in the 1980s, but he has maintained a significant involvement with the company that continues to this day.
Jack Kilby is the recipient of two of the nation's most prestigious honors in science and engineering. In 1970, in a White House ceremony, he received the National Medal of Science. In 1982, he was inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame, taking his place alongside Henry Ford, Thomas Edison, and the Wright Brothers in the annals of American innovation.

Mr. Kilby holds over 60 U.S. patents. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and a member of the National Academy of Engineering (NAE). He has been awarded the Franklin Institute's Stuart Ballantine Medal, the NAE's Vladimir Zworykin Award, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers' Holley Medal, the IEEE's Medal of Honor, the Charles Stark Draper Prize administered by the NAE, the Cledo Brunetti Award, and the David Sarnoff Award. On the 30th anniversary of the invention of the integrated circuit, the Governor of Texas dedicated an official Texas historical marker near the site of the TI laboratory where Mr. Kilby did his work.
In 2000, Jack Kilby was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics for his part in the invention of the integrated circuit.

From Jack Kilby's first simple circuit has grown a worldwide integrated circuit market whose sales in 2004 totaled $179 billion. These components supported a 2004 worldwide

electronic end-equipment market of $1,186 billion. Such is the power of one idea to change the world.

The vanity call sign W9GTY is today held by the J. S. Kilby Digital Millenium, based at the US Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, California.
Courtesy- Texas Instruments & ARRL
[courtesy University of Illinois School of Engineering and ComputerScience]-->

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2395. When's the next MARS meet ?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-26 06:21:16 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2395 Message: 2395

Hi all:

I've been pretty busy the past few months, and after being diagnosed with some problem with my brain temporal lobe caused due to stress, I've started to take time off to smell the flowers.

When's the next MARS meet ? I'd love to travel to Mumbai and attend.

-- Sriram

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2396. What's the usual agenda for a HAM User Group meet ?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-26 06:37:05 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2396 Message: 2396

All:

Since I've only attended one meet till date, I'm not quite sure what really happens at a meet.

I happen to be co-moderator for Nashik's Linux User Group. Linux is the core of an operating system, similar to Windows. a Linux User Group is a group of people who use Linux or are just interested in it. This is similar to how MARS is a group of people who're HAMs, or folks like myself who're waiting for their callsigns.

Here's what we do at a Linux User Group meet:

1. Inform all newbies well in advance of a meet.

2. Arrange with some newbies to travel to the meet with them. Some folks are shy, so we experienced folks travel with them to the venue so that they're already in the mood to meet other experienced people as well.

3. Talk on new stuff that we've all tried.

4. Ask questions on problems that we'd faced and solved, and for ideas on alternative solutions.

5. Arrange for an install fest. Some newbie gets along her or his computer, and we help install Linux onto that computer.

During such User Group meets, we try to ensure that things move along even if experienced folk are not around. This helps keep personal identities separate from that of the user group.

Here's what I'd expect from a MARS meet:
1. Newbies talk about their teething troubles with setting up antennae, or tuning their new radios.

2. Those interested in reviving their Morse skills (such as myself) ask experienced folk to demonstrate MORSE based communication. This would infuse enthusiasm to practise again.

3. Discuss the theory behind the Fox used in Fox hunts, and how a fox is assembled. Ask a team of three newbies to assemble a 'Fox' on the spot.

4. Talk about license and legal issues. E.g. What problems does one face when carrying a handy aboard an aircraft? What does the law expect from one ?

5. Demonstrate the repeater in action.

Looking forward to renewed MARS activity.

-- Sriram

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2397. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS ID & CallSign Cap

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-27 04:29:50 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 2389 Message: 2397

I totally agree with Mukesh
as we all the students of MARS 2003 Batch are waiting for our I Cards , Call sign caps & Regular Meetings,
Hope the concerned members of the commitee shall take this request into their notice.

VU2KTW
Kaushik.

----- Original Message -----
From: Mukesh Vaidya
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, June 25, 2005 12:00 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] MARS ID & CallSign Cap

Hi All,

its been almost more than 7-8 months, the MARS 2003 batch is following up for their Identity Cards & Call Sign Caps.

Seems none of MARS 2003 batch students who are now valid callsign holders & are also life members of the society, have received their ID cards and Callsign Caps.

Humble request to all concerned to take this up on priority and issue ID and callsign caps.

Stampsize photographs and relevant documents are already provided.

Best 73s
VU3OMV
Mukesh Vaidya

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2398. MARS HAPPENINGS 2004-2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-28 09:25:48 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2398 Message: 2398

1.05.2004
New Managing Committee Elected - Pankaj (VU2RIO), Kapil (VU2MIG), Anish (VU2OZO), Mehul - Secretary (VU2ICQ), Huzefa - Chairman (VU2HIT), Prashant - Treasurer (VU2CBU) and Arun (VU3AUA)

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South Mumbai & Andheri Repeater goes on AIR

15.07.2004 to 23.07.2004
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73s de Sandip VU2UGO

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2399. Congratulations to VU2MLW & VU2NNG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-28 12:03:34 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2399 Message: 2399

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- Nilesh Malpekar - VU2MLW

- Nandini Gangal - VU2NNG

thank you for putting your own efforts,
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2400. Mukesh Jaitley has sent you an invite!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-28 13:38:27 UTC
From: Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 2400 Message: 2400

Hey! Click here and we could both win ten million dollars!
http://www.tenspot.com/index_friend.html?invite=3nji68&ect=4wmpya

later,
Mukesh

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2401. Re: [m_a_r_s] Congratulations to VU2MLW & VU2NNG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-28 17:18:33 UTC
From: Deepak-VU2CDP
Topic: 2399 Message: 2401

Congratulations to both of you. hope to catch u on air soon.

Best 73s
2CDP

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2402. [m_a_r_s] Congratulations to VU2MLW & VU2NNG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-29 07:15:23 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2399 Message: 2402

Hi,
Congratulations to both of you.Nilesh Malpekar & Mrs.Nandini (Gangal) (.....). C U soon on Air

Shailesh Pradhan
VU2SFN
www.qrz.com/vu2sfn

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2403. RE: [m_a_r_s] MARS HAPPENINGS 2004-2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-06-29 16:18:10 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2398 Message: 2403

Hello all,
I am right now in Seattle(USA) for about 3 days before I leave for Alaska for about 7 days on a cruise. I would be back in India in September. I will be in Austin Texas for most of the time, but plan to visit my YL friends in Denver and Montana in August. Of course, everywhere there is this wonderful world of internet connectivity!!!!
I hope before I return,that the AGM will be held. I agree with UGO that too much has been in limbo and things need to be tackled head on. Whatever it is, achievements, mistakes, fights, need to come out in the open and only then would things move. We would be all the more wiser if we settled the issues in the best way possible and quickly. Letting things drift, takes us further away from solutions.
I am sure the Managing Committee have already started to think.
Take care and PEACE!!!!
Sarla
VU2SWS

>From: VU2UGO <vu2ugo@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
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2404. Re: [m_a_r_s] Congratulations to VU2MLW & VU2NNG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-01 03:07:24 UTC
From: Nilesh Malpekar
Topic: 2399 Message: 2404

Finally, Mera Number lag gaya and I got the callsign
:-)

Appreciate the help and support provided by VU2UGO and
VU2HIT.

Rgds

Nilesh
de VU2MLW

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2405. Re: [m_a_r_s] Congratulations to VU2MLW & VU2NNG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-01 11:09:36 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2399 Message: 2405

dear nilesh

well down on your ticket

hope to hear you on the air at 9.30 pm . if you need any help call vu2 hit

welcome

vu2zrs

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marine lines
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2406. Fw:Icom IC 7000 (new version of 706 mk2 G)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-02 04:49:16 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2406 Message: 2406

----- Original Message -----
From: vijay motwane
Sent: Friday, July 01, 2005 11:40 PM
Subject: [tara1] Icom IC 7000 (new version of 706 mk2 G)

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HF/VHF/UHF all mode base and mobile transceiver with double DSP
Mod. Icom IC-7000 #02 EUR Code 5-723-645 ? 1.682,80 (+ VAT)

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2 x DSP
That's two times the DSP in the
IC-7000 that will leave many base station rigs in the noise! While it is too early to list all the great features, here are a few to keep you talking!.

Improved AGO loop performance
With Multiple AGC loops, you will never experience AGC pumping from a signal filtered out by the DSP! The digital IF filter and manual notch filter are included in the AGC loop, so you will never encounter AGC blocking. As with the 756PROIII and IC-7800, the AGC time constants are adjustable for slow, middle, fast for each operating mode.

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Pull out the weak signals in crowded band conditions with Icom's NEW two-point MNF manual notch filter.
Apply 70 dB of rejection to two signals at once! Notch width is adjustable - wide, medium, and narrow - and an auto-tuning notch filter is available, too.

Digital voice recorder (DVR)
Record your callsign, CQ, or other information in 4 transmit playback memories with alphanumeric labels. A total of 90 seconds is available for the four memories. A front panel REC control allows you to record incoming signals, too! The DVR makes portable contesting or mini-expeditions a breeze!

Flexible installation with detachable panel
Smaller than the IC-706MKIIG, the IC-7000 measures only 167(W)x58(H)x180(D) mm. With the detachable front panel*2 many installation possibilities are available.

Remote control Microphone
The supplied HM-151 remote control microphone allows you to control often used functions of the IC-7000. This includes band hopping with Icom's Triple Band Stack registers.

2-mode band scope
The band scope function lets you watch conditions around the band.
In Center mode the band scope is centered on the receiving frequency.
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D2.5-inch color TFT display with TV screen receive capability
The IC-7000's display presents numbers and indicators in bright, concentrated colors for easy recognition. You can choose from 3 background colors and 2 font styles to suit your preference. Not only does the display provide radio status, but you can watch NTSC M or PAL B on VHF-TV channels.

One-touch operation
Eight of the most-used radio functions are controlled by dedicated function keys grouped around the display for easy visibility. One quick touch turns the function and off. A longer touch activates adjustment of the function's setting.

Memory Keyer
The internal memory keyer provides 4 memories for station information or contest exchanges, calling CQ and call sign with up to 55 characters for each memory. The keyer also performs automatic repeat, automatic contest serial numbers, and "cut-numbers".

Other features

a.. Control circuit for optional antenna tuners
b.. Built-in voice synthesizer
c.. CI-V control capability
d.. Auto repeater functions
e.. Total of 503 channels
f.. Quick band change
g.. Multi-function S/PWR/SWR meter
h.. Backlit buttons
i.. 24-hour Clock
Receiver

a.. Preamp
b.. Attenuator
c.. 100-step digital noise blanker
d.. 16-step digital noise reduction
e.. RIT
f.. CTCSS, DTCS tone squelch
Transmitter

a.. ±0.5 ppm high frequency stability
b.. Continuously adjustable RF output power
c.. Digital RF speech compressor

d.. Powerful 35W on 70cm band
e.. Bass and treble audio equalizer
f.. Adjustable SSB transmit bandwidth
g.. DTMF memory
h.. ÄTX
i.. VOX (CW)
j.. Full break-in
k.. CW reverse sideband
l.. Adjustable CW pitch
Supplied with Hand microphone, DC power cable, Spare fuses, Key plug, Electronic keyer plug, ACC cable and instruction manual.

ACCESSORIES
IC-PW1 EURO 1kW Linear Amplifier
SP-10 Mobile speaker 4 Ohm, 5W
SM-20 Base microphone with up/down buttons (OPC-589 cable is required)
AH-4 Automatic antenna tuner
AT-180 Automatic antenna tuner 1.8 a 51 MHz - 120W
AH-2b HF mobile whip antenna 7~54 MHz
OPC-1443 Front panel separation cable - 3.5 m
OPC-1444 Front panel separation cable - 5 m
OPC-598 Connection cable for AT-180 automatic antenna tuner, 7m
OPC-589 Adapter cable for 8-pin base microphone
OPC-599 adapter cable (13 pin to 7 and 8 pin ACC socket)
OPC-742 ACC 13 PIN CABLE FOR AT-180 WITH 2 m/70 cm LINEAR AMPLIFIER
CT-17 CI-V level converter
MB-62 Mobile mounting bracket
MB-105 Front panel mounting bracket - mobile use
MB-65 Adjustable mobile mounting bracket (within MB-63)
MB-106 Carrying handle

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Specifications HF/VHF/UHF all mode base and mobile transceiver with double DSP

SPECIFICATIONS
GENERAL Frequency coverage: RX: 0.030 kHz ~ 199.999 MHz
400.000 ~ 470.000 MHz
TX: 1.800 ~ 1.999 MHz
3.500 ~ 3.999 MHz
7.000 ~ 7.300 MHz
10.100 ~ 10.150 MHz
14.000 ~ 14.350 MHz
18.068 ~ 18.168 MHz
21.000 ~ 21.450 MHz
24.890 ~ 24.990 MHz
28.000 ~ 29.700 MHz
50.000 ~ 54.000 MHz
144.000 ~ 148.000 MHz
430.000 ~ 450.000 MHz

Mode: USB, LSB, CW, RTTY, AM, FM, WFM, PSK31
No. of memory channels: 503 (495 regular, 2 call, 6 scan edges)
Antenna impedance: 50 ohm
Antenna connectors: 2 x SO-239
Power supply: 13.8 VDC ±15%
Current drain: RX: Stand-by 1.3A
Max. audio 1.6A

TX: 22A max

Frequency stability: < ±0.5 ppm (0°C to +50°C)
Operating temperature: -10°C to +60°C
Dimension: 167 (L) x 58 (H) x 180 (P) mm
Weight: 2.3 kg

TRANSMITTER Output power: SSB/CW/
RTTY/FM 2 to 100W (HF/50 MHz)
2 to 50W (144 MHz)
2 to 35W (430 MHz)
AM 1 to 40W (HF/50 MHz)
2 to 20W (144 MHz)
2 to 14W (430 MHz)

Spurious emissions: < -50 dB (below 30 MHz)
< -60 dB (above 50 MHz)
Carrier suppression: > 50 dB
Unwanted sideband suppression: > 50 dB

RECEIVER Intermediate frequencies: SSB/CW/
AM/FM 1^: 124.487 MHz
2^: 455 kHz
3^: 16.15 kHz
WFM 1^: 134.732 MHz
2^: 10.700 MHz

Sensitivity:
(preamplifier on, except 4~4.5 and 8~9 MHz) SSB/CW 0.15µV (1.8~29.9 MHz)
0.12µV (50~54 MHz)
0.11µV (144~440 MHz)
AM 4.0µV (0.5~1.8 MHz)
2µV (1.8~29.9 MHz)
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FM 0.5µV (28.0~29.99 MHz)
0.32µV (50~54 MHz)
0.18µV (144~440 MHz)
WFM 10.0µV (76~108 MHz)

Squelch sensitivity:
(preamp. on) SSB < 5.6 µV
FM < 0.3µV

Selectivity: SSB
(BW:2.4kHz) >2.4 kHz (-6 dB)
<3.9 kHz (-60 dB)
CW
(BW:500Hz) >500 Hz (-6 dB)
<900 Hz (-60 dB)
RTTY
(BW: 350Hz) >360 Hz (-6 dB)
<650 Hz (-60 dB)
AM
(BW:6kHz) >6.0 kHz (-6 dB)
<12 kHz (-60 dB)
FM
(BW:15kHz) >12 kHz (-6 dB)
<20 kHz (-60 dB)

Spurious and image rejection ratio: > 70 dB (bande HF)
> 65 dB (50/144/440 MHz)
Audio output power: >2.0W on 8 Ohm with 10% d.a.t.

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From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2406 Message: 2407

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are you able to tell me where i can buy 2 pcs for my nephews urgently . PLEASE LET ME KNOW BEFORE STOCKS GET OVER . i can pay any mode

thanks vu2zrs

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2408. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fw:Icom IC 7000 (new version of 706 mk2 G)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-04 13:49:24 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2406 Message: 2408

Hi,

Zyros Uncle can't count.
He forgot this nephew too

:-)
VU2MIG
----- Original Message -----
From: fortunecookie@...
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, July 04, 2005 6:47 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Fw:Icom IC 7000 (new version of 706 mk2 G)

dear vu2 hit

thats a beautifull rig .IC 7000

are you able to tell me where i can buy 2 pcs for my nephews urgently . PLEASE LET ME KNOW BEFORE STOCKS GET OVER . i can pay any mode

thanks vu2zrs

----- Original Message -----

From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT <vu2hit@...>

Date: Saturday, July 2, 2005 10:19 am

Subject: [m_a_r_s] Fw:Icom IC 7000 (new version of 706 mk2 G)

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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: vijay motwane
> Sent: Friday, July 01, 2005 11:40 PM
> Subject: [tara1] Icom IC 7000 (new version of 706 mk2 G)
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> HF/VHF/UHF all mode base and mobile transceiver with
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> 2 x DSP
> That's two times the DSP in the
> IC-7000 that will leave many base station rigs in the
> noise! While it is too early to list all the great features, here
> are a few to keep you talking!.
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>
> Improved AGO loop performance
> With Multiple AGC loops, you will never experience AGC
> pumping from a signal filtered out by the DSP! The digital IF
> filter and manual notch filter are included in the AGC loop, so
> you will never encounter AGC blocking. As with the 756PROIII and
> IC-7800, the AGC time constants are adjustable for slow, middle,
> fast for each operating mode.
>
> Digital IF filters
> All the filters you want at your fingertips! You
> will never have to purchase "Optional" filters as the IC-7000 has
> 41 different filter widths.
> You just dial in the width you want and select
> whether you want a sharp or soft filter shape for SSB and CW
> modes. Then to pull-in the weak ones, a quick turn of the
> concentric twin PBT knobs, allow you to either narrow the IF pass
> band, or shift the entire pass band to eliminate the QRM.
>
> 2 x MNF (Manual Notch Filter)
> Pull out the weak signals in crowded band
> conditions with Icom's NEW two-point MNF manual notch filter.
> Apply 70 dB of rejection to two signals at once!
> Notch width is adjustable - wide, medium, and narrow - and an auto-
> tuning notch filter is available, too.
>
> Digital voice recorder (DVR)
> Record your callsign, CQ, or other information in 4
> transmit playback memories with alphanumeric labels. A total of 90
> seconds is available for the four memories. A front panel REC
> control allows you to record incoming signals, too! The DVR makes
> portable contesting or mini-expeditions a breeze!
>
> Flexible installation with detachable panel
> Smaller than the IC-706MKIIG, the IC-7000 measures
> only 167(W)x58(H)x180(D) mm. With the detachable front panel*2
> many installation possibilities are available.
>
> Remote control Microphone
> The supplied HM-151 remote control microphone
> allows you to control often used functions of the IC-7000. This

> includes band hopping with Icom's Triple Band Stack registers.
>
> 2-mode band scope
> The band scope function lets you watch
> conditions around the band.
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2409. Re: [m_a_r_s] Congratulations to VU2MLW & VU2NNG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-06 07:07:47 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 2399 Message: 2409

Congrats on gtg yr tickets,
Hope to hear you ... check-in daily on Night owl's net and Airnet India net on 14150 KHz and other nets on 7050, 7075/7080 .
Best of Luck you friends,
73
VU2NXM

fortunecookie@... wrote:

dear nilesh

well down on your ticket

hope to hear you on the air at 9.30 pm . if you need any help call vu2 hit

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2410. Re: [m_a_r_s] Congratulations to VU2MLW & VU2NNG

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-06 17:58:54 UTC
From: Nilesh Malpekar
Topic: 2399 Message: 2410

Dear Zyros,

I'm very much eager to join you all HAMs on the air.

However currently spending quite a lot of time in
office itself, so couldn't join the net yet.

My experiments on digital HAM communication continue
with VU2UGO in the meanwhile :-)

Cheers,

Nilesh
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2411. MARS goings on, does anybody know???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-06 18:25:05 UTC
From: V U 2 C D P
Topic: 2411 Message: 2411

Hi all,

I have a few things to say as a MARS member for I feel the silence on the e-group is really disturbing. The new managing committee is yet to be elected because of a series of unfortunate events which have resulted in a mess that has affected the society's functioning. Some details though need to be provided by those responsible as there hasn't been any mail from the committee members. What surprises me is the fact that even the MARS M.C. members have hardly posted anything on the e-group. Barring NLF and HIT(during his short stint as President) there were no postings on the group. How many M.C. members remain on the committee is also not known after there were a string of resignations.

Cut to Hamfest. An event that could not live upto expectations simply because of poor participation from our ham fraternity. The event, personally, has left me very sour. I was thrilled to be the raffle winner(remember it was an ICOM 706 MkII G). The joy was shortlived as the rig kept on display belonged to VU2CFO and therefore was returned to him immediately after the Hamfest closing ceremony. Not that I was keen to hand it back but did so an assurance that a new rig would be given within a month's time. Six months have already passed and I still get paid lip service upon asking for it. A certain Hamfest M.C. member even had the nerve to bluntly say that I will never get it. If that be true then the whole thing was nothing but a scam. I feel cheated and believe that the individuals involved owe an explanation for playing such a prank on all those who purchased raffle tickets.

The only explanation I have been offered is that the Hamfest accounts need to be closed and many things need to be sorted out. How many months that is going to take is something I don't want to guess. Two M.C. members are at loggerheads over the "unconstitutional behaviour" of one of them and his subsequent expulsion from the society. Sadly, the key responsibilites are jointly held by them. To end the impasse is upto them.

Personally though my patience has been tested to the last 'e'. As a MARS member I demand to see the account books(constitutionally I am within my rights to do so).

AND I AM NOT GIVING UP ON THAT RIG.

That's for the record.

A none too amused,

VU2CDP.

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2412. Happy Anniversary M.A.R.S

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-07 03:23:02 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2412 Message: 2412

Wishing All Members a Very Happy Anniversary and Congratulations to all Members on sucessfully promoting our wonderful hobby for last 5 years.

73
VU2NLF,
Secretary MARS.

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2413. Happy Anniversary

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-07 14:01:28 UTC
From: Micky Korde
Topic: 2413 Message: 2413

Wishing All Martians
A Very Happy Anniversary
Long Live MARS
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MICKY - VU2 IZO

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2414. Happy Anniversary

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-07 14:14:37 UTC
From: Micky Korde
Topic: 2413 Message: 2414

THANE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION
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A Very Happy Anniversary
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Happy Hamming
MICKY - VU2 IZO

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2415. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-08 17:28:03 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2415 Message: 2415
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2416. Re: [m_a_r_s] (unknown)Time for EGM?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-09 01:37:49 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2415 Message: 2416

I agree with SFX that it seems to be a time for EGM.
Only thing is who will bell the cat? Who has time &
energy for this zamela. After all, this is just a
hobby.
Wake up guys. Do u need this society to function or
die. This is the time to decide.

ULHAS
73
de VU2UBP

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2417. HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-09 06:52:42 UTC
From: saurabh gadkari
Topic: 2417 Message: 2417

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FROM
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2418. Is there Meeting on 10th July?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-09 09:18:13 UTC
From: vu2kiz
Topic: 2418 Message: 2418

I am in Mumbai and would like to attend the Montly Meeting with some of my friends for the first time after being the Life Member from almost beginning. Can the responsible person inform me whether there will be meeting at 1000 Hrs tomorrow Sunday 10th July at the B. S. Bengalee High School or not? I tried to call some of the numbers given at the MARS website without avail. I am staying in Room 509 Ph D Hostel of the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Deonar, Mumbai 400 088 Phone: 2556 3290 Ext. 604 0900 to 2000 Hrs Mon to Sat and 2556 3294 from 2000 to 0900 Hrs Mon to Sat and on Sun. I am in Mumbai for a month. I came after doing exploratory research on tsunami affected areas of India and Sri Lanka. I also presented a paper at the Dayton Hamvention 2005 on May 20, 2005. I would like to have eyeball, if it is possible. Please reply by phone or on my email: kailash.gupta@...

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ & KG6SQR
Disaster Researcher and
Doctoral Student in Emergency Management and
President, North Dakota State University Amateur Radio Club
North Dakot State University
Fargo, ND 58105, USA

2419. Status of MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-09 10:15:23 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2415 Message: 2419

Dear SXF and MARS members,

I find it very strange when you guys show concern for the society but NEVER come forward to chip in for the cause, VU2SXF has never contributed to the society even when he was on the commitee, he rarely even showed up for the M.C meetings.

As a matter of fact, most of the people on all the managing commitees (past & present) have shown very little interest.. We have always had to convience people to run for election.. Last year we didn't even have elections.. we barely got 7 people to fill the chairs.

Then again unfortunately Mehul (Ex-secretary) QSYed to Singapore and our chairman VU2HIT could not handle the pressure and resigned... In view of the situation, and Hamfest 2004 approching I once again took charge as the Secretary.. Inspite of the work pressure of Hamfest 2004. I requested few capable members to take charge of chairman, but none came forward.. till today the chair of the chairman of MARS is still empty..

MARS members went to Gujarat Hamfest 2003 and bidded for hamfest 2004, we got the bid "GANPATI BAPPA MORYE" was the slogan used by MARS members. Unfortunately when it came to doing hamfest, most of these people dissappeared..

We managed to do the Hamfest thanks to the SWLs and few loyal members of MARS..most of the founder members did not come for Hamfest, forget contibuting their efforts...

When we were doing Hamfest, very few members came forward to help us with the fund collections, it was mainly the efforts of VU2IZO, VU2CFO, VU2YJM, VU2PYG and few loyal members that we were able to do the Hamfest.. I am eternally grateful to them...

For past six months there is no monthly meeting... is anybody bothered ? is it only when NLF calls for the meeting that people have to come ? Even when we used to have regular meeting, how many M.C members, founder members attended the meetings ? Do they care. ?

I have stopped calling for meetings, as I was out of India for last 2 months and I have QSYed to Pune, I see nobody is interested and it is pointless for me to run from Pune to Mumbai, when Mumbaities are not interested ?

even during the JNA days, (if founder members remember) we use to have informal meeting, in absence of the office bearers, why is it that MARS members don't even meet for informal meetings. ?

As far as the AGM is concerned, we have to finalize the accounts first, The accounts have to be submitted by the treasurer of Hamfest (VU2IZO) and By treasurer of MARS (VU2CBU).. My job is to scrutinize the accounts and do a internal audit (which I have been doing for past 5 years). after the accounts are scrutized by me, they will be submited to our Auditors, once our auditors have OKed the accounts, they will be sealed and signed by the office bearers.
and we can conduct the AGM.

Usually, Mehul (VU2ICQ) and VU2NLF use to help out the Treasurer to sort out the accounts, unfortunately VU2ICQ is in Singapore and VU2NLF is in Pune. therefore both the treasurer (VU2IZO & VU2CBU) are in a fix.. VU2SFN was kind enough to atleast help out VU2IZO in computerizing the Hamfest accounts.

I have requested many concerned MARS members to come forward and assist both the Treasurer to complete the accounts, but so far no one has come forward.

As far as VU2CDP's RIG is concern, I have repeatedly told him, that once the accounts are finalized, we will make sure that he gets it.. Hamfest 2004 was MARS event, if Hamfest accounts does not have money, then MARS will pay for it. If MARS does not have money, then too bad...

Now people talk about cheating and fraud, when they don't know any facts about the issue... VU2CDP want his rig, that fair no doubt.. he should get it, but what about his loyalty towards MARS, has he renewed his membership ? he has not, I know for a fact ? You want MARS to GIVE YOU, but you don't what to GIVE to MARS, is it fair.. everyone know we are short of funds, but how many have come forward to contribute...

Start collecting fees and we will enough money to give VU2CDP his rig... but are members or M.C members willing to collect ? are members willing to pay ?

Classes is the major source of income for MARS, I had personally requested VU2IZO not to start classes in TARA (before he was expelled from the society) stating this will directly affect MARS financial status. But as he had already given press releases, without the consent of MARS M.C, he went ahead and started his classes in TARA. (which added the reasons to expell him)

MARS could still start their Churchgate Batches and generate income, but the question is who will do it, In our last batches VU2CBU took charge as the head of the education commitee, and finally VU2NLF ended up doing the classes, Is anyone willing to take up this responsibility and run the classes ?

Most of the members just want to make QRM and nothing else... I have spoken to many concern members who have been complaining about the AGM.. I have requested and suggested to atleast get 7 People for the next commitee ? What is the point when at the end of the day, we don't even get 7 people to run the society of 240 odds members..

It is very easy to start QRM and critisize, but when it comes doing something for the society it is a different ball game altogether...

I sincerely suggest and appeal to all members concerned, and who are willing to come on the next managing commitee, especially the would be Treasurer of 2005-2006 to come forward and help VU2IZO and VU2CBU to finalize the accounts. In any event his financial term has already started on 1st April 2005, now it merely a formalitity, if you are so sincere to MARS and would like to somethings for the society, start now, don't wait for elections..

I have kept silence for past few months, that does not mean I don't care, but because I don't want QRM, specially from people, who will not do anything to sort out the problems...

So I once again request all members like VU2SXF to stop BITCHING and start WORKING....show us that you are really concerned and do something for your society... especially the FOUNDER MEMBERS..

Also I request members NOT to reply to mail and increase QRM, instead start working silently please...

73
VU2NLF,
Secretary MARS

sandesh chandrakant kamat <VU2SXF@...> wrote:

Dear Friends
Iam not a regular contributer to the mars group.Few days back vu2ugo had send a mail to this group but there was just one mail received.
Iam one of the founder member of mars & also proud that our society did so well within a short span of 3 yrs. I fail to understand as what has happened to our societies activities suddenly .I am aware that Nilesh our EX Secretary is also not around,no AGM for the last year, no meeting, no mails,accounts pending , hamfest accounts pending , Nilesh is not interested anymore in MARS he is after to earn his piece of bread now,not even bothered to reply to anyones mails nor phone calls,the mananging commitee is silent,the founder members are not keen on keeping things going ,no one interested to know as what is the status of our society,no one to come forward to arrange for meeting.Well we all know as how much efforts we all have put in to form our very own MARS & now suddenly just because Nilesh has left, everything comes to standstill? does it mean that mars was run by nilesh only? & others were obeying his orders.
I am also aware that the book of accounts are with Nilesh & he is abscounding nor is he bothered to atleast hand over the books to the M.C.
Regarding Deepak VU2CDP I agree that this is clear cheating on part of hamfest commitee,everyone is aware that he won ICOM 706 but till date he didnot receive it so wheres the raffle money gone?
if its there deepak should receive his rig.
Now in such a scenario the M.C should hold a special general body meeting & try to resolve the matters at the earliest so that the society can function. I think atleast this thing can be done .
I would also request the last M.C to decide & call the general body meeting at the earliest
Iam not really pleased to write this mail. I just want to see MARS LIVE FOR MANY MARE YEARS TO COME.
Now iam also awating the reply specially from M.C & FOUNDER MEMEBERS ATLEAST.

THANKS & 73
DE
SANDESH KAMAT
VU2SXF

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2420. Finally Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER AT new address.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-09 13:00:29 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2420 Message: 2420

dear friends and members,

we all really miss each other i am sure its time we meet , after discussing with a few hams

we have descided to have a "EYE BALL GET TOGETHER"

on the 17th July (sunday) at 10 A.M.

location is not bengalli girls school because we have not renewed our letter with them so the new location address is

AVIJAH BUILDING ,

ROOM NUMBER 14

IST FLOOR ,

NEAR KYANI BAKERY ,

ABOVE CEASAR BAR ,

METRO

MUMBAI.

ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO COME , lets all meet up since we have not done for quite some time and i am sure their is alot to talk .

hope to see you all there .

73"s

vu2zrs 9821025289

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fortunecookie@...

2421. Re: [m_a_r_s] Finally Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER AT new address.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-09 13:15:48 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 2420 Message: 2421

hello,

hi

whats the agenda and more importantly menu will
decide the attendance.

all the best

devu2ugj

--- fortunecookie@... wrote:

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2422. Re: [m_a_r_s] Finally Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER AT new address.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-09 13:48:24 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2420 Message: 2422
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2423. Shall miss Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-10 02:21:07 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ
Topic: 2420 Message: 2423

ZRS and other friends,

I shall be in Baroda on Saturday July 16 & Sunday July 17 and miss the eyeball.

Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ & KG6SQR

--- fortunecookie@... wrote:

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2424. [m_a_r_s] Finally Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-10 08:38:54 UTC
From: Farokh
Topic: 2424 Message: 2424

Dear Zrs,
I think unless we meet...we will not know how much we miss one-other.
It s a wonderfull idea to have an informal meeting and know what the
real picture is.... who is interested and who is not.

73"s
Seeya there,
VU2WET

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2425. Re: [m_a_r_s] Finally Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER AT new address.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-10 10:14:40 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2420 Message: 2425
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2426. Re: [m_a_r_s] Finally Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER AT new address.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-10 12:53:56 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2420 Message: 2426

Hi ZRS:

Thanks for initiating this informal meet.

Though I won't be able to visit Mumbai for this (I've a customer visit lined up in Bangalore on that same day), it's really heartening that folks can work at the grassroots level.

Best of luck everyone.

-- Sriram

--- fortunecookie@... wrote:

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2427. SRIRAM Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER ATnew address.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-11 12:27:25 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2427 Message: 2427

dear sriram

well wish you come for the 17th sunday "eyeball get together" at AVIJAH BUILDING , METRO

at 10 am

we all love HAM as a hobby and that what keeps us together . The LOVE for it (ham radio)

there are diffrences every where and will get cleared for the '"LOVE OF HAM RADIO "

WELL TAKE CARE AND SEE YOU SOME TIME

73"S

VU2ZRS

wish you could come also

----- Original Message -----

From: Sriram N
Date: Sunday, July 10, 2005 6:23 pm
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Finally Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER ATnew address.....

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2428. VU2SCQ ..... Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER AT newaddress.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-11 12:30:49 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2428 Message: 2428

DEAR VU2SCQ

THANKS FOR THE REPLY , WISH YOU COULD BE THERE FOR THE EYEBALL GET

TOGETHER ON 17TH SUNDAY AT 10 AM ,AVIJAH BUILDING , NEAR METRO CINEMA

AHEAD OF KYANI

TAKE CARE VU2 ZRS

----- Original Message -----

From: Shantanu Chand
Date: Sunday, July 10, 2005 3:44 pm
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Finally Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER AT newaddress.....

> Dear ZRS,
> As much as I would love to come to the meeting on the 17th(its
> really been
> a long time!!), I will unfortunately not be in town that time.
> However, I do
> wish you guy luck and an enjoyable get together. Hopefully the
> trend would
> continue and i could join you guys at the next meeting.
> 73
> VU2SCQ
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> On 9 Jul 2005 13:48:24 -0000, Ankur Puranik
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> wrote:
> >
> > hey cool so finally we all r meetin.....gr88
> > so the bun maskaa n the applepie cakes n the mushroom puffs n
> wat
> > else...??? oh wow!!
> > anything from PK??? LOL :)
> > anyways.... great to know we all meetin... i will be there
> > positively...100%
> > lookin fwd to meet all our fellow hams ..!!
> > 73's
> > de
> > VU2AXN
> > Ankur Puranik
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2429. Re: [m_a_r_s] Finally Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER ATnew address.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-11 12:34:00 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2429 Message: 2429

DEAR MUKESH

DO NOT WORRY ABOUT THE FOOD . WE HAVE A BEAUTIFULL BAKERY "KYANI"

NEXT TO THE PLACE . FEEL FREE WE ARE IN A DEMOCRATIC COUNTRY

THE TEA WILL TASTE GOOD I AM SURE

C U THERE

VU2 ZRS

----- Original Message -----

From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Date: Saturday, July 9, 2005 6:45 pm
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Finally Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER ATnew address.....

> hello,
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> hi
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> whats the agenda and more importantly menu will
> decide the attendance.
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> all the best
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> devu2ugj
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2430. VU2 SXF YOUR MAIL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-11 12:39:34 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2430 Message: 2430

DEAR VU2 SXF

IF YOU HAVE ANY MORE VHF RIGS / ETC ETC TO SELL PLEASE BRING THEM ON SUNDAY THE 17TH EYEBALL GET TO GETHER AT AVIJAH

VU2 TPI AND MYSELF ARE INTRERSTED

73"S

VU2 ZRS

----- Original Message -----

From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Date: Friday, July 8, 2005 10:58 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] (unknown)

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>
> Dear Friends
> Iam not a regular contributer to the mars group.Few days back
> vu2ugo had send a mail to this group but there was just one mail
> received.Iam one of the founder member of mars & also proud that
> our society did so well within a short span of 3 yrs. I fail to
> understand as what has happened to our societies activities
> suddenly .I am aware that Nilesh our EX Secretary is also not
> around,no AGM for the last year, no meeting, no mails,accounts
> pending , hamfest accounts pending , Nilesh is not interested
> anymore in MARS he is after to earn his piece of bread now,not
> even bothered to reply to anyones mails nor phone calls,the
> mananging commitee is silent,the founder members are not keen on
> keeping things going ,no one interested to know as what is the
> status of our society,no one to come forward to arrange for
> meeting.Well we all know as how much efforts we all have put in to
> form our very own MARS & now suddenly just because Nilesh has
> left, everything comes to standstill? does it mean that mars was
> run by nilesh only? & others were obeying his orders.
> I am also aware that the book of accounts are with Nilesh & he is
> abscounding nor is he bothered to atleast hand over the books to
> the M.C.
> Regarding Deepak VU2CDP I agree that this is clear cheating on
> part of hamfest commitee,everyone is aware that he won ICOM 706
> but till date he didnot receive it so wheres the raffle money gone?
> if its there deepak should receive his rig.
> Now in such a scenario the M.C should hold a special general body
> meeting & try to resolve the matters at the earliest so that the

> society can function. I think atleast this thing can be done .
> I would also request the last M.C to decide & call the general
> body meeting at the earliest
> Iam not really pleased to write this mail. I just want to see MARS
> LIVE FOR MANY MARE YEARS TO COME.
> Now iam also awating the reply specially from M.C & FOUNDER
> MEMEBERS ATLEAST.
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> THANKS & 73
> DE
> SANDESH KAMAT
> VU2SXF
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2431. MUKESH JAITELY Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER ATnew address.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-11 12:40:52 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2431 Message: 2431

DEAR MUKESH

BREAKFAST IS THE MOST IMPORTANT MEAL OF THE DAY

ANY SUGGESTIONS ON WHAT TO ORDER

VU2 ZRS

Original Message -----

From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Date: Saturday, July 9, 2005 6:45 pm
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Finally Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER ATnew address.....

> hello,
>
> hi
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> whats the agenda and more importantly menu will
> decide the attendance.
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> all the best
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> devu2ugj
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> --- fortunecookie@... wrote:
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> dear friends and members,
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> we all really miss each other i am sure its time we
> meet , after discussing with a few hams
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> we have descided to have a "EYE BALL GET TOGETHER"
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> on the 17th July (sunday) at 10 A.M.
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> location is not bengalli girls school because we have
> not renewed our letter with them so the new location
> address is

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> AVIJAH BUILDING ,
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> ROOM NUMBER 14
>
> IST FLOOR ,
>
> NEAR KYANI BAKERY ,
>
> ABOVE CEASAR BAR ,
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> METRO
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> MUMBAI.
>
> ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO COME , lets all meet up
> since we have not done for quite some time and i am
> sure their is alot to talk .
>
> hope to see you all there .
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> 73"s
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2432. Hi Zyros

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-11 15:12:53 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2432 Message: 2432
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2433. Hi ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-11 16:53:48 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2433 Message: 2433
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

[Attachment content not displayed]

2434. Re: [m_a_r_s] Finally Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER AT new address.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 03:25:02 UTC
From: Nilesh Malpekar
Topic: 2420 Message: 2434

Dear Zyros,

I won't be able to attend the meeting this sunday due to personal work.

Hope you all have a great time together

Till next time

Cheers

Nilesh
--- fortunecookie@... wrote:

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2435. Space Shuttle Discovery's Launch (STS-114) Countdown Begins July 10

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 08:35:48 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2435 Message: 2435

Space Shuttle Discovery's Launch Countdown Begins July 10

NASA will begin the official countdown for the Return to Flight launch of Space Shuttle Discovery on mission STS-114 July 10 at 6 p.m. EDT. Discovery's seven-member crew will test new equipment and procedures to increase the safety of the Shuttle and deliver spare parts, water and supplies to the International Space Station.

NASA's Kennedy Space Center (KSC) launch team will conduct the countdown from Firing Room 3 of the Launch Control Center. The countdown includes nearly 27 hours of built-in hold time leading to a preferred launch time at about 3:51 p.m. on July 13 with a launch window extending about five minutes.

This historic mission is the 114th Space Shuttle flight and the 17th U.S. flight to the International Space Station. STS-114 is scheduled to last about 12 days with a planned KSC landing at about 11:01 a.m. EDT on July 25.

For the latest information on NASA's Return to Flight efforts, visit: http://www.nasa.gov/returntoflight

COUNTDOWN MILESTONES (all times are Eastern)

Launch-3 Days (Sunday, July 10)
Prepare for the start of the STS-114 launch countdown
Perform the call-to-stations (5:30 p.m.)
Countdown begins at the T-43 hour mark (6 p.m.)
Begin final vehicle and facility close-outs for launch
Check out backup flight systems
Review flight software stored in mass memory units and display systems
Load backup flight system software into Discovery's general purpose computers

Launch-2 Days (Monday, July 11)
Remove mid-deck and flight-deck platforms (2 a.m.)
Complete preparation to load power reactant storage and distribution system (5 a.m.)
Activate and test navigational systems (7 a.m.)
Flight deck preliminary inspections complete (10 a.m.)
Enter first built-in hold at T-27 hours for duration of four hours (10 a.m.)
Clear launch pad of all non-essential personnel
Perform test of the vehicle's pyrotechnic initiator controllers
Resume countdown (2 p.m.)
Begin loading of cryogenic reactants into Discovery's fuel cell storage tanks (3:30 p.m.)
Enter 4-hour built-in hold at T-19 hours (10 p.m.)
Demate orbiter mid-body umbilical unit (10:30 p.m.)

Resume orbiter and ground support equipment close-outs

Launch-1 Day (Tuesday, July 12)
Resume countdown (2 a.m.)
Final preparations of Shuttle's three main engines for tanking and flight (2 a.m.)
Begin filling pad sound suppression system water tank (3 a.m.)
Pad sound suppression system water tank filling complete (6 a.m.)
Close out the tail service masts on the mobile launcher platform
Enter planned hold at T-11 hours for 12 hours, 55 minutes (10 a.m.)
Begin star tracker functional checks (10:50 a.m.)
Activate Shuttle's inertial measurement units
Activate the orbiter's communications systems
Install film in numerous cameras on the launch pad (11:55 a.m.)
Flight crew equipment late stow (2:50 p.m.)
Move Rotating Service Structure (RSS) to the park position (7 p.m.)
Perform ascent switch list
Fuel cell flow-through purge complete
Resume countdown at T-11 hours (11 p.m.)

Launch Day (Wednesday, July 13)
Activate the orbiter's fuel cells (12:05 a.m.)
Clear the blast danger area of all non-essential personnel
Switch Discovery's purge air to gaseous nitrogen (1:10 a.m.)
Enter planned 2-hour built-in hold at the T-6 hour mark (3:55 a.m.)
Verification of launch commit criteria prior to cryogenic loading of External Tank (ET)
Clear pad of all personnel
Resume countdown (5:55 a.m.)
Chill-down of propellant transfer lines (5:55 a.m.)
Begin loading the ET with 500,000 gallons of cryogenic propellants (approx. 6:05 a.m.)
Complete filling the ET with propellants (approx. 8:55 a.m.)
Final Inspection Team proceed to launch pad
Enter planned 3-hour built-in hold at T-3 hours (8:55 a.m.)
Perform inertial measurement unit preflight calibration
Align Merritt Island Launch Area (MILA) tracking antennas
Perform open loop test with Eastern Range
Resume countdown at T-3 hours (11:55 a.m.)
Crew departs Operations and Checkout Building for the pad (12 p.m.)
Complete close-out preparations in the white room
Check cockpit switch configurations
Flight crew begins entry into the orbiter (approx. 12:30 p.m.)
Astronauts perform air-to-ground voice checks with Launch and Mission Control
Begin to close Discovery's crew hatch (about 1:35 p.m.)
Begin Eastern Range final network open loop command checks
Perform hatch seal and cabin leak checks
Complete white room close-out
Close-out crew moves to fallback area
Primary ascent guidance data is transferred to the backup flight system

Enter planned 10-minute hold at T-20 minutes (2:35 p.m.)
NASA Test Director conducts final launch team briefings
Complete inertial measurement unit preflight alignments
Resume countdown at T-20 minutes (2:45 p.m.)
Transition the orbiter's onboard computers to launch configuration
Start fuel cell thermal conditioning
Close orbiter cabin vent valves
Transition backup flight system to launch configuration
Enter estimated 40-minute hold at T-9 minutes (2:56 p.m.)
Launch director, Mission Management Team and NASA test director conduct final polls for go/no go to launch
Resume countdown at T-9 minutes (about 3:36 p.m.)

Launch Day (Wednesday, July 13)
Start automatic ground launch sequencer (T-9:00 minutes)
Retract orbiter crew access arm (T-7:30)
Start mission recorders (T-6:15)
Start Auxiliary Power Units (T-5:00)
Arm Solid Rocket Boosters (SRBs) and ET range safety safe and arm devices (T-5:00)
Start liquid oxygen drainback (T-4:55)
Start orbiter aerosurface profile test (T-3:55)
Start main engine gimbal profile test (T-3:30)
Pressurize liquid oxygen tank (T-2:55)
Begin retraction of the gaseous oxygen vent arm (T-2:55)
Fuel cells to internal reactants (T-2:35)
Pressurize liquid hydrogen tank (T-1:57)
Deactivate bi-pod heaters (T-1:52)
Deactivate SRB joint heaters (T-1:00)
Orbiter transfers from ground to internal power (T-0:50 seconds)
Ground Launch Sequencer go for auto sequence start (T-0:31 seconds)
SRB gimbal profile (T-0:21 seconds)
Ignition of three Space Shuttle main engines (T-6.6 seconds)
SRB ignition and liftoff (T-0)

CREW FOR MISSION STS-114
Commander (CDR): Eileen Collins
Pilot (PLT): James Kelly
Payload Commander (MS1): Soichi Noguchi
Mission Specialist (MS2): Stephen Robinson
Mission Specialist (MS3): Andrew Thomas
Mission Specialist (MS4): Wendy Lawrence
Mission Specialist (MS5): Charles Camarda

SUMMARY OF STS-114 LAUNCH DAY CREW ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, July 13 (*Televised events-times may vary, but all times are EDT.)
5:45 a.m. Crew wakes up
6:15 a.m. Breakfast
*10:15 a.m. Crew eats snack

11:20 a.m. Weather Briefing (CDR, PLT, MS2)
*11:20 a.m. Don flight suits (MS1, MS3, MS4)
*11:30 a.m. Don flight suits (CDR, PLT, MS2)
*12:00 p.m. Depart for launch pad
*12:30 p.m. Arrive at white room and begin ingress
*1:45 p.m. Close crew hatch
*3:51 p.m. Launch

2436. PCSAT2/MISSE5 to Fly on STS-114

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 08:41:45 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2436 Message: 2436

PCSAT2/MISSE5 to Fly on STS-114

As part of an educational outreach program, students at the United States Naval Academy, in collaboration with the DOD and ARISS, and under the direction of Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, designed and developed PCSAT2. This payload will be carried on a Materials International Space Station Experiment (MISSE5) on a Passive Experiment Container (PEC). The PEC (suitcase) will be opened and will carry DOD solar cells on the front side, facing the sun, and the back side will carry the amateur satellite communications system which will include Automatic Position Reporting System (APRS) Packet, FM voice repeater, and 10m PSK-31 transponder. The payload will be launched on the Return to Flight STS-114 mission, scheduled for July 13, 2005, and will be deployed via an EVA as an external payload on the ISS. This project is described in detail on Bruninga's website, "PCSAT2 - External ISS Experiment in the Amateur Satellite Service." See: http://www.ew.usna.edu/~bruninga/pcsat2.html

Few More URLs -
STS-114 - http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/shuttle/archives/sts-114/index.html
"Return To Flight" Launch -
http://www.spaceflightnow.com/shuttle/sts114/050711preview/
Space Shuttle Discovery -
http://www-pao.ksc.nasa.gov/kscpao/nasafact/orbiters.htm#dis
(International Space Station LF-1) -
http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/station/assembly/flights/lf1.html
Shuttle Gallery - http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/gallery/images/shuttle/
PCSat 2 - http://web.usna.navy.mil/~bruninga/pcsat2.html

2437. nilesh malpekar..... Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER ATnew address.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 09:56:46 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2437 Message: 2437

dear nilesh

you are welcome to come even at the last minute

but you may miss out on the tea break which is always special .

well by the way are you a life memeber

thanks vu2zrs

----- Original Message -----

From: Nilesh Malpekar
Date: Tuesday, July 12, 2005 8:55 am
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Finally Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER ATnew address.....

> Dear Zyros,
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> I won't be able to attend the meeting this sunday due
> to personal work.
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> Hope you all have a great time together
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> Till next time
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> Cheers
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> Nilesh
> --- fortunecookie@... wrote:
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> dear friends and members,
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2438. Participating

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 10:06:52 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2438 Message: 2438

A must read for Martians:

http://atulchitnis.net/diary/showentry/100

-- Sriram

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Sell on Yahoo! Auctions ? no fees. Bid on great items.
http://auctions.yahoo.com/

2439. amit is making a payment . guys good breakfast on sunday for sure .....Hi ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 10:03:54 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2439 Message: 2439

dear amit

whenever its a payment always remeber cross the cheque and write "zyrosz zend "(hahaha joking)

make the cheque in the name of "mumbai amateur radio society "

that will be a real positive step and outlook to the clubs image .

there will always be a MARS ,come rain ,thunder lightning or majority of the time SUNSHINE

Mars will be there so go ahead and make the cheque .

try to make it late also for the eyeball get together

cu 73's

vu2zrs

----- Original Message -----

From: Amit Malgaonkar
Date: Monday, July 11, 2005 10:23 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Hi ZRS

> Hi Zyros,
> Shall dearly miss the eyeball QSO on Sunday. Had hoped
> to attend it but I have a batch scheduled for Sunday. I
> was looking forward to meeting you guys. If plans change
> shall try to make it.
> I believe my membership has expired and I would like
> to renew it. Could you tell me whom do I send the DD/cheque
> and in whose name.
> Hope you will post the happenings at the meet in the
> groups.
>
> 73's,
> AmitM.
>
>

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2440. kailash my dear friend , my HF rig misses you .....ZRS...Is there Meeting on 10th July? NO.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 10:07:54 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2440 Message: 2440

DEAR KIZ

THERE IS A EYEBALL GET TOGETHER ON THE 17TH SUNDAY AT

AVIJAH BUILDING ,ROOM 14 , METRO DHOBI TALAO AT 10 AM

TRY TO COME

VU2 ZRS

----- Original Message -----

From: vu2kiz
Date: Saturday, July 9, 2005 2:48 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Is there Meeting on 10th July?

> I am in Mumbai and would like to attend the Montly Meeting with
> some
> of my friends for the first time after being the Life Member from
> almost beginning. Can the responsible person inform me whether
> there
> will be meeting at 1000 Hrs tomorrow Sunday 10th July at the B. S.
> Bengalee High School or not? I tried to call some of the numbers
> given at the MARS website without avail. I am staying in Room 509
> Ph
> D Hostel of the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Deonar, Mumbai
> 400 088 Phone: 2556 3290 Ext. 604 0900 to 2000 Hrs Mon to Sat and
> 2556 3294 from 2000 to 0900 Hrs Mon to Sat and on Sun. I am in
> Mumbai for a month. I came after doing exploratory research on
> tsunami affected areas of India and Sri Lanka. I also presented a
> paper at the Dayton Hamvention 2005 on May 20, 2005. I would like
> to
> have eyeball, if it is possible. Please reply by phone or on my
> email: kailash.gupta@...
>
> Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ & KG6SQR
> Disaster Researcher and
> Doctoral Student in Emergency Management and
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2441. how do i get there

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 10:10:12 UTC
From: Anurag Chugh
Topic: 2441 Message: 2441

i know this sounds stupid... but can anyone please tell me how to reach the place for meeting from andheri satation??
where is metro cinema???.... near churchgate station???...
or marine lines???

@nurag

2442. how do i get there .....call 911

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 11:41:52 UTC
From: vu2zrs
Topic: 2441 Message: 2442

dear anurag
get of at marine lines station and walk towards metro cinema
ask any one for kyani bakery , ask the owner on the counter
where "ceasar bar " is which is on the ground floor of Avijah Building
you should find it , 1st floor and you will see us.

if you dont find it still then you are at the wrong place call 911

73's
vu2zrs

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, "Anurag Chugh" <lithiumhead@g...> wrote:
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reach the place for meeting from andheri satation??
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> @nurag

2443. Re: [mars_academy_2003] Status of MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 13:17:50 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2443 Message: 2443

Friends,

Now that we are meeting up for get-to-gether on the coming Sunday, we shall also know the status of our society (read status of our accounts).

There are many members who have opined that we should finalise MARS accounts without waiting for HAMFEST accounts.

As HAMFEST INDIA 2004 is not a society or trust, I believe, the HAMFEST account was opened as the event specific account in the ICICI Bank as "MARS A/C HAMFEST INDIA 2004". In that case, I feel that we should finalise accounts of the HAMFEST first and then only transfer the Profit/Loss to MARS a/c.

There are some payments to be made from Hamfest a/c, e.g.payment to photographer,towards printing etc., which I feel Hamfest committee should settle before closing the HAMFEST account (there are few members who think that we should close ICICI a/c of HAMFEST first and transfer the balance to MARS a/c and then we can finalise HAMFEST accounts).There are members who think that we should trnasfer the balance outstanding in HAMFEST bank a/c and then we should finalise the accounts, as overall MARS accounts (to which I strongly oppose untill there is net positive balance coming into MARS bank a/c).

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> On 7/9/05, nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@...> wrote:
> > Dear SXF and MARS members,
> >
> > I find it very strange when you guys show concern for the society but NEVER
> > come forward to chip in for the cause, VU2SXF has never contributed to the
> > society even when he was on the commitee, he rarely even showed up for the
> > M.C meetings.
> >
> > As a matter of fact, most of the people on all the managing commitees (past
> > & present) have shown very little interest.. We have always had to convience
> > people to run for election.. Last year we didn't even have elections.. we
> > barely got 7 people to fill the chairs.
> >
> > Then again unfortunately Mehul (Ex-secretary) QSYed to Singapore and our
> > chairman VU2HIT could not handle the pressure and resigned... In view of the
> > situation, and Hamfest 2004 approching I once again took charge as the
> > Secretary.. Inspite of the work pressure of Hamfest 2004. I requested few
> > capable members to take charge of chairman, but none came forward.. till
> > today the chair of the chairman of MARS is still empty..
> >
> > MARS members went to Gujarat Hamfest 2003 and bidded for hamfest 2004, we
> > got the bid "GANPATI BAPPA MORYE" was the slogan used by MARS members.
> > Unfortunately when it came to doing hamfest, most of these people
> > dissappeared..
> >
> > We managed to do the Hamfest thanks to the SWLs and few loyal members of
> > MARS..most of the founder members did not come for Hamfest, forget
> > contibuting their efforts...
> >
> > When we were doing Hamfest, very few members came forward to help us with
> > the fund collections, it was mainly the efforts of VU2IZO, VU2CFO, VU2YJM,
> > VU2PYG and few loyal members that we were able to do the Hamfest.. I am
> > eternally grateful to them...
> >
> > For past six months there is no monthly meeting... is anybody bothered ? is
> > it only when NLF calls for the meeting that people have to come ? Even when

> > we used to have regular meeting, how many M.C members, founder members
> > attended the meetings ? Do they care. ?
> >
> > I have stopped calling for meetings, as I was out of India for last 2 months
> > and I have QSYed to Pune, I see nobody is interested and it is pointless for
> > me to run from Pune to Mumbai, when Mumbaities are not interested ?
> >
> > even during the JNA days, (if founder members remember) we use to have
> > informal meeting, in absence of the office bearers, why is it that MARS
> > members don't even meet for informal meetings. ?
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> > office bearers.
> > and we can conduct the AGM.
> >
> > Usually, Mehul (VU2ICQ) and VU2NLF use to help out the Treasurer to sort out
> > the accounts, unfortunately VU2ICQ is in Singapore and VU2NLF is in Pune.
> > therefore both the treasurer (VU2IZO & VU2CBU) are in a fix.. VU2SFN was
> > kind enough to atleast help out VU2IZO in computerizing the Hamfest
> > accounts.
> >
> > I have requested many concerned MARS members to come forward and assist both
> > the Treasurer to complete the accounts, but so far no one has come forward.
> >
> >
> > As far as VU2CDP's RIG is concern, I have repeatedly told him, that once
> > the accounts are finalized, we will make sure that he gets it.. Hamfest 2004
> > was MARS event, if Hamfest accounts does not have money, then MARS will pay
> > for it. If MARS does not have money, then too bad...
> >
> >
> > Now people talk about cheating and fraud, when they don't know any facts
> > about the issue... VU2CDP want his rig, that fair no doubt.. he should get
> > it, but what about his loyalty towards MARS, has he renewed his membership ?
> > he has not, I know for a fact ? You want MARS to GIVE YOU, but you don't
> > what to GIVE to MARS, is it fair.. everyone know we are short of funds, but
> > how many have come forward to contribute...
> >
> > Start collecting fees and we will enough money to give VU2CDP his rig... but
> > are members or M.C members willing to collect ? are members willing to pay
> > ?
> >
> > Classes is the major source of income for MARS, I had personally requested
> > VU2IZO not to start classes in TARA (before he was expelled from the

> > society) stating this will directly affect MARS financial status. But as he
> > had already given press releases, without the consent of MARS M.C, he went
> > ahead and started his classes in TARA. (which added the reasons to expell
> > him)
> >
> > MARS could still start their Churchgate Batches and generate income, but the
> > question is who will do it, In our last batches VU2CBU took charge as the
> > head of the education commitee, and finally VU2NLF ended up doing the
> > classes, Is anyone willing to take up this responsibility and run the
> > classes ?
> >
> > Most of the members just want to make QRM and nothing else... I have spoken
> > to many concern members who have been complaining about the AGM.. I have
> > requested and suggested to atleast get 7 People for the next commitee ?
> > What is the point when at the end of the day, we don't even get 7 people to
> > run the society of 240 odds members..
> >
> > It is very easy to start QRM and critisize, but when it comes doing
> > something for the society it is a different ball game altogether...
> >
> > I sincerely suggest and appeal to all members concerned, and who are
> > willing to come on the next managing commitee, especially the would be
> > Treasurer of 2005-2006 to come forward and help VU2IZO and VU2CBU to
> > finalize the accounts. In any event his financial term has already started
> > on 1st April 2005, now it merely a formalitity, if you are so sincere to
> > MARS and would like to somethings for the society, start now, don't wait for
> > elections..
> >
> > I have kept silence for past few months, that does not mean I don't care,
> > but because I don't want QRM, specially from people, who will not do
> > anything to sort out the problems...
> >
> > So I once again request all members like VU2SXF to stop BITCHING and start
> > WORKING....show us that you are really concerned and do something for your
> > society... especially the FOUNDER MEMBERS..
> >
> > Also I request members NOT to reply to mail and increase QRM, instead start
> > working silently please...
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> > 73
> > VU2NLF,
> > Secretary MARS
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> > sandesh chandrakant kamat <VU2SXF@...> wrote:
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> >
> > Dear Friends
> > Iam not a regular contributer to the mars group.Few days back vu2ugo had
> > send a mail to this group but there was just one mail received.
> > Iam one of the founder member of mars & also proud that our society did so
> > well within a short span of 3 yrs. I fail to understand as what has happened
> > to our societies activities suddenly .I am aware that Nilesh our EX
> > Secretary is also not around,no AGM for the last year, no meeting, no
> > mails,accounts pending , hamfest accounts pending , Nilesh is not interested
> > anymore in MARS he is after to earn his piece of bread now,not even bothered
> > to reply to anyones mails nor phone calls,the mananging commitee is
> > silent,the founder members are not keen on keeping things going ,no one
> > interested to know as what is the status of our society,no one to come
> > forward to arrange for meeting.Well we all know as how much efforts we all
> > have put in to form our very own MARS & now suddenly just because Nilesh has
> > left, everything comes to standstill? does it mean that mars was run by
> > nilesh only? & others were obeying his orders.
> > I am also aware that the book of accounts are with Nilesh & he is
> > abscounding nor is he bothered to atleast hand over the books to the M.C.
> > Regarding Deepak VU2CDP I agree that this is clear cheating on part of
> > hamfest commitee,everyone is aware that he won ICOM 706 but till date he
> > didnot receive it so wheres the raffle money gone?
> > if its there deepak should receive his rig.
> > Now in such a scenario the M.C should hold a special general body meeting &
> > try to resolve the matters at the earliest so that the society can function.
> > I think atleast this thing can be done .
> > I would also request the last M.C to decide & call the general body meeting
> > at the earliest
> > Iam not really pleased to write this mail. I just want to see MARS LIVE FOR
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> > Now iam also awating the reply specially from M.C & FOUNDER MEMEBERS
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2444. Re: Status of MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 15:26:07 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2415 Message: 2444

Friends,

Now that we are meeting up for get-to-gether on the coming Sunday, we shall also know the status of our society (read status of our accounts).

There are many members who have opined that we should finalise MARS accounts without waiting for HAMFEST accounts.

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2445. without comments (for those who care)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 16:55:07 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2445 Message: 2445

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2446. without comments (for those who care)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 16:55:13 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2445 Message: 2446

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2447. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 18:21:00 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2447 Message: 2447
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2448. checkins for N-O-N on 11 July 05

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 18:21:39 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2448 Message: 2448
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2449. checkins for N-O-N 12 July 05

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 18:39:44 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2449 Message: 2449
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2450. Re: [m_a_r_s] without comments (for those who care)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-13 04:36:47 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2445 Message: 2450

Hi Ulhas:

I'm a lurker on the Linux-Bangalore-2005 mailing list - (http://groups.yahoo.com/group/linux-bangalore-2005). This is the discussion list for an International class even called "Linux-Bangalore". This was the name until last year, but this year a change of name is on the anvil.

This mailing list has a thread of discussion called "The next seven days" that is worth reading. The various active participants are all well known and respected community builders. They're presently discussing both how to organize an even better event this year as compared to last year's already fantastic event.

It's worth signing up on this discussion list to see how other communities work hard at keeping each others' morale high, indulge in brain storming, and ensure that the event is a success.

Even though not many Martians may be Linux savvy - I believe Nilesh Malpekar, VU2OZO and perhaps VU2AXN may be Linux users - Linux enthusiasts are techies just as HAMs are.

In case any Martian chooses to sign up, here's the message thread I was referring to
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/linux-bangalore-2005/message/1790?threaded=1

-- Sriram

--- ULHAS <ulhasparalkar@...> wrote:

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2451. The original mail talking about community

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-13 04:40:12 UTC
From: sriramx_2000
Topic: 2451 Message: 2451

All:

My apologies if such mail forwards are off-topic, but I'm merely
trying to share information on how other communities in India work.

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/linux-bangalore-2005/

-- Sriram

--- In linux-bangalore-2005@yahoogroups.com, Atul Chitnis <mail@a...>
wrote:
On Sat, 9 Jul 2005, Arun Raghavan wrote:

> I have a question - have we not been proactive enough in getting other
> ILUGs to participate? It would be nice to understand why we have so
> little participation from the other LUGs.

We have invited LUGs every year, through personal mailto the coordinators
or (if no such address was available) via a mail to the list, and of
course by putting info on the site.

And amazingly, people do come (there goes the distance/cost argument!) -
they just refuse to represent their LUGs/SIGs!

Even if there isnt a big contingent from each LUG (like we have from Goa
every year)- it would be fantastic if the coordinators of each LUG (or
the
appointed representatives, which could be members empowered by the LUG to
speak on the LUG's behalf) could have a sort of national round-table
conference at the event, where they can discuss their issues, their
experiences, their solutions and their recommendations.

I find this particularly urgent now, because I am beginning to see the
LUGs being sidelined by the Powers That Be. In fact, someone from a
well-known vendor recently told me that the LUGs are irrelevent, and that
they only work with organisations that actually do something worthwhile
(according to the vendor).

These very same vendors also tend to raise the profile of *some* groups
(that they are involved with) with people like the Government, completely
cutting the LUGs out of the picture.

This, according to me, is killing the goose that lays golden eggs, or
shooting yourself in the foot. It was the LUGs that did the hard ground
work, it is the LUGs that support people who have questions, it is the
LUGs who come up with initiatives. When the LUGs become irrelevant, the
passion and the backbone goes out of the picture, and the efforts die
down, making it a vendors' game.

This is a state that needs correction - but it is for the LUGs to help correct it. They have to realise that they cannot exist in isolation, but at the same time they have to understand that politics isnt the solution either.

Today, not a single LUG cooperates with another anywhere in India, there is no agenda, there is no coordinated effort.

The same person who made the earlier statement also admits that he felt that the community spirit no longer existed, and without it he personlly lost interest.

I agree with him, because I felt the same thing in my home LUG.

The difference between what a LUG meet used to be and what a (say) Java or
C# users group meet is today is drastic. The latter are typically cold, sterile, focussed on personal or corporate needs, while the former was about working together, a community spirit that was about achieving something as a movement, crossing social and commercial borders.

There is a crying need to bring that spirit back before it is completely gone, effectively taking away that one factor that the MS marketing department could never counter. In effect - no community, and we have lost
the war.

"Sharing" is a social concept, not a commercial one - whether sharing of software, ideas, knowledge or just resources. "Community" is a social concept too, so the very core of FOSS (shared development, shared efforts,
shared resources) is based on the community spirit.

Which brings me to your next point:

> And can we have an Ideology track for
> Copyleft/Evangelism/CreativeCommons/$cause? Right now, I guess the
> firebrands have to catch people in the halls and splash them with holy
> water on an informal basis. This way, we could have more focussed
> discussion of these things. Besides, it would introduce a healthy amount
> of yelling and screaming and (dare I dream) blood and mutilation (I'm
> thinking bring-your-own-cleavers here).

Every year, we have had a "community track" which was meant to be *precisely* what you talk about. But what's the point of throwing a party if nobody comes? While every track overflowed with talk proposals, the community track was left hanging. In fact, other than Sudhakar "Thaths" Chandrasekharan's talk in 2003, I don't recall a single social or community oriented talk. Sure, there were the obligatory "how to run a FOSS project"talks, which do have their place, but those are certainly not
"community" talks.

And frankly, that is the real reason why students are missing. The fire has died down, and no one is willing to blow into the dying embers to try and get it going again, no one is willing to feed the fire with his/her own time.

The other side isn't winning the war - we are losing it.

> And it would be *amazing* if we could get Lawrence Lessig to speak.

Have you read Larry's blog? http://www.lessig.org/blog/

Larry goes whereever he can, whereever he feels he can make a difference. But he only goes where there is an active community that isn't vendor-driven or product oriented. That is why you will find him at a conference in Brazil or in a university in Germany, but rarely at a conference that is effectively about something commercial (unless, of course, he is involved professionally).

If you think that I get passionate about things, you need to meet Larry - he is unbelievably focussed, and passionate about his causes. If you want to see Larry at LB, then it would have to be because he believes (rightly)
that there is something to be achieved to further his causes, and that he is addressing communities, not commercial entities who simply see him as a
way of attracting eyeballs.

I can't speak for him, but I can safely assume that if there is a community, he will be inclined to come.

The same, I believe, applies to people like Linus, Alan Cox, Maddog Hall and others.

I can also safely say this:

Unless the Indian FOSS community projects itself and highlights its own work (instead of only coming to listen to foreign big names speak - the janata entertainment that Biju referred to), there is little hope of India
ever being seen as a FOSS Superpower.

I again need to point everyone at my own article from years ago:

http://atulchitnis.net/diary/showentry/100

If you don't participate, the community dies.

Now how do we get that message out to the LUGs? How do we get that message
through to our own home LUGs?

Atul

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Atul Chitnis | mail@a...
Bangalore, India | http://atulchitnis.net

--- End forwarded message ---

2452. HAMS on Space Shuttle Discovery's Launch (STS-114)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-12 12:43:52 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2452 Message: 2452

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To: <Undisclosed-Recipient:;>
Sent: Tuesday, July 12, 2005 2:05 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Space Shuttle Discovery's Launch (STS-114) Countdown Begins July 10

> Space Shuttle Discovery's Launch Countdown Begins July 10
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> NASA will begin the official countdown for the Return to Flight launch of
> Space Shuttle Discovery on mission STS-114 July 10 at 6 p.m. EDT.
> Discovery's seven-member crew will test new equipment and procedures to
> increase the safety of the Shuttle and deliver spare parts, water and
> supplies to the International Space Station.
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> NASA's Kennedy Space Center (KSC) launch team will conduct the countdown
> from Firing Room 3 of the Launch Control Center. The countdown includes
> nearly 27 hours of built-in hold time leading to a preferred launch time at
> about 3:51 p.m. on July 13 with a launch window extending about five
> minutes.
>
> This historic mission is the 114th Space Shuttle flight and the 17th U.S.
> flight to the International Space Station. STS-114 is scheduled to last
> about 12 days with a planned KSC landing at about 11:01 a.m. EDT on July 25.
>
> For the latest information on NASA's Return to Flight efforts, visit:
> http://www.nasa.gov/returntoflight
>
> COUNTDOWN MILESTONES (all times are Eastern)

>
> Launch-3 Days (Sunday, July 10)
> Prepare for the start of the STS-114 launch countdown
> Perform the call-to-stations (5:30 p.m.)
> Countdown begins at the T-43 hour mark (6 p.m.)
> Begin final vehicle and facility close-outs for launch
> Check out backup flight systems
> Review flight software stored in mass memory units and display systems
> Load backup flight system software into Discovery's general purpose
> computers
>
> Launch-2 Days (Monday, July 11)
> Remove mid-deck and flight-deck platforms (2 a.m.)
> Complete preparation to load power reactant storage and distribution system
> (5 a.m.)
> Activate and test navigational systems (7 a.m.)
> Flight deck preliminary inspections complete (10 a.m.)
> Enter first built-in hold at T-27 hours for duration of four hours (10 a.m.)
> Clear launch pad of all non-essential personnel
> Perform test of the vehicle's pyrotechnic initiator controllers
> Resume countdown (2 p.m.)
> Begin loading of cryogenic reactants into Discovery's fuel cell storage
> tanks (3:30 p.m.)
> Enter 4-hour built-in hold at T-19 hours (10 p.m.)
> Demate orbiter mid-body umbilical unit (10:30 p.m.)
> Resume orbiter and ground support equipment close-outs
>
> Launch-1 Day (Tuesday, July 12)
> Resume countdown (2 a.m.)
> Final preparations of Shuttle's three main engines for tanking and flight (2
> a.m.)
> Begin filling pad sound suppression system water tank (3 a.m.)
> Pad sound suppression system water tank filling complete (6 a.m.)
> Close out the tail service masts on the mobile launcher platform
> Enter planned hold at T-11 hours for 12 hours, 55 minutes (10 a.m.)
> Begin star tracker functional checks (10:50 a.m.)
> Activate Shuttle's inertial measurement units
> Activate the orbiter's communications systems
> Install film in numerous cameras on the launch pad (11:55 a.m.)
> Flight crew equipment late stow (2:50 p.m.)
> Move Rotating Service Structure (RSS) to the park position (7 p.m.)
> Perform ascent switch list
> Fuel cell flow-through purge complete
> Resume countdown at T-11 hours (11 p.m.)
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> Launch Day (Wednesday, July 13)
> Activate the orbiter's fuel cells (12:05 a.m.)
> Clear the blast danger area of all non-essential personnel
> Switch Discovery's purge air to gaseous nitrogen (1:10 a.m.)
> Enter planned 2-hour built-in hold at the T-6 hour mark (3:55 a.m.)

> Verification of launch commit criteria prior to cryogenic loading of
> External Tank (ET)
> Clear pad of all personnel
> Resume countdown (5:55 a.m.)
> Chill-down of propellant transfer lines (5:55 a.m.)
> Begin loading the ET with 500,000 gallons of cryogenic propellants (approx.
> 6:05 a.m.)
> Complete filling the ET with propellants (approx. 8:55 a.m.)
> Final Inspection Team proceed to launch pad
> Enter planned 3-hour built-in hold at T-3 hours (8:55 a.m.)
> Perform inertial measurement unit preflight calibration
> Align Merritt Island Launch Area (MILA) tracking antennas
> Perform open loop test with Eastern Range
> Resume countdown at T-3 hours (11:55 a.m.)
> Crew departs Operations and Checkout Building for the pad (12 p.m.)
> Complete close-out preparations in the white room
> Check cockpit switch configurations
> Flight crew begins entry into the orbiter (approx. 12:30 p.m.)
> Astronauts perform air-to-ground voice checks with Launch and Mission
> Control
> Begin to close Discovery's crew hatch (about 1:35 p.m.)
> Begin Eastern Range final network open loop command checks
> Perform hatch seal and cabin leak checks
> Complete white room close-out
> Close-out crew moves to fallback area
> Primary ascent guidance data is transferred to the backup flight system
> Enter planned 10-minute hold at T-20 minutes (2:35 p.m.)
> NASA Test Director conducts final launch team briefings
> Complete inertial measurement unit preflight alignments
> Resume countdown at T-20 minutes (2:45 p.m.)
> Transition the orbiter's onboard computers to launch configuration
> Start fuel cell thermal conditioning
> Close orbiter cabin vent valves
> Transition backup flight system to launch configuration
> Enter estimated 40-minute hold at T-9 minutes (2:56 p.m.)
> Launch director, Mission Management Team and NASA test director conduct
> final polls for go/no go to launch
> Resume countdown at T-9 minutes (about 3:36 p.m.)
>
> Launch Day (Wednesday, July 13)
> Start automatic ground launch sequencer (T-9:00 minutes)
> Retract orbiter crew access arm (T-7:30)
> Start mission recorders (T-6:15)
> Start Auxiliary Power Units (T-5:00)
> Arm Solid Rocket Boosters (SRBs) and ET range safety safe and arm devices
> (T-5:00)
> Start liquid oxygen drainback (T-4:55)
> Start orbiter aerosurface profile test (T-3:55)
> Start main engine gimbal profile test (T-3:30)
> Pressurize liquid oxygen tank (T-2:55)

> Begin retraction of the gaseous oxygen vent arm (T-2:55)
> Fuel cells to internal reactants (T-2:35)
> Pressurize liquid hydrogen tank (T-1:57)
> Deactivate bi-pod heaters (T-1:52)
> Deactivate SRB joint heaters (T-1:00)
> Orbiter transfers from ground to internal power (T-0:50 seconds)
> Ground Launch Sequencer go for auto sequence start (T-0:31 seconds)
> SRB gimbal profile (T-0:21 seconds)
> Ignition of three Space Shuttle main engines (T-6.6 seconds)
> SRB ignition and liftoff (T-0)
>
> CREW FOR MISSION STS-114
> Commander (CDR): Eileen Collins
> Pilot (PLT): James Kelly
> Payload Commander (MS1): Soichi Noguchi
> Mission Specialist (MS2): Stephen Robinson
> Mission Specialist (MS3): Andrew Thomas
> Mission Specialist (MS4): Wendy Lawrence
> Mission Specialist (MS5): Charles Camarda
>
> SUMMARY OF STS-114 LAUNCH DAY CREW ACTIVITIES
>
> Wednesday, July 13 (*Televised events-times may vary, but all times are
> EDT.)
> 5:45 a.m. Crew wakes up
> 6:15 a.m. Breakfast
> *10:15 a.m. Crew eats snack
> 11:20 a.m. Weather Briefing (CDR, PLT, MS2)
> *11:20 a.m. Don flight suits (MS1, MS3, MS4)
> *11:30 a.m. Don flight suits (CDR, PLT, MS2)
> *12:00 p.m. Depart for launch pad
> *12:30 p.m. Arrive at white room and begin ingress
> *1:45 p.m. Close crew hatch
> *3:51 p.m. Launch
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2453. cross post from VUHams Amateur Satellite PCSAT2

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-13 07:28:32 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2453 Message: 2453

The Following From AMSAT -UK

Radio Amateurs make up 6 of the 7 crew members of the STS-114 Space Shuttle due for launch at 1951 UTC on Wednesday July 13th. They are:

Mission Commander - Eileen Collins, KD5EDS
Mission Specialist - Wendy Lawrence, KC5KII
Mission Specialist - Charles Camarda, KC5ZSY
Mission Specialist - Soichi Noguchi, KD5TVP
Mission Specialist - Andrew Thomas, KD5CHF/VK5MIR
Pilot - James Kelly, KC5ZSW

Further information on them can be found at:

http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/shuttle/crew/
and
http://www.spacedaily.com/news/shuttle-05zzn.html

The Amateur Satellite PCSAT2 will be carred onboard STS-114, however, it will not become operational until it has been mounted on the outside of the International Space Station. An EVA to do this is scheduled to take place on July 21st.

PCSAT2 webpages: http://web.usna.navy.mil/~bruninga/pcsat2.html and
http://www.pcsat2.info/

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The folling information is from AMSAT-NA

STS-114 will not be carrying a SAREX package so the crew will not have access to amateur radio prior to docking with the ISS. Once onboard the space station, they will be able to use the equipment on ISS if they have time.

STS-114 is carrying an amateur radio payload called MISSE 5 / PCSAT2. This should be placed on the exterior of the ISS during the third space walk. It will primarily be a packet system with a couple of other options. More info on it at
http://web.usna.navy.mil/~bruninga/pec/pc2ops.html

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2454. Re: [m_a_r_s] checkins for N-O-N 12 July 05

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-13 17:45:22 UTC
From: V U 2 C D P
Topic: 2449 Message: 2454

Whoaa! AXN is the NCS. i have been absent on the net for the last few days. gr8 to know that Ankur is conducting the net. FB OB c u in a day or two on the net. keep up the gud work and congratulations for turning NCS(it is a honour). 73 CDP Ankur Puranik wrote: Net Controller: VU2 AXN (Ankur Puranik) Checkins for Night Owls Net (N-O-N) conducted on 12th July 05 21:30 Hrs. 1) VU2AXN - ANKUR ** 2) VU2IZO - MILIND KORDE ** 3) VU2IIA - MAHESH ** 4) VU2ESP - JAYESH 5) VU3MWH - ANANTA 6) VU2TPI - TIRANDAS ** 7) VU2SFH - SURENDRA ** 8) VU2ZRS - ZYROS 9) VU2KIB - JAGDISH ** 10) VU2UGO - SANDIP ** 73's VU2AXN Ankur Puranik * know about the star in the N-O-N on WED html>

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2455. Re: [m_a_r_s] checkins for N-O-N 12 July 05

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-13 18:35:05 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2449 Message: 2455

--- Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...> wrote:

> Net Controller: VU2 AXN (Ankur Puranik)
> Checkins for Night Owls Net (N-O-N) conducted on 12th July 05 21:30 Hrs.
[snip]

> 73's
> VU2AXN
> Ankur Puranik
> * know about the star in the N-O-N on WED
>
AXN, I believe the folks marked with a * are those who're regular participants
in the NON!

73,

-- Sriram

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2456. checkins for N-O-N 13 July 05

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-13 18:36:06 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2456 Message: 2456
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2457. ppl marked with star

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-13 19:04:31 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2457 Message: 2457
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2458. Re: [m_a_r_s] nilesh malpekar..... Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER ATnew address.....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-14 08:23:20 UTC
From: Nilesh Malpekar
Topic: 2437 Message: 2458

Dear Zyros,

No I'm not life-member of MARS.

Appreciate your efforts for getting the HAMs together
with eyeball QSO event. I'm currently out of action as
far as this group is concerned due to personal work.

Would like to know opinions of fellow HAMs on
following points

1. What do you think MARS or say any local HAM
society, should do for its members and HAM
wanna-be(s)?

2. What do you think each one of us as a member should
do for the society?

Cheers,

Nilesh, VU2MLW
--- fortunecookie@... wrote:

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dear nilesh

you are welcome to come even at the last minute

but you may miss out on the tea break which is always
special .

well by the way are you a life memeber

thanks vu2zrs

----- Original Message -----

From: Nilesh Malpekar <nilesh_malpekar@...>

Date: Tuesday, July 12, 2005 8:55 am

Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Finally Sunday 17th JULY EYE
BALL GET TOGETHER ATnew address.....

> Dear Zyros,
>
> I won't be able to attend the meeting this sunday

due
> to personal work.
>
> Hope you all have a great time together
>
> Till next time
>
> Cheers
>
> Nilesh
> --- fortunecookie@... wrote:
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> ---------------------------------
>
> dear friends and members,
>
> we all really miss each other i am sure its time we
> meet , after discussing with a few hams
>
> we have descided to have a "EYE BALL GET TOGETHER"
>
> on the 17th July (sunday) at 10 A.M.
>
> location is not bengalli girls school because we
have
> not renewed our letter with them so the new location

> address is
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>
> AVIJAH BUILDING ,
>
> ROOM NUMBER 14
>
> IST FLOOR ,
>
> NEAR KYANI BAKERY ,
>
> ABOVE CEASAR BAR ,
>
> METRO
>
> MUMBAI.
>
> ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO COME , lets all meet up
> since we have not done for quite some time and i am
> sure their is alot to talk .
>

> hope to see you all there .
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> 73"s
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> vu2zrs 9821025289
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2459. Expectations and the like.. (Re: [m_a_r_s] nilesh malpekar..... Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER ATnew address....._

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-14 10:08:19 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2437 Message: 2459

--- Nilesh Malpekar <nilesh_malpekar@...> wrote:

> Dear Zyros,
>
> No I'm not life-member of MARS.
>
> Appreciate your efforts for getting the HAMs together
> with eyeball QSO event. I'm currently out of action as
> far as this group is concerned due to personal work.
>
> Would like to know opinions of fellow HAMs on
> following points
>
> 1. What do you think MARS or say any local HAM
> society, should do for its members and HAM
> wanna-be(s)?
>

BE an umbrella organization for technical support ("how do I set up my antenna ?"), infrastructure (the repeaters), arrange HAM classes, help with exam preparation, help with licenses and buying radios, encourage new members to come forward and demonstrate something new, reconcile with the fact that there will be members who won't do much but who'll nonetheless say they're Martians.

I know that the "help with licenses" expectation will be met with a grimace by the long time active folks who've done lots, but who see so few people on air.

I've been repeating ad nauseum about my experiences with the Linux User Group in Nashik, and my stints as a lecturer/project mentor to B.E. students. Years ago, I'd decided that if I could wow even _one_ person, then that complete academic year was worth all the hard work.

> 2. What do you think each one of us as a member should
> do for the society?
>
Attend meets, exchange information on what's latest, what new stuff we've tried, our learning adventures, challenge each other competitively to arcane mind-stretching stuff. Take on responsibilites like ZRS decided to host an informal meet. Not crib about one another, and focus on where we want to be, rather than where we are.

Some months ago, I'd felt a bit outraged that AXN had posted the frequencies to the Air Traffic Controllers for the Air Show. I'm from the Industrial Automation + Finance programming sector and specialize in security, and in our world, we believe in "do not reveal more than is necessary, esp to newbies and

the incompetent". Also, I've to keep our networks secure from script kiddes and wannabe techies who derive great kicks from cracking into and damaging computers. With such a background, the fact that MARS is a hobby group didn't quite sink into me at that time.

MARS is a hobby group, and as such long time members should not be expected to continue to keep the group alive _all by themselves_. Some proactive actions by the rest of us would go a long way. Now I'm just waiting for my license...

> Cheers,
>
> Nilesh, VU2MLW

-- Sriram

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2460. Re: [m_a_r_s] kailash my dear friend , my HF rig misses you .....ZRS...Is there Meeting on 10th July? NO.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-14 14:33:00 UTC
From: Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ
Topic: 2440 Message: 2460

Thanks. I am not in Mumbai on Sunday July 17. My HF Antenna at Baroda is disconnected, since I was not in India. I shall bring my VHF / UHF Kenwood DH7AD Handee from Baroda on Monday July 18. Is it possible to activate some repeater in Mumbai form TISS, Deonar (near Chembore). What are the repeater frequencies? What are the VHF /UHF net timings and frequencies?

Kailash
--- fortunecookie@... wrote:

DEAR KIZ

THERE IS A EYEBALL GET TOGETHER ON THE 17TH SUNDAY AT

AVIJAH BUILDING ,ROOM 14 , METRO DHOBI TALAO AT 10 AM

TRY TO COME

VU2 ZRS

----- Original Message -----

From: vu2kiz <vu2kiz@...>

Date: Saturday, July 9, 2005 2:48 pm

Subject: [m_a_r_s] Is there Meeting on 10th July?

> I am in Mumbai and would like to attend the Montly Meeting with
> some
> of my friends for the first time after being the Life Member from
> almost beginning. Can the responsible person inform me whether
> there
> will be meeting at 1000 Hrs tomorrow Sunday 10th July at the B. S.
> Bengalee High School or not? I tried to call some of the numbers
> given at the MARS website without avail. I am staying in Room 509

> Ph
> D Hostel of the Tata Institute of Social Sciences,
Deonar, Mumbai
> 400 088 Phone: 2556 3290 Ext. 604 0900 to 2000 Hrs
Mon to Sat and
> 2556 3294 from 2000 to 0900 Hrs Mon to Sat and on
Sun. I am in
> Mumbai for a month. I came after doing exploratory
research on
> tsunami affected areas of India and Sri Lanka. I
also presented a
> paper at the Dayton Hamvention 2005 on May 20, 2005.
I would like
> to
> have eyeball, if it is possible. Please reply by
phone or on my
> email: kailash.gupta@...
>
> Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ & KG6SQR
> Disaster Researcher and
> Doctoral Student in Emergency Management and
> President, North Dakota State University Amateur
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> Fargo, ND 58105, USA
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2461. Re: [m_a_r_s] ppl marked with star

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-14 17:31:41 UTC
From: V U 2 C D P
Topic: 2457 Message: 2461

That's gr8 work. very often I have heard ppl say they are stdngby when they actually QRT. I believe folks need to be educated on how to check in a net and relay traffic.In fact i personally am no gr8 operator and wud love to learn more; the constant endeavour is to improve one's own operating skills. But there are some who badly need a refresher course in operating. Why i was recently given a 5-3 signal report on the repeater and for a moment i was floored until i guessed it should have been 3-5 with the battery juice running low(no offence meant to the guy who said that but sometimes just love certain idiosyncrasies) VU2CDP VU2CDP VU2CDP over ;-) --- Ankur Puranik wrote: > Hi Sriram. > Well looking at the list of checkins, it very much > appears that the people marked with a star are the > ones who are regular at the NON... but its not so... > Well... acc to VU2UGO this is what happened for the > first time in the NON that a Net controller actually > did a re-check.. > What we did was .. before closing down the net, we > gave a call back to all the hams who had checked > into the NON, just to check if they were really > standing by till the net was over... (this check > was done just for curiosity sake) > So the people with star in front of their names are > the people who were present on the freq till the net > was over...the rest had left for their own reasons > :) > hope u got the answer as to what the * ment. > > 73's sriram tc, > de > VU2AXN , Ankur > > html>
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2462. checkins for 14th July 05

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-15 03:46:41 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2462 Message: 2462
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2463. Good News for VU2IZO and his fans

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-15 10:25:23 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2463 Message: 2463

Dear Members,

You are aware that Mr.Milind Korde (VU2IZO) aka Micky, was expelled by the Managing Committee for following reasons :-

Unauthorized media and press releases were give by him to NDTV, Maharashtra Times and Indian Express. These T.V. interviews and press releases were given on behalf of our society without the consent of any office bearers, mainly the secretary who is the official spokesperson of the society. These press releases were not only unauthorized but also misleading and wrong, this has seriously and badly affected the reputation of our society, especially our relations with all the government organizations.

Immediately after the first interview,he was specifically informed by our secretary Mr.Nilesh Rathod ? VU2NLF, not to give any further press releases/interviews. Inspite of this warning he continued giving these press releases and conducting media briefings.

Looking at these unauthorized actions by him and his past record of consistent alcoholic problem, (Consuming alcohol during society activities).

The following decision has been taken by the Managing Committee :

Milind Korde ?VU2IZO was expelled from the society and your membership cancelled with immediate effect.

A lot QRM was created that this was not done in a proper official way and therefore a ?SHOW CAUSE NOTICE? was issued to him as required by our byelaws 32(b) to give the society an explanation as to why he has carried out these unauthorized activities and why he should not be expelled from the society.

During the Hamfest it was decided by the Hamfest Managing Committee (where VU2IZO is the Treasurer) that we will start classes as we are likely to run some loss due to lack of funds, hence we will compensate this loss by running the classes and earning the money, we even conduct a awareness drive on the last day of the Hamfest to attract more students for our next batch, unfortunately VU2IZO not only cashed on our MARS goodwill, but also used all our course material, Books, CD, PowerPoint presentations to start his classes in TARA.

The meeting as per the ?show cause notice? took place on 5th February 2005 at 7:00 PM, The M.C did not get any suitable explanation for his actions. During the meeting once again he was requested by the start classes in TARA as this would adversely affect the financial status of MARS , as this would further add to the reasons for expulsion. But he had already started the classes by then and there was no turning back. Subsequently the M.C took the final decision and expelled him from the society.

I have taken these steps in the capacity of the Secretary of MARS and to protect the interest of MARS, I have no personal grudge with VU2IZO, which please note, In fact I lost a good friend (VU2IZO), because of my commitments to the my post as the secretary of MARS.

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VU2IZO may also file is nomination to run for elections (if he wishes). His nomination will be valid once the votes are in his favour to be accepted back in the society.

There is a Chinese saying ?BE CAREFUL FOR WHAT YOU ASK FOR, YOU MAY JUST GET IT??,

VU2IZO has also demanded a official apology letter from VU2NLF for his wrong actions. I am pleased to inform that I will be carrying by apology letter with me during the AGM, and if the members vote in his favour and he is accepted back in the society, I will accept the decisions of our members and I will immediately offer my apology, that is a promise?

73

Nilesh ? VU2NLF

Secretary MARS.

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2464. nileshmalpekar you answer is "LF MBR"

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-15 12:14:59 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2464 Message: 2464

dear nilesh malpekar

if you need you answers tot he questions be there on sunday 17th at avijah building

you will meet all of us and you can also become a life member of MARS after which you will automatically understand everything and get your answers

cu on sunday

73's

vu2zrs ----- Original Message -----

From: Sriram N
Date: Thursday, July 14, 2005 3:38 pm
Subject: Expectations and the like.. (Re: [m_a_r_s] nileshmalpekar..... Sunday 17th JULY EYE BALL GET TOGETHER ATnewaddress....._

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> --- Nilesh Malpekar wrote:
>
> > Dear Zyros,
> >
> > No I'm not life-member of MARS.
> >
> > Appreciate your efforts for getting the HAMs together
> > with eyeball QSO event. I'm currently out of action as
> > far as this group is concerned due to personal work.
> >
> > Would like to know opinions of fellow HAMs on
> > following points
> >
> > 1. What do you think MARS or say any local HAM
> > society, should do for its members and HAM
> > wanna-be(s)?
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> BE an umbrella organization for technical support ("how do I set
> up my antenna
> ?"), infrastructure (the repeaters), arrange HAM classes, help
> with exam
> preparation, help with licenses and buying radios, encourage new
> members to
> come forward and demonstrate something new, reconcile with the
> fact that there
> will be members who won't do much but who'll nonetheless say

> they're Martians.
>
> I know that the "help with licenses" expectation will be met with
> a grimace by
> the long time active folks who've done lots, but who see so few
> people on air.
>
> I've been repeating ad nauseum about my experiences with the Linux
> User Group
> in Nashik, and my stints as a lecturer/project mentor to B.E.
> students. Years
> ago, I'd decided that if I could wow even _one_ person, then that
> completeacademic year was worth all the hard work.
>
> > 2. What do you think each one of us as a member should
> > do for the society?
> >
> Attend meets, exchange information on what's latest, what new
> stuff we've
> tried, our learning adventures, challenge each other competitively
> to arcane
> mind-stretching stuff. Take on responsibilites like ZRS decided to
> host an
> informal meet. Not crib about one another, and focus on where we
> want to be,
> rather than where we are.
>
> Some months ago, I'd felt a bit outraged that AXN had posted the
> frequencies to
> the Air Traffic Controllers for the Air Show. I'm from the Industrial
> Automation + Finance programming sector and specialize in
> security, and in our
> world, we believe in "do not reveal more than is necessary, esp to
> newbies and
> the incompetent". Also, I've to keep our networks secure from
> script kiddes and
> wannabe techies who derive great kicks from cracking into and damaging
> computers. With such a background, the fact that MARS is a hobby
> group didn't
> quite sink into me at that time.
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> MARS is a hobby group, and as such long time members should not be
> expected to
> continue to keep the group alive _all by themselves_. Some
> proactive actions by
> the rest of us would go a long way. Now I'm just waiting for my
> license...
> > Cheers,
> >
> > Nilesh, VU2MLW

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> -- Sriram
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2465. vu2 kiz want to check in the net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-15 12:11:49 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2465 Message: 2465

dear vu2 kiz

the frequency of the repeater is

vhf 144.100 plus at 9.30 pm daily except sunday's

it goeson till 10.00 pm and longer

we have atleast 1 dozen check ins and the net controller is vu2 wll VISPI .presently he is out of town so he has asked vu2 axn (Ankur) to take the net

no net on uhf.

see you on the net

73" vu2zrs

----- Original Message -----

From: "Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ"
Date: Thursday, July 14, 2005 8:03 pm
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] kailash my dear friend ,my HF rig misses you ....ZRS...Is there Meeting on 10th July? NO.

> Thanks. I am not in Mumbai on Sunday July 17. My HF
> Antenna at Baroda is disconnected, since I was not in
> India. I shall bring my VHF / UHF Kenwood DH7AD Handee
> from Baroda on Monday July 18. Is it possible to
> activate some repeater in Mumbai form TISS, Deonar
> (near Chembore). What are the repeater frequencies?
> What are the VHF /UHF net timings and frequencies?
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> Kailash
> --- fortunecookie@... wrote:
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> DEAR KIZ
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> THERE IS A EYEBALL GET TOGETHER ON THE 17TH SUNDAY AT
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> AVIJAH BUILDING ,ROOM 14 , METRO DHOBI TALAO AT 10
> AM
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> TRY TO COME
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> VU2 ZRS
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> ----- Original Message -----
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> From: vu2kiz
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> Date: Saturday, July 9, 2005 2:48 pm
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> Subject: [m_a_r_s] Is there Meeting on 10th July?
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> > I am in Mumbai and would like to attend the Montly
> Meeting with
> > some
> > of my friends for the first time after being the
> Life Member from
> > almost beginning. Can the responsible person inform
> me whether
> > there
> > will be meeting at 1000 Hrs tomorrow Sunday 10th
> July at the B. S.
> > Bengalee High School or not? I tried to call some of
> the numbers
> > given at the MARS website without avail. I am
> staying in Room 509
> > Ph
> > D Hostel of the Tata Institute of Social Sciences,
> Deonar, Mumbai
> > 400 088 Phone: 2556 3290 Ext. 604 0900 to 2000 Hrs
> Mon to Sat and
> > 2556 3294 from 2000 to 0900 Hrs Mon to Sat and on
> Sun. I am in
> > Mumbai for a month. I came after doing exploratory
> research on
> > tsunami affected areas of India and Sri Lanka. I
> also presented a
> > paper at the Dayton Hamvention 2005 on May 20, 2005.
> I would like
> > to
> > have eyeball, if it is possible. Please reply by
> phone or on my
> > email: kailash.gupta@...
> >
> > Kailash Gupta, VU2KIZ & KG6SQR

> > Disaster Researcher and
> > Doctoral Student in Emergency Management and
> > President, North Dakota State University Amateur
> Radio Club
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2466. checkins for N-O-N on 15th July 2005.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-15 19:45:02 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2466 Message: 2466
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2467. Re: [m_a_r_s] nileshmalpekar you answer is "LF MBR"

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-16 00:37:00 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2464 Message: 2467

Dear Zyros,
What is this secret membership category? I became a
life member long time back. But i still am most
confused abt MARS. So pleez enrol me for this special
category where i will also understand everything.
73 & Cheers.

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2468. RE: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 1009

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-16 06:42:50 UTC
From: Ratnesh Javeri
Topic: 2468 Message: 2468

Dear Friends,

Looks like the Sunday Meeting is going to be a special one.

What more you want?

Even the Venue "Bldg Name" is "Avijah" means in Gujarathi "Please Come".

Looking for ward to see u all at the meeting.

Best Regards
Ratnesh Javeri (VU2OUT)

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2469. vu2 out welcome on sunday . nice to know founder members will be present . good

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-16 07:34:53 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2469 Message: 2469

dear ratnesh

vu2 out

welcome on sunday 17 th at "AVI " "JAH" yes it means come along

good show . vu2 zrs

----- Original Message -----

From: Ratnesh Javeri
Date: Saturday, July 16, 2005 12:12 pm
Subject: RE: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 1009

> Dear Friends,
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> Looks like the Sunday Meeting is going to be a special one.
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> Best Regards
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2470. Re: [m_a_r_s] nileshmalpekar you answer is "LF MBR"

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-16 07:37:53 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2464 Message: 2470

dear ulhash

read the mail properly

"LF MBR"

vu2zrs

----- Original Message -----

From: ULHAS
Date: Saturday, July 16, 2005 6:07 am
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] nileshmalpekar you answer is "LF MBR"

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> life member long time back. But i still am most
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2471. good checkins for N-O-N on 15th July 2005.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-16 07:39:54 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2471 Message: 2471
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2472. FYI

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-16 14:01:43 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2472 Message: 2472

> ---------- Forwarded message ----------
> From: Feroze Patel <fmp@...>
> Date: Jul 16, 2005 8:21 AM
> Subject: Re: [mars_academy_2003] Good News for VU2IZO and his fans
> To: mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com
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> Friends,
> It is very unfortunate that things have come to such a pass. Needless
> to say that the decision of the managaing committee was taken as per
> the byelaws and was in the interest of the society. If we plan to run
> the society on an emotional platform, believe me (and I have seen such
> events take place and the consequences) the society will finally close
> down. It is in the interest of the society that we stick to decisions
> taken by the MC. I have nothing personal against any member and I
> really do not know indepth of the goings ons but the fact that IZO
> went on to overrule the diktat of the MC is in itself sufficient
> reason to debar him. It could be IZO or NLF or anybody, but the
> decision should be the same.
> IZO is a lovable person and I personally like him for his zest and
> enthusiasm. But anything in excess is bad. Reinviting him under such
> pressure will give very wrong signals to all, especially all the young
> entrants.
> Already signs of revolt are there for all to see. Messing up with our
> website is just the begining.
> It would be better to wind up the society rather than compromise on
> its working. You can see how far the society had come, with this
> discipline. We ran classes very professionally. Since the Hamfest
> limelight was being hogged by Nilesh, others felt left out and did not
> contribute. I think that was a very very poor display of attitude.
> Consider the amount of effort Nilesh put in. To me it was
> unbelievable. I was witness to it. Those few nights I attended the
> meetings, his concidence in face of all odds, was a revelation in
> itself. Those are the qualities of a leader. Only then can the
> society achieve its goals.
> IZO is an emotional person. I appeal to this aspect of his, to
> withdraw. He is, as it is, doing well with TARA. He may score a point
> but at the end of it all, it will leave a bad taste in his mouth. He
> will earn more respect by backing off gracefully than reentering the
> society, because all the members will remember the incident.
> I am relatively a new member and not so active too. But as an elder, I
> thought it fit to mention the above.
> Nothing personal IZO. It is just the ethics that I am addressing.
> FEO
> (Feroze Patel)

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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: nilesh rathod
> To: MARS E-Group ; mars academy ; classes
> Sent: Friday, July 15, 2005 3:55 PM
> Subject: [mars_academy_2003] Good News for VU2IZO and his fans
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> Dear Members,
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> You are aware that Mr.Milind Korde (VU2IZO) aka Micky, was expelled by
> the Managing Committee for following reasons :-
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>
> Unauthorized media and press releases were give by him to NDTV,
> Maharashtra Times and Indian Express. These T.V. interviews and press
> releases were given on behalf of our society without the consent of
> any office bearers, mainly the secretary who is the official
> spokesperson of the society. These press releases were not only
> unauthorized but also misleading and wrong, this has seriously and
> badly affected the reputation of our society, especially our relations
> with all the government organizations.
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> Immediately after the first interview,he was specifically informed by
> our secretary Mr.Nilesh Rathod ? VU2NLF, not to give any further press
> releases/interviews. Inspite of this warning he continued giving
> these press releases and conducting media briefings.
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> Looking at these unauthorized actions by him and his past record of
> consistent alcoholic problem, (Consuming alcohol during society
> activities).
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> The following decision has been taken by the Managing Committee :
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> Milind Korde ?VU2IZO was expelled from the society and your membership
> cancelled with immediate effect.
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> A lot QRM was created that this was not done in a proper official way
> and therefore a "SHOW CAUSE NOTICE" was issued to him as required by
> our byelaws 32(b) to give the society an explanation as to why he has
> carried out these unauthorized activities and why he should not be
> expelled from the society.
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> During the Hamfest it was decided by the Hamfest Managing Committee
> (where VU2IZO is the Treasurer) that we will start classes as we are
> likely to run some loss due to lack of funds, hence we will compensate
> this loss by running the classes and earning the money, we even
> conduct a awareness drive on the last day of the Hamfest to attract
> more students for our next batch, unfortunately VU2IZO not only cashed
> on our MARS goodwill, but also used all our course material, Books,
> CD, PowerPoint presentations to start his classes in TARA.
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> The meeting as per the "show cause notice" took place on 5th February
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> pressure of VU2NLF.
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> To the extent that one of our members has hacked in to all our MARS
> E-Groups and removed my name (VU2NLF) from the owner and made
> "NLFKABAAP" owner of the group, after doing this, that person has

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> Nilesh ? VU2NLF
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> Secretary MARS.
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2473. Re: [m_a_r_s] nileshmalpekar you answer is "LF MBR"

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-16 19:07:17 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2464 Message: 2473

Hi Zyros,
I know Life Member. I am one. But still I don't
understand nothing. That's why I asked u what is this
new category of members who understand everything.

ULHAS
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2474. check ins for N-O-N on16th July 2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-16 19:51:29 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2474 Message: 2474
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2475. nlfkabaap is stupid

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-17 14:06:47 UTC
From: nlfkabaap
Topic: 2475 Message: 2475

i am senseless... i dont deserve to be a ham

2476. nlfkabaap popat hai

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-17 14:13:02 UTC
From: nlfkabaap
Topic: 2476 Message: 2476

hahaha

2477. Mailheaders for all these NLFkabaap emails...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-17 14:50:12 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2477 Message: 2477

Dear Martians:

This is getting to be a bit too much.

I've attended just _one_ meet, and am otherwise notorious for making large posts about the need for a community, and ethics and whatnot..

To criticize NLF or to poke fun at him is in very bad taste.

This is the kind of stuff I'd feared way back when I'd protested about publicizing Air Traffic Controller information.

I've attached below the mail headers of one of the two mails that poke fun at NLF.

Since I haven't contributed much till date, I'll do so with my own special skills - Internet and web security. I happen to have some brief understanding of Internet security, etc. I manage some networks and servers all over the world in addition to my regular tasks as a medium level software architect.

I'm not sure that writing to NLF at this point would help much - I'm sure he's deeply grieved over all this crap happening about him. Whom else could I contact for information on the MARS website, yahoogroups, etc ?

Please write in directly to my yahoo address, and we'll take on from that point.

To the angry person(s) who is/are carrying on a campaign to malign NLF, I can only say - you're wasting your time. Action speak louder than words, and three years down the line all such amateurish gimmicks will not really benefit you.

For anyone else who's interested in tracing this person, I've enclosed the mail headers below.

-- Sriram
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From nlfkabaap Sun Jul 17 07:13:02 2005
X-Apparently-To: sriramx_2000@... via 206.190.38.122; Sun, 17 Jul 2005 07:16:22 -0700
X-Originating-IP: [66.94.237.28]
Return-Path: <sentto-2082874-2482-1121609659-sriramx_2000=yahoo.com@...>
Authentication-Results: mta133.mail.dcn.yahoo.com from=yahoogroups.com; domainkeys=pass (ok)
Received: from 66.94.237.28 (HELO n14a.bulk.scd.yahoo.com) (66.94.237.28) by mta133.mail.dcn.yahoo.com with SMTP; Sun, 17 Jul 2005 07:16:22 -0700
Comment: DomainKeys? See http://antispam.yahoo.com/domainkeys

DomainKey-Signature: a=rsa-sha1; q=dns; c=nofws; s=lima; d=yahoogroups.com;
b=t4RB/e59xXqKoZ3VHtGTHkXkhtaBEF3YvMhC0KzjuAM/lK18UEN4cnb4CqGWtjrBorVGPaLiflPmOlW4P1PVkzF0
juhdCBC6LY2jsXNMZlAG0y8CuJqpSSgYOAKYq4qi;
Received: from [66.218.66.59] by n14.bulk.scd.yahoo.com with NNFMP; 17 Jul 2005
14:14:19 -0000
Received: from [66.218.66.34] by mailer8.bulk.scd.yahoo.com with NNFMP; 17 Jul
2005 14:14:19 -0000
X-Yahoo-Newman-Property: groups-email
X-Sender: nlfkabaap@...
X-Apparently-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Received: (qmail 73921 invoked from network); 17 Jul 2005 14:14:17 -0000
Received: from unknown (66.218.66.172) by m28.grp.scd.yahoo.com with QMQP; 17
Jul 2005 14:14:17 -0000
Received: from unknown (HELO 219.65.53.194) (219.65.53.194) by
mta4.grp.scd.yahoo.com with SMTP; 17 Jul 2005 14:14:14 -0000
Message-ID: <000b01c58ad9$b16045a0$c23541db@hobbes>
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
X-Priority: 3
X-MSMail-Priority: Normal
X-Mailer: Microsoft Outlook Express 6.00.2900.2180
X-MimeOLE: Produced By Microsoft MimeOLE V6.00.2900.2180
X-Originating-IP: 219.65.53.194
X-eGroups-Msg-Info: 2:7:4
From: Send an Instant Message "nlfkabaap" <nlfkabaap@...> Add to Address
BookAdd to Address Book
Yahoo! DomainKeys has confirmed that this message was sent by yahoogroups.com.
Learn more
X-Yahoo-Profile: nlfkabaap
Sender: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
MIME-Version: 1.0
Mailing-List: list m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com; contact
m_a_r_s-owner@yahoogroups.com
Delivered-To: mailing list m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
List-Id: <m_a_r_s.yahoogroups.com>
Precedence: bulk
List-Unsubscribe: <mailto:m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Sun, 17 Jul 2005 19:43:02 +0530
Subject: [m_a_r_s] nlfkabaap popat hai
Reply-to: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Content-Type: multipart/alternative;
boundary="----=_NextPart_000_0008_01C58B07.BE696FA0"
Content-Length: 739
hahaha

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2478. kill me kill me

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-17 14:22:42 UTC
From: nlfkabaap
Topic: 2478 Message: 2478

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i dont deserve to live
i am a useless ham
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2479. whose this nlfkabaap anyway

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-17 15:07:45 UTC
From: Anurag Chugh
Topic: 2479 Message: 2479

that guy has no courage to come and show his face
lets make a new yahoogroup.. the to be secretary of the society please
make note of this

@nurag

BTW Sriram... the sender ip is one allocated to VSNL which is now tata
indicom... check APNIC www.apnic.com

2480. Re: [m_a_r_s] kill me kill me

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-17 15:37:56 UTC
From: Anish Korde
Topic: 2478 Message: 2480

This Moron is getting way outtta hand, Sriram just find this Piece of Shit & I would like to Beat the shit outta him....Sorry for the Harsh lang. I'm too fed up.....As for Self Proclaimed - NLFKABAAP, You don't have what it takes to be somebody's father. I'm sure UR Childless & want to Adpot NLF. Arey if NLF wan't he'd Adopt 10 BAAPs Like u, But u don't deserve it in the 1st place. as you rightly & Shamelessly said - u don't deserve to be a ham. & What Kill ME? ur not even worth Killing, Go Kill ur Self,,....OH i forgot sorry u don't have GUTS to Kill Yourself Also. Try Finding your parents u sick minded "orphan". Oh, What, UR parents are also Retarded. Ah! that explains, Not UR fault. My name's Anish You can meet me Any Given Place, Any Given Time.

I'll do the needfull - i dont deserve to live
i am a useless ham

I'll see to that

nlfkabaap <nlfkabaap@...> wrote:
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2481. Re: [m_a_r_s] kill me kill me

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-17 16:54:06 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2478 Message: 2481

Hi,
can anyone explain what is this all about?

VU2MIG

----- Original Message -----
From: Anish Korde
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, July 17, 2005 9:07 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] kill me kill me

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2482. Re: [m_a_r_s] we don't run away

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-18 01:48:08 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2479 Message: 2482

Dear Anurag.
This is our group. & we don't vacate it just 'cause
some hillibilly is trying to make nuisance.

Cheerios.

ULHAS
73
de VU2UBP

RES?: 2431 1367
WORK : 24072295 OR 24092556
CELL : 98206 22237

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2483. Enough is Enough

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-18 05:08:00 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2483 Message: 2483

The below mail was drafted and ready to sent this monday but was kept on hold due to request from a senior founder member so as not stir a QRM but it seems the members have a wrong picture of the other senior founder member , and active members so the mail now...

Stated below are my personal views and if there is any similarity of views between other members they are purely coincidental

Dear NLF and MARS Member

It is really great to hear from our Secretary....OUR SECRETARY....we call NLF "OURS" but he has never shown any kind of respect towards any of our founders members or to any... has he ?? well not to me atleast I am not trying to build any rebellion or trying to provoke members who feel the same ...but these are my views...lot has been said by many during the mail...

"our chairman VU2HIT could not handle the pressure and resigned... " I beg to differ on this statement if OUR SECRETARY thinks he can make this statement at his own assumption and get away with it, he needa little tuning...I resigned not because I could not handle the society work pressure nor did I have to prove anything to anyone ..it was because on June 6 2004 at the HAMFEST meeting I was decleared as UNFIT TO BE A CHAIRMAN by NLF himself.... and many members were present and they are a witness to this...so logically and ethically if the person who alleges this and is SELECTED(not ELECTED) in My committee it will be wrong to stay and continue to be the chairman or the M.C. Member...

The reason for my resignation stated was personal ...but also let me put this on record I also resigned because the HAMFEST 2004 Convenor thought and declared the CHAIRMAN of Mumbai Amateur Radio Society to be UNFIT for the post....any dignified person who so ever it may be will not tolerate this kind of abuse and insult done to him in front of other members...thus I made it very clear to VU2ICQ on june 7 when I gave him a telephonic call and also e-mailed my resignation to him immediately ..but he asked me to wait till he came back... I respected ICQ's statement & his request to ask me to continue as the CHAIRMAN..else I would have resigned immediately after last year election as I was very very QRLed at my morning QTH...but ICQ pulled me till june and asked me to continue..frankly speaking even I enjoyed working with him due to good compatibility between the both of us ...but 6 june left me devastated for the first casualty would had been my personal life as I fought with my XYL for no reasons and made matter worse at home and it took me nearly two weeks to console my wife...so this quick decision of resigning was not because I could not handle the work pressure of the society but it was due to abuses and insults made... to which any normal person with a stable mind will go wild.

I generally do not entertain or intend to reply mails of this stature but it seems beside NLF all founder members are being made to look responsible for the mess of MARS..everyone has praised NLF ...he has to be, why not ? for all thats he has done for the hobby which indirectly was for the society and I always appreciate NLFs hardwork ...but he did not realise that the other members working with him were having their their daily morning QTH and a personal life / family life and other responsiblities too, where in they have to

devote time and cannot devote full time to MARS and HAM RADIO , but then it was always like NLFs work was benchmarked to be 100 % complete and perfect ...NLFs expectation were always high and he expected us all to deliver the same output that he did which was not possible due to morning QTH and family responsibilities ...he always tried to compare his style of working with ours in which there would be certainly a diffrenece.... NLF wanted the work to be done always 100% perfect if not done then he would fire the person left right center in presense of everyone...please members tell me why things like morning QTH and Personal life were not considered when NLFs work was benchmarked....

I requested few capable members to take charge of chairman, but none came forward.. till today the chair of the chairman of MARS is still empty..

To put on record this was the mail I sent on please refer

----- Original Message -----
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
To: Mars Groups ; MARS CLASSES 2002 ; MARS ACADEMY
Sent: Saturday, August 21, 2004 4:26 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] CHAIRMAN ????

Prashant

Please explain "Decision about appointing new Chairman will also be communicated to you very soon"as for my understanding before tendering my resignation as a commitee member on the 13th August '04 Managing Commitee meeting,wherein the first resolution was adopted & passed unanimously to appoint Pankaj Pasad OM VU2RIO as a chairman and thereon other resolution were adopted by your commitee as per your email appointing other office bearers.

Kinldy explain , so why this confusion....

Huzefa Merchant
VU2HIT

The only mistake I commited before I left the meeting I signed the blank minutes book of that meeting leaving the same to completed by the other present MC members in a good faith ... rest is a history and would not like to comment on anything thereafter..members are smart enough to understand...the punishment.... I was removed from the mars classes and mars academy group..

We have always had to convience people to run for election.. Last year we didn't even have elections.. we barely got 7 people to fill the chairs."
yes very true ... why ..why members are not coming forward join managing commitee...why?????? I presume members who have worked during HAMFEST and past committees are well aware of the facts...

"I have stopped calling for meetings, as I was out of India for last 2 months and I have QSYed to Pune, I see nobody is interested and it is pointless for me to run from Pune to Mumbai, when Mumbaities are not interested ? "
It seems for past 5 years the past and present commitee member did not had a morning QTH(business & Jobs) and now suddenly the secretary has realised the importance of his morning QTH and now other members are being singled out for not doing the work properly since he was doing for last 5 years and we were not...

Yes Mumbaities are not interested in Jamming meeting wherein we meet every month for an eyeball and to talk about Hamming ...but it seems always otherwise...

Lastly I remain quiet before and after I resigned ..not that I could not have stated what I am doing now..simply because I did not want any QRM..but it seems lot of things are being discussed on emails and off the emails where I feel marginalised for what I am not supposed to be.... and also to make records straight..
lot had been mentioned by SXF ..CDP and NLF..if I want I can write a whole story ..but I only stated what has affected me... and nothing should be read between the lines as I am not interested in any post or controversy raking up..yes if society want my service i will be there no matter whether I am on the MC or not ..it is just because i am not compatible with a particular member..rather a particular member cannot tolerate me .... i will be working as much i can ....as a LOYAL MEMBER of the society which i was always doing.

MORE OVER WE ALL ,THE "SENIOR" FOUNDER MEMBER WHO HAVE DIFFERENCES HAVE NOTHING ANYTHING PERSONAL..

73
de
VU2HIT
Huzefa Merchant
ex CHAIRMAN

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MSN : vu2hit@...

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Website : www.qsl.net/vu2hit

2484. To NLFKABAAP : Hello there..

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-18 07:06:37 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2484 Message: 2484

Hi:

I was a bit wild last night at seeing disturbing mails on the list.

I'd even called the Cybercrime cell of the Mumbai police - my landlord works there. In our discussion, I'd told him that we have mail headers and IP address and such, so could we locate the person ? He assured me that he could and asked me to give a written complaint, at which point I started thinking along the following lines:

1. I don't know who you really are.

2. I don't know the complete picture on what's wrong. HIT's mail this morning has left me wondering still more.

3. We're all hobbyists. Who among us really remembers the exact details of a fight last year ? Along the same lines, who'll remember this fight three years from now ?

4. I'm sure you're a long timer, or close to a long timer. With the recent spate of mails, I'm sure there are issues that have built up over the years. But perhaps coming out in the open and talking about these issues, the way HIT has done, is a better solution.

I told him that I'd like to talk to some senior MARS members and that we were mostly likely not interested in prosecuting anyone. He's told me to contact him when we've all arrived at a consensus.

With my mentioning the cybercrime division, and my landlord's name, etc.. please don't assume that I'm showing off my contact, and reach, and capability.

On the contrary, I was shocked at how quickly matters can get out of control and reach alarming proportions. Please read on for a from-the-heart explanation of why I'm not threatening you.

When I joined MARS, I was very thrilled at fulfilling one of my childhood dreams of heing a HAM. Being an adult, I'm realistic about disagreements, being side-lined, etc happening in groups of people. I believe there are such issues within the MARS community, and perhaps within the HAM community.

All I can do is request you to please cease these website defacements and slander posts on the mailing lists. Such actions send the wrong signals to youngsters and newcomers.

I believe you're outraged at how some of you have all been treated.

As a newcomer, and as one of the younger generation members, I request you to instead express your ire in some other form - perhaps the way HIT has, or

perhaps by attending a meet and then talking about change in leadership, or more credit for other members, or something else that you have in mind that I've not thought of.

There's a whole crowd of new generation members out there, and I'm sure we're glad to be learning our lessons on what happens when seniors fight.

-- Sriram

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2485. An explanation of my approaching the Cyber Crime cell

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-18 07:14:22 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2485 Message: 2485

Dear Martians:

I wish to explain my reasons for appraoching the cyber crime cell.

My landlord, Rajesh Choughule, happens to have grown up in Nashik years ago. And I reside in his Dad's flat today. I've a great rapport with the whole family.

With the recent mails, etc, I wanted to ask Rajesh to tell me - on a personal level - if he could help identify who's defaced the website (as NLF wrote), and who's posted certain unfortunately worded mails to the yahoo group (of which I am a recepient). Rajesh told me that he could accompany me to one of his seniors who would perhaps be able to co-ordinate with various ISPs etc and help identify the persons involved.

I then said that this is a particularly deplorable matter, where the errant person may perhaps not have any other way to express his outrage at wrongs done to him. I went on to add that we, as a group of hobbyists are more interested in resolving our internal bickerings and mis-understandings, and that we're most likely not interested in criminal prosecution etc.

This was my stance, and I'm sure none of us want to drag outsiders into our midst.

Already, we must be the laughing stock of other HAM clubs all over India... Sigh, what shame and dishonour !

With the humblest of requests to all my seniors to mend their differences in the spirit and recollection of the founding philosophies of MARS,

-- Sriram, an SWL.

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2486. My First contact on FM Birds!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-18 13:12:40 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2486 Message: 2486

hello to everyone!!

I listen to 2m downlinks of VO52, ISS, UO-11 & NO-44 whenever i get time, on my IC2100 (2m rig) and stacked 5/8 antenna at my qth.

Yesterday morning I was able to make my first satellite contacts via AO-51 & VO-52 :
1. HZ1NH - Dr.Nader from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia - my First Satellite contact that also DX :-) on AO-51
2. VU2RMS - Ramesh from Bangalore - my first VU contact via AO-51 as well as VO-52

I was operating from VU2SFN's qth and the working condition was:
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(more details of the antenna at http://xe1mex.gq.nu/antenas/yagi.html)
and Kenwood 78A for uplink (5W on VHF / 3 W on UHF)
and Icom R10 for downlink (VHF/UHF receiver)

It was a wonderful experience, listening to my own voice on the downlink (like an echo) and when i heard HZ1NH returning my call and he gave me report as 57 and lateron contact with VU2RMS with a report of 55.

Thanks to George (VU2GT) for helping us tune the homebrewed dualband handheld yagi and Shailesh (VU2SFN) for giving me the chance to operate from his station.

I still need to work on the doppler adjustments while receiving the satellite signal from VO-52 (60khz linear transponder) and with AO-51 (doppler of almost 9khz in its UHF downlink).

I'm also planning to have few changes/updates to improve the current setup so that i can work the BIRDS regularly and exchange good reports with other stations, VUs and DX as well.

R U Thinking of going QRV on Satellite mode or if you hv any queries send a reply.
Its easy and fun to work the Low Earth Orbiting FM satellites!!

73s DE Sandip VU2UGO
HAM RADIO - NO INTERNET - NO WIRES REQUIRED !!

"If you have a penny and I have a penny and we exchange pennies, you still have one cent and I still have one cent. But if you have an idea and I have an idea and we exchange ideas, you now have two ideas and I now have two ideas."

2487. Re: [m_a_r_s] My First contact on FM Birds!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-18 13:21:35 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2486 Message: 2487

Hi UGO

Nice to hear about Hamming we have actually forgot that we are in Ham Radio Society where only Jamming was prevailing and still prevailing....nice to hear about you working on satellite ...always knew you will the 1st one to hunt the Bird from MARS...Good show..keep it up..please do post ypur regular updates and working with sats

73
de
VU2HIT
Huzefa Merchant

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From: VU2UGO
To: m_a_r_s@...m
Sent: Monday, July 18, 2005 6:42 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] My First contact on FM Birds!

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2488. Re: [m_a_r_s] My First contact on FM Birds!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-18 13:25:58 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2486 Message: 2488

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> my IC2100 (2m rig) and stacked 5/8 antenna at my qth.
>

[snip]

Wow, UGO !! This is thrilling news :) I can't wait for my license, so that I
get to join you guys :)

Hey... once again, this is really cool stuff !!!

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> ideas."
>
Hey !! That's true as well !!!

-- Sriram

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2489. Re: [m_a_r_s] Enough is Enough

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-18 14:04:47 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2483 Message: 2489

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2491. When the shit hits the roof

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-18 16:53:46 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2491 Message: 2491

Hi everybody,
Oh my my isnt it getting hot in here!!!!! But it had to happen sometime, and I am glad it happened.
NLF, do you remember the time we all sat together at Shetty's and dreamed about what we should name the new society that we had all come together to form? I hope you havent forgotten the immense faith and confidence we had in you as a person who would take our organization out of the so called "shackles"of JNA? I remember you being the most vociferous of the fact that JNA was run in an undemocratic fashion?
You must agree NLF, that we cooperated with you in every way we could. By we, I mean the core founder member group. We threw our weight behind you in all the activities of MARS and followed your orders unquestionably. But the difference between us and you is that we all had and still have family commitments and Hamradio is an important part of our lives, but not the only happening thing.
Most of all, we dont have to prove to you or to MARS that we pursue our hobby and at what level.
I distanced myself from MARS because I felt that things were getting dictatorial and judgemental. Please do examine all your emails to the group. Each and every one of them portrays an image of you sitting in judgement over others. It is a known fact, that, you want things done "your way". I am sorry, but under the cover of being"frank and having guts" you have managed to rub a whole lot of people the wrong way. Most, like me have chosen to stand by the side and watch, but some are taking pot shots at you, in their own ways,"nlf ka baap" being one of them!!! In your mail to HIT, you speak of losing respect for the founder members because they abandoned the baby they bought into this world. Cant help it NLF, since you snatched that the baby kept it all to yourself!!! Maybe if you had allowed the different parents to do their duties in their own way, the baby would have been healthier, and you would'nt be the only parent, and a single one to boot!!!
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Cheers from Austin Texas,
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2492. Fwd: [vuhomebrewers] PCB Making Kits

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-18 17:05:03 UTC
From: AmitM
Topic: 2492 Message: 2492
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2493. Re: [m_a_r_s] My First contact on FM Birds!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-18 22:45:34 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 2486 Message: 2493

Congratulations buddy!!..

VU2UGO <vu2ugo@...> wrote:

hello to everyone!!

I listen to 2m downlinks of VO52, ISS, UO-11 & NO-44 whenever i get time, on my IC2100 (2m rig) and stacked 5/8 antenna at my qth.

Yesterday morning I was able to make my first satellite contacts via AO-51 & VO-52 :
1. HZ1NH - Dr.Nader from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia - my First Satellite contact that also DX :-) on AO-51
2. VU2RMS - Ramesh from Bangalore - my first VU contact via AO-51 as well as VO-52

I was operating from VU2SFN's qth and the working condition was:
XE1MEX crossed dipole homebrewed handheld yagi (4el VHF/8el UHF homebrewed by VU2SFN)
(more details of the antenna at http://xe1mex.gq.nu/antenas/yagi.html)
and Kenwood 78A for uplink (5W on VHF / 3 W on UHF)
and Icom R10 for downlink (VHF/UHF receiver)

It was a wonderful experience, listening to my own voice on the downlink (like an echo) and when i heard HZ1NH returning my call and he gave me report as 57 and lateron contact with VU2RMS with a report of 55.

Thanks to George (VU2GT) for helping us tune the homebrewed dualband handheld yagi and Shailesh (VU2SFN) for giving me the chance to operate from his station.

I still need to work on the doppler adjustments while receiving the satellite signal from VO-52 (60khz linear transponder) and with AO-51 (doppler of almost 9khz in its UHF downlink).

I'm also planning to have few changes/updates to improve the current setup so that i can work the BIRDS regularly and exchange good reports with other stations, VUs and DX as well.

R U Thinking of going QRV on Satellite mode or if you hv any queries send a reply.
Its easy and fun to work the Low Earth Orbiting FM satellites!!

73s DE Sandip VU2UGO
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2494. Re: [m_a_r_s] When the shit hits the roof

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-19 05:04:00 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2491 Message: 2494

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We newcomers are not yet in the midst of much fighting, so you're absolutely right when you say that things are deeper than they might appear to be to newcomers such as myself.

As far as my learning about IP addresses and their owners goes: There is much more than meets the eye. I learnt a few things between yesterday and today, and have decided that all you folks - the founder and senior members - need to resolve matters. Please read my previous post where I'd _said_ that I request all you seniors to please resolve your conflicts.

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Hey, thanks for the letting me know :) Looks like all this advice and such of mine has finally roused folks into actually saying what they had wanted to (and perhaps should have) all along !

I'm kinda curious.. does talk about what newbies would like to see at meets, and requests to seniors to resolve differences seem like "advice" ? Hmm, perhaps in an established community such as MARS, for a raw newbie such as myself to spout advice about would indeed be "unasked for", but I don't see anything proactive being done in the meanwhile either !

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Count this as impudence, but regardless of that fact that we're newcomers, we newcomers _do_ feel that corrective and proactive actions - such as this mail - should have been taken _way_ back, rather than having to wait till we see what happens when shit hits the fan.

> Cheers from Austin Texas,

Have fun with your holidays.

> Sarla

-- Sriram

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2495. Suggested reading

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-19 05:22:41 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2495 Message: 2495

Mumbai Mirror, July 19, 2005, Page 34 article titled "Do difficult people pull you down?"

The characteristics box and also how to cope with such people.

Nirav

ps: Focus on what the article says, don't shoot the messenger. ;-)

2496. Re: [m_a_r_s] When the shit hits the roof

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-19 05:38:42 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2491 Message: 2496

Dear Sarla,

I have given the charge of the baby to you guys last year, but I was called back, as unfortunately VU2ICQ qsyed to singapore, had he been here I am sure he would have done a wonderful Job, I requested so many members to take charge of the society as the secretary, but no one came forward, hence by default I took charge..

Nevertheless, you guys can take it up from the next term if you feel up to it....

73
NLF

sarla sharma <sarla_sharma@...> wrote:
Hi everybody,
Oh my my isnt it getting hot in here!!!!! But it had to happen sometime, and I am glad it happened.
NLF, do you remember the time we all sat together at Shetty's and dreamed about what we should name the new society that we had all come together to form? I hope you havent forgotten the immense faith and confidence we had in you as a person who would take our organization out of the so called "shackles"of JNA? I remember you being the most vociferous of the fact that JNA was run in an undemocratic fashion?
You must agree NLF, that we cooperated with you in every way we could. By we, I mean the core founder member group. We threw our weight behind you in all the activities of MARS and followed your orders unquestionably. But the difference between us and you is that we all had and still have family commitments and Hamradio is an important part of our lives, but not the only happening thing.
Most of all, we dont have to prove to you or to MARS that we pursue our hobby and at what level.
I distanced myself from MARS because I felt that things were getting dictatorial and judgemental. Please do examine all your emails to the group. Each and every one of them portrays an image of you sitting in judgement over others. It is a known fact, that, you want things done "your way". I am sorry, but under the cover of being"frank and having guts" you have managed to rub a whole lot of people the wrong way. Most, like me have chosen to stand by the side and watch, but some are taking pot shots at you, in their own ways,"nlf ka baap" being one of them!!! In your mail to HIT, you speak of losing respect for the founder members because they abandoned the baby they bought into this world. Cant help it NLF, since you snatched that the baby kept it all to yourself!!! Maybe if you had allowed the different parents to do their duties in their own way, the baby would have been healthier, and you would'nt be the only parent, and a single one to boot!!!
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used in your mail portrays what we would term in popular parlance of mumbai as a "hool". If it does bother you so much, then the best thing to do is to use your prowess and contacts to trace the person and then present it to the rest of the world. And please can you tone down the advice business a bit? It is bugging everybody, but I thought I should let you know.
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Sarla

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2497. Re: [m_a_r_s] My First contact on FM Birds!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-19 05:39:21 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2486 Message: 2497

Great going guys, keep it up....

VU2UGO <vu2ugo@...> wrote:

hello to everyone!!

I listen to 2m downlinks of VO52, ISS, UO-11 & NO-44 whenever i get time, on my IC2100 (2m rig) and stacked 5/8 antenna at my qth.

Yesterday morning I was able to make my first satellite contacts via AO-51 & VO-52 :
1. HZ1NH - Dr.Nader from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia - my First Satellite contact that also DX :-) on AO-51
2. VU2RMS - Ramesh from Bangalore - my first VU contact via AO-51 as well as VO-52

I was operating from VU2SFN's qth and the working condition was:
XE1MEX crossed dipole homebrewed handheld yagi (4el VHF/8el UHF homebrewed by VU2SFN)
(more details of the antenna at http://xe1mex.gq.nu/antenas/yagi.html)
and Kenwood 78A for uplink (5W on VHF / 3 W on UHF)
and Icom R10 for downlink (VHF/UHF receiver)

It was a wonderful experience, listening to my own voice on the downlink (like an echo) and when i heard HZ1NH returning my call and he gave me report as 57 and lateron contact with VU2RMS with a report of 55.

Thanks to George (VU2GT) for helping us tune the homebrewed dualband handheld yagi and Shailesh (VU2SFN) for giving me the chance to operate from his station.

I still need to work on the doppler adjustments while receiving the satellite signal from VO-52 (60khz linear transponder) and with AO-51 (doppler of almost 9khz in its UHF downlink).

I'm also planning to have few changes/updates to improve the current setup so that i can work the BIRDS regularly and exchange good reports with other stations, VUs and DX as well.

R U Thinking of going QRV on Satellite mode or if you hv any queries send a reply.
Its easy and fun to work the Low Earth Orbiting FM satellites!!

73s DE Sandip VU2UGO
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2498. Some thoughts. Re: [m_a_r_s] When the shit hits the roof

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-19 07:02:25 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2491 Message: 2498

Hello Sarla:

Please understand that we newcomers have been waiting for years to become HAMs. And we've always had this image of HAMs being friendly and united for the cause, etc.

When we newcomers see such non-HAM problems come to the fore, it's very disconcerting. Disillusionment has set into some of us - indeed some of my classmates have dropped the very idea of becoming HAMs !

Somewhere, we're all been like kids who want their elders (seniors) to behave responsibly. When we are confronted with what is increasingly seen as a lost cause, there's this fear of all these years of wait going down the drain.

Experienced persons such as yourself will float, you've been HAMS before MARS. Indeed, there was _so_ __much__ we newcomers didn't know until we read your mail to NLF on how you'd all faithfully supported him at the start, and then all these years.

Just as you've been a long time community member, I've been a long time community member as well. It's just that our domains are different. While you may, as a senior, term my thoughts and urgings as unsolicited and tiresome advice, it's just my way of rallying other newcomers to meet. My public response to you was driven by my feeling that no one seems to be doing anything.

In the meanwhile, HIT and I have communicated privately. Just as you have, he too has told me that there's lots more than we newcomers know, and that it'd be better that we newcomers stay out of such disagreements. Some of us newcomers have received similar messages, apparently - we have off list communications as well, you know.

So, in light of your statements "For the newcomers like Sriram, please, this is more deeper than you think.", I have decided to respectfully keep my mouth shut.

ZRS did manage to call a meet this Sunday! In the minds of the newcomers, this was a great step, and we are starting to feel that the show has gone on !!

Do continue to wish us the best as you have,

-- Sriram

--- Sriram N <sriramx_2000@...> wrote:

> Hi SRS:
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> --- sarla sharma <sarla_sharma@...> wrote:

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> > Hi everybody,
> [snip]
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> > rest of the world.
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> I believe I explained why I spoke to someone who could have helped, and also
> that I didn't want this to be misconstrued as my making a mountain out of a
> mole hill. Yeah, I know what a "hool" is, but what I wrote was heart-felt.
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> We newcomers are not yet in the midst of much fighting, so you're absolutely
> right when you say that things are deeper than they might appear to be to
> newcomers such as myself.
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> As far as my learning about IP addresses and their owners goes: There is much
> more than meets the eye. I learnt a few things between yesterday and today,
> and
> have decided that all you folks - the founder and senior members - need to
> resolve matters. Please read my previous post where I'd _said_ that I request
> all you seniors to please resolve your conflicts.
>
> > And please can you tone down the advice business a bit?
> > It is bugging everybody, but I thought I should let you know.
>
> Hey, thanks for the letting me know :) Looks like all this advice and such of
> mine has finally roused folks into actually saying what they had wanted to
> (and
> perhaps should have) all along !
>
> I'm kinda curious.. does talk about what newbies would like to see at meets,
> and requests to seniors to resolve differences seem like "advice" ? Hmm,
> perhaps in an established community such as MARS, for a raw newbie such as
> myself to spout advice about would indeed be "unasked for", but I don't see
> anything proactive being done in the meanwhile either !
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> > So where do we go from here? Lets have the AGM as soon as possible. Lets
> > elect a new GC. There are so many things to take care of. Lets clean up
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2499. was it really easy for last 5 Yrs??????

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-19 10:04:12 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2499 Message: 2499

Dear NLF

I was loss to understand the way you have sarcastically apologised... or did you really meant an apology if so then be ready ...there will be a long list of people who you have rub the wrong way some way or the other...and this forum will be of your "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion and apologies which we are not interested....

I am very sorry to hear that you resigned because I declared that you are unfit to be the chairman. if any chairman resigns just because someone call him unfit, than I guess I must be right, he truely do not deserve to be the chairman.

Yes your are indeed right in your perspective..but unlike you I have a very high and dignified Ego... where if you are on the post..Chairman of the society and attending the meeting of one of its events and getting insulted in front of members for no reason ...it is not because someone called ..no one will dare to... but you called me for what ..kindly explain ..the reason for my "UNFITNESS"... is it because this CHAIRMAN was really working and did some real good work in short stint of 2 months or the work done was not according your BENCHMARKED style of working?????....

If my memory serves me right, I called you and specifically requested you "NOT TO RESIGN" after you decided to resign as VU2ICQ side to Singapore. I distinctly remember you telling me that you are very QRL with your work and there is a lot of QRM because of MARS in your personal life.

I even assured you that I will soon take up as the secretary and relieve your pressure. to the fact that we need a able Chairman to represent MARS during Hamfest 2004.

In fact in the farewell party we gave to VU2ICQ, I repeated told you not to resign.. when you were hell bent on resigning, I even requested VU2ZRS and VU2UGJ to take charge as Secretary and Chairman of the society... Please try to recollect...I am sure a lot of us were present in that party and they can confirm this...

There is no need to confirm I very well remember all what happened...and I did not resigned since ICQ QSYed which I have made very clear and the fact is you still wanted someone ..who will toe your line ,be a rubberstamp Chairman.... I do not understand when I appointed RIO as chairman why was he struck down..or you felt him also be UNFIT or you did not like his face ...inspite that you were supposed to relieve the pressure why senior core founder members and other eligible member did not wanted to become the chairman where such a prestigious event the chairman would have share the DIAS ....

yes when we formed MARS to get free from the shackles OF JNA undemocratic behaviour ..we never thought that MARS would run by a democratic dictator...who had vision of "MY WAY OR HIGHWAY" attitude to run the society for last 5 years and making a this sounds as a FRANK and GUTSfull...bull shit ...it seems you were hell bent on to prove what you were and what you can do

It is not that I don't respect the founder members.. I do..but as founder members they have some resposibilities towards the society... You can't give a birth to a baby and then abandon it... you are responsible for the baby...when I see that most of the founder members have abandoned the baby I really really feel sad.. and I start losing respect for them.. that is the reason I get angry with you guys...

Sorry my friend you had misconstrued the whole thing I did not ask for respect in first place ..it was only that you stop giving your FRANK and GUT's full opinion about others ...and do not rub a whole lot of people the wrong way..

Hamfest was the biggest event of our society.. how many founder members helped for it ? how many even attended it ?? do they have any shame.. ? I can understand they may be busy and can't attend for 3 days, but may be one day ? one hour, just to give their support ? if they were really really busy for all 3 days, than maybe before the event and help with preparations which went on for a full year ?

Need to really make some introspection on this...out of 25 founder members 1 member went silent key 2 were expelled as they some how got entagled into NLF "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion ..10 from the remaining 21 were always active some other way or the other..why did they distnaced from you... yes it was shameful sham that you have made a mockery of the senior and activefounders members ..so why the remnaing will come...to the event to make a fool of themselves by your "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion...

Maybe you don't like NLF, you hate his guts, but that should not make you resign and abandon your baby..

Unfortunately beside MARS you are my friend we have learend HAM RADIO together and share a beautiful experience of Hamming ...but it does not mean i share your "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion and i do not hate your GUTS nor do i do prove mine... yes it was our baby but did u give us any room to undersatnd the baby ..or allowed us to have any say...so why are now feeling that we have done nothing ..you compelled us to do nothing for the baby with your "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion style of functioning....

Well any way my friend whether you take a backseat or not .. I am definitely taking a break since I feel whether you on the MC or not makes no difference as the ghost will remain of your "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion will haunt the new MC and make them work as per your style which I cannot..so it does not matter if there is a change or not ..definitely not for me

Taking a break will also ensure less QRM which will make MARS work free from any UNFITNESS..and not allow NLF to give his "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion about me and others.

Also there is lot I believe I can do without being on the committee..if the society feels I can do and I will always be available and for which even "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion feel I should be on the committee..i will not

I will also now not be a part of JAM session I feel was doing with you ....and do some sincere hamming with my XYL VU2VAH ..enjoying and this wonderful and passionate hobby.

AND LASTLY HENCEFORTH I WILL NOT REPLY ANY OF YOUR sarcastically or "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion emailed which i did for the last two mail as you unneccessarily pulled me into ....rather channelised my resources to mornng QTH where I will earn some of my lively hood..... which you do not.....

Signing clear

De

VU2HIT

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2500. Coincidence Of Coindences

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-19 10:55:23 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2500 Message: 2500

Dear Members

After my earlier mail fingers are being pointed to me ...the people pointing fingers should know they are pointing the other four towards them ..also coincindently i have some few Coincidences which are increasing as day pass..unable to solve the puzzle ..please help make solve the puzzle

1. when NLFKABAAP was created then why was NLF kept as a moderator, ideally a perosn hacking will never
allow the old owner to be given any rights whatsoever....I am unable to find answer to this what does this
points to???

2. For members info ... as per the yahoogroups a owner can only make an owner..so who made NLFKABBAP and
VU2ST owner???

4. As per sriram and anurag mail the internet connection as regard to the IP indicated is Tata Indicom..I
undersatnd that NLF has a Tata Indicom Connection...so what does that mean????

5. Why was the NLFKABAAP issue did not reflect in NLF mail during April,may June ..why now ..to create symapathy ..for what ....

6. why is the issue raised now????... to divert attention from what??

2. Members are not aware that there is a 2nd owner too... with an ID vu2st..so why this 2nd ID????

7. why is the issue not created for the 2nd ID...just becasue it sounds better or it is becasue our Club Call Sign
or is it made for an easy exit route for NLFKABAAP to keep the ownership in the same hands after the due
purpose is solved(symapthy Wave).

8. Some mails were put on the groups by nlfkabaap@yahoo.com ...with a single liner ...why will a smart hacker
do this ...infact he would reply with a smart mail..but it seems that the hacker is a fool..idiot ..and just want
to create more curiosity..anxiety and keep the issue alive..why??

So friends you are all smart enough to undersatnd after a lashing from all quarters a symapthy wave is being created for what???..no comments

de
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2501. A humble request - Lets stop here...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-19 14:46:33 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 2499 Message: 2501

Martians,

Its a humble request to stop it here now. We have had enough of this on the e-group.

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2. And for those who have other priorities, they have a chance to relax too.
3. Pls conduct AGM and run for elections. If cant volunteer, then help society by casting your votes for the "right" candidate.

Lets stop this mail trails here now. It doesnt help anyone, not even ourselves.

73s and good luck.

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2502. Re: [m_a_r_s] A humble request - Lets stop here...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-19 15:12:36 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2499 Message: 2502

Dear ICQ & Members

Yes in the fit of rage and anger to NLF mail I did send some mail which not only stated my feelings but I felt I washing dirty linens in public..where I did not realised that all the issues were in a private domain between few of our senior founders members

I humble request all now to stop this ..not to reply to any mail as regards to all the issue pertaining to personal pot-shots..which may antagonised some and start the same

Please my personal request to stop

de
Huzefa-VU2HIT
Ex-Chairman

----- Original Message -----
From: Mehul Chovatia
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 19, 2005 8:16 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] A humble request - Lets stop here...

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2503. Re: [m_a_r_s] good thinking I agree

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-19 15:57:45 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2499 Message: 2503

Dear Huzefa,

I totally agree with you Thank you very much, lets us move on and be more positive and constructive. All things will workout peacefully..

73
NLF

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2504. Re: [m_a_r_s] Thank You Mehul

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-19 16:00:01 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2499 Message: 2504

Dear Mehul,

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NLF

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2505. Re: [m_a_r_s] A humble request - Lets stop here...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-19 16:10:08 UTC
From: Anurag Chugh
Topic: 2499 Message: 2505

lets have the agm asap... and lets have a nice lunch too then...
stomach is the way to a ham's heart

@nurag axc
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Lets stop this mail trails here now. It doesnt help anyone, not even ourselves.

73s and good luck.

Mehul - VU2 ICQ
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2506. Checkins for yesterdays N-O-N (18th July 2005)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-19 17:57:35 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2506 Message: 2506
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2507. Good checkins... checkins for N-O-N 19 July 05

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-19 18:12:41 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2507 Message: 2507
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2508. ICQ from singapore for the N-O-N

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-20 04:41:36 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2508 Message: 2508
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2509. Cross Post: FYI - HAM MEET 2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-20 15:25:35 UTC
From: V U 2 C D P
Topic: 2509 Message: 2509

SATHYAPAL <vu2fi@...> wrote:Date: 20 Jul 2005 12:04:43 -0000
From: "SATHYAPAL" <vu2fi@...>
To: vu3wdjnarayan@..., shaj_lizy@..., shankar@...,
shankar@..., soinas@..., vu3iti_varadan@...,
vu2cdp@..., vu2jos@..., vu2mdd@...,
vu3gtf@...
CC: vu3gtf@..., vu3rsb@..., vusat@yahoogroups.com, yuga@...
Subject: Re: HAM MEET 2005

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Dear Friends,
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PROGRAM WEEK DATE
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Exhibition: Non-Commercial exhibits related to communication will be free, Commercial exhibits nominal charges will be levied. Participations / Exhibitors should intimate the organizers on or before 30th September 2005. Exhibition will be open for Students / General Public at least 25 schools will be visiting the exhibition. Ham Radio station on HF and VHF, Echo link will be active through out the day.

We heartily welcome U and look forward for your participation. Contributions or any sponsors to support for the grand success of this meet will be appreciated and will be placed on the records on the day of the convention.
73,
Further information from our website, email or on the band. Contact Perons:
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APPEAL: TO ALL THE CLUBS, NET CONTROLS, INDIVIDUALS TO SPREAD THIS NEWS ? ON BAND, IN EYEBALL, IN CLUB MEETINGS, IN NEWS LETTERS ? TU

On Fri, 08 Jul 2005 Vinod Meena wrote :
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>Hello,
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>Once again thanks for sending call book to me.If you
>recall i am vinod meena from jaipur and my callsign is
>s vu2 mdd.
>Infact my proposed plan is to desisgn/purchase a 60
>feet tower. Is it possible to procure design for the
>above said tower from some where and the name and
>addresses of manufacture of towers for hams, which are
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>thanks
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>73s
>vinod meena
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>_____
>Sell on Yahoo! Auctions ? no fees. Bid on great items.
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VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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2510. ISS is in repeater mode!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-21 18:05:09 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 2510 Message: 2510

hi

ISS is in repeater mode !!
uhf uplink, vhf downlink
(instead of its usual mode of packet digipeater)
don't know how long it will be in fm repeater mode
(last time in oct'04 repeater mode was on for some days
at the time when soyuz 9 carried expedition 10 crew to ISS)

heard vu2sfn(thane) and vu2sbj(manipal) on 2m ISS downlink on today's
evening pass.

so you have one more FM bird to work satellite!!

73s de sandip vu2ugo

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btw looking for UHF ONLY or DUALBAND basestation, anyone interested in
selling pls contact off the list

2511. checkins for N-O-N 21 July 05

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Date: 2005-07-21 19:22:49 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2511 Message: 2511
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2512. Fwd: none

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-21 19:47:07 UTC
From: Micky Korde
Topic: 2512 Message: 2512

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Many our members have condemned our MC decision and action, as in their opinion, is was a wrong thing to do. In fact few of our M.C members have also claimed that they have signed because of the pressure of VU2NLF.
To the extent that one of our members has hacked in to all our MARS E-Groups and removed my name (VU2NLF) from the owner and made "NLFKABAAP" owner of the group, after doing this, that person has included VU2IZO back into all our groups. This clearly shows that

some of our members think that they are above the law, and they do
that have any respect or recognition for the authority of the M.C.
MARS has officially expelled VU2IZO from the society, But Looking at
all this love of our members for VU2IZO, I don't think it is fair on
my part to keep them apart. Hence during the AGM (which will be very
soon hopefully). Let the JANTA (all the members present at the AGM)
decide by fair VOTE, if the members want him back, who am I to stop
them? VU2IZO may also file is nomination to run for elections (if he
wishes). His nomination will be valid once the votes are in his
favour to be accepted back in the society.
There is a Chinese saying BE CAREFUL FOR WHAT YOU ASK FOR, YOU MAY JUST GET IT?",
VU2IZO has also demanded a official apology letter from VU2NLF for
his
wrong actions. I am pleased to inform that I will be carrying by
apology letter with me during the AGM, and if the members vote in
his favour and he is accepted back in the society, I will accept the
decisions of our members and I will immediately offer my apology,
that is a promise?
73
Nilesh ? VU2NLF
Secretary MARS.

Subject: [m_a_r_s] was it really easy for last 5 Yrs??????

Dear NLF"
I was loss to understand the way you have sarcastically apologised... or did you really
meant an apology if so then be ready ...there will be a long list of people who you have
rub the wrong way some way or the other...and this forum will be of your FRANK and HAVING
GUTS" opinion and apologies which we are not interested....

I am very sorry to hear that you resigned because I declared that you are unfit to be the
chairman. if any chairman resigns just because someone call him unfit, than I guess I must
be right, he truely do not deserve to be the chairman.

Yes your are indeed right in your perspective..but unlike you I have a very high and
dignified Ego... where if you are on the post..Chairman of the society and attending the
meeting of one of its events and getting insulted in front of members for no reason ...it
is not because someone called ..no one will dare to... but you called me for what ..kindly
explain ..the reason for my "UNFITNESS"... is it because this CHAIRMAN was really working
and did some real good work in short stint of 2 months or the work done was not according
your BENCHMARKED style of working?????....

If my memory serves me right, I called you and specifically requested you "NOT TO RESIGN"
after you decided to resign as VU2ICQ side to Singapore. I distinctly remember you telling
me that you are very QRL with your work and there is a lot of QRM because of MARS in your
personal life.
I even assured you that I will soon take up as the secretary and relieve your pressure. to
the fact that we need a able Chairman to represent MARS during Hamfest 2004.

In fact in the farewell party we gave to VU2ICQ, I repeated told you not to resign.. when
you were hell bent on resigning, I even requested VU2ZRS and VU2UGJ to take charge as
Secretary and Chairman of the society... Please try to recollect...I am sure a lot of us

were present in that party and they can confirm this...

There is no need to confirm I very well remember all what happened...and I did not resigned since ICQ QSYed which I have made very clear and the fact is you still wanted someone ..who will toe your line ,be a rubberstamp Chairman.... I do not understand when I appointed RIO as chairman why was he struck down..or you felt him also be UNFIT or you did not like his face ...inspite that you were supposed to relieve the pressure why senior core founder members and other eligible member did not wanted to become the chairman where such a prestigious event the chairman would have share the DIAS ....

yes when we formed MARS to get free from the shackles OF JNA undemocratic behaviour ..we never thought that MARS would run by a democratic dictator...who had vision of "MY WAY OR HIGHWAY" attitude to run the society for last 5 years and making a this sounds as a FRANK and GUTSfull...bull shit ...it seems you were hell bent on to prove what you were and what you can do

It is not that I don't respect the founder members.. I do..but as founder members they have some resposibilities towards the society... You can't give a birth to a baby and then abandon it... you are responsible for the baby...when I see that most of the founder members have abandoned the baby I really really feel sad.. and I start losing respect for them.. that is the reason I get angry with you guys...

Sorry my friend you had misconstrued the whole thing I did not ask for respect in first place ..it was only that you stop giving your FRANK and GUT's full opinion about others ...and do not rub a whole lot of people the wrong way..

Hamfest was the biggest event of our society.. how many founder members helped for it ? how many even attended it ?? do they have any shame.. ? I can understand they may be busy and can't attend for 3 days, but may be one day ? one hour, just to give their support ? if they were really really busy for all 3 days, than maybe before the event and help with preparations which went on for a full year ?

Need to really make some introspection on this...out of 25 founder members 1 member went silent key 2 were expelled as they some how got entagled into NLF "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion ..10 from the remaining 21 were always active some other way or the other..why did they distnaced from you... yes it was shameful sham that you have made a mockery of the senior and activefounders members ..so why the remnaing will come...to the event to make a fool of themselves by your "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion...

Maybe you don't like NLF, you hate his guts, but that should not make you resign and abandon your baby..

Unfortunately beside MARS you are my friend we have learend HAM RADIO together and share a beautiful experience of Hamming ...but it does not mean i share your "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion and i do not hate your GUTS nor do i do prove mine... yes it was our baby but did u give us any room to undersatnd the baby ..or allowed us to have any say...so why are now feeling that we have done nothing ..you compelled us to do nothing for the baby with your "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion style of functioning....

Well any way my friend whether you take a backseat or not .. I am definitely taking a break since I feel whether you on the MC or not makes no difference as the ghost will remain of your "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion will haunt the new MC and make them work as per your style which I cannot..so it does not matter if there is a change or not ..definitely not

for me

Taking a break will also ensure less QRM which will make MARS work free from any UNFITNESS..and not allow NLF to give his "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion about me and others.

Also there is lot I believe I can do without being on the committee..if the society feels I can do and I will always be available and for which even "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion feel I should be on the committee..i will not

I will also now not be a part of JAM session I feel was doing with you ....and do some sincere hamming with my XYL VU2VAH ..enjoying and this wonderful and passionate hobby.

AND LASTLY HENCEFORTH I WILL NOT REPLY ANY OF YOUR sarcastically or "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion emailed which i did for the last two mail as you unneccessarily pulled me into ....rather channelised my resources to mornng QTH where I will earn some of my lively hood..... which you do not.....

Signing clear
De
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2513. THANK U FEO. JUST SCROLL DOWN

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
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AND LASTLY HENCEFORTH I WILL NOT REPLY ANY OF YOUR sarcastically or "FRANK and HAVING GUTS" opinion emailed which i did for the last two mail as you unneccessarily pulled me into ....rather channelised my resources to mornng QTH where I will earn some of my lively hood..... which you do not.....

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De
VU2HIT

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2514. arre

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-22 05:08:37 UTC
From: Anurag Chugh
Topic: 2514 Message: 2514

it seems that all everyone knows here is to criticize everyone else...

just take a mail... change the colour and font size...
add ur useless point and mail..

i know u think i am still a kid ... but think again..... u guys are fighting and blaming each other like kids too

baccha log... yeah kya ho raha hai... you are setting a bad example for even smaller bacchas like me!!

@nurag
AXC

2515. Re: [m_a_r_s] arre

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-22 08:20:27 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2514 Message: 2515
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2516. UHF Capability

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-22 16:12:52 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2513 Message: 2516
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2517. Online debate : FCC Proposes Abolishing Morse Code Requirement

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-22 16:57:35 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2517 Message: 2517

All:

http://slashdot.org/article.pl?sid=05/07/22/0255242&from=rss

-- Sriram

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Yahoo! Mail for Mobile
Take Yahoo! Mail with you! Check email on your mobile phone.
http://mobile.yahoo.com/learn/mail

2518. Do you remember your Morse ?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-22 17:02:13 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2518 Message: 2518

All:

Do you still remember your Morse ? I'm especially talking to the 2003 batch folks.. I think I'll go transfer the "Music of the Morse" audio CD that we got during the camp to my MP3 player..

Could someone recommend any Morse learning and practicing software that runs on Windows XP ? I know I can google this out, but I'm a newbie, and seek recommendation and guidance from others around.

Thanks in advance,

-- Sriram

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2519. Re: [m_a_r_s] UHF Capability

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-22 17:48:37 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2513 Message: 2519
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2520. Re: [m_a_r_s] Do you remember your Morse ?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-22 19:24:43 UTC
From: V U 2 C D P
Topic: 2518 Message: 2520

Hi Sriram,
Good to know you still keen on code. Try "CW Player" from F6DQM.(ask Google for the URL).
Let me know how it works.

Sriram N <sriramx_2000@...> wrote:
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http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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2521. Checkins for the N-O-N 23 JULY 05

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-23 04:16:06 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2521 Message: 2521
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2522. oops date correction...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-23 04:17:52 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-23 06:30:24 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2512 Message: 2523

All will be answered in the AGM.. which will be conducted shortly.

73
NLF
Secretary, MARS

Micky Korde <vu2izo@...> wrote:

Dear FEO, NFL, & all concerned
This is Nothing Personal FEO & understand that it is just the ethics that u have addressed & thank u dear friend for your concern, your appeal & your advice, which as an elder u have expressed.
I am surprised to learn, what u have stated that u really do not know in depth of the ongoings within in the Society, then why this QM on the MARS group mail, my dear, ins ted a L.L or a cell call might have been the right way & much appreciated.

Any way thanks for the efforts, and many more thanks for making me change my mind to look in to the matter in a diffrent manner & to barge on to the group.

Any way this is for NLF now.

1) Rs.25,000/- was official Grant received for Hamfest. CLEAR

2) Rs.50,000/- removed from MARS A/c & transfered to Hamfest A/c on what basis.?

3) Was there a Managing Commitee Meeting conveyed with proper intimation to the M/C members, & if so was it ever resolved in the meeting,so held for the same,
&the minutes been written & signed by all members present, who so ever.?

4) Do U have the sole previlage for the amount to be spent of MARS with only
two signaturies.? (Sorry VU2 CBU)

5) What about the CORPUS FUND of MARS & as life Members & when the Right of Information law exisist can i have access to the books of a/c .

6) What about the A/c of amount of Rs. 30,000/- which U R having on hand since before the Hamfest.

7) Were U not responsible to complete them before the 31'st 0f March 2005.

8) What abt the RIGS that VU2 CDP (Icom ic 706 Mk. II G) & VU2 TAL, Dr. A.K. Mittal & VU2 CFO, Mr. Vijay Vaidya Which they have received in the RAFFEL DRAW
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de : MICKY - VU2 IZO

Friends,
It is very unfortunate that things have come to such a pass. Needless to say that the decision of the managaing committee was taken as per the byelaws and was in the interest of the society. If we plan to run the society on an emotional platform, believe me (and I have seen such events take place and the consequences) the society will finally close down. It is in the interest of the society that we stick to decisions taken by the MC. I have nothing personal against any member and I really do not know indepth of the goings ons but the fact that IZO went on to overrule the diktat of the MC is in itself sufficient reason to debar him. It could be IZO or NLF or anybody, but the decision should be the same.
IZO is a lovable person and I personally like him for his zest and enthusiasm. But anything in excess is bad. Reinviting him under such pressure will give very wrong signals to all, especially all the young entrants.
Already signs of revolt are there for all to see. Messing up with our website is just the begining.
It would be better to wind up the society rather than compromise on its working. You can see how far the society had come, with this discipline. We ran classes very professionally. Since the Hamfest limelight was being hogged by Nilesh, others felt left out and did not contribute. I think that was a very very poor display of attitude.
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IZO is an emotional person. I appeal to this aspect of his, to withdraw. He is, as it is, doing well with TARA. He may score a point but at the end of it all, it will leave a bad taste in his mouth. He will earn more respect by backing off gracefully than reentering the society, because all the members will remember the incident.
I am relatively a new member and not so active too. But as an elder, I thought it fit to mention the above. Nothing personal IZO. It is just the ethics that I am addressing.
FEO
(Feroze Patel)
----- Original Message -----
From: nilesh rathod
To: MARS E-Group ; mars academy ; classes
Sent: Friday, July 15, 2005 3:55 PM

Subject: [mars_academy_2003] Good News for VU2IZO and his fans

Dear Members,

You are aware that Mr.Milind Korde (VU2IZO) aka Micky, was expelled
by
the Managing Committee for following reasons :-

Unauthorized media and press releases were give by him to NDTV,
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spokesperson of the society. These press releases were not only
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Immediately after the first interview,he was specifically informed by
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these press releases and conducting media briefings.
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consistent alcoholic problem, (Consuming alcohol during society
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2524. Re: [m_a_r_s] Checkins for the N-O-N 23 JULY 05

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-23 12:17:15 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2521 Message: 2524

Hi Ankur,

Missed the net.Reached hQTH at 10.20 PM and there was nobody on the
band to return my call.Shall try to carry HT tonight with me.

Cheers!
Prashant

On 23 Jul 2005 04:16:06 -0000, Ankur Puranik
<ankurpuranik@rediffmail.com> wrote:
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> 6)VU2 JPN - JAIPRAKASH
> 7) VU2 LOC - SHAILESH
> 8) VU2 IIA - MAHESH
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2525. Diplomacy - that forgotten art !!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-23 15:08:26 UTC
From: harshvardhan_k
Topic: 2525 Message: 2525

Hello All,

This refers to the recent emails flying back and forth.

A diplomat... is a person who can tell you to go to hell
in such a way that you actually look forward to the trip.

A diplomat must always think twice before he says nothing.

A diplomat is a man who says you have an open mind, instead
of telling you that you have a hole in the head.

A diplomat is a man who always remembers a woman's birthday
but never remembers her age.

Have a great time folks.
Best wishes,

Harsh Vardhan
VU2HVK

2526. Checkins for night owls net on 23 JULY 05

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-24 04:40:53 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2526 Message: 2526
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2527. Discovery scheduled to lift-off at 14.39GMT tomorrow

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-25 18:38:49 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 2527 Message: 2527

Weather threatens to delay shuttle launch
by Paul Platt, Times Online

The repeat of a fuel gauge malfunction will not stop tomorrow's launch of the space shuttle Discovery, but there is a 40 per cent chance that poor weather will, Nasa has said.

The failure of one of four hydrogen level sensors was behind the last-minute cancellation of the July 13 launch, which was to be the first space shuttle flight since the 2003 Columbia disaster.

Nasa has run more than 160 tests, but cannot explain what caused the sensor to fail. It hopes to spot the root of the problem during last-minute testing while the shuttle's massive external tank is being filled.

The space agency plans to continue the launch even if the problem recurs on the same sensor, or another similar one, as long as engineers are satisfied they have a clear understanding of the problem, Wayne Hale, deputy manager of the space shuttle progamme, said.

But he added that if any other low fuel level sensors malfunctioned, the launch would be called off. The sensors send data on the levels of hydrogen in the tank to determine when the three engines should be shut off during the ascent into orbit.

If the sensors fail the orbiter's engines could shut down prematurely during the shuttle's ascent.

Even if there are no issues with the sensors, weather forecasters gave a 40 per cent chance that cloud cover or rain could stop tomorrow's planned launch, as NASA wants a clear view of the shuttle as it ascends into orbit.

Kathy Winters, Nasa weather officer, said: "We do have some concern for launch."

The launch would also be cancelled if there is thunderstorm activity within 20 nautical miles of the Kennedy Space Centre launch pad, near Cape Canaveral, Florida, since it could affect an emergency landing.

There were also worries about the weather in alternate emergency landing sites in France and Spain.

Discovery, formally known as STS-114, is scheduled to lift-off at 14.39GMT tomorrow, taking seven crew members, including a Japanese national, to a rendezvous with the International Space Station (ISS).

Should the launch be called off, Nasa will have until the end of the month to send Discovery into orbit so it can hook up with the ISS. Otherwise it will have to wait until September for the next window for a daytime launch.

Nasa's decision not to launch at night is among new safety adopted after Columbia burst into flames upon re-entering the Earth's atmosphere on February 1, 2003, killing all seven astronauts.

The tragedy was blamed on a small piece of insulation that broke off just after lift-off and hit the orbiter's left wing, causing a crack that allowed superheated gases to penetrate the structure just minutes before the planned landing.

As an added safeguard Nasa has installed more than 100 cameras on the ground and aboard two airplanes to capture the shuttle's first two minutes of ascent.

If anything goes wrong in the first few minutes, the shuttle could return to the Kennedy Space Centre, or cross the Atlantic to land at a base in France or Spain

The mission includes three planned spacewalks to test repair techniques and the spacecraft will also deliver vital supplies and equipment to the ISS.

Space station crew will photograph Discovery's underside and if the images show the shuttle suffered significant damage during ascent, the seven astronauts will wait for another shuttle to bring them back to Earth from the ISS.

For More info visit:
NASA Return to Flight - http://www.nasa.gov/returntoflight/main/

SAREX Mail Archive -
http://www.amsat.org/amsat/archive/sarex/index.html

Monitoring NASA communication -
http://www.monitoringtimes.com/nasa.html

SPACEFLIGHTNOW.com (cool website but video gallery require subscription $8/month or $50/annual) -
http://www.spaceflightnow.com/shuttle/sts114/

2528. ATLANTIS STS-121 mission

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-25 19:20:49 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 2528 Message: 2528

ATLANTIS STS-121 mission, set to launch in September and is expected to serve as a rescue ship for the STS-114 astronauts in the unlikely event that Discovery is severely damaged during flight and its crew forced to take refuge aboard the ISS.
http://dev.space.com/missionlaunches/050722_atlantis_sts121rollover.html

STS-121 at 'Wikipedia', the Free Encyclopedia:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/STS-121

btw STS stands for Space Transportation System and if you want to know about past and future STS numbers check the List of space shuttle missions at:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_space_shuttle_missions

Satellite Posters:
http://www.allposters.com/-st/Satellite-Posters_c19609_s56174_.htm

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http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/gallery/index.html

BTW SPACE.COM also has image galleries, wallpapers etc.
Check 'Image of the Day' at:
http://www.space.com/imageoftheday/

2529. Unused Collins mechanical filter for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-26 07:57:43 UTC
From: dinesh patel
Topic: 2529 Message: 2529

Dear MARS Members

I have a collinns mechanical filter in very good condition as detailed below for sale.

SYMMETRICAL BANDPASS FILTERS:

Fc Type Part Number Nom. B.W. Max. B.W. Case Style
250 F250F-100 526-9410-00 10.0 @ 6 dB 20.0 (@40dB) F

Fc..... Center Frequency (kHz)
Type..... Collins filter model
Part Number..... Collins part number
Nom. B.W. ..... Nominal Bandwidth (kHz)
Max. B.W. ..... Maximum Bandwidth (kHz @ 60 dB)
Case Style ..... Type of case

Explanation of case style

E - Bathtub style, 2 13/16 long x 15/16 wide x 1 high. Two guide pins, four contact pins (mates with socket). Guide pins 1.531 apart, contact pin pairs 2.375 apart, each pair of pins separated by 0.486.

F - Bathtub style, same dimensions as E type, but threaded studs and solder lugs instead of guide pins and contact pins.

Anyone interested may mail me at radiopatel @ hotmail.com

I can deliver free of cost any where in mumbai. out side mumbai through courier or post as per choice of buyer at his cost.

Dinesh patel Life Member

2530. Unused Collins mechanical filter for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-26 07:57:47 UTC
From: dinesh patel
Topic: 2529 Message: 2530

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Dinesh patel

2531. Re.collins filter

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-26 08:27:44 UTC
From: dinesh patel
Topic: 2531 Message: 2531

Dear Mars members

The filter described in my previous mail carries serial no.7417

The filter will be sold at rate much lower than their regular prices. Mumbai hams shall get it without any deliverycharges. Those interested may checkup more details at rockwell collins home page.
I could have supplied these info in earliar mail and saved all readers time in clicking my apology for the error.

Dinesh Patel

2532. Cross Post from VUHams Shuttle Discovery launches successfully (Jul 26, 2005)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-27 06:01:59 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2532 Message: 2532

----- Original Message -----
From: Sara - VU3RSB
To: vuhams@yahoogroups.com ; vusat@yahoogroups.com ; niarindia-owner@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 27, 2005 6:43 AM
Subject: [VUHams] Shuttle Discovery launches successfully (Jul 26, 2005)

Shuttle Discovery launches successfully (Jul 26, 2005) -- NASA's space shuttle fleet is no longer grounded. The Discovery orbiter took off from Cape Canaveral, Florida, right on schedule today on the Return to Flight mission (<http://www.nasa.gov/returntoflight> STS-114). The Discovery flight is the first for a NASA shuttle since the Columbia disaster on February 1, 2003, that killed seven astronauts. Discovery's seven-person crew includes six Amateur Radio licensees. The <http://web.usna.navy.mil/~bruninga/pcsat2.html> PCSat2 Amateur Radio payload also is aboard. US Astronaut Eileen Collins, KD5EDS, is the commander for mission. The international crew also includes James Kelly, KC5ZSW; Charlie Camarda, KC5ZSY; Wendy Lawrence, KC5KII; Soichi Noguchi, KD5TVP; Andy Thomas, KD5CHF/VK5MIR, and Stephen Robinson. Thomas and Lawrence both did tours of duty aboard the Russian Mir space station and conducted many SAREX (Space Amateur Radio EXperiment) school group contacts. Discovery is undertaking a 12-day flight to deliver equipment and supplies to the International Space Station, although Amateur Radio operation by the licensed shuttle crew members from the space station's NA1SS is considered unlikely. PCSat2 will be installed outside the ISS during a spacewalk. Even in the hours before launch, NASA managers and engineers had been weighing the risks involved of launching Discovery in the wake of problems with a fuel-tank sensor that prompted shuttle managers to scrub the first Discovery launch attempt July 13. For the <http://www.nasa.gov/returntoflight> latest information on the Space Shuttle's Return to Flight, visit the NASA Web site.

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2533. Re: [m_a_r_s] UHF Capability

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-27 17:42:29 UTC
From: Abhay Shah
Topic: 2513 Message: 2533

Dear Shantanu,

I have ICOM 706 with me but I do not have external UHF
anntenna.

Abhay

VU2AIH
--- Shantanu Chand <VU2SCQ@...> wrote:

> Dear Friends,
> Just wanted to know how many people have UHF
> capabilities in Mumbai? There
> is talk of starting a UHF net once a week for
> starters depending on how many
> people are enabled.
> Please let me know
> 73
> Shantanu Chand
> VU2SCQ
>

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2534. Cross Post from Hamradioindia Watch and Listen to NASA Shuttle LIVE 24 x 7

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-28 08:36:13 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2534 Message: 2534

----- Original Message -----
From: g3zhi@...
To: hamradioindia@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, July 28, 2005 12:18 AM
Subject: [Hamradioindia] Watch and Listen to NASA Shuttle LIVE 24 x 7

http://www.unitedspacealliance.com/live/nasatv.htm

73 Ian G3ZHI

http://www.qsl.net/g3zhi - many ham radio links

http://www.ukirlp.co.uk

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2535. My sched

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-28 15:06:02 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2535 Message: 2535

Hello,
I will be on air from Austin Texas operating W5/VU2SWS on 29th morning 5.30 a.m ISTfor about 2 hrs and then again on 29th evening 5.30 p.m IST. The 2 stations I will be operating from are huge stations with yagis and amplifiers.
Please look out for me on 20mtrs SSB somewhere in the vicinity of 14.200.
Hope to meet lots of VUs, as I am so homesick!! I have been away from home since June.
See u on air,
Sarla
VU2SWS

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2536. Re: Me HAM?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-29 02:50:47 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 2536 Message: 2536

Hi Abhishek,
Great to know about interest in Ham Radio.
Since I am abroad, i have posted this reply to group which is active in Ham Radio in Mumbai. Expect call or reply from any audience of this group(there are 60+ members in this group).
All the best
REgards
Kiran
W6/VU3KPL

Abhishek Vora <abhishekv@...> wrote:

Hi,

I have heard a lot about HAM and recently I have come across this website. I am very interested in this hobby and I would love to be a part of M.A.R.S. Please send me necessary information for the same; also, send me the guide so as to where can I buy the HAM instruments and other requirements.

Looking forward to your generous reply.

Thanks & Regards,

Abhishek Vora,

HOD-R&D, Partner (CJNR & ASSOCIATES)

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2537. A good time to push HAM radio in Mumbai..

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-29 06:01:23 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2537 Message: 2537

Martians:

Tons of thanks to Nilehs Malpekar. He's on yahoo chat with me, trying to help locate my classmate's family who live in the buildings right next to the Kurla station.

Just in case there's someone else on the Net and is reading this mail:
1 ramchandra niwas , brahmin wadi kurla w mumbai 70
These are the buildings near the rickshaw stand at Kurla West.
There is a marriage hall 2 houses down their place, called Brahmin Seva Sangh

I think this would be a good time to push HAM radio in and around Mumbai. And also highlight and encourage people to come forward and become HAMs.

-- Sriram

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2538. NOAA-14 APT (VTX-2 @ 137.62 Mhz) will be ON from 28 July at 14:00z through mid-Day on 2 Aug

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-29 07:10:06 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2538 Message: 2538
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Spacecraft Status
Summaryhttp://www.oso.noaa.gov/poesstatus/spacecraftStatusSummary.asp?spacecraft=14

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NOAA 14 Spacecraft Status Summary

Spacecraft Mission Data

Spacecraft Letter: J International Designation: 1994 089A Catalog Number: 23455
Launch Date: 12/30/1994 Operational Date: 04/10/1995 Operational Status: AM Standby (*update)
Notes: APT (VTX-2 @ 137.62 Mhz) will be ON from 28 July at 14:00z through mid-Day on 2 Aug when it will be turned off again until further notice. AVHRR Scan motor, synch delta and imagery all returned to nominal 16 July 05 at 14:30z. AVHRR status upgraded to

GAC: No HRPT: Yes STX-3/HSB 1707.0 MHz
LAC: No APT: No VTX-2 137.62

LTAN: 20:42:00 Inclination Angle: 99.1 (Deg) Altitude: 844 (Km)
Precession Rate: +3.8 (min/month) Period: 101.9 (minutes)

Subsystem Status:

Subsystem Description Status
ADACS Attitude Determination and Control System Green
AVHRR Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer Yellow
CCS Command and Control System Yellow
COMM Communications Green
DCS Data Collection System Green
DHS Data Handling System Yellow
DPLY Deployment Subsystem
EPS Electrical Power System Yellow
FSW Flight Software
GROUND Polar Acquisition and Command System (PACS)
HIRS High Resolution Infrared Radiation Sounder Green
MSU Microwave Sounding Unit Yellow
RCS Reaction Control Subsystem
SARP Search and Rescue Processor Red
SARR Search and Rescue Repeater Green
SBUV Solar Backscatter Ultraviolet Radiometer Yellow
SEM Space Environment Monitor Yellow

SSU Stratospheric Sounding Unit Green
THERM Thermal Control System Green

Click on the subsystem name to get detailed status for that subsystem.

Status Key
Status Color Meaning
GREEN = Operational (or capable of)
YELLOW = Operational with limitations (or Standby)
ORANGE
= Operational with Degraded Performance
RED
= Not Operational
BLANK = No Status Reported

2539. CROSS POST FROM VUHams World Ham Population Ratios Pop Out

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-29 08:33:36 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2539 Message: 2539

----- Original Message -----
From: RAY (VU3ORN)
To: VUHAMS
Sent: Friday, July 29, 2005 12:39 PM
Subject: [VUHams] World Ham Population Ratios Pop Out

On a recent visit by my father in law, F0EFQ, we got to discussing the declining ham population in France. When I compared a ratio of hams to the number of people in his country, it came up to be 2,495 people for every one ham radio operator.

In the U.S.A., that ratio was a lot better at 434:1. What a huge difference. But this U.S.A. number was not close to that of Japan's at 94:1.

Math here is (127,333,000pop/1,350,120hams) That is an amazing number. Putting it into football perspective, if your team were playing a home game with 80,000 fans, you would have over 850 JA operators with only 184 U.S.A. operators in attendance.

Would we even have contests if it were not for the JARL? Who would we work for points? However, it gets even more interesting from here.

Germany has a ratio of 1,044:1 while the U.K. is lower at 954:1. That was a surprise for me but the German ham population is growing well according to Internet research. When I researched my old contest logs, I found DL calls more common than the G's. (Brain jam.)

Spain is at 662:1 while Italy is almost three times this at 1,889:1. When I lived in Wyoming working pile-ups, I thought everyone on the radio was from Italy and I never heard an EA. Hum....

Brazil is 5,744:1 while Argentina is at 1,140:1. I love these operators on 10 meters when band conditions are dead in a contest and all you have is the America's to work. These ratios are great considering you have populations of 184,101,000 and 37,214,800 respectively.

Our neighbor to the north, Canada, had a ratio of 696:1 while Australia was at 825:1. I thought that they would be somewhat closer to that of the United States but they were not too far off.

Two big numbers really stood out in digging these numbers up on the Internet. Russia was at 3783:1. I thought the ratio number would be a lot higher due to the developments in the country over the last several years. But Russia is a lot smaller than I thought at only 143,782,300 people. The approximately 38,000 hams are very devoted from my experiences. How many zones do they still cover? -- And with so few hams? I can only see their ratio going down over time.

The last country in my research made me think. I would have to shake hands with over 72,000 people before I had a chance to meet one ham. And this country has around 15,000 operators at their best guess. But with a population of 1,080,264,300, India is a good zone area and

country to work on for your 5BWAZ and 5BDXCC.

My statistics were gathered by sites found on Google and attempts were made to find the most recent population census and ham license information provided by third party resources.

One other tidbit, I tried to avoid countries that only reported licensed stations versus the number of licensed hams. Many hams operate from club stations in many countries and are not always counted in accurate numbers. Interesting eh?

For links to a good ham population site, go to: http://www.qsl.net/vu2msy/HAMPOP.htm

To sum things up, I believe we need to look at ratios as much as we do the numbers. For example, if someone told you that France had 23,698 hams, you might think that was fine. But compare the U.S.A. ratio to that of France (434:1 versus 2,495:1) and you see France, being a modern industrial country, might have a situation.

Other countries, with high ratios show excellent potential for growth such as Brazil and continued growth in DL.

Using ratio comparisons can be a viable means for modern countries to measure their ham population's health. -- It can also be used by any country to track the growth of its ham population.

Pablo Veal (N0AH) on July 28, 2005

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2540. whats ONGC doin 2m ??????

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-31 10:20:43 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2540 Message: 2540
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2541. Re: [m_a_r_s] whats ONGC doin 2m ??????

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-31 11:11:37 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2540 Message: 2541

Dear All,

I am totally agree with OM VU2AXN. Even I receives their QSO but
didn't make out the persons. Even you can check 145.500.

Regards,
Shailesh Deshmukh.
73'S VU2LOC

2542. RE: [m_a_r_s] whats ONGC doin 2m ??????

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-31 16:17:55 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2540 Message: 2542

Hi all,
First of all thanks to Ankur and gang for being vigilant on the band. Well done!!
Now to the problem. Please do talk to WPC and ONGC!!A letter dashed off to both the parties is most urgent!!!Please file a police complaint if it is the course to be followed. Please make a lot of hungama!!
I think hungama should work. If all sane courses fail, then the press should be involved.
Guys and gals, we have to fight this. Can one responsible call sign holder please spearhead this? If letters from other clubs are required, to add muscle, I will help.
Lets get to work!!!
Sarla

>From: "Ankur Puranik" <ankurpuranik@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] whats ONGC doin 2m ??????
>Date: 31 Jul 2005 10:20:43 -0000
>
>Dear Fellow Hams,
>Of recent we have been hearing some QRM on 145.000 , Most of us know about
>it but no one know who is using this frequency.
>I had just finished having my lunch and was just scanning the VHF when my
>handy locked on to 145.000 .. n heard some people having a QSO .... At
>first I thought it was an image frequency and so confirmed with my friend
>VU2 IIA (Mahesh) and he too heard the same on his RIG. (VU2IIA located
>near Gorai Monitoring station Mumbai & Myself located at colaba near
>Gateway of India)
>Finaly the QSO on 145.000 continued for pretty long time.... and I was not
>able to figure out as to who was using the freq.... but did sound like some
>construction company. So i decided to break in the QSO.
> I did break in the QSO and spoke to the person on AIR and was stunned to
>know that the frequency was being used by THE ONGC OIL RIG which is
>stationed between the Gateway of India and the Elephanta caves.
>Upon asking him as to who has authorised them to use the frequency, He said
>the Icom people have given us this Walkie talkie and the base station and
>we have been operating on this frequency for past one month. We dont know
>rest, we are using what is given to us.
>The person was kind enough to give me his name as.. Mr Raghubeer.
>I dont understand which Icom dealer has given these people the Rigs & the
>WT's and alloted them the HAM BAND frequency.
>ITs high time we come together and take some strict action agains the Icom
>Agent who has given them the equipment and alloted the 145.000 Mhz freq. We
>need to inform the WPC about this.

>I am aware that ONGC already has a good wireless network of their own on HF
>as well as on VHF. So what is ONGC DOING ON HAM BAND??
>Today we have ONGC on 145.000 ....tomorrow we might have the fishermen
>comin up on 146.000 ....
>Save our Band.
>73's
>de
>VU2AXN
>Ankur Puranik , Mumbai

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Match.com

2543. ONGC on 2m

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-07-31 23:32:30 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2540 Message: 2543

I don't want strangers barging in on our allotted frequencies ongc or whoever. So let us fight.I have started blocking them whenever I find them. In fact, I was aware of this for the last month or so. But as I was qrl for morning qth, I did not create a qrm. So let 's become proactive. Block them whenever they are there.

ULHAS
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2544. Re: [m_a_r_s] ONGC on 2m

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-01 06:50:05 UTC
From: Anurag Chugh
Topic: 2540 Message: 2544

are all ok??
listen those people are not responsible for this qrm... and they might not have sufficient knowledge to change bands either...
and blocking them would be like fighting helpless people...

you have to contact ongc and get hold of their icom dealers
and ask them to reprogram their sents to some other band...

quite simple considering that that involves no government interference...

how can u call urselves ham if u fight against helpless operators??

@nurag
AXC
----- Original Message -----
From: ULHAS
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: 01 August, 2005 5:02 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] ONGC on 2m

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let 's become proactive. Block them whenever they are
there.

ULHAS
73
de VU2UBP

RES : 2431 1367
WORK : 24072295 OR 24092556
CELL : 98206 22237

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2545. Re: [m_a_r_s] ONGC on 2m

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-01 11:32:31 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2540 Message: 2545

Hello Anurag,
Maybe what you say about ongc not having sufficient knowledge is true. But unfortunately they are transgressing and need to leave the ham bands alone. Yes ongc needs to be educated about this , but they need to sort it out with their icom man and not we hams. Our job is to protect our frequencies. And we are not here to fight anybody!!!And ongc is definitely not helpless. Lets not get emotional over this!!!!
So basically this is how it works. We make it difficult for them to work on the band, they get back to their icom person and he will sort out the mess!! We had private telephone exchange operators(illegal) on vhf last year. A few hams like jpn and hit had to personally threaten them!!Beleive me, the authorities turned a blind eye.
This is just for your info.
Sarla

>From: "Anurag Chugh" <lithiumhead@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] ONGC on 2m
>Date: Mon, 1 Aug 2005 12:20:05 +0530
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Aamir Khan is back! http://server1.msn.co.in/SP05/Mangalpandey/index.html
See him in the ?mustached? avatar in Mangal Pandey.

2546. My sched

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-01 12:07:35 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2535 Message: 2546

Hi all,
I will be on air from 6.30 p.m today, the 1st august on 20 or 15 mts on the long path.
Call will be W5/VU2SWS.
Sarla

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2547. We have sent across a letter

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-01 12:24:02 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2547 Message: 2547
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2548. repeater only for emergency traffic please

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-01 12:49:47 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2548 Message: 2548
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2549. something on 437 Mhz....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-02 07:29:19 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2549 Message: 2549
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2550. something on 437 Mhz....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-02 07:30:17 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2549 Message: 2550
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2551. Re: [m_a_r_s] repeater only for emergency traffic please

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-02 07:56:18 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2548 Message: 2551
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2552. Re: Re: [m_a_r_s] repeater only for emergency traffic please

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-02 11:38:50 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2548 Message: 2552
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2553. Re: Re: [m_a_r_s] repeater only for emergency traffic please

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-02 11:39:55 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2548 Message: 2553
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2554. Re: [m_a_r_s] whats ONGC doin 2m ??????

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-02 16:46:00 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2540 Message: 2554

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Save our Band.

73's

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VU2AXN

Ankur Puranik , Mumbai

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2555. Re: [m_a_r_s] whats ONGC doin 2m ??????

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-03 03:47:40 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2540 Message: 2555
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2556. Re: Re: [m_a_r_s] whats ONGC doin 2m ??????

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-03 05:47:34 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2540 Message: 2556
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2557. wow wow 25 25 25 25 check in on the net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-03 07:37:23 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2557 Message: 2557

dear hams

i was suprized and haaaappppyyyy to know last night there were 25 check ins.

that is very healthy and shows a gooooooooood future of us mumbai hams

25 25 25 wow good show to the net controller and all those who checked in

i am not so regular but will try to be more frequent

hey guys cakes and tea for all lets celebrate .(for that you know where to come)

keep checking in

vu2 zrs

Fortune Cookie India
300 , cawasji hormasji patel street
marine lines
mumbai 2
tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

2558. FW: [CTDXCC] Fwd: [DX-NEWS] P5/KA2HTV

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-03 13:27:20 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2558 Message: 2558

>From: Phil Duff <na4m@...>
>To: ctdxcc@...>
>Subject: [CTDXCC] Fwd: [DX-NEWS] P5/KA2HTV
>Date: Wed, 03 Aug 2005 01:31:05 +0000
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>> >From the Lone Star DX Assocation:
>>
>>For immediate release
>>August 2, 2005
>>
>>The Lone Star DX Association in conjunction with Dr. David Borenstein
>>
>>announces the following:
>>
>>Dr. David Borenstein, KA2HTV, will be traveling to Pyongyang,
>>Democratic People's Republic of Korea, "North Korea" during the month
>>of August. He has received written permission from the "North Korean"
>>government to operate as P5/KA2HTV during his stay. While radio
>>operating is not the primary reason for his visit, Dr. Borenstein
>>hopes to be able to operate 1-2 hours a day and will stay
>>an additional three days devoted entirely to radio operation. For
>>security reasons, he will only operate SSB and primarily 20 meters.
>>Dr. Borenstein will arrive on August 9th and depart on the 23rd. QSL
>>requests should be sent to KK5DO. Operation from P5 is at the
>>pleasure of the host country so the DX community should keep their
>>collective fingers crossed that all goes well and they do not change
>>their minds.
>>
>>The ARRL has reviewed the Dr. Borenstein's plan and if and when
>>P5/KA2HTV occurs, it will likely count.
>>
>>Dr. Borenstein notes that while his operating time will be limited,
>>the success of this operation will lead to further P5 operations in
>>the near future. Much of the equipment being taken will remain there,
>>pre-positioned for subsequent operations.
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>>The Lone Star DX Association (LSDXA) is the sponsoring DX
>>organization for this operation.
>>--Mike Thomas, NA5U
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>CTDXCC mailing list
>CTDXCC@...
>http://www.kkn.net/mailman/listinfo/ctdxcc

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NRI! Grab the FREEDOM OFFER!
http://creative.mediaturf.net/creatives/citibankrca/rca_msntagofline.htm
Zero balance Account from Citibank!

2559. Re: [m_a_r_s] wow wow 25 25 25 25 check in on the net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-03 18:32:55 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2557 Message: 2559
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2560. PCSAT-2 update (Extracts from AMSAT-BB)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-04 05:40:43 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2560 Message: 2560

PCSAT-2 update
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STS-114 Mission Specialist Soichi Noguchi deployed PCSat2 on the ISS Wednesday at approximately 1030 UTC during the EVA3 spacewalk. The deployment of PCSat2 was televised live on NASA-TV and was called Materials International Space Station Experiment-5 (MISSE-5), a materials experiment used to study the degradation of solar cells in space. Captured images can be found on the PCSat2 Info page managed by David Johnson, G4DPZ:
http://www.pcsat2.info/PCSat2Web/index.do

The installation of PCSat2 was followed by another space first. Mission Specialist Steve Robinson was placed in a portable foot restraint at the end of the ISS robotic arm and maneuvered to the underside of Discovery to remove two gap fillers near the shuttle's nose. Robinson's repair mission was the first time NASA has ever tried to repair a shuttle in orbit.

NASA engineers are also working to determine if a damaged thermal blanket under one of the cockpit windows will also need repair. If so, they will have to schedule an additional EVA to effect a repair.

STS-114 was assigned the NORAD Satellite ID Number 28775. Keplerian elements are available at the NORAD Space Track website at:
http://www.space-track.org

Space Track has placed the STS-114 and ISS keps for STS-114 on the landing page. Those tracking Discovery will need to update their keps frequently.

Dr. T.S. Kelso is also providing elements through Celestrak at:
http://www.celestrak.com/NORAD/elements/sts.txt

NASA has posted trajectory data including predicted Keplerian elements for each orbital maneuver. These can be found at:
http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/realdata/elements/index.html

Submitted by: Emily Clarke - W0EEC

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Installation images are now on http://www.pcsat2.info

I'll sort out the layout when I get time :-)

- Dave
G4DPZ

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PCSAT2 EVA Safety switch was thrown at 1117z
so the 8.3 hour EVA Safety timer should time out
at about 1937z but first command station will be
KC8SRG in OHIO at about 1937z.

If we miss that, then N6CO gets two more tries
from the West Coast, then nothing until NZ
and London the next morning.

WHen activated, there will be 1200 and 9600 bd
telemetry on 437.975 +/- 9 KHz of Doppler.
Conventional 1200 baud APRS IGate stations
are encouraged to tune over to the downlink and
feed anything you capture.

9600 baud capable stations are encouraged to
capture the special 9600 baud downlink and
email to PC2@... and if they have
IGate software (or the latest ALOGGER 2.0.2)
to feed it live to satgate.aprsca.net port 20150.

Please, no one transmits. We will announce when
PCSAT2 is open for general use in a few weeks.

Thanks
Bob, WB4APR
USNA Satellite Lab

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2561. POSAT (PO-28) update (Extracts from AMSAT-BB)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-04 05:34:03 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2561 Message: 2561

POSAT (PO-28) update
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AMSAT-UK secretary Jim Heck, G3WGM has announced that PoSAT-1 (PO-28) will be returned to the Amateur Satellite Service in the coming weeks. Mr. Heck indicated that "At present its undecided whether 9k6 or FM.", but promised to let AMSAT users know as soon as the decision is made.

PoSAT-1 was built by a consortium of Portugese universities and industry at the University of Surry in England. It's primary purpose was commercial, but after discussions with the consortium AMSAT-UK has negotiated switching it back to Amateur use. It is similar in construction to KO-23. The commercial side of PoSAT-1 is currently transmitting WOD on 429.950MHz.

PoSAT-1 was launched in September 1993 into a 822 x 800km (799 x 783km presently) sun-synchronous orbit inclined 98.6 degrees. Local time of the decending node (LTDN) over central North America occurs at ~1200 UTC. LTAN occurs ~2300 UTC.

More information may on PO-28 can be found in the AMSAT Satellite Summary at:
http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/satellites/sat_summary/po28.php

Keplerian elements for PO-28 are not currently contained in the AMSAT keps bulletins, but can be found at Celestrak in amateur.txt using the name "POSAT". Users of Space Track should query the NORAD Satellite ID number 22829. The name listed by Space Track is "EYESAT A".

Current Keps are:

POSAT1 22829U 93061G 05211.56612910 +.00000086 +00000-0 +49038-4 0 015132
22829 098.2400 207.2392 0010790 107.4407 252.7931 14.30056167617672

Submitted by: Emily Clarke
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Hi AMSAT-BBers,

as the long term satellite enthusiasts among you may remember
PO-28 was operating for some time on ham radio frequencies
before it was switched to "commercial mode" out of the ham
radio bands and is nowadays still active with quite strong
signals as PoSAT-1 on 429.950 MHz, 9600 bps FSK, PACSAT
broadcast protocol. (although it seems to me that the
aging TX which is in space now for more than 11 years
has drifted 2 kHz down to approx. 429.948 MHz)

Best 73,
Oscar, dj0my

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A picture of PO-28 can be seen at:

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/jul2005/new_satellite.htm

73 Trevor M5AKA

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Hi all

Please take note: the PO-28 correct downlink freqs are 435.250 and 435.275 MHz.
And, in case you haven't noticed yet, this sat have a 38k4 downlink and good cams on board :O)
See you on PO-28

F.Costa, CT1EAT
www.qsl.net/ct1eat

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Hello Group,

This topic seems very interesting to me and I have been following it closely.

Although PO-28 is not yet opened for amateur use, I have tried to receive (only RX, no TX) some 9600 bps packets from it on 429.950 +/- today at 1200 UTC 03/08/2005 on a past over west Malaysia.

The results were better than I expected. About 5 seconds after AOS, the DCD led began to blink, and about 25 seconds later it grew steadily and data packets began to flow in. Data decoding was continuous until about 50 second before LOS when the DCD led began to blink again.

Here is a link to a screenshot of the received data by WISP.
http://www.9w2qc.net/po-28

Equipment used was IC-910H, 11 element 70 CM vertically polarized quad with SSB SP-7000 preamp and Symek TNC3S. Maximum elevation of this pass was about 35 degress, and maximum signal strengths shown on the S meter was around S9+30db.

Hope to work this bird soon once it has been assigned to the amateur satellite service.

73,
Sion Chow Q. C.,
9W2QC.

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Great to hear the news! -

Since it looks like PO-28 will be a 9.6K FSK bird, why does it have a 50KHz uplink B/W and 200KHz downlink? What will be the up/down freq relationship (not
counting doppler)?

tnx es 73

Bruce -W3NJ

Those are the frequencies of the FM uplinks and downlinks, not the edge of a passband. If you want to hear how loud this sat is, listen on 429.950 until they change it back to amatuer service.

73 Drew KO4MA

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2562. NOAA 14 Ch2 APT is OFF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-04 06:05:50 UTC
From: VU2UGO
Topic: 2562 Message: 2562

----- Original Message -----
From: Ian Deans
Sent: Tuesday, August 02, 2005 09:23 PM
Subject: Re: RIG-L NOAA 14 Ch2 APT on

It will need to be turned off as it is in VHF conflict with NOAA 17 in less than 48 hours. NOAA 14 is a back-up satellite and with VHF conflict on a weekly basis its almost 100% certain that its APT will stay off.

Regards
Ian.

2563. Re: [m_a_r_s] whats ONGC doin 2m ??????

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-04 07:56:38 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2540 Message: 2563

Dear Shantanu,

I am sure our friend has got your message and will oblige us by stopping the QRM.

73
NLF

Shantanu Chand <VU2SCQ@...> wrote:
Dear Nilesh,
While on the topic i would like to ask you for your advice. I tried calling you in Pune but i guess there was some problems with the communications there.
Anyways here goes. In the lst two or three days we guys here in mumbai have stepped up usage of 70cm. In fact, i conducted a small net last night with 10 check ins!!!
But, it seems someone is cross banding 70cms on to our repeater and therefore there is total QRM on all the related frequencies.
Also, I have noticed in the last few days, VU2AF's signal to the repeater is also being jammed. VU2AXN also told me that while I was condcting the net someone was jamming again.
Please can you advise what we should do or just plain ignore!
Thanks
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VU2SCQ

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2564. UHF NET

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-04 08:48:55 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2564 Message: 2564
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2565. Green Bird ??

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-04 09:19:20 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 2565 Message: 2565
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

BlankHello NLF,

How are you? Hope you and family are safe and sound after the fury of Mother Nature that we faced last Sunday.

Its been long time since there is any communication regarding the Green Birds. I think last I heard was that Rahul, VU3WJM, would be changing the bands of the green bird from Military Band to Ham Band and the sets would be sent to him for this purpose.

Have we received those sets back from Rahul ??

Please do remember me while giving away those sets, as I am busy with my Morning QTH and hence could not attend Sunday Meetings, but would definitely love to checkin the NIGHT OWL's NET from my QTH after seeing such a good response (25 checkins as per Zyros).

73's for now.

Parin / VU2PIC

2566. Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-05 06:58:11 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 797 Message: 2566
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2567. Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-05 07:49:16 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 797 Message: 2567
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2568. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-05 08:24:24 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2565 Message: 2568
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2569. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-05 14:37:23 UTC
From: saurabh gadkari
Topic: 797 Message: 2569

Hi Ankur!!
after a long time i am posting a mail!! anyways great to hear that SCQ and u r planning the yearly event of Visarjan!!!! Well i am in for the event!!!
I think that will be a good start to mobilize mars activities!!!!
hoping to hear the plans positively from u!!

73's
saurabh

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2570. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-05 17:31:12 UTC
From: V U 2 C D P
Topic: 797 Message: 2570

Hi all,
I agree with SCQ and AXN that we need to keep ourselves associated with Visarjan. To that effect i feel we should meet up and chalk out a plan of action and hand responsibilities. Whereas no formal MARS meeting has been announced as yet for this month, it would be better if we atleast have an informal meet to decide upon the Visarjan event. Hope all would agree.

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-06 05:36:14 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 797 Message: 2571

Dear Shantanu,

Good to hear that members are interested in Ganesh Visarjan.

We will be conducting the monthly meeting 14th August 2005 - Sunday and take it up in the agenda of the meeting.

The Venue and the agenda of our monthly meeting will be announced shortly.

73
VU2NLF
Secretary, MARS.

Shantanu Chand <VU2SCQ@...> wrote:
Dear Friends,
I was reading in this morning's paper that this year's Ganesh Visarjan is going to be low key as the Pandal are not expecting too much contribution due to the floods.

I was wondering what is the action plan of MARS this year. The final day of Visarjan is on the 17th of September 2005.

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Shantanu Chand
VU2SCQ

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2572. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-06 09:23:17 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2565 Message: 2572

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2573. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 1030

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-07 15:24:20 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 2573 Message: 2573

Hi!

It is better if I give exact picture. Many Green Birds were repaired and modified by me during my last Mumbai visit. These sets were originaly purchased by MARS and had been reboxed. If I remember correctly about 5 sets could not be repaired as they needed major work. It was decided to send them over to Lucknow but they are still at Mumbai. So the initial purchased are all at Mumbai.

Here I have modified another 6 sets for MARS members. That I discussed sending thru transport. These are ready to operate. I was supposed to visit during Dec but unfortunately could not do so due to death in family.

I would be visiting Mumbai in abt a months time, I am willing to spare couple of days to do the needful to the sets lying with society for some time. Kindly distribute these sets among the members. I personaly am not aware as to who all have paid for the sets either during initial purchase from Agra or the owners of present modified 6 sets with me.

Request all having these sets to get them going during my forthcoming visit.

73

Rahul VU3WJM

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:
There is 1 message in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. Re: Green Bird ??
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy

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2574. Re: [m_a_r_s] UHF NET

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-08 01:43:55 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2564 Message: 2574

Dear Shantanu,

thanks for the list. a small correction. I was
operating VX-5R.
73.

ULHAS
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2575. Re: [m_a_r_s] UHF NET

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-08 03:20:49 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2564 Message: 2575
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2576. RE: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-08 04:51:27 UTC
From: Gangar, Parin (GE Consumer & Industrial,
Topic: 2565 Message: 2576
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-08 11:07:43 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2577 Message: 2577

Hi all,
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Sarla

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Date: 2005-08-08 11:15:02 UTC
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good show all you uhf check inns

yeh mumbai is rocking in ham activity

keep it up all resposible for uhf

take care

vu2 zrs

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-09 02:36:59 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 2565 Message: 2579

Hi Nlf
Even I tried a lot to contact AUA from last one year, previously
he used to tell me that Rahul has already done few sets and you
shall get your set in few days, this was the talk in Jan 2005,then
he said that all the rigs are with NLF and he is not aware of what
is actually happening to this issue, but from last few weeks he is
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Even i am waiting for my green bird. Its almost more than a year
that i have paid for my greenbird.
73's
Kaushik/ VU2KTW
----- Original Message -----
From: Gangar, Parin (GE Consumer & Industrial, consultant)
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Sent: Monday, August 08, 2005 10:21 AM
Subject: RE: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??

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2580. Re: [m_a_r_s] UHF NET

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-09 05:50:38 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2564 Message: 2580
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2581. Re: [m_a_r_s] We have sent across a letter

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-09 06:00:22 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 2547 Message: 2581

GOOD JOB ANKUR,
BEST OF LUCK.
73'
Basappa

Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...> wrote:

Dear Sarla mam n all,

I totally agree with Sarla, " lets not get emotional over this". Anurag such matter have to be delt with in this manner only.

U know anu its like the slum dwellers... if u dont drive them out at the right time they capture the entire place..n then u just gotta sit n watch 'em occupying the place...

Anyways we have faxed a letter to the concern govt. departments and even to ONGC.

Lets hope the band is QRM free soon.

73's

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2582. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-09 08:40:17 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 2565 Message: 2582

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Is the money with you or MARS Treasury ???

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To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 09, 2005 8:06 AM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??

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----- Original Message -----
From: Gangar, Parin (GE Consumer & Industrial, consultant)
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, August 08, 2005 10:21 AM
Subject: RE: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??

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Sent: Sat 08/06/2005 2:53 PM
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2583. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 1032

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-09 11:22:01 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 2583 Message: 2583

Hi!

Presently I will try to send over the 6 sets as earliest will let all know when sent. Unfortunately ones at Mubai will have to be looked into there.

Apart for 5 sets at Mumbai most have been been modded for HAM bands and would require only minor tweeking. In fact we tested few of them after Mods on then functional repeater.

I tried calling up AUA but appers his mobile is not working.

73

Rahul VU3WJM

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:
There are 5 messages in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. (unknown)
From: "sarla sharma"
2. Re: UHF NET
From: fortunecookie@...
3. Re: Green Bird ??
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2584. FW: [CTDXCC] P5 Update courtesy of "Daily DX"

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-09 13:16:48 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2584 Message: 2584

>From: John Warren <nt5c@...>
>To: ctdxcc@...
>Subject: [CTDXCC] P5 Update courtesy of "Daily DX"
>Date: Tue, 9 Aug 2005 07:18:46 -0500
>
>The following is courtesy of Bernie W3UR and the "Daily DX". (Good idea to
>support Bernie by subscribing). For clarification - Dave expects to operate
>primarily 2000-2200Z during the part of his trip when he is working, Aug
>9-19. Between Aug 20-23 he hopes to devote his waking time 100% to amateur
>radio, if the authorities permit. All operation SSB, by edict of the DPRK
>monitors.
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>Yesterday KA2HTV, Dave, updated your DX editor on his trip to DPRK
>from Beijing. He received his North Korean visa and air Koryo
>tickets. He will be leaving this morning for Pyongyang. "I received
>word that I will get good cooperation on this effort", says David. He
>also wants to emphasis that the "bulk of the operating will be from
>the (August) 20-23" time frame. Dave went on by saying not to "worry
>if it takes a few days to get on the air". Just to remind everyone
>the absolute earliest he could show up would be today around 2000Z.
>Any activity will most likely be on 17, 20 or 40 meters on SSB. If an
>official press release comes out we will send it to all subscribers.
>You may also want to keep an eye on http://www.amsatnet.com/p5a.html.
>
>Looking at the expected solar conditions between now and the end of
>Dave's trip to Pyongyang are not very hopeful. The Solar Flux is
>expected to drop below 100 today and continue down to 70 and not
>raising above 100 until after Dave has left P5. Here on the east
>coast of the US that probably means we will only have a shot on 20
>meters, especially during the 2000-2200Z time frame. The lower the K
>index the better the opportunity from this part of the globe.
>Europeans, especially on the western half of the continent should have
>a significant advantage during that 20-22Z time period.
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>CTDXCC mailing list
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>http://www.kkn.net/mailman/listinfo/ctdxcc

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2585. Two NETS on Tuesday Night

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-09 17:02:35 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2585 Message: 2585
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2586. Fw: Shack Picture

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-10 13:18:03 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2586 Message: 2586
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

----- Original Message -----
From: RAY (VU3ORN)
To: Ham Friends
Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2005 5:08 PM
Subject: Shack Picture

Dear Friend,

I am attaching Shack picutre of Trinidad & Tobago Amateur Radio League. I think, you also like to operate from this shack. For more attractive picture you kindly visit http://www.ttarl.org/index.html.

73s to you,

Ray (VU3ORN)
New Delhi, India.

2587. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-11 05:47:54 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2565 Message: 2587

Dear Parin

Koi Answer Nahi Dega. NLF & AUA kohi ye clear karna
hoga.

If you ask NLF he will guide to AUA, AUA ko Pucha to
NLF ke taraf batayega.

Do no Topi lagarahai.

Mars Committee any answer for this?

During distribution of licences NLF had compelled
SWL's to put up Antenna and many SWL's did it. Then
booked Green Bird. Ab Antenna Rust ho raha hai.

VU2GBI had made compelete set up except VHF set and
awaiting to be on Air - more than one year.

Green Bird to Udgaya, Ab use AGM'me hi pakadna padega.

NLF / AUA your answer awaited before that.

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2588. Article on DECIBLES from eham.net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-11 11:57:48 UTC
From: dinesh patel
Topic: 2565 Message: 2588

Fun With Decibels

By Vito Chiarappa (W6TH) on July 30, 2005

This is a simple idea to keep your gain figures in mind for the future; to determine what the gain figures can do to help you know what your ERP (Effective Radiating Power) can and will do for you.

Great for general use and use for QRPers.

Let us say the 2-element yagi will give a forward gain of 5 dB and you are running a power of just 5 watts output. Just check the 5 dB on the chart below and multiply by the multiplier 3.16 by 5 watts, which will be calculated as 15.8 watts ERP.

Now take a 1/4 wavelength vertical and you find you have a gain of 4 dB, just look at the 4 dB and use the multiplier of 2.51, so 2.51 times the 5 watts will be 12.55 watts of ERP.

Just imagine a gain of just 1 dB at 100 watts will give an ERP of 126 watts, nothing to sneeze at. -- A gain of 2 dB; 100 watts times multiplier 1.58 = 158 watts ERP.

Now for the big DXers with a wide spaced beam of 7 dB forward gain and running 1500 watts output from their amplifier.

7dB at multiplier 5.1 times 1500 watts output = 7650 watts of ERP. You better wait till those boys work the DX and leave, then you can give it a try; or better yet, follow suit.

Here is the dB chart and the multiplier, you can see 3 dB = 2 times the power.

DB X
1 1.26
2 1.58
3 2.00
4 2.51
5 3.16
6 3.98
7 5.01
8 6.31
9 7.94
10 10.0

73, W6TH .:

Interested members may visit www.eham.net for further discussions on this topic

Dinesh Patel

2589. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fw: Shack Picture

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-12 01:29:36 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2586 Message: 2589

Ha ha ha ho ho ho ohhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh!!!!!!!!!!

ULHAS
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RES?: 2431 1367
WORK : 24072295 OR 24092556
CELL : 98206 22237

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2590. meeting???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-12 14:28:50 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2590 Message: 2590
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2591. wishING all "LEFTY" hams A HAPPY LEFTHAND DAY 13TH AUG.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-13 10:14:13 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2591 Message: 2591

DEAR LEFT HANDED HAMS ONLY

(THOSE WHO USE THE MORSE KEY WITH THEIR LEFT HANDS AND WRITE TOO)

WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY "LEFT HAND DAY" AUGUST 13TH

WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HOW MANY HAMS IN OUR CLUB ARE LEFT HANDED ????????

A names of few left handed people and hams :-

AMITABH BACCHAN , ABISHEK BACHAN , ZYROS Z END , x-president CLINTON, JULIA ROBERTS

Fortune Cookie India
300 , cawasji hormasji patel street
marine lines
mumbai 2
tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
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2592. LIST OF "LEFTY" A HAPPYLEFTHAND DAY 13TH AUG.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-13 10:25:33 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2592 Message: 2592
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2593. Re: [**LikelySPAM] [m_a_r_s] wishING all "LEFTY" hams A HAPPY LEFTHAND DAY 13TH AUG.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-13 10:41:26 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2593 Message: 2593

Dear ZRS

I wonder u do everything left handed....i mean everything ..top to bottom ....just curious to know....

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HIT

----- Original Message -----
From: fortunecookie@...
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, August 13, 2005 3:44 PM
Subject: [**LikelySPAM] [m_a_r_s] wishING all "LEFTY" hams A HAPPY LEFTHAND DAY 13TH AUG.

DEAR LEFT HANDED HAMS ONLY

(THOSE WHO USE THE MORSE KEY WITH THEIR LEFT HANDS AND WRITE TOO)

WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY "LEFT HAND DAY" AUGUST 13TH

WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HOW MANY HAMS IN OUR CLUB ARE LEFT HANDED ????????

A names of few left handed people and hams :-

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2594. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-13 15:05:05 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2565 Message: 2594

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As far as money is concerned neighter me or MARS have any money balance .. all the money was spent on basic cost of sets and upgrading.. such as new cover powder coating, new front panel, switches, speaker etc...

You may please collect your set, which is in 4 pieces, along with it cover etc from Avija Building...

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NLF

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From: kaushik
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 09, 2005 8:06 AM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??

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To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, August 08, 2005 10:21 AM
Subject: RE: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??

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Where are those sets ???
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If so, to whom ??? PLease mention their names.

If not, when can we have those sets???

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Please do something in this regards.

73's,

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-----Original Message-----
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com on behalf of Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Sent: Sat 08/06/2005 2:53 PM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc:
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??

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2595. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird Status..

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-13 15:27:02 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2565 Message: 2595

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Do you guys have any shame ? come forward and help to fix these sets and solve these problems,.... rather then make just QRM....

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Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...> wrote:

Dear Parin

Koi Answer Nahi Dega. NLF & AUA kohi ye clear karna
hoga.

If you ask NLF he will guide to AUA, AUA ko Pucha to
NLF ke taraf batayega.

Do no Topi lagarahai.

Mars Committee any answer for this?

During distribution of licences NLF had compelled
SWL's to put up Antenna and many SWL's did it. Then
booked Green Bird. Ab Antenna Rust ho raha hai.

VU2GBI had made compelete set up except VHF set and
awaiting to be on Air - more than one year.

Green Bird to Udgaya, Ab use AGM'me hi pakadna padega.

NLF / AUA your answer awaited before that.

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2596. Repeater OK !

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-13 15:50:02 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2596 Message: 2596
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2597. SUNDAY MEETING

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-13 15:56:04 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2597 Message: 2597
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2598. MEETING TIME 10:00 am

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-13 16:05:00 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2598 Message: 2598
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2599. Happy Left Hand Day

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-13 21:54:14 UTC
From: Labhesh More
Topic: 2593 Message: 2599

Hi ZRS,

Although I am not much active and am in Bangalore far away from the action.Still U can count me in as a LEFT HANDED HAM.

Wishing a very Happy Left Hand Day to you to.

73's De

VU2EGO
(Labhesh More)

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2600. Re: [m_a_r_s] LIST OF "LEFTY" A HAPPYLEFTHAND DAY 13TH AUG.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 00:51:36 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2592 Message: 2600

Dear Zyros,

I also do some chores with my left hand. So can u
count me in on the list of ordinary ppl for left
handed pleeeze.

ULHAS
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de VU2UBP

RES?: 2431 1367
WORK : 24072295 OR 24092556
CELL : 98206 22237

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2601. Tide table for Mumbai, India

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 01:40:27 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2601 Message: 2601

I found this to be a useful site. Do use it for going
to Sewri flamingoes to keep track of the tide. Hope
you all will find it useful in some way.
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2602. Re: [m_a_r_s] Tide table for Mumbai, India

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 03:04:14 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2601 Message: 2602

Hey Ulhas,

You the same Ulhas from Birds of Bombay group?

Wow..:-)
What do they say?-Birds of a feather flock together.....in MARS

----- Original Message -----
From: "ULHAS" <ulhasparalkar@...>
To: "MARS MAIN" <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 14, 2005 7:10 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Tide table for Mumbai, India

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2603. Re: [m_a_r_s] SUNDAY MEETING

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 03:52:46 UTC
From: saurabh gadkari
Topic: 2597 Message: 2603

Hi Ankur and all those taking the initiative in Ganesh Visarjan!
i will not be able to attend the meeting on 14th Aug, but i am very much in for the event, please do count me as the volunteer. And please let me know what are the plans for the event.

Thanx
saurabh

Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...> wrote:

Dear Friends,

Since VU2CBU's internet connection is not working at present he has asked me to forward the following message on the mars group on his behalf.

> Dear Members / friends.
>
>
> A meeting has been scheduled on the Sunday the 14th of Aug 2005.
>
> The venue for the meeting is Cooperage Garden / Band stand which is 10 mins
> walk from churchgate station. (5 mins from mantralaya)
> There is a statue of Rajeev Gandhi right at the entrance of the garden.
>
> A map has been attached along with this mail for your reference.
>
> The main topic for the meeting is Ganesh Visarjan.
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> All interested in participating in the Ganesh Visarjan are requested to attend the meeting without fail.
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> See you there!
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2604. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 1037

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 09:39:37 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 2604 Message: 2604

Hi!

Nilesh is right I enquired from few friends, sets are there with society. Nothing is lost even now. I had personal modified and tested 10 of these sets. So they should be in working order or may require only slight touch up.

As for the remaining 5 sets I can help with spares to get them on air during my forthcoming visit. I think only 15 sets were bought in first lot.

Arun Singh has booked 6 sets with me they obviously will be provided ready to operate. I making arrangements for sending them over.

As suggested earlier during my visit we can try to manage a 2 day workshop and get older ones going. Who knows it may turn out as great eyeball and some good constructive activity.

It would be productive if some practical approach is taken into the matter. I am sure all can squeeze out some time for a workshop. Nothing else it would just enhace your skills.

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Rahul VU3WJM

Message: 4
Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2005 16:05:05 +0100 (BST)
From: nilesh rathod
Subject: Re: Green Bird ??

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2605. About MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 12:33:09 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2605 Message: 2605

Hi all
I know this is not directly related to our activities,
but still I feel this is one of the important event
which we should not miss if we can help it. Please
read on. This was a forwarded message.:

Planet Mars will be the brightest in the night sky
starting August. It will look as a large full moon to
the naked eye. This will culminate on Aug. 27 when
Mars comes within 34.65M miles of Earth. Be sure to
watch the sky on Aug. 27, 12:30 am. It will look like
the earth has 2 moons. The next time Mars come this
close is in the year 2287. Share this 2 your friends
as NO ONE ALIVE TODAY will ever see it again

ULHAS
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de VU2UBP

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2606. qsp from vu2cbu about ganapati visarjan meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 12:53:37 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2606 Message: 2606

List of members who attended a meeting to discuss
Ganapati Visarjan Amateur Radio support.
1. VU2HIT
2.VU2UBP
3.VU2AXN
4.VU2LOC
5.VU2SFH
6.SWL Nilesh Dixit
7.VU2CBU
8.VU3PPE
9.VU2ZRS
10.SWL Rajashri Sarvagaud
Report of meeting held on 14th August 2005 @Bandstand
Cooperage Garden.
Meeting was held in the sylvan surroundings of garden
near Mantralaya in the Traffic Police garden. Started
@10.30am & was over @11.45am.
Topics discussed were whether there should be
participation from us for ganapati visarjan as no one
seems to be coming forward to hold the torch. It was
suggested & accepted by all that we should go forward
with providing support to the authorities as we had
done in the past. OM Huzefa informed that he has
attended the meeting organised by Mumbai Police for
the purpose & support was assured from them also.
We have discussed the logistics & the general support
that is required. We have shortlisted a list of 28
amateur radio enthusiasts who are willing to
contribute there might for the event. 21 full time & 7
part time members. ie from morning of 17th September
2005 to morning of 18th September 2005.
The names of members shortlisted was on confirmation
from them. Any one interested can contact vu2hit or
vu2cbu for the purpose of confirming their
participation.
The major concern that we felt unanimously was the
finances for the event, but we felt this can be
overcome with a little bit of efforts.
We will be posting further mails on the developments
as & when the need arises.
73 till then.
This is a message forwarded on behalf of VU2CBU OM
Prashant Koli.
btw: everyone felt the qth was great & further
meetings may be held here. problem is the place is

being run by prajapita brahmakumaris & they don't
normally allow any meetings to be held , but that will
be discussed with them & hopefully sorted out

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2607. Tide table for Mumbai, India

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 13:01:09 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2601 Message: 2607

Hi Kapil,
Yes the same one. qsl.
73.

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2608. Re: About MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 13:27:41 UTC
From: harshvardhan_k
Topic: 2605 Message: 2608

Hello Ulhas,

Sorry to spoil your MARS party. This email is a hoax.
That email is a recycled email from 2 years ago.
Mars was closest to Earth in 2003. Read the following
article for details.

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http://space.about.com/od/astronomynews/a/marsclose2005_p.htm

Close Approach of Mars in 2005

From Nick Greene,Your Guide to Space / Astronomy.
Will We See a Record Approach - Mars Closest to Earth?
Date: 6/16/05

Take a look in the night sky.

Does the Red Planet, Mars, seem bigger than last night?

Well, you'd probably need extremely good eyes to actually tell, but if
you said yes, you'd be right. Each night, Mars is getting closer to
Earth (by about 23,500 mph). It will reach its closest point on this
trip on October 29, though the best viewing time will probably be
Halloween Night.

What about the email?

Will We See a Record Approach - Mars Closest to Earth
It is possible you've received an email which says that Mars will be
closest to Earth in August in 50,000 years. Sorry, that was 2 years
ago, you're reading a recycled email. This year's closest approach
will be October 29, and although it will be spectacular, it is not a
record breaker.

So, why are we getting closer to Mars? Imagine two cars on a race
track. If one is closer to the center of the track and traveling
faster, it will eventully catch up to and pass the outer car. This is
what is happening with Earth and Mars, we are "lapping" the Red
Planet.

Those of us who simply enjoy looking up at the night sky are not the
only ones interested in Mars' close approach. NASA is planning to
launch the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter (MRO) on August 10th, 2005. It
will take over 6 months for the orbiter to reach the Red Planet. This
timing will allow MRO to overtake Mars and arrive in March 2006. Once
it enters orbit it starts a 2-year mission to map Mars in great
detail. The MRO has high-resolution cameras which can spot objects as

as small as 1 meter or less. It will use a RADAR sounder to search for water and spectrometers to look for minerals.The orbiter will also help us learn more about Mars weather aptterns.

On Halloween night, 2005, will be the best view. It will rise at sunset and hang overhead through most of the night. So, grab a sky map and start watching the approach of Mars, then enjoy the big show on October 31.

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, ULHAS <ulhasparalkar@y...> wrote:
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2609. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: About MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 13:34:39 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2605 Message: 2609

--- harshvardhan_k <harshvardhan_k@...> wrote:

> Hello Ulhas,
>
> Sorry to spoil your MARS party. This email is a hoax.
> That email is a recycled email from 2 years ago.
> Mars was closest to Earth in 2003. Read the following
> article for details.

There's also: http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2005/07jul_marshoax.htm

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> http://space.about.com/od/astronomynews/a/marsclose2005_p.htm
>
> Close Approach of Mars in 2005
>
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>
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>
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>
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> you said yes, you'd be right. Each night, Mars is getting closer to
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> trip on October 29, though the best viewing time will probably be
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> will be October 29, and although it will be spectacular, it is not a
> record breaker.
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> track. If one is closer to the center of the track and traveling
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> sunset and hang overhead through most of the night. So, grab a sky map
> and start watching the approach of Mars, then enjoy the big show on
> October 31.
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> --- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, ULHAS <ulhasparalkar@y...> wrote:
> > Hi all
> > I know this is not directly related to our activities,
> > but still I feel this is one of the important event
> > which we should not miss if we can help it. Please
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2610. Re: Green Bird Status..

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 14:23:08 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 2565 Message: 2610

Dear NLF,

Asking about the Money was a fairly Frank Question. I did not know
that you did not like frank attitude from others except you.

As far as chipping in and giving helping hand for getting the sets is
concerned, I was fairly gutsy in that case to have atleast given it A
try once and unfortunately failed to get the sets going.

Is it fair to label guys who are Frank and having Guts as
shameless ??

Just because we were busy with our Morning Qth and were not in
touch with you guys ???

Just because I had paid the money am I to be stamped with the seal
of BREAKING THE SETS into 4 pieces and denying me a working set
now???

Its because of this attitude and behaviour towards the people who
paid money for the sets are other members not taking interest.

Did you hold the Hamfest Committee responsible for poor attendance at
Hamfest 2004 ??? No..Why??? Because they have not paid any
Money to you and hence you cannot pressurise them???

You said you and MARS Managing Committee has put up lots of efforts
in getting our Licences and hence we can pay our tribute to them by
atleast coming on the air. We agreed...Why?? Because, we had faith
in you as the MARS Secretary.

You said install antennas atleast till you wait for the Sets.
We agreed...Why?? Because, we had faith in you as the
MARS Secretary.

You said there are CHEAP VHF SETS from Agra for Rs.2000 and that
pay money immediately for that. We paid...Why?? Because, we had
faith in you as the MARS Secretary.

You said the sets need to be fixed. And you even did the Cosmetic
Treatment of the sets by getting powder coated covers, LEDs, etc..
Then, you said you were not able to get the sets on HamBands as that
was too technical for you to digest.

I said OK, let me try as I did not believe in receiving anything
on a PLatter and gave it to a friend in Vile Parle who is
a Genuine and expert electronics guy and was a student and my batch
mate of MARS's first classes.

But unfortunately, he was not able to get the sets working and also blew the power transistors in this attempt. I returned to you with that set undeterred, thinking we would still get the sets going somehow. Why ??? Because we had faith in you as a friend and secretary of MARS.

But, what did you do??? Simply, labeled that I have to carry this broken set. And that I am responsible for its now sorry state. Did you tell the same to those who had given the other sets a try and burnt the PCBs ???

Why??? Because they had not paid any money to you ????

Is this how A Secretary of the Soceity treats its member ?? Ain't you the same person who was very much enthusiased to bring fellow licence holders like me on air ?? In this journey, when I tried helping you and failed to do so, is it fair on your side to blame me completely.

Who should be feeling the shame now??? Me ???

Ask this question to yourself and you would get the answer.

As far as the Set is concerned, I am still willing to help by co-ordinating with AUA (provided he replies back) or take up this completely on my shoulders to co-ordinate with Rahul (WJM) and get the sets going.

I AM NOT TAKING THE SET IN BROKEN PIECES AT ALL AS I WAS PROMISED A FULLY FUNCTIONAL SET AT A PALTRY PRICE FOR WHICH I HAVE PAID YOU THE "HARD-EARNED MONEY OF MY PARENTS" AND NOT MINE, AS I WAS STILL A STUDENT THEN.....

YOU CANNOT BLAME ME FOR THE BROKEN SET AS IT WAS A PART OF OUR ENDEAVOUR TO GET THE SETS GOING.

73s

Parin / PIC

In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@y...> wrote:
> Hello JPN,
>
>
> I have a very limited skills in electronics and I have done all I could like getting the new covers the front panel, fixing a new speaker etc.... In fact VU2ZRS, VU2WET (who specially came from Pune) to help us fix the sets... we sat the whole night and fixed the speaker, base bushes etc... we did all we could do...now it was left to the techincal guys to tune them to HAM BAND..
>
> Rahul has been kind enough to help us fix some of the Green Birds.. he even taught VU2AXN how to fix these sets... unforunately he did not have time to fix all the sets...

>
> few members have even taken their sets to fix it themselves, and
all have brought them back unsuccesfully....
>
> It is quite ironic that hams in delhi, lucknow have managed to fix
these sets and are using them for past many years. MARS, a society of
240 odd members, does not have a single qualified electroncis guy...
if there are any... they are not interested in helping us...
>
> As far as VU2AUA is concerned, he on the managing commitee had
taken up the charge to follow up the matter... for old and new green
birds... if he is not answering I cannot help it....
>
> All the old green birds are lying at Avija Building... if members
are interested they can collect (from AUA) and fix their sets...
>
> VU2JPN during JNA days use to do a lot of electronic work,,, now he
is not at all interested in helping to fix the green birds... he was
not even come to fix the speaker or panel or switches etc... everyone
wants everything on the platter.... ready made...no one wants to chip
in....
>
> VU2PIC took I set and brought it back in 4 pieces... all blew 4
spare power transisters..give to him . and now they talk about
money ??......
>
> Do you guys have any shame ? come forward and help to fix these
sets and solve these problems,.... rather then make just QRM....
>
> 73
> NLF
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> Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@y...> wrote:
>
> Dear Parin
>
> Koi Answer Nahi Dega. NLF & AUA kohi ye clear karna
> hoga.
>
> If you ask NLF he will guide to AUA, AUA ko Pucha to
> NLF ke taraf batayega.
>
> Do no Topi lagarahai.
>
> Mars Committee any answer for this?
>
> During distribution of licences NLF had compelled
> SWL's to put up Antenna and many SWL's did it. Then
> booked Green Bird. Ab Antenna Rust ho raha hai.

>
> VU2GBI had made compelete set up except VHF set and
> awaiting to be on Air - more than one year.
>
> Green Bird to Udgaya, Ab use AGM'me hi pakadna padega.
>
> NLF / AUA your answer awaited before that.
>
> 73's
>
> JPN
>
> --- Parin Gangar <parin.gangar@g...> wrote:
>
> > Hi NLF,
> >
> > Just wanted to ask you about the money that we have
> > paid for the Green Birds, i.e., Rs.2000/- per set
> > (where, I have paid Rs.2000 for one set).
> >
> > Is the money with you or MARS Treasury ???
> >
> > This I am asking you because of the frozen response
> > from Arun Singh (AUA) and hence felt worried since
> > its been so long that we have given you the money
> > hoping to receive the sets asap and get going on
> > the 2m atleast.
> >
> > Also, did you communicate with AUA regarding the
> > Green Birds and his frozen response to our
> > enquiries for the Green Birds???
> >
> > When will we get the rigs that have been repaired by
> > Rahul / WJM ??
> >
> > de
> > Parin / VU2PIC
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> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: kaushik
> > To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Tuesday, August 09, 2005 8:06 AM
> > Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??
> >
> >
> > Hi Nlf

> > Even I tried a lot to contact AUA from last one
> > year, previously
> > he used to tell me that Rahul has already done few
> > sets and you
> > shall get your set in few days, this was the talk
> > in Jan 2005,then
> > he said that all the rigs are with NLF and he is
> > not aware of what
> > is actually happening to this issue, but from last
> > few weeks he is
> > not in touch neither he answers any message left
> > at his home,
> > Even i am waiting for my green bird. Its almost
> > more than a year
> > that i have paid for my greenbird.
> > 73's
> > Kaushik/ VU2KTW
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: Gangar, Parin (GE Consumer & Industrial,
> > consultant)
> > To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Monday, August 08, 2005 10:21 AM
> > Subject: RE: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??
> >
> >
> > Dear Nilesh,
> >
> > I completely agree with JPN. I had asked AUA a
> > couple of times about this set. But, he said that he
> > is unaware of any such sets given to him by you and
> > that I also remember that he was asking people
> > during the meetings prior to Hamfest about cheap VHF
> > sets for Rs. 1500/-.
> >
> > Please confirm with AUA in person regarding the
> > sets. Also, as per Rahul's (WJM) mail, he has
> > already repaired few sets.
> >
> > Where are those sets ???
> > Have they already been distributed ???
> > If so, to whom ??? PLease mention their names.
> >
> > If not, when can we have those sets???
> >
> > AUA is not available on phone now as his Cell
> > phone is out of order, and when left a message at
> > his home, neither does he call back.
> >
> > Please do something in this regards.
> >

> > 73's,
> >
> > Parin / VU2PIC
> >
> >
> > -----Original Message-----
> > From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com on behalf of
> > Jaiprakash Pullakudy
> > Sent: Sat 08/06/2005 2:53 PM
> > To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> > Cc:
> > Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??
> >
> >
> >
> > Dear Nilesh.
> >
> > Regarding Green Bird, VU2AUA has no proper
> > answer:
> >
> > I want to know the following and asked
> > Arun Singh but
> > he informed that only NLF can confirm:
> >
> > 1. Total no.of Green Birds booked by
> > Mars
> > 2. Total no.of sets recevied by Mars
> > 3. Total no. of sets distributed.
> > 4. Balance sets in stock.
> >
> > 5. No.of persons booked.
> >
> > I have handed over to you full payment of
> > Rs.4000/- to
> > you on behalf of VU2GIB Mukund Gubbi &
> > VU2HBN Haridas.
> >
> > Hope to hear from you.
> >
> > 73's
> >
> > JPN
> >
> > --- nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@y...>
> > wrote:
> >
> > > Dear PIC,
> > >
> > > Pls follow up with AUA as he is looking
> > after green

> > > bird issue
> > >
> > > 73
> > > NLF
> > >
> > > Parin Gangar <parin.gangar@g...>
> > wrote:
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> > > Roman"}LI.msoNormal { MARGIN-TOP: 0px;
> > FONT-SIZE:
> > > 10pt; MARGIN-LEFT: 0px; COLOR: #ffffcc;
> > FONT-FAMILY:
> > > Helvetica, "Times New Roman"}Hello NLF,
> > > >
> > > How are you? Hope you and family are
> > safe and sound
> > > after the fury of Mother Nature that we
> > faced last
> > > Sunday.
> > > >
> > > Its been long time since there is any
> > communication
> > > regarding the Green Birds. I think last
> > I heard was
> > > that Rahul, VU3WJM, would be changing
> > the bands of
> > > the green bird from Military Band to Ham
> > Band and
> > > the sets would be sent to him for this
> > purpose.
> > > >
> > > Have we received those sets back from
> > Rahul ??
> > > >
> > > Please do remember me while giving away
> > those sets,
> > > as I am busy with my Morning QTH and
> > hence could not
> > > attend Sunday Meetings, but would
> > definitely love to
> > > checkin the NIGHT OWL's NET from my QTH
> > after seeing

> > > such a good response (25 checkins as per
> > Zyros).
> > >
> > > 73's for now.
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> > > Parin / VU2PIC
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2611. Help - PDF on Learning Morse Code required.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 14:36:37 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2611 Message: 2611

Hi all:

I've got a brief respite for the next two days, and am thrilled to see so much activity on the MARS list, and also the plans for the Visarjan ! You know, I'm actually deliberating quitting my job for some weeks and then taking time off to live life again, perhaps I'll join the active Visarjan volunteers as an rookie - to observe and learn (I promise to not get in the way) ! The last I saw a HAM or a hamset was in 2004 during the AGM... and I'm out of touch with the HAM lingo.. All my fault entirely, I just cannot blame anyone ! ;)

Anyway, I wish to seriously get started with learning Morse code again.

From the Amateur Radio CD-ROM that MARS had give to the 2003 batch, I'd really liked the PDF on Learning Morse Code. This was a PDF filled with Dos and Don'ts.

Could someone send me this PDF please ? I think this PDF is a bit big, so I'd rather request someone with broadband access to help me out, than a person with a dial up account.

Thanks guys,

-- Sriram

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2612. Re: Green Bird ??

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 14:37:06 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 2565 Message: 2612

Nilesh,

As stated in my previous mail, I was promised a fully functional set.

The broken set was an unfortunate outcome of our endeavour to get the sets going. And that I am not to be held responsible for this as you had not laid any conditions like this before giving me the set for getting it repaired.

Remember your words, you had said, "at least get this set working, then we will give other sets for repairs".

You never said that if the set is broken, I would have been liable for this. Had you said that I would never had been GUTSY to carry that set to my friend and our batchmate for repairs.

You see, people like me don't like to put their Parents' Hard earned money in such high risk.

I was a fool that I did not realise this earlier. I think the others who have paid money know this and are keeping mum.

THIS IS FOR THOSE WHO PAID THE MONEY FOR THE GREEN BIRDS ::

DO YOU GUYS WANT EVERYTHING ON PLATTER ???

OR HAVE YOU GUYS GIVEN RS.2000 AS A DONATION TO MARS AND HENCE ARE MUM ???

HAVE SOME GUTS AND BE FRANK TO COME FORWARD TO TAKE THIS RESPONSIBILITY, JUST LIKE I HAVE , IN MY PREVIOUS MAIL...

Hope the message is clear.

73s
Parin / PIC

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@y...> wrote:
> Hello Parin,
>
> All the sets are lying in Avija Building with all our MARS Assets.. As far as your set is concern, if you remember you had taken I set to fix it yourself and brought it back in 4 pieces.. I had asked you to collect the same, but you said that you will collect it later... The same can be found at Avija Building with rest of the sets..
>
> As far as money is concerned neighter me or MARS have any money

balance .. all the money was spent on basic cost of sets and
upgrading.. such as new cover powder coating, new front panel,
switches, speaker etc...
>
> You may please collect your set, which is in 4 pieces, along with
it cover etc from Avija Building...
>
> 73
> NLF
>
>
>
> Hi NLF,
>
> Just wanted to ask you about the money that we have paid for the
Green Birds, i.e., Rs.2000/- per set (where, I have paid Rs.2000 for
one set).
>
> Is the money with you or MARS Treasury ???
>
> This I am asking you because of the frozen response from Arun Singh
(AUA) and hence felt worried since its been so long that we have
given you the money hoping to receive the sets asap and get going
on the 2m atleast.
>
> Also, did you communicate with AUA regarding the Green Birds and
his frozen response to our enquiries for the Green Birds???
>
> When will we get the rigs that have been repaired by Rahul / WJM ??
>
> de
> Parin / VU2PIC
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: kaushik
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Tuesday, August 09, 2005 8:06 AM
> Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??
>
>
> Hi Nlf
> Even I tried a lot to contact AUA from last one year, previously
> he used to tell me that Rahul has already done few sets and you
> shall get your set in few days, this was the talk in Jan 2005,then
> he said that all the rigs are with NLF and he is not aware of what
> is actually happening to this issue, but from last few weeks he is

> not in touch neither he answers any message left at his home,
> Even i am waiting for my green bird. Its almost more than a year
> that i have paid for my greenbird.
> 73's
> Kaushik/ VU2KTW
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Gangar, Parin (GE Consumer & Industrial, consultant)
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, August 08, 2005 10:21 AM
> Subject: RE: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??
>
>
> Dear Nilesh,
>
> I completely agree with JPN. I had asked AUA a couple of times
about this set. But, he said that he is unaware of any such sets
given to him by you and that I also remember that he was asking
people during the meetings prior to Hamfest about cheap VHF sets for
Rs. 1500/-.
>
> Please confirm with AUA in person regarding the sets. Also, as per
Rahul's (WJM) mail, he has already repaired few sets.
>
> Where are those sets ???
> Have they already been distributed ???
> If so, to whom ??? PLease mention their names.
>
> If not, when can we have those sets???
>
> AUA is not available on phone now as his Cell phone is out of
order, and when left a message at his home, neither does he call
back.
>
> Please do something in this regards.
>
> 73's,
>
> Parin / VU2PIC
>
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com on behalf of Jaiprakash
Pullakudy
> Sent: Sat 08/06/2005 2:53 PM
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> Cc:
> Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird ??
>
>
>

> Dear Nilesh.
>
> Regarding Green Bird, VU2AUA has no proper answer:
>
> I want to know the following and asked Arun Singh but
> he informed that only NLF can confirm:
>
> 1. Total no.of Green Birds booked by Mars
> 2. Total no.of sets recevied by Mars
> 3. Total no. of sets distributed.
> 4. Balance sets in stock.
>
> 5. No.of persons booked.
>
> I have handed over to you full payment of Rs.4000/- to
> you on behalf of VU2GIB Mukund Gubbi & VU2HBN Haridas.
>
> Hope to hear from you.
>
> 73's
>
> JPN
>
> --- nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@y...> wrote:
>
> > Dear PIC,
> >
> > Pls follow up with AUA as he is looking after green
> > bird issue
> >
> > 73
> > NLF
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> > Parin Gangar <parin.gangar@g...> wrote:
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> > 10pt; MARGIN-LEFT: 0px; COLOR: #ffffcc; FONT-FAMILY:
> > Helvetica, "Times New Roman"}Hello NLF,
> >
> > How are you? Hope you and family are safe and sound
> > after the fury of Mother Nature that we faced last
> > Sunday.
> >
> > Its been long time since there is any communication
> > regarding the Green Birds. I think last I heard was
> > that Rahul, VU3WJM, would be changing the bands of

> > the green bird from Military Band to Ham Band and
> > the sets would be sent to him for this purpose.
> >
> > Have we received those sets back from Rahul ??
> >
> > Please do remember me while giving away those sets,
> > as I am busy with my Morning QTH and hence could not
> > attend Sunday Meetings, but would definitely love to
> > checkin the NIGHT OWL's NET from my QTH after seeing
> > such a good response (25 checkins as per Zyros).
> >
> > 73's for now.
> >
> > Parin / VU2PIC
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> > ---
> > YAHOO! GROUPS LINKS
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> > Visit your group "m_a_r_s" on the web.
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> > To unsubscribe from this group, send an email
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2613. Ganpati Visarjan ...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 14:49:52 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2613 Message: 2613
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2614. NEW !!! now order your food on 145.000Mhz

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 15:24:13 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2614 Message: 2614
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2615. MiD NiGhT Independance Day net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 15:55:31 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2615 Message: 2615
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2616. Re: [m_a_r_s] Help - PDF on Learning Morse Code required.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 17:39:08 UTC
From: V U 2 C D P
Topic: 2611 Message: 2616

Hey Sriram,
Wud be great to meet you if you can make it to Mumbai soon. Also since I use a dial-up I really cannot upload a very good file on learning CW. However I recommend you please search on the net for "the art and skill of radiotelegraphy-3rd edition" by n0hff. Great stuff, a bible in itself.

By the way did you try CW palyer from F6DQM?There is another good software "Koch Method morse trainer" bu G4FON. Do check it out. your feedback awaited.

73
CDP

Sriram N <sriramx_2000@...> wrote:
Hi all:

I've got a brief respite for the next two days, and am thrilled to see so much activity on the MARS list, and also the plans for the Visarjan ! You know, I'm actually deliberating quitting my job for some weeks and then taking time off to live life again, perhaps I'll join the active Visarjan volunteers as an rookie - to observe and learn (I promise to not get in the way) ! The last I saw a HAM or a hamset was in 2004 during the AGM... and I'm out of touch with the HAM lingo.. All my fault entirely, I just cannot blame anyone ! ;)

Anyway, I wish to seriously get started with learning Morse code again.

From the Amateur Radio CD-ROM that MARS had give to the 2003 batch, I'd really liked the PDF on Learning Morse Code. This was a PDF filled with Dos and Don'ts.

Could someone send me this PDF please ? I think this PDF is a bit big, so I'd rather request someone with broadband access to help me out, than a person with a dial up account.

Thanks guys,

-- Sriram

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2617. Re: [m_a_r_s] NEW !!! now order your food on 145.000Mhz

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 17:56:01 UTC
From: V U 2 C D P
Topic: 2614 Message: 2617

Well well what are we having here? Any QRM is unwelcome and too bad Ajay sir is gonna realise it soon. I suggest we try locating these idiots first(a real fox hunt and the fox is to be hunted down so that its head can be hung from the walls as a trophy HI HI). Maybe we can get in touch with these chaps and give them an official warning and locate the crooked icom dealer as well. If that has no effect we can pass it on to WPC and pester them until action is taken.

Or we do it like young college brats " step outside and i'll show ya what its like to mess with an angry young ham."

for more suggestions drop a personal mail :-)

may all the static in this atmosphere destroy their rigs. Amen.

Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...> wrote:

Unknown Fellow : " Calling Ajay sir Ajay sir"

Ajay : " Ajay replying"

U.F.: "Sir aapne jo khana mangaya tha woh ban gaya hain , kisi ko bhej do collect karne ko"

Ajay: " ha theek hain main bhejta hoon"

U.F. : "Sir, zara jaldi bhejna, nahi to parso ke jaisa khana yahi reh jayega aur kharab ho jayega"

Ajay: "nahi nahi bhejta hoon bhejta hoon"

XYZ calling Ajay sir: " Sir light chalu karna hain kya? "..... n it went on....

The above conversation took place at around 7:00 pm on 145.000 Mhz... I told VU2 LOC and VU2 HIT to monitor n they too did hear the QSO.

How long are we gonna take the crap of these people using our band?

I guess it might take some time for WPC people to take some action against these people, or rather the ICOM DEALER or simply they may ignore the whole issue.

What we can do is especially we hams from south mumbai is jam the frequency when we hear them talking on 145.000 Mhz..

Senior Hams and others please suggest some way to get rid of this.

or do we shift our repeater to 145 and make qrm on their radios??

73's

VU2 AXN

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2618. Re: [m_a_r_s] Help - PDF on Learning Morse Code required.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 18:21:13 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2611 Message: 2618

--- V U 2 C D P <vu2cdp@...> wrote:

> Hey Sriram,
> Wud be great to meet you if you can make it to Mumbai soon. Also since I use
> a dial-up I really cannot upload a very good file on learning CW. However I
> recommend you please search on the net for "the art and skill of
> radiotelegraphy-3rd edition" by n0hff. Great stuff, a bible in itself.

And this is available as an official download (942 kb) at
http://www.qsl.net/n9bor/n0hff.htm

Thanks a ton for suggesting this name !!! It'll be a while before I get out of
Nashik and venture to Mumbai.. But I intend to be there for the AGM !

>
> By the way did you try CW palyer from F6DQM?There is another good software
> "Koch Method morse trainer" bu G4FON. Do check it out. your feedback awaited.
>

Since my last post that time, I hadn't really logged on much. I read your
advice on the CW Player today, and had intended to download CW Player tonight.
But I remember that UGO had told me about the Koch method being effective. I'll
take a software for that first, followed by CW Player.

Thanks for the prompt response ! :)

> 73
> CDP
>

73,

-- Sriram

> Sriram N <sriramx_2000@...> wrote:
> Hi all:
>
> I've got a brief respite for the next two days, and am thrilled to see so
> much
> activity on the MARS list, and also the plans for the Visarjan ! You know,
> I'm
> actually deliberating quitting my job for some weeks and then taking time off
> to live life again, perhaps I'll join the active Visarjan volunteers as an
> rookie - to observe and learn (I promise to not get in the way) ! The last I
> saw a HAM or a hamset was in 2004 during the AGM... and I'm out of touch with
> the HAM lingo.. All my fault entirely, I just cannot blame anyone ! ;)
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> Could someone send me this PDF please ? I think this PDF is a bit big, so I'd
> rather request someone with broadband access to help me out, than a person
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> a dial up account.
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> Thanks guys,
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> -- Sriram
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2619. Some interesting Telegraphy links !

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 18:28:09 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2619 Message: 2619

Hola, Martians !!!!

For some reasons (boredom and a bout of self-improvement being foremost), I've challenged myself to be able to understand Morse code again. There's something really stimulating when one learns something new.

Here are some links that I'm investigating:

http://www.qsl.net/n9bor/n0hff.htm - Has the amazing 942 kb book, "The Art and Skill of Radio Telegraphy".

http://dot.trwagner.org/ - This has a good collection of PDF docs.

http://hfradio.org/koch_1.html - On the Koch technique

http://www.socorroara.org/sara/n1irz.html - Some history on the Koch Technique.

http://www.g4fon.net/ - A Koch technique trainer !!!

My biggest thanks to VU2CDP, for mentioning the phrases "The Art and Skill of Radio Telegraphy" and "Koch Technique".

-- Sriram

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2620. HAPPY INDIPENDANCE DAY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 20:32:50 UTC
From: Micky Korde
Topic: 2620 Message: 2620

MONDAY the 15'th AUGUST
MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO
SOCITY
WISHING ALL IT'S MEMBERS
A VERY HAPPY
INDIPENDANCE DAY
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MICKY - VU2 IZO

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2621. HAPPY INDIPENDANCE DAY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-14 20:34:12 UTC
From: Micky Korde
Topic: 2620 Message: 2621

MONDAY the 15'th AUGUST
MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO
SOCITY
WISHING ALL IT'S MEMBERS
A VERY HAPPY
INDIPENDANCE DAY
JAI HIND
MICKY - VU2 IZO

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2622. Happy Independece Day

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-15 06:58:49 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant
Topic: 2622 Message: 2622
Attachments: 5 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Vande Mataram !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY !!!!!!!

Carried with care

coated with pride

dipped in love

fly in glory

moments of freedom in shades of joy

Jai Hind.

2623. Re: Re: [m_a_r_s] NEW !!! now order your food on 145.000Mhz

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-15 07:08:18 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2614 Message: 2623
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2624. happy independence day!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-15 07:12:36 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2624 Message: 2624
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2625. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: About MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-15 07:37:50 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2605 Message: 2625

i agree..thats what i was thinking-how the heck did it happen again!

----- Original Message -----
From: "Sriram N" <sriramx_2000@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 14, 2005 7:04 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: About MARS

>
>
> --- harshvardhan_k <harshvardhan_k@...> wrote:
>
>> Hello Ulhas,
>>
>> Sorry to spoil your MARS party. This email is a hoax.
>> That email is a recycled email from 2 years ago.
>> Mars was closest to Earth in 2003. Read the following
>> article for details.
>
> There's also: http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2005/07jul_marshoax.htm
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>> http://space.about.com/od/astronomynews/a/marsclose2005_p.htm
>>
>> Close Approach of Mars in 2005
>>
>> From Nick Greene,Your Guide to Space / Astronomy.
>> Will We See a Record Approach - Mars Closest to Earth?
>> Date: 6/16/05
>>
>> Take a look in the night sky.
>>
>> Does the Red Planet, Mars, seem bigger than last night?
>>
>> Well, you'd probably need extremely good eyes to actually tell, but if
>> you said yes, you'd be right. Each night, Mars is getting closer to
>> Earth (by about 23,500 mph). It will reach its closest point on this
>> trip on October 29, though the best viewing time will probably be
>> Halloween Night.
>>
>> What about the email?
>>
>> Will We See a Record Approach - Mars Closest to Earth

>> It is possible you've received an email which says that Mars will be
>> closest to Earth in August in 50,000 years. Sorry, that was 2 years
>> ago, you're reading a recycled email. This year's closest approach
>> will be October 29, and although it will be spectacular, it is not a
>> record breaker.
>>
>> So, why are we getting closer to Mars? Imagine two cars on a race
>> track. If one is closer to the center of the track and traveling
>> faster, it will eventully catch up to and pass the outer car. This is
>> what is happening with Earth and Mars, we are "lapping" the Red
>> Planet.
>>
>> Those of us who simply enjoy looking up at the night sky are not the
>> only ones interested in Mars' close approach. NASA is planning to
>> launch the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter (MRO) on August 10th, 2005. It
>> will take over 6 months for the orbiter to reach the Red Planet. This
>> timing will allow MRO to overtake Mars and arrive in March 2006. Once
>> it enters orbit it starts a 2-year mission to map Mars in great
>> detail. The MRO has high-resolution cameras which can spot objects as
>> as small as 1 meter or less. It will use a RADAR sounder to search for
>> water and spectrometers to look for minerals.The orbiter will also
>> help us learn more about Mars weather aptterns.
>>
>> On Halloween night, 2005, will be the best view. It will rise at
>> sunset and hang overhead through most of the night. So, grab a sky map
>> and start watching the approach of Mars, then enjoy the big show on
>> October 31.
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>>
>> --- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, ULHAS <ulhasparalkar@y...> wrote:
>> > Hi all
>> > I know this is not directly related to our activities,
>> > but still I feel this is one of the important event
>> > which we should not miss if we can help it. Please
>> > read on. This was a forwarded message.:
>> >
>> > Planet Mars will be the brightest in the night sky
>> > starting August. It will look as a large full moon to
>> > the naked eye. This will culminate on Aug. 27 when
>> > Mars comes within 34.65M miles of Earth. Be sure to
>> > watch the sky on Aug. 27, 12:30 am. It will look like
>> > the earth has 2 moons. The next time Mars come this
>> > close is in the year 2287. Share this 2 your friends
>> > as NO ONE ALIVE TODAY will ever see it again
>> >
>> > ULHAS
>> > 73
>> > de VU2UBP

>> >
>> > RES : 2431 1367
>> > WORK : 24072295 OR 24092556
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2626. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganpati Visarjan ...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-15 07:47:43 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2613 Message: 2626

Like the previous two years,do count me in for the event .

cheers

VU2MIG

----- Original Message -----
From: Ankur Puranik
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, August 14, 2005 8:19 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Ganpati Visarjan ...

Yea indeed the location was too good ! I dont think there would be any problem in having meetings there in future provided they are peaceful like todays meeting.

All members interested in participating in the Ganpati Visarjan Ham Radio Support may please contact:

VU2 HIT on 9892786110

VU2 CBU

Or

VU2 AXN on 9323153504

or simply send an sms on the above numbers or an e-mail on the mars main group.

It the next meeting which will be held very soon. The date for the meeting will be informed on the mars e-group.

73's

VU2 AXN

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2627. Apologies Re: About MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-15 13:20:31 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2605 Message: 2627

qsl & sorry.
Harsha, Sriram, my apologies for not checking the
message thouroughly. & posting it post haste. Hope you
all will forgive me.

ULHAS
73
de VU2UBP

RES?: 2431 1367
WORK : 24072295 OR 24092556
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2628. Re: [m_a_r_s] Some interesting Telegraphy links !

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-15 13:22:33 UTC
From: V U 2 C D P
Topic: 2619 Message: 2628

Thanks to you as well Sriram for the links. Its nice to know there is somebody else besides me who feels sad about losing touch with CW and is doing something about it.

best 73,
VU2CDP.

Sriram N <sriramx_2000@...> wrote:
Hola, Martians !!!!

For some reasons (boredom and a bout of self-improvement being foremost), I've challenged myself to be able to understand Morse code again. There's something really stimulating when one learns something new.

Here are some links that I'm investigating:

http://www.qsl.net/n9bor/n0hff.htm - Has the amazing 942 kb book, "The Art and Skill of Radio Telegraphy".

http://dot.trwagner.org/ - This has a good collection of PDF docs.

http://hfradio.org/koch_1.html - On the Koch technique

http://www.socorroara.org/sara/n1irz.html - Some history on the Koch Technique.

http://www.g4fon.net/ - A Koch technique trainer !!!

My biggest thanks to VU2CDP, for mentioning the phrases "The Art and Skill of Radio Telegraphy" and "Koch Technique".

-- Sriram

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2629. UHF NET

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-15 16:21:52 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2564 Message: 2629
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2630. Happy Birthday Dear Bassapa

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-15 17:08:02 UTC
From: Micky Korde
Topic: 2630 Message: 2630

MONDAY the 15'th of AUGUST
MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCITY
WISHING A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO
OUR LIFE MEMBER
BASSAPA ARABOLE
VU2 NXM

MICKY - VU2 IZO

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2631. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday Dear Bassapa

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-15 17:49:47 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2630 Message: 2631
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2632. Re: Re: [m_a_r_s] NEW !!! now order your food on 145.000Mhz

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-15 17:50:32 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2614 Message: 2632

--- Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...> wrote:

> Woa woa...sriram for a min i thought i was reading a mail from my grandpa...
> ;)

Eh ? Either that's a complement to me where you say that I have the courtesy
that only senior people seem to possess, OR you're too used to sms lingo :P

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> well thanks for ur suggestions n for ur compliments...
>
>

73,
-- Sriram

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2633. Green Bird

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-16 12:40:21 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2614 Message: 2633

NLF

Do you remember, while booking for green bird you informed that you are intending to purchase the Green birds in lot, which are in WORKING CONDITION, and yourself and VU2RIO will be going to collect it personally. The only modification required was to switch over to Ham bands by changing a chip or so.

The actual cost of these sets were much cheaper but it was agreed to get for Rs.2000/- which included To & Fro traveling Expenses and a contribution to MARS. Accordingly I booked 2sets for VU2GIB & VU2HBN.

The 5 sets shown to me at your QTH, to fix up, was so horrible that I just had to avoid it. I anticipated all blame will be on my head if the set are not found working. When I enquired for the working sets, the same was not available with you. Fixing up of speakers, knobs etc are not a big issue.

I did follow up with you for the working sets which you always had different answers. VU2GBI was in constant touch with you. On your pressure to install antenna (else licence will not be handedover) he did erect GT 5/8 and the shack was kept ready expecting Green Bird. ?Bechara panchi ke bina aaj bhi uska pinjra khali pada hai?. So why should I not feel bad. Hence these are not QRM emails.

The last answer you gave me in the monthly meeting was ?I will give you scrap ? if you want you take it? . The way you answer others shows yourself and my decision was to keep away from wrong persons like you. That made me decide JUST participate in MARS events and do work for Ham radio as per my wish. I am doing it till now.

Now MARS has become second JNA, more ?I? than ?we? which has destroyed the attendance and interests of the real martians.

Yes during JNA days I used to assemble kits and lot of time and money was spent on Ham Radio and the Club. Later due to lot of problems, as you are also aware, we formed MARS.

You do not explain that you are a lay man to electronics. If you are a lay man in electronics, I am should say I do not know what is electronics.

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Can any other committee member reply to my mail than NLF since procuring was done in the name of MARS. Koi sharmana nahi. Shame is a Bold & Beautiful word.

73?s

JPN

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2634. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-16 15:57:14 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 2614 Message: 2634

HELLO JPN

Gosh you sound like one hell of a lot angry young man , never seen your this side of your personality , and hey you do write well , but you know , you write proses (FUN ?PUN INTENDED), write poetrys rather , see it was GREEN BIRD , we were suppose to be intending to catch , like you , including me have gone or going thnrough same fate , but guess , bird was smarter then us , it never got trapped , LOL , SO TAKE A CHILL PILL , and have a good feeling abt , you letting bird go scot free rather then trapping it , it wud have been like us , neither can run away from MARS , nor be totally with it .

Hey by the way can you help me in getting receipts of donations made by my contacts , during HAMFEST, those guys need it to file there RETURNS , like sarkari office am running pillar to post for those receipts , cause those people paid for a cause , and we are not evn honouring then by giving them receipts ,thats the least we cud do , what say , anyways , i feel nice , sharing my this state with you , as they say its nice to talk out ,

And do you know , i have taken HIGHWAY , when i was offered a choice between HIGHWAY OR MYWAY , CAUSE ON HIGHWAY I DRIVE MY WAY , (LOLLLLLLLLL).

Anyways have fun.

73s

de vu2 ugj.

--- Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...> wrote:

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2635. Re: [m_a_r_s] UHF NET

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-16 16:41:43 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2564 Message: 2635
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2636. QRM on 145.000

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-16 17:31:25 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2636 Message: 2636
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2637. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Bird

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-17 09:12:23 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2614 Message: 2637

Hi Mukesh

No Fox Hunt now, It will be Green Bird hunting - My
part of Ham activity. Receipt Hunting your part.

Thanks, saw your mail after a long time.

I awaiting emails from our dear committeeeeeeeee.

73's

JPN

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2638. Finally it's here!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-17 17:43:15 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2638 Message: 2638
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2639. Thanks UGO!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-17 17:52:51 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2639 Message: 2639
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2640. Re: [m_a_r_s] Finally it's here!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-18 03:50:54 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2638 Message: 2640
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2641. CROSS POST FROM CQ_VU Everything for the Morse enthusiast!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-18 09:07:03 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2641 Message: 2641

HI

CDP AND Sriram this is for you, and definetly for all morse enthu.

de
VU2HIT

----- Original Message -----
From: sunil.uk
To: cq_vu@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2005 12:04 PM
Subject: [CQ_VU] Everything for the Morse enthusiast!

http://www.mtech.whsites.net/palm/palmadj.htm
http://www.mtech.whsites.net/jhp/index.htm
Mini Morse paddle for the Morse enthusiast !

de vu2ukr

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2642. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 1041(Green Bird)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-18 13:17:06 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 2642 Message: 2642

Hi!

Friends kindly note these sets particularly Green Birds as purchased from Agra surplus mkt. You can never be sure that these sets are completely working.

Even if they are working it is not so a simple matter to just change a chip and bingo be on HAM bands. It requires some work. For those keen kindly go thru the modification procedure posted on other groups.

http://www.indiahams.com/homebrewing/greenbird1.htm

As for the cost when these sets were available there they cost abt Rs650-750/ depending on condition. Mic cost was extra another Rs125-150. Spk also was around Rs100/.
The modification was a complete card unit that was supplied to MARS for Rs200/ each, (actual cost) glass epoxy board, rep switch , and 512K programmed ROM. This all alone comes to around Rs1200/. Some spare devices were also procured . Add to this cost of new cabinet powder coated at least Rs250/ and switches abt Rs100/. Cost incurred each set was definately more than 1650/.
Expenditure incurred in getting the set should also be included. I do not see it right to blame anyone for making money out of it.

Please note all the components and rigs are still there at MARs. If some would care and power few I am sure some may still be working on HAM bands.I would extend all help in getting them on air even those that have been much damaged. I request all to spare some time to dust them and get it going in coming month.

All the prices are my observations but I have little reason to expect them to vary much. Also note that out of 15 sets 10 were indeed in working condition. It is pity just because of appearence people didnt work upon them, they are well built and after all had been workhorse for our forces.

73

Rahul VU3WJM

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Message: 2
Date: 17 Aug 2005 17:43:15 -0000
From: "Amit Malgaonkar"
Subject: Finally it's here!!!

Guys got my ticket today by registered post. Say hello
to VU3TMM :-) Dunno from where they allocated me this
call sign but the important thing is finally I got my
ticket. It was a long wait of 2 yrs for me.

Thanks to all Martians for all the help and support
they gave.

Now guys especially the seniors I need your help and
guidance in getting a handy. I'm hoping to get a dual
bander so that I can participate in both the VHF and
UHF nets or should I get a single bander? Any suggestions
regarding the brand, model that I should go in for?
I think SFN had got his handy, think it was a ICOM T7H
home delivered through aesham.com. SFN if you are
reading this can you guide me regarding the procedure.
In the VUHams yahoo group some one had mentioned the
following wireless dealer in Kerala.

www.jesuradios.com.
No contact details are given. Anyone knows this dealer?
All suggestions are welcome.

Waiting to get on the air.....

73's
VU3TMM
AmitM.

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Message: 3
Date: 17 Aug 2005 17:52:51 -0000
From: "Amit Malgaonkar"
Subject: Thanks UGO!!

Hi all,
I just wanted to thank UGO for helping me out.
Without his help I wouldn't be VU3TMM :-)

Thanks UGO!!!

73's
VU3TMM

[This message contained attachments]

Message: 4
Date: Thu, 18 Aug 2005 09:20:54 +0530
From: Shantanu Chand
Subject: Re: Finally it's here!!!

Dear VU3TMM,
Congratulations!

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Check out www.gigaparts.com ;
www.aesham.comor
www.hro.com to check out prices. Also if you are

willing to pay a bit more you can get these rigs delivered to your house
from a dealer in Bangalore VU2KKZ- Rajaram (digitronics.india@...)

You may speak to him and give him my reference as i have already dealt with
him in the past.

If you have any further questions email me direct.

Welcome on board

73

VU2SCQ
Shantanu Chand

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2643. CONGO TMM!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-18 18:28:41 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2643 Message: 2643
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2644. Congratulations

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-19 00:45:53 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 1889 Message: 2644

Hi Amit,
Congratulations vu3ttm. Welcome to the world of ether.
Hope to see you on air soon.

ULHAS
73
de VU2UBP

RES?: 2431 1367
WORK : 24072295 OR 24092556
CELL : 98206 22237

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2645. ICOM v/s Yaesu and others

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-19 05:26:52 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2645 Message: 2645

[Shantanu wrote]
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[I add]
Given a choice, my suggestion is don't buy Yaesu. Most of the times the rig is not 'complete' i.e. they do not always give all kinds of sockets, inputs or output availibilities for jacks etc esp in the hand-helds. Both ICOM and Kenwood are good from what I have seen in the hand of hams in Mumbai.

VU2NHR
(Yaesu owner)

2646. Re: [m_a_r_s] ICOM v/s Yaesu and others

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-19 06:03:22 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2645 Message: 2646
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2647. Re: [m_a_r_s] ICOM v/s Yaesu and others

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-19 06:21:25 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2645 Message: 2647
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2648. Re: [m_a_r_s] ICOM v/s Yaesu and others

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-19 10:10:52 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2645 Message: 2648
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2649. Re: [m_a_r_s] ICOM v/s Yaesu and others

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-19 13:05:21 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2645 Message: 2649
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2650. Re: [m_a_r_s] ICOM v/s Yaesu and others

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-19 14:30:44 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2645 Message: 2650

--- Shantanu Chand <VU2SCQ@...> wrote:

> Dear AXN/NHR,
>
> A good detailed report for the T90a where it wins hands down against the
> VX5R and others http://www.ticon.net/~n9ewo/ict90.html
> have a look :-)
>

Heh... in the programming world, we've arguments such as "which development environment is better - Eclipse or Visual Studio ?". Looks like flame fests abound where ever hackers gather !

It's great to see such discussions on the list :)

> 73
> SCQ
>
-- Sriram

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2651. Re: [m_a_r_s] ICOM v/s Yaesu and others

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-19 17:34:48 UTC
From: V U 2 C D P
Topic: 2645 Message: 2651

Well so far my experience with the T90 has been limited (may be just twice) so can't comment too much about the quality but then it is difficult to comment on HTs. I own a Kenwood TH K2-AT which is a mono band HT. Kenwood had come out with this model about 2 years ago after staying out of the handheld market for long. Although a 70 cm version is also available it is again a mono bander, TH-K4. Actually Kenwood isn't even competing with Yaesu and iCOM who seem to driving the amateur to upgrade his shack with newer and more expensive rigs(viz. IC 7800 approx. cost $ 8000 and the awesome FT DX 9000D at an exorbitant $12,000-14,000). Even the HT market is ruled by them but what one needs to understand is what the HT is going to do in the shack. Is your shack built around the HT where you do not have a VHF/ UHF base rig? Then you have to be really finicky before zeroing on a particular model. Cost and other options are secondary because here in India we take radios as an investment; so
be choosy.Why lament later on a rig that does not live up to your expectations?
Though I am not an expert on rigs but then there are a lot of hams who will tell you their opinion and reasons before they zeroed on a particular model.
So get hold of old timers and ask, ask & ask.

On a personal note go with iCOM for better after-sales service (extremely crucial) and also a wide range of models to choose from though they could make their rigs more aesthetically appealing. Yaesu makes great HF base stations especially for CW operation and they are also very rugged. iCOM base stations look like TVs with their LCD screens (frankly who needs a TV?)
But for the true audiophile, nothing beats Kenwood audio. Ask anyone.

73
VU2CDP

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2652. 4 handhelds compared Take your pick

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-20 11:05:47 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2652 Message: 2652
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2653. Reminder UHF Net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-22 13:45:45 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2653 Message: 2653
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2654. Station Setup

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-22 13:52:10 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2654 Message: 2654
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2655. Re: [m_a_r_s] Station Setup

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-23 03:57:28 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2654 Message: 2655
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2656. Equipment List received

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-23 12:55:06 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2656 Message: 2656
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2657. Check ins 23rd Aug

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-23 16:59:38 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2657 Message: 2657
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2658. My station setup

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-24 15:24:06 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2658 Message: 2658
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2659. Station Setup

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-26 05:28:50 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2654 Message: 2659
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2660. Equipment for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-26 08:48:03 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2660 Message: 2660

Cross-post from radiohams@yahoogroups.com - the India-based international list for hams.

Date: Thu, 25 Aug 2005 07:06:00 -0700 (PDT)
From: Sangeeth Musaliar <vu2sdf@...>
Subject: Equipment for sale

Dear Friends,

I have my spare YAESU VX-7R for disposal. Model 2002 good condition. I bought this through a local dealer.

Please contact me if someone is interested. I am here up to 5th of next month (VU LAND).

Description of product

Vertex Standard model VX - 7R

Triband Handheld Transceiver

50/144/ 440 MHz

Li-ion battery pack

Charger , Rubberflex antenna

Leather cover CSC-88

Speaker/Microphone MH-57

INS = 21,500/-

Thanks & regards

Sangeeth Musaliar

VU2SDF A45WH

GSM: 9847255222

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2661. Visarjan Update?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-26 11:17:00 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2661 Message: 2661
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2662. Check ins 25th Aug

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-26 12:48:24 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2662 Message: 2662
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2663. CROSS POST FROM VUHams Italy's Red Cross says "YES" to Ham Radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-26 13:08:05 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2663 Message: 2663

----- Original Message -----
From: RAY (VU3ORN)
To: VUHAMS
Sent: Friday, August 26, 2005 3:32 PM
Subject: [VUHams] Italy's Red Cross says "YES" to Ham Radio

The Red Cross in Italy is turning to ham radio as an official communications channel.

The Italian Red Cross will activate its first ever amateur radio station in October under the callsign IZ4GQA. The pioneering new station is the brainchild of the radio communications department of the Italian Red Cross's Emilia Romagna region.

The department had been looking for a communication tool that would provide wider coverage than existing radio networks, incur no fees and be capable of working in crisis and emergency situations.

An amateur radio station appeared to be the perfect solution, but at the time the Italian Red Cross had never before been authorised to operate such a station. Not to be put off, members of the radio communications department obtained a copy of the official Italian amateur radio regulations and submitted a seven-page application for a licence to the Italian ministry of communications.

The application was successful and the Italian Red Cross was given the green light to operate an amateur radio station. An Italian Red Cross spokesman said: "Now we can communicate on all ham bands, being able to connect Red Cross stations not only in our region, not only in Italy, but all over the world."

- Jeramy Boot, G4NJH

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2664. ATT: VU2SCQ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-26 18:16:18 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2664 Message: 2664
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2665. Ganesh Visarjan Update

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-27 08:43:39 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2665 Message: 2665
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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----- Original Message -----
From: nilesh rathod
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, August 06, 2005 11:06 AM
Subject: [**LikelySPAM] Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan Meeting & Monthy Meeting

Dear Shantanu,

Good to hear that members are interested in Ganesh Visarjan.

We will be conducting the monthly meeting 14th August 2005 - Sunday and take it up in the agenda of the meeting.

The Venue and the agenda of our monthly meeting will be announced shortly.

73
VU2NLF
Secretary, MARS.

Shantanu Chand <VU2SCQ@...> wrote:
Dear Friends,
I was reading in this morning's paper that this year's Ganesh Visarjan is going to be low key as the Pandal are not expecting too much contribution due to the floods.

I was wondering what is the action plan of MARS this year. The final day of Visarjan is on the 17th of September 2005.

73

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Shantanu Chand
VU2SCQ

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2666. Fwd: Rs 3750/- Vhf / Uhf Handys

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-27 17:13:12 UTC
From: Deepak VU2CDP
Topic: 2666 Message: 2666
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

FYI.

"A.R Pratap Kumar" <popcom@...> wrote:Date: Fri, 26 Aug 2005 09:59:30 +0530
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Tel / Fax 080-23388073,

mobile 94483 32249

Web page :- http://business.vsnl.com/comex_pop

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Illuminated keypad
IF Dual Conversion
Modulation FM mode
Rx sensitivity better than 0.13uV (12 db SINAD)
Audio Output 300mW
Rx current 100mA
Standby squelched current 20mA
TX output 2.5 watt max with the supplied Nicad pack.
Transmitting Current 800mA
Weight 300gm
Dimensions 110H x 50W x 30D in mm (excluding rubber antenna)
Very compact fits into your shirt pocket and suits your purse too at this lowest price ever offered by anyone. Thats because we truly promote Ham Radio and make it affordable.

These models are from OEM suppliers of Kenwood and other Japanese models from China.
If you look carefully it is similar to the TH-22AT Kenwood but it is much smaller in size.

Best 73
Pop

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2667. Fwd: Ham Products

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-27 17:17:21 UTC
From: Deepak VU2CDP
Topic: 2667 Message: 2667

"A.R Pratap Kumar" <popcom@...> wrote:Date: Fri, 26 Aug 2005 10:00:32 +0530
From: "A.R Pratap Kumar" <popcom@...>
Subject: Ham Products
To: vu2cdp Deepak <vu2cdp@...>

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Email: vu2pop@... & comex@...

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2668. Fwd: Re: SWR METER

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-27 17:17:50 UTC
From: Deepak VU2CDP
Topic: 2668 Message: 2668
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"A.R Pratap Kumar" <popcom@...> wrote:Date: Fri, 26 Aug 2005 10:00:51 +0530
From: "A.R Pratap Kumar" <popcom@...>
Subject: Re: SWR METER
To: vu2cdp Deepak <vu2cdp@...>

Dear Ham
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2669. Re: [m_a_r_s] ATT: VU2SCQ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-28 08:21:39 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2664 Message: 2669
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2670. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan Update

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-28 11:26:19 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2665 Message: 2670

Hi,
Please count me and my IC-T7H in as well
Cheers,
VU2MIG

----- Original Message -----
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
To: Mars Groups
Sent: Saturday, August 27, 2005 2:13 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan Update

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----- Original Message -----
From: nilesh rathod
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, August 06, 2005 11:06 AM
Subject: [**LikelySPAM] Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan Meeting & Monthy Meeting

Dear Shantanu,

Good to hear that members are interested in Ganesh Visarjan.

We will be conducting the monthly meeting 14th August 2005 - Sunday and take it up in the agenda of the meeting.

The Venue and the agenda of our monthly meeting will be announced shortly.

73
VU2NLF
Secretary, MARS.

Shantanu Chand <VU2SCQ@...> wrote:
Dear Friends,
I was reading in this morning's paper that this year's Ganesh Visarjan is going to be low key as the Pandal are not expecting too much contribution due to the floods.

I was wondering what is the action plan of MARS this year. The final day of Visarjan is on the 17th of September 2005.

73

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Shantanu Chand
VU2SCQ

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2671. P5 (North Korea) DXpedition cancelled

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-28 18:20:22 UTC
From: Deepak VU2CDP
Topic: 2671 Message: 2671

The following press release, dated 25 August 2005, comes from
Tom Anderson, WW5L
(WW5L@...)
Vice-President and Information Director, Lone Star DX Association
(http://www.dxer.org/lsdxa)

Apparent internal miscommunications within the North Korean government's Committee for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries and the Ministry of Telecommunications and Posts over the approval of an operating permit to Dr.David Borenstein, KA2HTV, led the government to halt his recent P5 DXpedition before it could even begin, the New York physician said today.

However, the main purpose of his trip to North Korea was not amateur radio, but the donation of several thousand dollars worth of medical supplies from various Western countries to the Korean Medical Association. "I went to make sure these medical supplies got where they were supposed to," he said. Dr.Borenstein specializes in physical medicine and rehabilitation.

Another situation that may have also played a part in the halting of Dr.Borenstein's DXpedition operations was the death of his government assigned guide, one of the leading such guides in the country. The guide drowned at Wonsan, while he and other government assigned guides were escorting KA2HTV and others along the North Korean coast.

Dr. Borenstein's DXpedition costs were underwritten by the Lone Star DX Association (http://www.dxer.org/lsdxa) and equipment donated by many companies and individuals. Before he left the United States, Dr. Borenstein and the LSDXA were told his DXpedition operation should be fully accredited by the ARRL once he returned and submitted passport, visa, and photographic documentation showing he was in North Korea. This is standard procedure for DXCC DXpedition accreditation.

"The Lone Star DX Association is committed to the support of DX. We knew this would be a gamble, but thought the risk was worth it to try getting P5 back on the air. Hopefully our efforts and those of Dr. Borenstein has moved the ball forward in restoring amateur radio in North Korea," said LSDXA President Mike Thomas, NA5U..

The miscommunications developed when a Democratic People's Republic of Korea Cultural Relations official issued the operating permit, while the government's Telecommunications and Posts officials, had not formally processed KA2HTV's request for a permit to operate. Both agencies are part of the North Korean government.

Dr. Borenstein was planning on beginning his full time P5 operations on August 20, when DPRK officials suddenly called him into a meeting. "They told me the person who gave the authority in the committee should not have given it because of a mix up with the Ministry of Telecommunications and Posts," he said. "Up until then I had no idea that I would not be allowed to operate" as government officials had given no hint that the operating authority issued previously was not valid. "I was able to demonstrate amateur radio to these same government officials and showed them how it would benefit the country."

"But the inability to operate was devastating," he said. "After meeting with the government officials I just went back to my room for a while and watched the BBC, the only English language television program we could receive. I knew there were hundreds of stations around the world waiting to make a P5 contact and I could not get on the air."

"The Lone Star DX Association and I had planned this DXpedition for many months and many donors had given equipment and their time and effort to make this operation occur," he said.

Both KA2HTV and the LSDXA would like to thank the following sponsors for their donation of equipment: Tennadyne log periodic antennas, Yaesu and Vertex Standard radios, ACOM International amplifiers, Texas Towers, W4MPY-"The QSL Man", GigaParts, Buddipole, Hex Beam, High Sierra, Press Jones-"The Wireman", Heil Sound, North Alabama DX Club, Southeastern DX Club,
LDG Electronics, DX Engineering, Ham Radio Outlet, and W4HT Electronics. In addition, the following individual hams provided logistical and othersupport: WW5L, WY5H, K4UEE, K9LA, KC2MWA, K7JA, W4WB, W4RT, W5QM, W9GJ, W2RC,
QSL manager KK5DO, and the many members of the Lone Star DX Association.

Dr. Borenstein said these government officials confided to him they were hopeful a license for him to operate could be obtained in the near future, however no definite date was given. "They told me they would welcome me back, despite the fact it is very difficult for Americans to get a visa there."
Also, he added, there is no prohibition by the U.S. government against Americans visiting North Korea.

After the death of his guide, he said, many government leaders went into official mourning. "I couldn't ask them about radio matters as these people were in mourning, so that delayed everything another two or three days."

When he arrived Aug. 9 all of the radio equipment was processed through North Korean customs without problem and "it all went smoothly." Later the Telecommunications and Posts ministry officials asked to inspect some of his equipment, which included an Icom 735 and 706 MK2G, and a Yaesu 857, plus an
Acom amplifier. "They kept part of it for a week," he said, before ministry officials told him he would not be allowed to operate.

When first planning the DXpedition, Dr. Borenstein said, negotiations had centered on the donation of amateur radio equipment to the DPRK as "a measure of friendship." When the DPRK government took the equipment for inspection, they apparently thought this was the same equipment that was to be "donated."
The "donated" equipment taken for inspection includes KA2HTV's own personal Icom 735 transciever, a Hexbeam antenna, a High Sierra tripod, coax, a Yaesu rotator, and a dual voltage power supply. "The equipment was not seized, they knew I had other equipment, they could have taken everything, but they
didn't," he said, adding, "seventy percent of the equipment I took over there came back home."

A receipt thanking Dr. Borenstein for the "donated" equipment was issued by the DPRK's Committee for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries.

KA2HTV does not consider this a failure, but rather a chance to open doors to North Korea for possible future amateur radio operations. "Although I didn't get a chance to operate

from P5, I believe the equipment donations and my visit planted the seeds for amateur radio operations in the future," he said.
"Some people may see this as a failure, but if you don't try, you'll never fail."

KA2HTV received his first amateur license in 1980 and earned his extra class license in 1984.

Dr. Borenstein has guest operated from the following club stations or as an individual from: SP5PBE in Poland, 4X/KA2HTV in Israel, JY6ZZ in Jordan, CO2KK in Cuba, and 9G5DR from Ghana.

This trip to North Korea was not his first. He was in the DPRK in July 2004 for similar medical related reasons.

73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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2672. [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan Update

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-29 03:13:42 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2665 Message: 2672

Hi,

Please count me in and my ICOM V8000 [Base Station] in as well.

Regards,

Shailesh Deshmukh.
Phone: 9850119698(Pune)/ 9820303379(Mumbai)

73'S DE VU2LOC.

2673. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 1041(Green Bird)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-30 06:03:56 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 2642 Message: 2673

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To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2005 6:47 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 1041(Green Bird)

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http://www.indiahams.com/homebrewing/greenbird1.htm

As for the cost when these sets were available there they cost abt Rs650-750/ depending on condition. Mic cost was extra another Rs125-150. Spk also was around Rs100/.
The modification was a complete card unit that was supplied to MARS for Rs200/ each, (actual cost) glass epoxy board, rep switch , and 512K programmed ROM. This all alone comes to around Rs1200/. Some spare devices were also procured . Add to this cost of new cabinet powder coated at least Rs250/ and switches abt Rs100/. Cost incurred each set was definately more than 1650/.
Expenditure incurred in getting the set should also be included. I do not see it right to blame anyone for making money out of it.

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> > The 5 sets shown to me at your QTH, to fix up, was
> > so
> > horrible that I j! ust had to avoid it. I
> > anticipated
> > all blame will be on my head if the set are not
> > found
> > working. When I enquired for the working sets,
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> > same was not available with you. Fixing up of
> > speakers, knobs etc are not a big issue.
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> > I did follow up with you for the working sets
> which
> > you always had different answers. VU2GBI was in
> > constant touch with you. On your pressure to
> > install
> > antenna (else licence will not be handedover) he
> did
> > erect GT 5/8 and the shack was kept ready
> expecting
> > Green Bird. "Bechara panchi ke bina aaj bhi uska
> > pinjra khali pada hai". So why should I not feel
> > bad.
> > Hence these are not QRM emails.
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> > The last answer you gave me in the monthly meeting

> > was
> > "I will give ! you scrap - if you want you take it"
> .
> > The way you answer others shows yourself and my
> > decision was to keep away from wrong persons like
> > you.
> > That made me decide JUST participate in MARS
> events
> > and do work for Ham radio as per my wish. I am
> > doing
> > it till now.
> >
> > Now MARS has become second JNA, more "I" than "we"
> > which has destroyed the attendance and interests
> of
> > the real martians.
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> > Yes during JNA days I used to assemble kits and
> lot
> > of
> > time and money was spent on Ham Radio and the
> Club.
> > Later due to lot of problems, as you are also
> aware,
> > we formed MARS.
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> > You do not explain that you are a lay man to
> > electronics. If you are a lay man in electronics,
> I
> > am shou! ld say I do not know what is electronics.
> >
> > I again repeat this is not a QRM mail. I had to
> > reply
> > since your excuse to VU2GBI is never clear.
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> > Can any other committee member reply to my mail
> than
> > NLF since procuring was done in the name of MARS.
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Message: 2
Date: 17 Aug 2005 17:43:15 -0000
From: "Amit Malgaonkar"
Subject: Finally it's here!!!

Guys got my ticket today by registered post. Say hello
to VU3TMM :-) Dunno from where they allocated me this
call sign but the important thing is finally I got my

ticket. It was a long wait of 2 yrs for me.

Thanks to all Martians for all the help and support
they gave.

Now guys especially the seniors I need your help and
guidance in getting a handy. I'm hoping to get a dual
bander so that I can participate in both the VHF and
UHF nets or should I get a single bander? Any suggestions
regarding the brand, model that I should go in for?
I think SFN had got his handy, think it was a ICOM T7H
home delivered through aesham.com. SFN if you are
reading this can you guide me regarding the procedure.
In the VUHams yahoo group some one had mentioned the
following wireless dealer in Kerala.
www.jesuradios.com.
No contact details! are given. Anyone knows this dealer?
All suggestions are welcome.

Waiting to get on the air.....

73's
VU3TMM
AmitM.

[This message contained attachments]

Message: 3
Date: 17 Aug 2005 17:52:51 -0000
From: "Amit Malgaonkar"
Subject: Thanks UGO!!

Hi all,
I just wanted to thank UGO for helping me out.
Without his help I wouldn't be VU3TMM :-)

Thanks UGO!!!

73's
VU3TMM

[This message contained attachments]

Message: 4
Date: Thu, 18 Aug 2005 09:20:54 +0530
From: Shantanu Chand
Subject: Re: Finally it! 's here!!!

Dear VU3TMM,
Congratulations!

I am glad you finally got your license and are itching to come on air. I suggest you either consider a Icom T90A or a Yaesu VX5R/7R. A dual bander is always better for obvious reasons. Both these handies are so called Tri Banders anyways.

Depending on your location i might even recommend a dual band base station if budget is not a constraint. Also make sure you have a good antenna even if you are using a handy.

Check out www.gigaparts.com ;
www.aesham.comor
www.hro.com to check out prices. Also if you are
willing to pay a bit more you can get these rigs delivered to your house from a dealer in Bangalore VU2KKZ- Rajaram (digitronics.india@...)

You may speak to him and give him my reference as i have already dealt with him in the past.

If you have any further questions email me direct.

Welcome on board

73

VU2SCQ
Shantanu Chand

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2674. Cross posting [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan Update

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-30 07:50:45 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2674 Message: 2674
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2675. Trimming posts [inspired by, but not only for, Parin]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-30 08:46:38 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2675 Message: 2675

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> Parin

Hi Parin and others,

What Parin wanted to say was as above but he did not trim his post. There was a HUGE AMOUNT OF UNNECESSARY STUFF with what he wanted to say.

Parin would you please remove all unnecessary text from your email before you hit the send button. You can achieve this formidable and gargantuan task by selecting the text you don't want and then pressing the magical button called Delete which you can find in atleast TWO places on any standard QWERTY keyboard. This way you will incur the displeasure of few, whom you can otherwise use to support your other ideas/actions.

Others who have been insensitive and indulge in the practice of HITTING REPLY WITHOUT TRIMMING posts are requested to do so from now on.

(end of announcement)

Please don't reply to this. JUST TRIM YOUR POSTS, MATE!

Nirav

2676. Green Birds, ganesh Visarjan & AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-30 10:39:42 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2642 Message: 2676

Dear Members,

GREEN BIRDS..

I fail to understand the QRM for Green Birds, when the solution is so simple.

All members who have paid for green birds in the first lot of 15 sets like JPN, may approch VU2AUA or VU2CBU and take custody of their set. Then they may request VU2AXN to help them fix the set, if he is ready and willing to do so.

All the members who have paid in the second lot, recently, may follow up with VU2AUA or VU3WJM directly..

As far as Parin is concerned, he had already taken his set and brought back in 4 pieces. He being from a Electronics back ground was not expected to something like this. atleast he could have brought back the set in one piece he could not get it fixed.. as mentioned earlier he may collect his set which is in 4 pieces and do whatever he pleases to do with it.. but he cannot take any other set..

Members may please note that we (VU2NLF & VU2RIO) tried to help the members to come on air at a small cost of Rs.2000/-, our intentions were to increase VHF activity... VU2RIO being also techincally qualified and capable of fixing these sets. Unfortunately he is totally out of picture.. we expected other members of the society who are techincally qualified to come farward and help, but once again we were let down..

Please note that when you are going to get a VHF base station for a cost of just Rs.2000/- it is obvious that there is risk involved... all were aware of it.. it was calculated risk taken as hams in New Delhi & Lucknow had already fixed these sets and were active using them...The only set back is that unfortunately we don't have any techincal guys in our society of 240 odd members, if there are, they do not wish to get involve and help..

VU3WJM has already helped us in how to fix these sets... now guys have to come forward and fix them.

GANESH VISARJAN...

As far as Ganesh Visarjan is concerned, I understand by reading the mails that things are in order and a lot of members have come forward to take part in it...I am sure it will be a very sucessful event as always.

Now about me calling the meeting and not attending it.... Firstly I never called the meeting.. I had put a mail and informed that we are likely to hold the meeting on 14th, but will announce shortly... I had called VU2ZRS to book the B.S.Bengalle School for that 14th Sunday for the meeting.. But I was informed by him that the same is not available, because the principal is not available and we have not given them any letter.. I then informed VU2ZRS that we will pospone the meeting to 21th August..and keep the venue as B.S.Bengelle School, as all our members are familiar with the venue...changing the venue all the time does not make any sense, plus the members need to be informed well in advance...

I read the mail by VU2AXN on Monday 17th August, which he had posted on 13th August a day before the meeting, so it is quite abvious that I was not there.. In fact I understand the meeting was called and chaired by VU2CBU our treasurer...therefore I totally fail to understand the QRM by VU2HIT and VU2PIC about not attending the meeting...when I was not even aware of any such meeting...

All said and done I am glad that VU2CBU had taken initative and conducted the meeting and I am sure he must have appointed the Event manager for the same.. All well that ends well...

A,G.M..

A meeting was conducted at avija building few days ago, which was called by VU2ZRS.. many of our members were present during the meeting, specially the founder members (Thanks to VU2ZRS)... during the meeting we had announced that we should be in a position to conduct the AGM on 4th Sept 2005, provided the accounts are ready and audited...

I am sorry to inform that so far the accounts are not ready as our Hamfest Treasurer Milind Korde VU2IZO, who had promised during the meeting to meet us on the following tuesday to sort our the accounts, backed out and refused to come.... On one side he claimed to be a loyal member of MARS and on other he refused to complete the accounts...

Our MARS Treasurer VU2CBU has also not completed any work... I have been repeated following up with him, but so far I have not received any progress report for the same.. I understand that he does not have voucher and bills for most of the income and expediture last year and he stated that people have not submited the same...

From what I understand that the onus is on the treasurer to collect the voucher and make the payments immediately during the debriefing meeting of that event or latest by the next monthly meeting... unfortunately the same was not done.. please understand that I am not critisizing anyone but stating the fact...

Our Income tax Returns are not filed.. Our society has NEVER filed any returns with the charity commisioner atall in last 5 years.. which us mandatory.. I have repeatedly reminded all the past and present Treasurers to the same but unfortnately none of them have taken the initiative.... once again let me repeat understand that I am not critisizing anyone but stating the fact...

I have been called a dictator and task master and what not, because of my deadlines and running like the society like a business office... I have been doing so, because I know the responsibility of the secretary and of our legal standing as a society...For past 4 years I have ensured that the AGM is conducted on 1st May as required by our constitution... I know the efforts that me, VU2ICQ and VU2UGO have been putting to make sure that the we conduct the AGM on time..

Unfortunately this year I was in U.K and VU2ICQ is in Singapore.and hence the AGM was not conducted on time. Now I am in Pune and there is very little I can do from here.. I don't mind coming to Mumbai and sort out things, but I need our both the Treasurer to do some work before I come and not waste my time....

Nowadays a lot of people have ganged up together against NLF as everyone has his/her axe to grind. with me... because of my so called dictator and Task master's attitude... that is ok by me and expected... I do not wish to continue as the secretary anyway... like informed earlier I did not run for elections last year for the same reasons, but unfortnately I had to take the chair by default as VU2ICQ (our ex-secretary) has to QSY to singapore and there

was no one to take up the chair..

I therefore earnest request both the Treasurers (Hamfest & MARS) to please complete the accounts so that we can hold the AGM at the earliest and stop all this QRM...

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Secretary MARS.

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2677. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fwd: Ham Products

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-30 10:47:03 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2667 Message: 2677

ANY HF SETS PLS.

--- Deepak VU2CDP <vu2cdp@...> wrote:

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> "A.R Pratap Kumar" <popcom@...> wrote:Date:
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> Vijayanagar
> Bangalore 560040
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> mob 94483 32249
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> Email: vu2pop@... & comex@...
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> Dear Ham,
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> Please find below a brief list of items available
> for Ham Radio which may be of interest to you and
> your friends.
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2678. Re: [m_a_r_s] Trimming posts [inspired by, but not only for, Parin]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-30 12:44:31 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2675 Message: 2678

Slash and Burn November Hotel Romeo :-)

VU2MIG

2679. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Birds, ganesh Visarjan & AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-30 13:25:19 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 2642 Message: 2679

Dear Nlf,

GREEN BIRDS...

I fail to understand why you are repeatedly telling just one thing that collect the sets and get them working from AXN (IF AT ALL HE IS FREE).

All those who have paid the money for the sets were told a working set for just Rs.2000/-. Was that a lollypop shown for collecting money and having a trip to Delhi.

Why do you incessantly keep telling about the Set being taken by me and brought back in 4 pieces ??? You very well know that we had jointly given it to a THIRD person for repairs and that I WAS NOT GOING TO WORK ON IT ... DO YOU REMEMBER THAT.....?????

When you have got this topic of being an Electronics guy or not being an Electronics guy, let me ask you ,

DIDN'T YOU KNOW THAT YOU YOURSELF ARE NOT AN ELECTRONICS GUY.......?????

YOU RELIED ON OTHER TECHNICALLY SOUND PEOPLE IN THE SOCIETY FOR THE REPAIRS OF THE SETS. BUT, WHEN YOU FAILED HERE, WHY DON'T YOU HAVE A BACKUP PLAN ???

YOU ARE CLAIMING TO RUN THE SOCIETY LIKE A BUSINESS. THEN, DON'T YOU HAVE A BACKUP PLAN IN BUSINESSES.

DO YOU ALWAYS BLAME YOUR MISTAKES AND WRONG ESTIMATES ON OTHERS IN BUSINESSES ???

I VERY WELL UNDERSTAND THAT THE TRIP TO DELHI WAS ONLY DUE TO THE INTENTION OF GETTING MORE ACTIVITY

ON VHF.

BUT THEN IF YOU FAIL IN THIS ACT, YOU CANNOT PASS THE BUCK TO THE FELLOW MEMBERS OF MARS.

AS WE ALL KNOW FROM THE PREVIOUS MAILS ON THIS ISSUE THAT PEOPLE HAVE PAID MONEY TO RECEIVE " A VHF set in working condition" and not "Junk needing repairs from people not having time".

As I have written earlier too, that I had pitched in earlier to get the sets running but, unfortunately it did not work and now I have landed with a BROKEN SET with my responsibility, even though I was not responsible for it.

This is really sad that when I am willing to coordinate with the concerned people (AXN / WJM) who can repair the sets, then I am told to just collect my set in 4 pieces and others are told to collect there respective piece of junk and get them repaired on there own.

Had you really thought of getting people on VHF, and were keen upon optimum resource utilisation, you would not have kept back the VHF base stations given to you by VU2IZO, Micky, in the cupboards unused but could have given those sets to people who have paid

money for green birds in the first lot to keep their enthu for the hobby going.

Arre, atleast had you returned those unused sets back to VU2IZO, then some other hams from the Thane batch would have utilised them and come on air.

But, I still fail to understand what your motive is behind keeping sets unused in cupboards like many other sets that are in the cupboards of many hams and are unused, where, these sets in MARS' case, are not MARS at all.

WHY ARE YOU NOT RETURNING THE SETS GIVEN BY VU2IZO BACK TO HIM ??? NOW, DON'T TELL ME THAT YOU WOULD BE RESOLVING THIS ISSUE IN THE AGM. AS THIS COULD BE RESOLVED IN ANY M.C. MEETING.

I know I have been a bit off track from Green Bird, but, have only placed the facts that you are refraining from.

And as you have said that you do not wish to be the secretary of the society, I would say that since you too have shown the traits of our fellow politicians of doing no good for the soceity, you do not deserve to be the Secretary of this society.

Other members, please forgive me for sending this mail without trimming, may be someone else is free enough to do so.

73's

Parin

----- Original Message -----
From: nilesh rathod
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: mars academy ; classes
Sent: Tuesday, August 30, 2005 4:09 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Green Birds, ganesh Visarjan & AGM

Dear Members,

GREEN BIRDS..

I fail to understand the QRM for Green Birds, when the solution is so simple.

All members who have paid for green birds in the first lot of 15 sets like JPN, may approch VU2AUA or VU2CBU and take custody of their set. Then they may request VU2AXN to help them fix the set, if he is ready and willing to do so.

All the members who have paid in the second lot, recently, may follow up with VU2AUA or VU3WJM directly..

As far as Parin is concerned, he had already taken his set and brought back in 4 pieces. He being from a Electronics back ground was not expected to something like this. atleast he could have brought back the set in one piece he could not get it fixed.. as mentioned earlier he may collect his set which is in 4 pieces and do whatever he pleases to do with it.. but he cannot take any other set..

Members may please note that we (VU2NLF & VU2RIO) tried to help the members to come on air at a small cost of Rs.2000/-, our intentions were to increase VHF activity... VU2RIO being

also techincally qualified and capable of fixing these sets. Unfortunately he is totally out of picture.. we expected other members of the society who are techincally qualified to come farward and help, but once again we were let down..

Please note that when you are going to get a VHF base station for a cost of just Rs.2000/- it is obvious that there is risk involved... all were aware of it.. it was calculated risk taken as hams in New Delhi & Lucknow had already fixed these sets and were active using them...The only set back is that unfortunately we don't have any techincal guys in our society of 240 odd members, if there are, they do not wish to get involve and help..

VU3WJM has alreadly helped us in how to fix these sets... now guys have to come forward and fix them.

GANESH VISARJAN...

As far as Ganesh Visarjan is concerned, I understand by reading the mails that things are in order and a lot of members have come forward to take part in it...I am sure it will be a very sucessful event as always.

Now about me calling the meeting and not attending it.... Firstly I never called the meeting.. I had put a mail and informed that we are likely to hold the meeting on 14th, but will announce shortly... I had called VU2ZRS to book the B.S.Bengalle School for that 14th Sunday for the meeting.. But I was informed by him that the same is not available, because the principal is not available and we have not given them any letter.. I then informed VU2ZRS that we will pospone the meeting to 21th August..and keep the venue as B.S.Bengelle School, as all our members are familiar with the venue...changing the venue all the time does not make any sense, plus the members need to be informed well in advance...

I read the mail by VU2AXN on Monday 17th August, which he had posted on 13th August a day before the meeting, so it is quite abvious that I was not there.. In fact I understand the meeting was called and chaired by VU2CBU our treasurer...therefore I totally fail to understand the QRM by VU2HIT and VU2PIC about not attending the meeting...when I was not even aware of any such meeting...

All said and done I am glad that VU2CBU had taken initative and conducted the meeting and I am sure he must have appointed the Event manager for the same.. All well that ends well...

A,G.M..

A meeting was conducted at avija building few days ago, which was called by VU2ZRS.. many of our members were present during the meeting, specially the founder members (Thanks to VU2ZRS)... during the meeting we had announced that we should be in a position to conduct the AGM on 4th Sept 2005, provided the accounts are ready and audited...

I am sorry to inform that so far the accounts are not ready as our Hamfest Treasurer Milind Korde VU2IZO, who had promised during the meeting to meet us on the following tuesday to sort our the accounts, backed out and refused to come.... On one side he claimed to be a loyal member of MARS and on other he refused to complete the accounts...

Our MARS Treasurer VU2CBU has also not completed any work... I have been repeated following up with him, but so far I have not received any progress report for the same.. I understand that he does not have voucher and bills for most of the income and expediture last year and he stated that people have not submited the same...

From what I understand that the onus is on the treasurer to collect the voucher and make the payments immediately during the debriefing meeting of that event or latest by the next monthly meeting... unfortunately the same was not done.. please understand that I am not critisizing anyone but stating the fact...

Our Income tax Returns are not filed.. Our society has NEVER filed any returns with the charity commisioner atall in last 5 years.. which us mandatory.. I have repeatedly reminded all the past and present Treasurers to the same but unfortnately none of them have taken the initiative.... once again let me repeat understand that I am not critisizing anyone but stating the fact...

I have been called a dictator and task master and what not, because of my deadlines and running like the society like a business office... I have been doing so, because I know the responsibility of the secretary and of our legal standing as a society...For past 4 years I have ensured that the AGM is conducted on 1st May as required by our constitution... I know the efforts that me, VU2ICQ and VU2UGO have been putting to make sure that the we conduct the AGM on time..

Unfortunately this year I was in U.K and VU2ICQ is in Singapore.and hence the AGM was not conducted on time. Now I am in Pune and there is very little I can do from here.. I don't mind coming to Mumbai and sort out things, but I need our both the Treasurer to do some work before I come and not waste my time....

Nowadays a lot of people have ganged up together against NLF as everyone has his/her axe to grind. with me... because of my so called dictator and Task master's attitude... that is ok by me and expected... I do not wish to continue as the secretary anyway... like informed earlier I did not run for elections last year for the same reasons, but unfortnately I had to take the chair by default as VU2ICQ (our ex-secretary) has to QSY to singapore and there was no one to take up the chair..

I therefore earnest request both the Treasurers (Hamfest & MARS) to please complete the accounts so that we can hold the AGM at the earliest and stop all this QRM...

73
VU2NLF,
Secretary MARS.

Parin Gangar <parin.gangar@...> wrote:
Can anyone tell me which 10 sets out of the 15 sets have been modified to Ham bands ??? I mean is there any marking done on those sets.

As per Rahul's mail below, we should atleast try powering them and get them going on air. These can then be distributed to those who have paid the money for the same.

I am ready to co-ordinate for this if only our secretary allows me to do so. (Just like we had the Ganesh Visarjan event meet in our Secretary's absence).

73's
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From: Rahul Srivastava
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2005 6:47 PM

Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 1041(Green Bird)

Hi!

Friends kindly note these sets particularly Green Birds as purchased from Agra surplus mkt. You can never be sure that these sets are completely working.

Even if they are working it is not so a simple matter to just change a chip and bingo be on HAM bands. It requires some work. For those keen kindly go thru the modification procedure posted on other groups.

http://www.indiahams.com/homebrewing/greenbird1.htm

As for the cost when these sets were available there they cost abt Rs650-750/ depending on condition. Mic cost was extra another Rs125-150. Spk also was around Rs100/.
The modification was a complete card unit that was supplied to MARS for Rs200/ each, (actual cost) glass epoxy board, rep switch , and 512K programmed ROM. This all alone comes to around Rs1200/. Some spare devices were also procured . Add to this cost of new cabinet powder coated at least Rs250/ and switches abt Rs100/. Cost incurred each set was definately more than 1650/.
Expenditure incurred in getting the set should also be included. I do not see it right to blame anyone for making money out of it.

Please note all the components and rigs are still there at MARs. If some would care and power few I am sure some may still be working on HAM bands.I would extend all help in getting them on air even those that have been much damaged. I request all to spare some time to dust them and get it going in coming month.

All the prices are my observations but I have little reason to expect them to vary much. Also note that out of 15 sets 10 were indeed in working condition. It is pity just because of appearence people didnt work upon them, they are well built and after all had been workhorse for our forces.

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Rahul VU3WJM

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2680. Import Duty under Ch#85-29

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-30 15:54:51 UTC
From: vu2nks
Topic: 2680 Message: 2680

Attn.All Hams,

Be it known to all,
I have imported Qty.1 antenna from
W-land.The antenna was assessed by
Customs in Bombay under Harmonised
Tariff Chapter Ref:85-29-xx-xx.
I was asked for W.P.C Lic/permit,
which I had not even applied for as it
was assumed to be not required.

I was told by the Jt.Commisioner
of Customs(with whom I sat with all the
reference books) that if I had produced
the WPC paper,the antenna would have been
assessed under Chapter 85-25-20-xx.

I paid the duty under protest on 29/08.
The officer agreed that General Exemption
#134 and bringing Amateur Radio antenna
into Ch 85-29-xx did not seem right.

Now that I have raised a protest,
posted the above,Will standby for
helpful! advise and opinions.

73"s, Nandu VU2NKS

2681. Re: [m_a_r_s] Import Duty under Ch#85-29

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-30 16:40:57 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2680 Message: 2681

Hi,
I got jacked last year in importing a IC-T7 Handy
the store sent it via express mail and it ended up at the airport post
office.
and i ahd to pay the duty as there is now no provision for ham eqpt to get
exemption

cheers

VU2MIG
----- Original Message -----
From: "vu2nks" <vu2nks@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 30, 2005 9:24 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Import Duty under Ch#85-29

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2682. Guidance required

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-30 17:41:54 UTC
From: Deepak VU2CDP
Topic: 2682 Message: 2682

Hello all,

I am facing quite an interesting predicament. I am in the process of putting up my antenna on the roof of my building which happens to be a 7 storey structure in Mumbai. The antenna is a 5/8 g.p. for 2 mts. As a formality and necessity, I wrote to the co-operative housing society seeking their permission to erect the antenna. The society took up the matter in a meeting and jointly decided that I need to obtain a No Objection Certificate (NOC) from the local police station and submit the details of the antenna in terms of its physical shape. No amount of pleading helped. The photocopy of the licence was also given for their record and also the process of obtaining the ticket was explained including the bit about police clearance. But the society has stuck to its guns and demands the NOC else I may not be allowed to put up the antenna.

What is really irritating about this decision is the fact that it requires a trip to the police station once again. We all know how co-operative cops can be in such matters. With no offence meant to the police force, the experience during the licence obtaining process was frustrating enough. It took two days of leave from work to get it done("aap kal aao" was the usual refrain).

I need to know if anyone has faced a similar situation before. If yes, please tell me what was your course of action. I also need to know if there are any housing society rules that make it mandatory for producing NOCs inspite of having obatined the licence after all necessary clearances and permission from Central authorities.

As an afterthought, wonder what's gonna happen if I decide to put up a monster- size beam? Hi ! Hi !

73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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2683. Re: [m_a_r_s] Guidance required

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-30 19:15:28 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2682 Message: 2683
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

[Attachment content not displayed]

2684. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 1052

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-30 19:18:02 UTC
From: Rahul Srivastava
Topic: 2684 Message: 2684

Hi! Pareen and friends,

For those willing to work this is how you all should go about.

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A word of caution do it along with few other friends so there is none to pass the buck later on.

Check out and do let me know many sets may not even need the touch up tuning.

73

Rahul VU3WJM

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m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:

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Topics in this digest:

1. Re: Digest Number 1041(Green Bird)
From: "Parin Gangar"

Message: 1
Date: Tue, 30 Aug 2005 11:33:56 +0530
From: "Parin Gangar"

Subject: Re: Digest Number 1041(Green Bird)

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73's
Parin

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2685. Fwd: [cqmumbai] Guidance required

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-08-31 10:27:46 UTC
From: Micky Korde
Topic: 2685 Message: 2685

Dear CDP,
Just mail me your postal add. & cell No.
& woud be there to help u out with this problem .
Dont worry, Be happy.
73's
MICKY - VU2 IZO

Deepak VU2CDP <vu2cdp@...> wrote:
To: CQ VU <cq_vu@yahoogroups.com>
CC: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>,
Classes <mars_classes@yahoogroups.com>, cqmumbai@yahoogroups.com
From: Deepak VU2CDP <vu2cdp@...>
Date: Tue, 30 Aug 2005 10:41:54 -0700 (PDT)
Subject: [cqmumbai] Guidance required

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2686. CROSS POST VUHams Hurricane Katrina HF Response and Recovery Frequencies

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-01 07:46:36 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2686 Message: 2686

----- Original Message -----
From: SANDEEP BARUAH
To: CQ_VU@yahoogroups.com
Cc: vuhams@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2005 12:44 PM
Subject: [**LikelySPAM] [VUHams] Hurricane Katrina HF Response and Recovery Frequencies

Here is a list of Hurricane Katrina HF Response and Recovery Frequencies
posted by Pete, KZ1Z at The Daily DX to avoid any potential inadvertent
interference..

02802.4 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-91) **
03171.4 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-92) **
05136.4 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-93) **
05141.4 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-94) **
05211.0 USB FEMA
05236.0 USB SHARES Coordination Network (nationwide HF voice coordination)
06859.5 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-95) **
07507.0 USB USN/USCG hurricane net (pri)
07550.5 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-96 - primary) **
07698.5 USB American Red Cross Disaster (F-97) **
09380.0 USB USN/USCG hurricane net (sec)

10493.0 USB FEMA

14396.5 USB SHARES Coordination Network (nationwide HF voice coordination)

** Type-accepted equipment and an issued US FCC license are required to
transmit on Red Cross frequencies

AMATEUR HIGH-FREQUENCY GULF COAST HURRICANE NETS

03845.0 LSB Gulf Coast West Hurricane
03862.5 LSB Mississippi Section Traffic
03873.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
03873.0 LSB Louisiana ARES Emergency (night)
03873.0 LSB Texas ARES Emergency (night)
03873.0 LSB Mississippi ARES Emergency
03910.0 LSB Mississippi ARES
03910.0 LSB Louisiana Traffic
03923.0 LSB Mississippi ARES
03925.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
03925.0 LSB Louisiana Emergency (altn)
03935.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
03935.0 LSB Louisiana ARES (health & welfare)

03935.0 LSB Texas ARES (health & welfare)
03935.0 LSB Mississippi ARES (health & welfare)
03935.0 LSB Alabama Emergency
03940.0 LSB Southern Florida Emergency
03950.0 LSB Northern Florida Emergency
03955.0 LSB South Texas Emergency
03965.0 LSB Alabama Emergency (altn)
03967.0 LSB Gulf Coast (outgoing traffic)
03975.0 LSB Texas RACES
03993.5 LSB Gulf Coast (health & welfare)
03995.0 LSB Gulf Coast Wx

07225.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
07235.0 LSB Louisiana Emergency
07235.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
07235.0 LSB Louisiana Emergency
07240.0 LSB American Red Cross US Gulf Coast Disaster
07240.0 LSB Texas Emergency
07243.0 LSB Alabama Emergency
07245.0 LSB Southern Louisiana
07248.0 LSB Texas RACES
07250.0 LSB Texas Emergency
07260.0 LSB Gulf Coast West Hurricane
07264.0 LSB Gulf Coast (health & welfare)
07265.0 LSB Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio (SATERN) (altn)
07273.0 LSB Texas ARES (altn)
07280.0 LSB NTS Region 5
07280.0 LSB Louisiana Emergency (altn)
07283.0 LSB Gulf Coast (outgoing only)
07285.0 LSB West Gulf ARES Emergency (day)
07285.0 LSB Louisiana ARES Emergency (day)
07285.0 LSB Mississippi ARES Emergency
07285.0 LSB Texas ARES Emergency (day)
07290.0 LSB Central Gulf Coast Hurricane
07290.0 LSB Gulf Coast Wx
07290.0 LSB Texas ARES (health & welfare)
07290.0 LSB Louisiana ARES (health & welfare) (day)
07290.0 LSB Texas ARES (health & welfare)
07290.0 LSB Mississippi ARES (health & welfare)

14265.0 USB Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio (SATERN) (health &
welfare) 14300.0 USB Intercontinental Traffic
14300.0 USB Maritime Mobile Service
14303.0 USB International Assistance & Traffic
14313.0 USB Intercontinental Traffic (altn)
14313.0 USB Maritime Mobile Service (altn)
14316.0 USB Health & Welfare
14320.0 USB Health & Welfare
14325.0 USB Hurricane Watch (Amateur-to-National Hurricane Center)
14340.0 USB Louisiana (1900)

Sandeep Baruah, VU2MUE
New Delhi
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2687. Re: [m_a_r_s] Digest Number 1052

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-02 04:37:33 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2684 Message: 2687

Dear Rahul VU3WJM

Thanks for replying about Green Bird. Also for
technical info.

I was looking for Green Bird Purchase & Sales Details
from NLF & VU2AUA. No replies yet. Nor from any of
the committee members.

Anyways hope to know more from AGM.

Regards

Jaiprakash VU2JPN

--- Rahul Srivastava <vu3wjm@...> wrote:

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> 1. Re: Digest Number 1041(Green Bird)
> From: "Parin Gangar"
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> Date: Tue, 30 Aug 2005 11:33:56 +0530
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2688. Italy's Red Cross says "YES" to Ham Radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-02 09:11:54 UTC
From: dinesh patel
Topic: 2663 Message: 2688

Dear Mars Members

Just Thinlk on Red cross's Usage of Ham Bands! (Original mail is represanted below)

If no one opposes perhaps lot many humanitarian organisations may try to slip into Ham Bands.

Red Cross is known world over for their humanitarian services, why the UN and ITU is not allowing a separate frequency for their use??

If you agree you may write/communicate to ARSI tha national body, the IARU, the WPC etc.

As long as they operate only during emergency wherein they are deprived of normal communication means they may use ham bands as hamsbut they must not replace their communication tools by Ham Radio.

I hope I am correct in view to protect the ham bands.

Radio Patel

>The Red Cross in Italy is turning to ham radio as an official
>communications channel.
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>The Italian Red Cross will activate its first ever amateur radio station in
>October under the callsign IZ4GQA. The pioneering new station is the
>brainchild of the radio communications department of the Italian Red
>Cross's Emilia Romagna region.
>
>The department had been looking for a communication tool that would provide
>wider coverage than existing radio networks, incur no fees and be capable
>of working in crisis and emergency situations.
>
>An amateur radio station appeared to be the perfect solution, but at the
>time the Italian Red Cross had never before been authorised to operate such
>a station. Not to be put off, members of the radio communications
>department obtained a copy of the official Italian amateur radio
>regulations and submitted a seven-page application for a licence to the
>Italian ministry of communications.
>
>The application was successful and the Italian Red Cross was given the
>green light to operate an amateur radio station. An Italian Red Cross
>spokesman said: "Now we can communicate on all ham bands, being able to
>connect Red Cross stations not only in our region, not only in Italy, but
>all over the world."

Jeramy Boot, G4NJH

2689. FW: [CTDXCC] Emergency Audio feeds

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-02 17:25:48 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2689 Message: 2689

>From: "Bryan W5KFT" <w5kft@...>
>To: <lsdxa@yahoogroups.com>, <ctdxcc@...>
>Subject: [CTDXCC] Emergency Audio feeds
>Date: Fri, 2 Sep 2005 11:12:41 -0500
>
>Doug W5JUV has set up a system of streaming audio of the 7285 and the 3782
>ARES emergency nets on the internet. ANYONE with a computer can listen
>with no problem and hear exactly what is going on. For non-hams that want
>to listen in, this is a great source of info. Please forward this info to
>ANYONE that is interested, its a great plug for ham radio.
>
> www.arrl.org/audio
>_____
>CTDXCC mailing list
>CTDXCC@...
>http://www.kkn.net/mailman/listinfo/ctdxcc

2690. Mumbai rains

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-03 00:39:14 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2690 Message: 2690

Hello,
I wish to highlight the service rendered by Ham radio operators during the mumbai rain and flood situation, in the next issue of "Ham radio news" due this month. Please send me your reports with pictures if possible, at least your mugshots, by the 10th of this month.
In addition, please let me know the plans for Ganpathi Visarjan, which needs to be published in the "Club News" column.
73
Sarla

2691. green birds

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-03 06:39:04 UTC
From: arun singh rawat
Topic: 2691 Message: 2691

hi, everybody
there is to much QRM for green birds. as per green bird status at avihja bldg is, there is 12 nos lying in non working stage .

I would request nilesh (vu2nlf) to give me

1) details of green pruchase.
2) list of person who has given him rs 2000/- for purchase.
3) list of repaired green bird issued to.

I would request all the people to mail on the groups (not personal mail or call)

I) people given rs 2000/- for green bird to nlf .
2) people recived green bird from nlf.

please respond to the mail, but donot create QRM

I would be thankfull if somebody comes and help in getting the green bird working.(rahul will be there when he is in mumbai)

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bye
write u soon in other mail after you response

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2692. Re: [m_a_r_s] green birds

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-03 07:09:06 UTC
From: PravinKumar
Topic: 2691 Message: 2692

Dear Arun Singh

Yes, I paid Rs 2000 in the first lot to nlf at vile parle while a out side meet at the venue ,Sandesh marriage

Would like to collect the GREEN BIRD WHICH REPAIRED BY WJM (AS PER HIS EMAIL), NEEDING FINE TUNING , I WOULD DO IT MY SELF. PLEASE HAND OVER THE VHF SET TO ME IN RX/TX WORKING MODE IN A SINGLE PIECE.

73'S
VU3PAN
PRAVIN

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2693. Re: [m_a_r_s] green birds

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-03 08:07:06 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2691 Message: 2693

ArunSingh

I have paid Rs 4000/- to NLF for 2 green birds ..Kinldy let me know when are you getting the bird actually flying ..i do understand that there is lot of QRM for green bird ..but no reply from either you and NLF make people think otherwise..so better you reply and make things clear.. as u did now..so henceforth even you are QRL with your work please take some time and answer so as to clear all the doubts

I also know that you are not responsible for the earlier batch of green birds ..but since you had taken money to get the 2nd batch of green birds ...members feels that you are, and on the top no reply form you creates more QRM so please please please reply if not to individually , then in general to all once in a week.

73's
de
Huzefa
----- Original Message -----
From: arun singh rawat
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, September 03, 2005 12:09 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] green birds

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2694. Re: [m_a_r_s] green birds

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-03 11:33:21 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2691 Message: 2694
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2695. Re: [m_a_r_s] Italy's Red Cross says "YES" to Ham Radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-04 02:58:13 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2663 Message: 2695

Hi guys,
I do agree with Mr Dinesh Patel. In fact, even if they use it in emergencies, it should be used only by hams only. This is my view. I would like a discussion on this issue.
Also please remember the qrm on 145.000 recently. Fortunately, vu2hit, vu2axn, vu2iia, vu2scq & lot more took pains to throw these ONGC chors out. Also the guys finally listened to OM Vispy VU2VLL & is not heard any more on OUR frequencies. Please unite & be vigilant.
73.

ULHAS
73
de VU2UBP

RES?: 2431 1367
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CELL : 98206 22237

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2696. Re: [m_a_r_s] Italy's Red Cross says "YES" to Ham Radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-04 06:55:07 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2663 Message: 2696
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2697. Re: [m_a_r_s] green birds

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-05 03:44:10 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 2691 Message: 2697

Hi Arun,

Thankgod You atleast replied.......

Well, put me in the list of people who paid Rs.2000 to NLF for the Green Bird.

73's,
Parin

----- Original Message -----
From: arun singh rawat
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, September 03, 2005 12:09 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] green birds

hi, everybody
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I would request nilesh (vu2nlf) to give me

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2) list of person who has given him rs 2000/- for purchase.
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please respond to the mail, but donot create QRM

I would be thankfull if somebody comes and help in getting the green bird working.(rahul will be there when he is in mumbai)

we are trying to sought out this, as clearance of this will leave lot of space in avijha bldg .

bye
write u soon in other mail after you response

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2698. Re: [m_a_r_s] green birds

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-05 04:59:04 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2691 Message: 2698

Hi Arun (AUA)
Even i paid 1500 for the Green Bird in Secound lot

--- Amit Malgaonkar <amitbm@...> wrote:

> Dear AUA,
> Thanks for putting in a mail to clear the green
> birds issue.
>
> I had made a payment to you for a Green Bird. I
> think this was
> the second lot of green birds.I had paid Rs 1500 to
> you in a hamfest
> meeting conducted in October 2004. One of my
> batchmates Sriram had
> also made payment for a green bird along with me. I
> had mailed you
> in Nov 2004 regarding the status and you had replied
> that first
> batch was yet to be distributed and so I would have
> to wait in the
> queue and as soon as the green birds arrived you
> would be putting
> in a mail on the groups.
>
> Awaiting your reply eagerly.
>
> 73's
> de
> VU3TMM
>
>
>
> On Sat, 03 Sep 2005 arun singh rawat wrote :
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> getting the green bird working.(rahul will be
> there when he is in mumbai)
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Shailesh Pradhan
VU2SFN
www.qrz.com/vu2sfn

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2699. Re: [m_a_r_s] green birds

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-05 16:22:27 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 2691 Message: 2699

Dear ArunSingh

I have paid Rs 2000/- to NLF for 1 green bird at Chuchgate Sunday meeting, I have also enquired about this to you a lot, anyway ..

Kinldy let me know about its status
I do understand that there is lot of QRM for green bird ..but no reply from either you and NLF make people think otherwise..
so its better you reply and make things clear.. as u did now..We all know that even you are QRL with your work

so henceforth please take some time and answer so as to clear all the doubts

so please please please reply if not to individually , then in general to all once in a week.

73's
de
Kaushik
VU2KTW

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2700. wassup??

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-05 17:21:15 UTC
From: Deepak VU2CDP
Topic: 2700 Message: 2700

Well will anybody shed light on the goings on? The AGM was scheduled for early Sep but has been delayed. So when is it gonna be held, Oct, Nov ????
No info so far.
And frankly I am fed up after all those promises of giving me the raffle rig.
i feel stupid even talking about it now.

"Patience is a virtue best wasted on thee."

VU2CDP

PS: I finally managed to put up 5/8 outside my window clamped on the grill framework. Signal is a lot better as compared to the rubber ducky. Worked OM Sreeni, VU2PDN on simplex at 1W. 5-9. Effort worth it as it took almost 2 hrs fixing the ant. Quite an arduous task putting it up outside the small grill with one arm going completely numb from holding the antenna for that long.

Click here to donate to the Hurricane Katrina relief effort.

2701. Membership Validity

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-06 11:36:54 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2701 Message: 2701

Prashant

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73's
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2702. Cross Post from [VUHams] Comparison

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-07 13:57:32 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2702 Message: 2702

----- Original Message -----
From: Alex Chandy
To: vuhams@...m
Sent: Wednesday, September 07, 2005 6:06 PM
Subject: [VUHams] Comparison

Here's an email that's making its round among VUs all over.....

inches of rain in new orleans due to hurricane katrina... 18
inches of rain in mumbai (July 27th).... 37.1

population of new orleans... 484,674
population of mumbai.... 12,622,500

deaths in new orleans within 48 hours of katrina... 100
deaths in mumbai within 48hours of rain.. 37.

number of people to be evacuated in new orleans... entire city.. wohh
number of people evacuated in mumbai...10,000

Cases of shooting and violence in new orleans... Countless
Cases of shooting and violence in mumbai.. NONE

Time taken for US army to reach new orleans... 48hours
Time taken for Indian army and navy to reach mumbai... 12hours

status 48hours later...
new orleans is still waiting for relief, army and electricty
status 48hours later..mumbai
is back on its feet and is business is as usual

USA...world's most developed nation
India...JUST A DEVELOPING NATION..

oopss...did i get the last fact wrong???

Or am I just being proud of being an INDIAN?

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2703. Re: [m_a_r_s] Membership Validity

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-07 17:52:57 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2701 Message: 2703
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2704. Re: [m_a_r_s] Membership Validity

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-08 03:26:32 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 2701 Message: 2704

Hi Friends
Kindly correct my call sign againts my name
73s
Kaushik
Vu2KTW

----- Original Message -----
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
To: Prashant Koli
Cc: Mars Groups
Sent: Tuesday, September 06, 2005 5:06 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Membership Validity

Prashant

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2705. Re: [m_a_r_s] Membership Validity

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-08 03:27:17 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 2701 Message: 2705

Hi Friends
Kindly correct my call sign againts my name
73s
Kaushik
Vu2KTW
----- Original Message -----
From: Prashant Koli
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, September 07, 2005 11:22 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Membership Validity

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Subscription status of participants for Gansesh Visarjan event

SWL
NILESH DIXIT
Life Member

SWL
NAPOLEON MODI
Life Member

SWL
SAURAV GADKARI
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SWL
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VU2AIH
ABHAY SHAH
Life Member

VU2MWH
ANANTA MORE
Paid upto 2004-05

VU2OZO
ANISH KORDE
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VU2CUN
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Life Member

VU2AXN
ANKUR PURANIK
Life Member

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DARSHAN
Paid upto 2004-05

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VU2KWE
KAUSHIK SANGHAVI
Life Member

VU2GYM
MOHAMMED BHIWANDIWALA
Paid upto 2003-04

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2706. Participation in Ganesh Visarjan event

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-08 03:41:20 UTC
From: vaibhav
Topic: 2706 Message: 2706

Dear HIT,

Kindly Include my name for the participation in Ganesh Visarjan
event.

73's
VU3ICU
Vaibhav Palande

from ,

VAIBHAV PALANDE

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2707. Ganesh Visarjan meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-08 13:09:07 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2707 Message: 2707

Dear Members,
This is to inform your that we have scheduled a meeting on this Sunday, the 11th of September 2005.

The main agenda for the meeting is " Ganpati Visarjan 2005" and related issues.

1)It is compulsory to attend the meeting for all the members who's names appear in the final list attached with this mail .. Members failing to attend this meeting will not be counted in the event.

2) Photographs : Please bring in two passport size photographs for the ID cards which will be issued for the event.

3) Confirmation of the availablity of the equipment: Please confirm the availablity of your equipment for the event. After confirming the availablity of personal equipment for the event, one is bound to bring the equipment on the day of event, failing to do so one may be barred from participating in the event.

The time and the venue for the meeting will be notified in a day or two.

Members are requested to pass on this info to their ham freinds who do not have access to the internet.

De

Huzefa Merchant

VU2 HIT

P.S. Members who has access Please forward the above mail to Mars classes and Mars Academy group

2708. Fwd: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-08 15:58:38 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant
Topic: 2708 Message: 2708
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List of the participants

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2709. QSP from OM VU2HIT Ganesh Visarjan meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-08 17:48:21 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2709 Message: 2709
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2710. Solar flare affects communications, disruptions possible

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-09 05:15:57 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2710 Message: 2710
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2711. MEETING VENUE & TIME

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-10 08:51:51 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2711 Message: 2711
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2712. Re: [m_a_r_s] MEETING VENUE & TIME

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-10 18:38:41 UTC
From: Mohammed Bhanvadwala
Topic: 2711 Message: 2712

hi ankur,
this is mohammed bhanvadwala - VU2GYM (please correct my surname in the last ganpati visarjan list from BHIWANDIWALA - to - BHANVADWALA.
ankur count me in for visarjan, but i wont be able to mak up for d meeting as i hav to tak lifeguards meeting at same time , as they will be attending gauri ganpati visarjan on monday 12th

thanks for the information,
mohammed

Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...> wrote:

Dear Friends,

TOMORROWS MEETING

TIME : 10:00 AM (BE THERE BY 10 sharp)

VENUE : COOPERAGE GARDENS / BAND STAND

(LAST MEETING VENUE)

IT is 5 mins walking distance from mantralay. Ask for cooperage garden or band stand.

on behalf of VU2HIT... (Huzefa Merchant)

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VU2AXN

Ankur Puranik

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2713. Re: [m_a_r_s] MEETING VENUE & TIME

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-11 01:46:52 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2711 Message: 2713

Hi Mohammed (vu2gym),
Surname corrected. Sorry for the goofup. See you on 17th.
73.

ULHAS
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2714. rains & rigs (G.V. 2005)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-11 19:27:20 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2714 Message: 2714
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2715. Accessories for Sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-12 12:23:03 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2715 Message: 2715
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2716. Ganesh lifeguards vs crocodile in Thane

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-13 08:26:48 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2716 Message: 2716
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2717. rains & GV 2005 contd..

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-13 17:16:26 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2717 Message: 2717
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2718. Ganesh Visarjan 2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-14 16:17:52 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2718 Message: 2718
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2719. Licence

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-15 10:36:10 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2719 Message: 2719

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4)Nationality certificate
5)Attested copy of passport
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7)Demand draft to the tune of Rs60 in the name of Pay & Accounts Officer(HQ) Department of Telecommunication payable at State Bank of India , service branch, New Delhi, code 7687

In the covering letter please give all necessary contact details, including phone and mobile nos. Please send your papers by speed post or ordinary post. No registered or courier please

Mr Ahmed requests that all papers be submitted completed and together. He is confident that he would clear all requests within one year, provided the papers are in order.

Mr Ahmed can be contacted on telephone number 011 23355441. Please do contact him a week after sending your papers to make sure that your papers have reached him.

73

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Vice President ARSI
Editor Ham Radio News

2720. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-15 17:16:16 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2720 Message: 2720
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2721. Re: [m_a_r_s] Licence

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-16 07:10:58 UTC
From: saurabh shah
Topic: 2719 Message: 2721

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plz do reply i m confused.

73's

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2722. Re: [m_a_r_s] Licence

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-16 07:10:57 UTC
From: saurabh shah
Topic: 2719 Message: 2722

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2723. Licence expired

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-16 08:03:48 UTC
From: ajay solanki
Topic: 2723 Message: 2723

Hi
My Licence has expired
can some one tell me the procedure to get it renewed.
Thanks,
Ajay..
vu2pao

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2724. Visarjan Update

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-16 08:30:07 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2724 Message: 2724
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi Friends

After lacklustre start for the preparation of the events by the people organising the event every year...the mantle was taken by us with the MC permmissions to do the preparations for visarjan and the mail was sent asking members for participation...and as expected we had overwhelming response for members and unlike last year this year we had more licensed Hams so it was difficult to adjust all, as the requirements was of 20 and we have accomodated 30.

The final list of Members who will be at the respective locations is attached with this mail...PLEASE NO REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN LOCATION AS THIS IS FINAL AND WILL NOT BE ENTERTAINED

All Members participating are requested to report at PizzaHut, Chowpatty by 12.00pm Sharp, all your documents. ID, Banners, Ponchos will given to you at this location.

Also please Carry your Rainwear's as the Rain Gods are in a QRM moods so to avoid last minute QRM at Location please make necessary precautions as highlighted by VU2AXN Ankur mails and also please go thru the check list provided so as to avoid last minute hassle.

I hope we will all make this events a grand success and continue the legacy of the society which we had been doing every year.

73's

de
Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Event Manager and behalf of the Event Committee

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2725. Re: [m_a_r_s] Visarjan Update

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-16 08:42:37 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2724 Message: 2725
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2726. Visarjan 2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-16 08:52:53 UTC
From: Mukesh Vaidya
Topic: 2724 Message: 2726

Hi,

Best Wishes to all Mumbai Ham participants of G.V
2005. Looking forward for a huge huge succesful event.

Would be eager to read the report after the event.

Meanwhile also pray to "ganpati bappa" to take care of
Mumbai city & keep it "disaster-free".

Greetings from all Bangalore Hams also for the event.

"ganpati bappa morya, pudhchya varshi lavkar ya"

Best 73s
VU3OMV
Life Member : MARS & BARC

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wrote:

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2727. FACT SHEET ROLE OF HAMS DURING GANESH VISARJAN

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-17 01:24:33 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2727 Message: 2727

With heartfelt thanks to VU2UGO OM Sandip Adiwarekar &
VU2NHR OM Nirav Sanghavi

ROLE OF HAMS DURING GANESH VISARJAN

Hams from Mumbai have been providing FREE and
VOLUNTARY wireless radio services for Ganesh Visarjan
at Giragaum Chowpatty for more than 16-18 hours for
last 12 years. The same is being continued under the
banner of MARS
since its inception 6 years ago. All large Ganpati
idols from as far as Chembur come to Girgaum Chowpatty
for immersion due to the crane and other crowd
handling facilities available there. The wireless
radio support is provided to and for the following -

1. Lost and Found cases to the Police - Hams from
various BMC towers (machaans) relay information about
numerous cases of lost and found people and their
description and the PA systems make these
announcements in Chowpatty, Opera House, Prarthna
Samaj and C.P. Tank. All found people and those
looking for them are sent to the Lost and Found Area
of the Mumbai
Police on Girgaum Chowpatty.

2. Wireless support for the Samanvay Samiti
We provide wireless support for the smooth movement of
Ganpatis and accompanying crowds and messaging for the
Samanvay Samiti which is an association of all the of
Ganesh Mandals in Mumbai, General Public at large
through BMC public address systems.

3. Emergency medical services, ambulances of various
hospitals and first aid counters are all given
wireless support for cases that occur and ambulances
and first aid counters are intimated about cases
coming to them. This helps them prepare better and
react faster in critical and emergency situations.

4. Life Guard Tower and boats have our volunteers on
them and they have no way of communicating with each
other without our radio hams. The life guard boats
watch the crowds from the sea and come to rescue of
drowning people.

5. Backup for Mumbai Police : Other than the Mumbai Police, none of the agencies involved in smooth Ganesh Visarjan co-ordination have wireless equipment. We not only provide the support by offering these agencies free communication but also do the same for those policemen on the street level who do not have wireless sets when they want to communicate to Ganesh Mandals etc in other locations thereby relaying information using our wireless network.

MARS is a not-for-profit society and spends its own money in erecting its tower at Chowpatty and providing refreshments and basic supplies to its volunteers. MARS
is looking for nominal sponsorships for these requirements on a long term basis. MARS has all the necessary approvals from the relevant authorities to voluntarily conduct these activities and is invited to meetings of the Mumbai police and other agencies.

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society also provided communication support during natural calamities like Gujarat earthquake and Bihar flash flood.

WHAT IS AMATEUR RADIO AND WHO ARE HAMS?

A user of a personal radio station, purely for non-commercial purposes, with other radio hobbyists. We call that Ham Radio or Amateur Radio. We call ourselves Amateur Radio Operators, Ham Radio Operators or just plain "hams".

Ham radio operators communicate with each other with regular voice mode or via computers and ham radio. Hams may become close friends with people they talk to on the other side of the globe. Some of us prefer to use the oldest form of radio communication - Morse code. If you fancy today's technology,there are various ways to connect your Amateur Radio Equipment to your computer and operate using digital modes such as Packet Radio, RTTY (Radio Tele-type), PSK31, SSTV (Slow Scan Television) or HSMM (High-Speed Multimedia).

Some may take a bagful of electronics and turn it in a radio. Hams have communicated with each other and their homes, during a hike in the Sahyadris with just 3 watts of power. The skills are honed continuously using games
like a Foxhunt or decoding cloud images from the weather satellites or doing a moonbounce. One can enjoy a talk via the amateur satellites (like HAMSAT - India's very own satellite) or a with an astronaut

aboard the International Space Station, all of whom are hams by default.

It is during natural calamities that we hams come in our own. While all other communications channels are down, hams provide emergency communications by giving own time, spending own money, trying to help out when and where needs it most. The country asks and we respond without reservation. Many a times this is the only channel available for keeping the communications alive. This is where the hobby becomes of prime importance.

To become a ham, you have to have a license issued by the Wireless Protocol Commission, Ministry of Telecommunications. The examinations are held by the WPC all over India. The WPC also provides each ham with a callsign, which identifies each ham all over the world uniquely. The WPC also monitors the Amateur Radio bands which are allocated globally for amateur radio use by International Telecommunication Union.

Amateur Radio knows no country boundaries and brings the world together as good friends. We believe in "ONE WORLD! ONE LANGUAGE!HAM RADIO"

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2728. Re: [m_a_r_s] Licence

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-18 11:50:31 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2719 Message: 2728

Hello saurabh,
These instructions are for people who have not received any info on their licences since 5 years. It is anyway good to confirm with Mr.Irshad whether your papers are processed or not.
73
Sarla

>From: saurabh shah <meetsbs@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Licence
>Date: Fri, 16 Sep 2005 08:10:58 +0100 (BST)
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2729. Ganapati Baappa Morya !!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-18 15:23:47 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2729 Message: 2729
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2730. HOMEBREW HF TRANSCEIVER

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-18 18:24:00 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2730 Message: 2730
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2731. HOMEBREW HF TRANSCEIVER

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-18 18:26:20 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2730 Message: 2731
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2732. HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEAR SANDEEP

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-18 19:09:05 UTC
From: Micky Korde
Topic: 2732 Message: 2732

MONDAY th19'th th of SEPTEMBER
MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCITY
WISHING A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO
OUR LIFE MEMBER
SANDEEP ADVIREKAR
VU2 UGO
MICKY - VU2 IZO

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2733. Happy Birthday UGO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-19 05:17:54 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 2733 Message: 2733

Dear VU2UGO,

Wish you many many happy returns of the day.
GOD bless u.
Happy Birthday.

2734. Re: [m_a_r_s] HOMEBREW HF TRANSCEIVER oder confirm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-19 09:12:36 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2734 Message: 2734
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2735. Happy Birthday UGO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-19 09:17:45 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2733 Message: 2735

dear sundeep

happy birthday .

all the best and keep smiling and be happy .

vu2zrs

----- Original Message -----

From: Surendra Shete
Date: Monday, September 19, 2005 10:47 am
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday UGO

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2736. Happy Birthday VU2 UGO - Sandeep

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-19 10:50:31 UTC
From: Mehul Chovatia
Topic: 2733 Message: 2736

Dear Sandeep,

Wish you many many happy returns of the day!!

Regds,

Mehul
VU2 ICQ

2737. Happy Birthday UGO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-19 11:04:37 UTC
From: Labhesh More
Topic: 2733 Message: 2737

Long Live UGO

Wishing u many happy returns of the day.

Regards,

Labhesh More
VU2EGO

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2738. Happy Birthday UGO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-19 11:58:52 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2733 Message: 2738
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2739. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday VU2 UGO - Sandeep

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-19 14:46:25 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2733 Message: 2739

Dear Sandip,

All the best wishes!

Cheers,
Kapil
VU2MIG

2740. Bravo Zulu Visarjan Volunteers

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-19 14:50:52 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2740 Message: 2740

On behalf of the Managing Committee,
I take great pleasure and pride in complimenting each and every member of MARS who took time off and maintained one of the numerous observation posts we had set up.
The list of participants is exhaustive and keeps the MARS banner flying high.

Special mention of VU2HIT,VU2ZRS and VU2AXN (yes,in decreasing order of their age) who ran the whole set up.

Looking forward to more such events int he future.

73s,
Kapil Chandni
VU2MIG

www.warbirdsofindia.com

2741. Re: [m_a_r_s] HOMEBREW HF TRANSCEIVER oder confirm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-19 15:10:21 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2734 Message: 2741

Hi Sandesh,
I would love one too.
Just one suggestion- Outsource the entire fabrication,manufacturing and assembly process to one of those numerous lamington heroes.

Good show!
Guys,come on- 6000 Rs for 60,000 km distance conversations! Rush with your orders

Kapil
VU2MIG

----- Original Message -----
From: fortunecookie@...
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, September 19, 2005 2:42 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] HOMEBREW HF TRANSCEIVER oder confirm

dear kamat

i need two hf rig .

let me know . thanks

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Forwarded message attached -- Original Message -- From: Sandesh Kamat To: vu2sxf@...
Subject: Fwd: HOMEBREW HF TRANSCEIVER --Next_1127067980---1-203.199.83.35-8209
Content-Type: text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1 Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Note: Forwarded message attached

-- Original Message --

From: Sandesh Kamat <vu2sxf@...>
To: vu2sxf@...
Subject: Fwd: HOMEBREW HF TRANSCEIVER

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2742. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday VU2 UGO - Sandeep

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-19 16:57:27 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 2733 Message: 2742

Dear Sandeep,

Wish you many many happy returns of the day!!

Regds,

Kaushik
VU2 KTW

2743. HOMEBREW HF TRANSCEIVER

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-20 06:27:55 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2730 Message: 2743
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2744. Thanks!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-20 12:25:07 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 2744 Message: 2744

Dear Friends!!

Thanks for the greetings! and

Congratulations to all the participants of successful GV2005.

Looking forward for your gr8 support in the forthcoming JOTA2005.

73s de Sandip VU2UGO

2745. Re: [m_a_r_s] HOMEBREW HF TRANSCEIVER

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-21 02:44:10 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2730 Message: 2745

Hi Sandesh,
I suggest you put up some pictures of the set
and let people see your effort.
I would suggest you start plannning the manufacturing costs for a first lot of 10.We can try to get 10 sold somehow and after that its word of mouth to the other clubs across India.
Once you have a MARS validated product,others should lap it up.

Cheers,
kapil
VU2MIG
9821568122

----- Original Message -----
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: tara1@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, September 20, 2005 11:57 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] HOMEBREW HF TRANSCEIVER

Dear Friends
Ref to my earlier mail till now i have only 3 mails
& order for 3 rigs which is very less for production
I think uptil now only one member has clearly understood
my mail i.e. KAPIL CHANDNI & thanks kapil for ur suggestion
infact we have the same idea to get it done outside & we do
the most critical part which is tuning but even for this we
require a min order of 10- 15 pieces otherwise we cannot go ahead
cause the cost of production would increase so also we have to get
the DDS chip from US we also need to design the PCB for the same
as our personal rig is concerned we can manage ourselves but
if we are manufacturing this & making this commercially we have
to adhere to certain norms & we dont want to compromise on the
quality & let me tell you all that we are doing this so that more
hams from mumbai can come on HF cause every time hams tell
commercial rigs are out of budget for them ,thats why we
have kept the price at the lowest considering the efforts
required.
Let me also inform you that even if we get the desired orders
we would require atleast 4-6 weeks to design the prototype with
PCB , CABINET etc.

THANKS & 73
DE VU2SXF
SANDESH KAMAT
9224176572

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2746. ‘Angel of the sea’ : the less kn own story of tsunami hit Andaman:

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-21 13:50:07 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2746 Message: 2746
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2747. Ganesh Visarjan 2k5 Follow the link ..

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-21 18:21:10 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2747 Message: 2747
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2748. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ganesh Visarjan 2k5 Follow the link ..

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-22 04:09:43 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2747 Message: 2748

--- Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...> wrote:

> Dear Friends,
>
> Here are the pictures of Ganpati Visarjan 2005, Follow the link of Image
> station (Main control and vicinity).

Thanks, AXN, for the images. AT least I got to imagine the Visarjan excitement (to the extent of 0.01 %, perhaps).

> All the Station Incharges are requested to post their individual event report
> on the groups so that every one gets an idea of the event.
> The main control report will be put up soon.
> take care guys enjoy the pics..

I've forwarded the link to a few of my friends too.

> 73's
> de
> VU2 AXN

-- Sriram

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2749. Pending licenses & results with VU2CBU

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-22 10:31:09 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2749 Message: 2749
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2750. You've been invited to an album at Sony's ImageStation!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-22 13:42:02 UTC
From: vu2sfh@gmail.com
Topic: 2750 Message: 2750

You've been invited to an album at Sony's ImageStation! It's called "Ganesh Visarjan 2005".

Click on the link below to see the ImageStation Album.

http://www.imagestation.com/album/pictures.html?id=2120391864&code=18390156&mode=invite&DCMP=isc-email-AlbumInvite

If the above text isn't clickable, just cut and paste it into the address
bar of your browser (see the instructions at the bottom of this message).

Thanks for using ImageStation!

Stay in touch. Save time. Protect your memories.
Visit http://www.imagestation.com?DCMP=AlbumInvite

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This message was sent to you by Surendra.Shete..

Need Some Help? Please See Below:

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Here's how (very easy):
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you normally type a Web address to visit
4. Select the EDIT menu and choose PASTE
5. Now hit ENTER on your keyboard to take you to the Web address

If you would like further assistance please email us at support@...

2751. Re: [m_a_r_s] HOMEBREW HF TRANSCEIVER

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-23 03:07:44 UTC
From: Feroze Patel
Topic: 2730 Message: 2751

Guys,
This is a nice move. But with all the QRM going on on the subject one is skeptical (sorry).
I will be eagerly following up this subject as you discuss and will take a call on this.
Yes I am definately interested.
73s
Feroze (VU2FEO)
----- Original Message -----
From: Kapil Chandni
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2005 8:14 AM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] HOMEBREW HF TRANSCEIVER

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2752. Fwd: [vuqrp] Russian hamsat launch

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-23 03:49:03 UTC
From: AmitM
Topic: 2752 Message: 2752
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2753. About Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-24 15:25:05 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2753 Message: 2753
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2754. VHF contact with Lohgad

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-25 01:57:04 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 2754 Message: 2754

OM vu2ozo with few swls are at Lohgad and i had vhf contact with them via repeater as well as simplex this morning.

this is to inform to all who are qrv on 2m, to have a contact with him and encourage the SWLs about ham radio.

he will be qrv till 1300 hrs today.

73s de Sandip UGO

2755. Data Decoding

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-25 18:11:40 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 2755 Message: 2755

WAVECOM Elektronik AG, Hammerstrasse 8, CH-8180 Buelach, Switzerland
Phone: +41 44 872 70 60 , Fax +41 44 872 70 66, info@...

W51PC

The PCI bus, more calculating power, bigger bandwidth, multiple cards per PC and more flexible in- and outputs make this decoder card the first choice for setting up complex monitoring and surveillance systems. The W51PC uses the same Windows? based user interface as the W41PC MK-II.

The full support of Windows? 2000/XP operating systems lets the W51PC easily communicate with other applications. Real DSP technology is combined with today's high PC power.

General Description
Special Functions
Applications

General Description

The W51PC card offers all the necessary functions to analyze, decode, record and process radio communication transmissions. The complete hardware is realized on a half-length PCI card.
The W51PC can be used in different ways:

local ? use in your own PC with the standard W51PC application software
remote ? use over the LAN, with the standard W51PC application software
remote control ? control from other applications using customer written or third party software (example Alarm Monitor)

This allows the system to be adapted to the clients? needs and applications.

Using an audio or IF signal, the W51PC decodes a variety of text and graphical transmission modes. The detection of signal parameters is assisted by a large number of analysis and measurement functions that operate over a wide range. The W51PC is the next advanced version of the famous line of WAVECOM decoders. It gives more flexibility, calculating power to do the required. Two additional audio outputs are now available.

No interrupt is required.

Special Functions

New:

To analyze, demodulate and detect signals a new wideband FFT with a bandwidth of 192 kHz was added.
All inputs are on a separate piggy pack module, for more flexibility and special requirements.
IF-inputs, the best connection to your receiver.

To decode and analyze signal transmissions the W51PC is equipped with two Digital Signal Processors (DSP?s). The DSP's with their power and efficiency allow the realization of real-time demodulators. The large memory allows a sufficient data buffering, allowing you to run multiple cards on the same computer. Another part of the W51PC application runs on the PC, making the whole computing power of the PC available for the data processing.

The W51PC application software can utilize DCOM to communicate with the W51PC hardware over the network. Up to eight W51PC cards can be plugged into a single PC, providing basis for a high performance signal decoding system. This combined with the network capabilities allows a system to be extended for many possible configurations. Complex systems for massive data handling are only limited by the performance of the used computers and the network.

Operation over a network is completely transparent to the user. Configuration of system components can be completely adapted to particular needs. A W51PC card can be controlled from everywhere and its output can be sent to one or more applications on the network.

Any PC can be set up as a management console to control a whole network. Any PC can be used to remote control W51PC cards (decoding, storing, hard disk recording, analyzing etc). To realize such configurations high performance networks are recommended.

The W51PC application is a full 32-bit Microsoft? Windows? application providing a familiar user interface and system functions. This has the advantage of automatically supporting graphics adaptors, printers and other functions that are supported by the operating system. Multi-window display capabilities make it possible to view different signals or to compare different analysis representations of a single signal simultaneously. The availability of sophisticated software development tools allows the rapid implementation of new functions.

To process data output, control the hardware and the mode parameters of the W51PC, a software interface (DCOM) is implemented. It allows the direct integration of the W51PC into customer applications.

The easy-to-use man-machine interface with clearly structured pull-down menus allows an operator to become familiar with the W51PC in a short time. A high degree of operator proficiency can quickly be achieved.

All of the integrated analysis tools contain different measuring methods and viewing options. It helps you to examine the important signal parameters in detail. The W51PC reaches a unique precision and operates with highest resolutions. It is easy to make exact measurements using adjustable cursors with associated numerical displays. Dynamic zoom functions allow magnification of details in any selected window. Scroll buffering makes it possible to move back and forward within signal history.

Real-time FFT functions with a fast display refresh rate are realized with high speed Motorola? DSP?s. Additional functions provide powerful tools especially suitable for analyzing unknown signals.

A wide range of default system settings can be configured. Some examples are, input signal level, sampling rate, measuring interval, centre frequency and demodulator. Additionally a variety of international alphabets can be selected.

More than 110 modes are currently implemented. A variety of different alphabets are included in the standard package.

We can deliver to authorized official bodies:

Additional modes
Software source code and the complete development environment.
This allows the customer to realize own decoding modes or to adapt the user interface to specific requirements.

Product development is an ongoing process, and additional modes and functions are continually being added.

Applications

Typical fields of application for the W51PC card include:

manual or automated monitoring of radio communication transmissions in the HF and VHF/UHF/SHF (satellite) bands
signal intelligence
signal analysis and classification

Within official bodies and telecommunication authorities the range of applications is from stationary monitoring of one transmission with a single system to fully automated broadband monitoring with a network of cooperating systems. The frequency range covers a spectrum from the audio frequencies up to microwaves.

The fully documented DCOM based remote control interface makes integration into almost every user environment very easy. This could be the direct decoding of a single, fixed frequency transmission or the overall signal analysis of a complete pager network.

Automatic mode recognition of FSK modes makes completely autonomous operation possible. Decoded data can be routed to be processed by user applications running on the same or another computer in the network. The Alarm-Monitor included with the W51PC, is an example of such an application. It will play a sound or sends a pager message if it detects some preset words in the received text. With such applications the data output of the W51PC can also be used to control receivers, recording equipment or be fed into complex data analysis tools for post processing.

Another tool included with the W51PC is the SAT C Monitor. This tool will save, sort and restore the data received from a SAT C channel.

Time stamps generated by the system are automatically added to every line of the data to ensure precise backtracking of any signal.

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Decoding INMARSAT with the W51PC/LAN
For INMARSAT monitoring, the customer can use our W51PC card together with a satellite antenna a receiver or down converter. In the professional version, all our INMARSAT modes are included.
Brochures, Application Notes, etc.
SAT Brochure
Inmarsat L-Band Monitoring Application Note

Return channels
TDMA

(C-BAND or L-BAND)

Forward channels, TDM

(L-BAND)

W51PC Decoder Card's)

LES
d > 7m

MES

d > 1m

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INMARSAT A
INMARSAT B
INMARSAT C
INMARSAT M
INMARSAT mM
Single Channel Monitoring System
Multi Channel Monitoring System
Near Field Monitoring System

INMARSAT Satellite Positions

Satellite and Receiver Setup for Decoding INMARSAT B/M/mM

INMARSAT A

With the SAT-A mode, the forward channel (TDM telex traffic) can be monitored.INMARSAT B

With the SAT-B mode, data, fax and digital voice traffic can be monitored.
In our next release, demodulation and decoding of digital voice will also be supported.
L-Band only, forward channel monitoring (does not require a large C-Band antenna) is supported.INMARSAT C (TDM, TDMA) With the SAT-C-TDM and SAT-C-TDMA mode, data traffic going in both directions can be monitored.INMARSAT M

M spectrum
With the SAT-M mode, data and fax traffic can be monitored.
L-Band only, forward channel monitoring (does not require a large C-Band antenna) is supported.INMARSAT mM

mM spectrum
With the SAT-mM mode, data and fax traffic can be monitored.
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Fax session
The W51SAT monitors the control channel, and upon initiation of a new session with a Mobile Terminal, automatically switches to the assigned Traffic Channel for monitoring. To limit the volume of monitored traffic, a watch list may be created containing target MES IDs. Monitored fax, Tel and data sessions are stored in files. A fax viewer is included in the

software.Multi Channel Monitoring System To monitor multiple INMARSAT B, M or mM channels with more then one card, an external, customer specific control software using remote control is required. Many customer write own their own software optimized for the special requirements. On request WAVECOM can provide also such additional control software.Near Field Monitoring System To monitor multiple INMARSAT B, M or mM terminals that are in you very close neighborhood, a specialized setup of the Single Channel Monitoring System is required.

GSM Monitoring
The A5.0, A5.1 & A5.2 passive GSM Monitoring systems are strictly limited to government authorities and their authorized suppliers.
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Brochures, Application Notes, etc.
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2 Channel GSM Network Analyzer (other configurations with 4, 6, 8, 12 or 16 channels on request)

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A5.1 Decoding Server
US$ 72?000.00
A5.2 Decoding Server
US$ 42?000.00

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Click here to donate to the Hurricane Katrina relief effort.

2756. "This week in Amateur Radio"

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-26 20:37:57 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2756 Message: 2756

Hey Martians:

Check this out !

http://www.twiar.org/

I haven't seen anything beyond the first page, I've got some official stuff to do at the moment.. :D

-- Sriram

Do You Yahoo!?
Tired of spam? Yahoo! Mail has the best spam protection around
http://mail.yahoo.com

2757. Fw: SSETI news

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-27 04:49:24 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2757 Message: 2757

Calling All Radio Amateurs

Credits: SSETI Team - S. Tietz.
Paris, France (ESA) Sep 14, 2005
Radio amateurs worldwide are being asked to help collect data from the student-built SSETI Express satellite, due to be placed in orbit on 27 September. To encourage them, ESA's Education department has organised two competitions and is supplying free downloadable software.
"We will be happy to receive all the help we can, particularly during the early operations phase," says SSETI Express Project Manager, Neil Melville. "If a radio amateur receives a signal from SSETI Express before we do then the main ground station in Aalborg, Sweden will be delighted to hear from them."

Radio amateurs wherever they live are being asked to help with the downlink of housekeeping and payload data. In return, the SSETI Express UHF and S-Band communications systems will be made freely available to the radio amateur community, along with the mission data downlink, once the main mission objectives of SSETI Express are complete.

SSETI Express will downlink telemetry in AX25 format at 9k6 on 437.250MHz and at 38k4 on 2401.835MHz. It will also be available for radio amateurs to use as a single channel FM transponder. The software needed to downlink data and to submit telemetry to the SSETI Express Mission Control can be downloaded free from the Radio Amateur Connection pages on the SSETI Express Mission site. Submissions will be automatically recorded and published on the site.

Radio amateur competitions

Once radio amateurs have the software needed it will be up to them to demonstrate that the amateur radio ground station 'network' is a valuable resource for satellite projects. To provide extra motivation, ESA has organised two competitions.

The winner of the first will be whoever submits the largest number of valid telemetry payload packets to SSETI Express Mission Control by 00:00 of 1 January 2006.

The prize is an invitation to the three-day STEC06 (Student Technology Education Conference) conference and exhibition, to be held in Germany in spring 2006, as well as a private visit and tour of ESA's Spacecraft Operations Centre (ESOC) near Darmstadt.

A unique "I heard it first" SSETI Express T-shirt is the prize for the second competition. This will be sent to the first person to receive, decode and submit a transmission from the spacecraft to SSETI Express Mission Control. All information on equipment needed, software available and where to send data can be found on the Radio Amateur Connection pages of the student SSETI Express Mission site.

SSETI Express sub-systems for radio amateurs

Of the 12 sub-systems on SSETI Express, two involve radio amateurs. The ultra high frequency unit (UHF) has been designed and built by a radio amateur in Hohhenbrunn, Germany. It contains a radio and terminal node controller, and is the spacecraft's primary communications system. It will provide uplink of telecommands from the ground station, audio uplink from amateur radio users and downlink of mission data at 9600 bps, all via a top-mounted rigid monopole antenna.

Radio amateurs from AMSAT-UK, although no longer students, are also involved in the project as they developed the S-Band TX, microwave radio communications transmitter. This provides both high-speed mission data downlink at 38400 bps and in combination with the UHF system, a single-channel audio transponder.

Graham Shirville (call sign G3VZV) is coordinating the team of radio amateurs from AMSAT-UK, the club for users of amateur radio satellites. "I'm involved in frequency coordination of spacecraft using the amateur satellite service. In early 2004 a group of us from AMSAT, UK were asked if we wanted to help with the project. The answer was 'yes' and we protoyped the S-Band TX within eight weeks."

"It has been a real challenge and not always easy," he says "particularly when some of the hardware we built did not perform 100% - we felt we were letting everyone else down. But we have learnt an amazing amount of skills and knowledge which we hope to invest in future space projects."

Shirville will be present at the launch, a nail-biting moment for all the team. "I will be elated if we hear the radio signals but sad and worried if we don't ". He hastily adds that he is not expecting failure. "The SSETI Express students are bright, enthusiastic and determined to succeed; they have also put an incredible amount of time and effort into this project. Now it is up to the radio amateur community to do our bit to help them.

Over to you fellow amateurs and 73 from G3VZV."

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2758. How many list members does it take to change a light bulb?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-27 04:55:50 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2758 Message: 2758

One to change the light bulb and to post that the light bulb has been changed.

Fourteen to share similar experiences of changing light bulbs and how the light bulb could have been changed differently.

Seven to caution about the dangers of changing light bulbs.

Seven more to point out spelling/grammar errors in posts about changing light bulbs.

Five to flame the spell checkers.

Three to correct spelling/grammar flames.

Six to argue over whether it's "lightbulb" or "light bulb" ... another six to condemn those six as stupid.

Fifteen to claim experience in the lighting industry and give the correct spelling.

Nineteen to post that this group is not about light bulbs and to please take this discussion to a lightbulb (or light bulb) forum.

Eleven to defend the posting to the group saying that we all use light bulbs and therefore the posts are relevant to this group.

Thirty six to debate which method of changing light bulbs is superior, where to buy the best light bulbs, what brand of light bulbs work best for this technique and what brands are faulty.

Seven to post URLs where one can see examples of different light bulbs.

Four to post that the URLs were posted incorrectly and then post the corrected URL.

Three to post about links they found from the URLs that are relevant to this group which makes light bulbs relevant to this group.

Thirteen to link all posts to date, quote them in their entirety including

all headers and signatures, and add "Me too"

Five to post to the group that they will no longer post because they cannot
handle the light bulb controversy.

Four to say "didn't we go through this already a short time ago?"

Thirteen to say "do a Google search on light bulbs before posting questions
about light bulbs"

Three to tell a funny story about their cat and a light bulb.

AND

One group lurker to respond to the original post 6 months from now and start
it all over again.

2759. Re: [m_a_r_s] How many list members does it take to change a light bulb?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-27 05:48:13 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2758 Message: 2759
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2760. not receiving mails

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-27 17:39:52 UTC
From: Deepak VU2CDP
Topic: 2760 Message: 2760

Hi all,
Can anyone explain what could be the possible cause behind emails posted on the egroup not being delivered to my inbox? Latest is the mail posted by VU2NHR to which I only got the reply from SCQ. This happens sometimes and yes my yahoo mail settings are set to receiving individual mails instead of digests. any answers??

73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

Yahoo! India Matrimony: Find your partner now.

2761. ITU Handbbok for Emergency Telecomm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-27 19:31:21 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 2761 Message: 2761

Hello,

I tried to upload this file but Yahoo! Groups kept getting
timed out. If you are interested in the file please go to
the website and download the "pdf" document for yourself.
The file is a approx 2 MB in size.

http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/emergencytelecoms/doc/handbook/pdf/Emergency_Telecom-e_partIII.pd
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Hope it is of use to you.
Best wishes,

Harsh Vardhan
VU2HVK

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http://mail.yahoo.com

2762. Re: [m_a_r_s] not receiving mails

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-28 04:07:44 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2760 Message: 2762

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> digests. any answers??
>

You've subscribed from a Yahoo India account, and the group is a yahoo US
group.

The problem should therefore be internal to Yahoo, since something's gone wrong
with the inter-server mail exchanges.

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>
> 73s de
> VU2CDP
> http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

-- Sriram

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2763. Smoke alarm for your shake at discount

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-28 05:49:41 UTC
From: dinesh patel
Topic: 2750 Message: 2763

Dear Mars Members

I have a unused ceasefire smoke alarm in fully working condition for sale(with original box).
It is in round in shape and works on 9 volt battery.

The retail price of unit as disclosed by the company in maharashtra is Rs.2,400/-.

I shall give the same to any MARS member for Rs.1,600/-. I can arrrenge the home delivery at any where in mumbai at the cost of buyer. Buyer member can test the same and pickit up from my residense.

Remember this price is for MARS members only.

The weblink of the company for the smoke detectors is as follows

http://www.ceasefireindustries.com/products_smoke_p.shtml

The smoke detector model with me is Ceasefire CFR-SA-IC

Mail me if any body has any question

Dinesh Patel

2764. RE: [m_a_r_s] Smoke alarm for your shake at discount

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-28 06:08:09 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2750 Message: 2764

To the moderator(s) of this e group:
I was given to understand that this group is specifically for the activities of the Mumbai Amateur Radio society and other radio related matters. There fore I am wondering about this ceasfire product being offered for sale at this site.
If the motive of this egroup has changed, then of course I have no complaints and will unsuscribe. If not, then please confine all mails to matters of the society and radio.
Thanks,
Sarla
VU2SWS

>From: "dinesh patel" <radiopatel@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Smoke alarm for your shake at discount
>Date: Wed, 28 Sep 2005 05:49:41 +0000
>
>Dear Mars Members
>
>I have a unused ceasefire smoke alarm in fully working condition for
>sale(with original box).
>It is in round in shape and works on 9 volt battery.
>
>The retail price of unit as disclosed by the company in maharashtra is
>Rs.2,400/-.
>
>I shall give the same to any MARS member for Rs.1,600/-. I can arrrenge the
>home delivery at any where in mumbai at the cost of buyer. Buyer member
>can
>test the same and pickit up from my residense.
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>Mail me if any body has any question
>
>Dinesh Patel
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>

2765. Re: [m_a_r_s] not receiving mails-thanx Sriram

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-28 12:04:39 UTC
From: Deepak VU2CDP
Topic: 2760 Message: 2765

Sriram N <sriramx_2000@...> wrote:

--- Deepak VU2CDP wrote:

> Hi all,
> Can anyone explain what could be the possible cause behind emails posted on
> the egroup not being delivered to my inbox? Latest is the mail posted by
> VU2NHR to which I only got the reply from SCQ. This happens sometimes and
> yes my yahoo mail settings are set to receiving individual mails instead of
> digests. any answers??
>

You've subscribed from a Yahoo India account, and the group is a yahoo US
group.

The problem should therefore be internal to Yahoo, since something's gone wrong
with the inter-server mail exchanges.

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>
> 73s de
> VU2CDP
> http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

-- Sriram

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2766. SMPS power supply & Solar panel for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-28 14:56:26 UTC
From: sandesh chandrakant kamat
Topic: 2766 Message: 2766
Attachments: 9 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2767. Invitation of JOTA'2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-28 20:03:14 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 2767 Message: 2767

Dear OMs/YLs

Like every year, this year also, MARS in association with Maharashtra Scouts and Guides Association will participate in 48th Jamboree On The Air 2005 on 15th-16th October 2005 (Sat-Sun)

Please register your name with -
VU2UGO - OM Sandip (email- vu2ugo@... / MO- 9820272837) or
VU2HIT - OM Huzefa (email- vu2hit@... / MO- 9892786110)

Hams who would like to lead JOTA station, please email soft copy of your license to above-mentioned email address (for the purpose of permission of temporary change of qth application to be sent to WPC,Delhi) ASAP.

73s de VU2UGO Sandip

2768. Re: [m_a_r_s] Invitation of JOTA'2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-29 06:04:36 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2767 Message: 2768

Kinldy sent your licences copy to my email : vu2hit@... only

Huzefa
----- Original Message -----
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2005 1:33 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Invitation of JOTA'2005

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2769. No Panic Button to PRESS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-29 10:08:03 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 2769 Message: 2769

From: <vu2jhm@...>
> To: <lionajoy@...>
> Subject: MSN News: Tsunami could hit Gujarat-Mumbai
> coast
> Date: Thu, 29 Sep 2005 05:55:09 -0400
>
>
> MSN News
>
>
> Check out the following link for more details.
>
> Tsunami could hit Gujarat-Mumbai coast
> <http://autofeed.msn.co.in/pandorav3/output/News/de916ddc-98b7-42fa-
84e7
> -76b00ace202d.aspx>
>
> Personal Message:
> Second Tsunami ...
>
>
>
> With Regards,
> Lion Ajoy
>
>

2770. SETI Shack @Home:HVK Rejoice!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-29 14:20:16 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2770 Message: 2770

Hi,
Just stumbled across this.
Anyone up for it?

Cheers,
VU2MIG

http://www.setileague.org/hardware/blkdiag.htm

2771. Re: [m_a_r_s] Invitation of JOTA'2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-29 16:35:51 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 2767 Message: 2771

FRIDAY the 30'th th of SEPTEMBER
WISHING A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO

SHANTANU CHAND
VU2 SCQ
KAUSHIK- VU2KTW

2772. Happy Birthday!! dear SCQ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-29 23:45:41 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2772 Message: 2772
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2773. A new radio..!!!!!!!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-30 06:46:04 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2773 Message: 2773

----- Original Message -----
From: vijay motwane
To: vu3gtf@...
Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2005 10:45 PM
Subject: [tara1] A new radio..!!!!!!!!!

Highlights
Introducing a groundbreaking transceiver with amazing features thanks to the new revolutionary Hybris-II processor.
Digital voice mode. Explore a new world of digital contacts. Signal quality, PTT and audio input/output jacks are available for those who wish to use this unit as a digital repeater component. This is also why we've ensured a 100% duty cycle at 10 and 300 mW.

262K color TFT for advanced functions. A smaller monochrome LCD for basic use. The TFT can be switched off at any time to save battery power.

Built-in TNC with all APRS functions found in Kenwood TH-D7E plus downloadable maps for live tracking on the TFT. DX-cluster monitoring function. The TNC can also be used for access to your favourite BBS when hooked up to a computer. Built-in 12 channel GPS receiver with a knob-like antenna on top.

SimulPlot, a new protocol with subaudible tones that transmit position data simultaneously with speech to compatible units for easier tracking. Received data is plotted on the same maps used by APRS..

Built-in 3 megapixel camera with auto focus. Store and/or transmit pictures via SSTV protocols. Supported protocols are Robot 36, Martin M1/M2 and Scotty S1/S2 (firmware upgradeable). Receive and display pictures on the TFT. Built-in 128 MB RAM memory storage, expandable with Mini-SD memory card.

"Pop-up" photo lamp/flashlight for those darker moments (a white 80000mcd LED)

RDS decoder when tuning the 88-108 MHz broadcast band.

Bluetooth v2.0 module for periferal connectivity. Download maps for the APRS-function. Upload your pictures to a PC. Program memory contents and settings from a PC. Connect to headset for hands-free access and more. Long range, up to 100m.

Built-in barometer and lightning detector modules. Ideal for hiking. The barometer can display a 24hr history diagram. An altimeter function is also implemented. The lightning detector displays the relative signal strength of a thunderstorm along with a history diagram. An audible alarm will warn the user of approaching hazardous weather.

CTCSS, DCS, DTMF, 5/7/11-tone CCIR systems (both RX & TX) and 1750 Hz tone burst for repeater access

Full tone scan/search should please any scanner enthusiast.

InstaTune. When in scanner mode, it locks the receiver to nearby transmissions. Ideal when searching for unknown signals. Other manufacturers call this "Close call" or "Reaction tune".

Built-in ferrite-bar for LW/MW reception.

Built-in Iambic keyer. Fully programmable, can also act as a beacon.

AF and RF spectrum scope.

24hr clock.

Extra low power output of 10mW. Ideal for very local QSO's or the more challenging DX's with highly directional antennas.

True dual band receive.

Type: Amateur VHF/UHF transceiver
Frequency range: TX: 144-146 / 430-440 / 1240-1300 MHz (Europe)
RX: 0.1-2600 MHz
(50 Hz-100 KHz steps)
Mode: TX: SSB/CW/FM/NFM/Digital voice (GMSK, 4.8 kbps)
RX: SSB/CW/AM/FM/NFM/WFM/Digital voice(GMSK, 4.8 kbps)
RF Power output: 2m: 10 mW / 300 mW / 1 W / 5W
70cm: 10 mW / 300 mW / 1 W / 5W
23cm: 10 mW / 300 mW / 500 mW / 1 W
(100% duty cycle at 10 & 300 mW, overheat protection on higher levels)
Sensitivity: N/A
Selectivity: N/A
Image rejection: Better than 60 dB
Voltage: 7.4 VDC (Lithium-Ion battery, 2000 mAh) or 6-16 VDC external
Current drain: RX: 10-350 mA (depending on active functions)
TX: Max 2 A
Impedance: 50 ohms, SMA
Dimensions (W*H*D): 60*150*38 mm
Weight: 350 gr
Manufactured: -
Other: 2000 dynamically allocated memories with alpha
tags (QRG plus 20 characters). 1200/9600bd TNC.
Waterproof/submersible. Twin RX
Related documents:

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2774. Re: [m_a_r_s] A new radio..!!!!!!!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-30 07:58:49 UTC
From: Deepak VU2CDP
Topic: 2773 Message: 2774

HI HI :-) Good one. For once i thought what sophistication!!!!!

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23cm: 10 mW / 300 mW / 500 mW / 1 W
(100% duty cycle at 10 & 300 mW, overheat protection on higher levels)Sensitivity:N/ASelectivity:N/AImage rejection:Better than 60 dBVoltage:7.4 VDC (Lithium-Ion battery, 2000 mAh) or 6-16 VDC externalCurrent drain:RX: 10-350 mA (depending on active functions)
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2775. Dream Handie !!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-30 08:23:20 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2775 Message: 2775

----- Original Message -----
From: vijay motwane
Sent: Friday, September 30, 2005 12:46 PM
Subject: [tara1] Dream Handie !!!!

Hello,
The handie pictured in my earlier mail does not exist at all, at least till date !!
A BIG disappointment !!
It was wishful thinking on the part of SM0OFE !! He probably used some photo software to spice up Yaesu VX 7R.
But I am sure very soon that too could be a reality !!! I sure am waiting for that!!

Vijay, VU2VVP

2776. MFJ 461 for Sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-09-30 12:34:35 UTC
From: dinesh patel
Topic: 2776 Message: 2776

Dear friends

I have MFJ 461 (morse code reader) for sale

Interested members may reply me on my ID

73's

Dinesh

2777. Reminder - 48th JOTA 2006

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-01 05:03:19 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2777 Message: 2777

We would like to remind you of this upcoming event.

48th JOTA 2006

Date: Saturday, October 15, 2005
Time: All Day

48th Jamboree on the Air

2778. While posting mail , mind your etiquettes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-03 00:42:57 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2778 Message: 2778

Please observe the following rules while posting
mails on MARS e-groups.

* In replies, do not quote all of the original post.
Quote only those phrases you are responding to, and
keep the quotes as brief as possible.

* If you're on digest mode, be sure to change the
subject heading when you reply to a post. Do not quote
an entire digest in a list reply. Do check this before
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instead.Personal communication should be conducted
privately.

* If you don't see your posting immediately, don't
assume it failed and try to repost it at once.If you
post again, you will have multiple copies of the mail.

* Observe rules of Netiquette.

ULHAS
73
de VU2UBP

RES?: 2431 1367
WORK : 24072295 OR 24092556
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2779. Re: [m_a_r_s] Reminder - 48th JOTA 2006

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-03 01:13:56 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2777 Message: 2779

The reminder gives the JOTA dates only the 15th
October. What about 16th October? JOTA is 3rd weekend
of October ie Saturday & Sunday.

ULHAS
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de VU2UBP

RES?: 2431 1367
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2780. Re: [m_a_r_s] While posting mail , mind your etiquettes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-03 03:21:39 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2778 Message: 2780

Same as Boss NHR had said!

VU2MIG

2781. Question to Moderator of the Group

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-03 03:23:14 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2781 Message: 2781
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2782. Should I submit my original Licence??

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-03 03:51:29 UTC
From: ajay solanki
Topic: 2782 Message: 2782

Hi,

Accroding to the nair.org website

If Location of your station is different from renewal
application form residence address. Please submit
ORIGINAL LICENCE with Rs.5/- Demand Draft.

I am staying at a place different than mentioned in my
Licence.

Should I submit my original Licence??

Thanks,
Ajay.
VU2PAO

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2783. SSETI Express launch date reset.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-05 10:48:01 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 2783 Message: 2783

The launch of the Student Space Exploration and Technology Initiative (SSETI) Express satellite, which will carry an Amateur Radio package, has been rescheduled for later this month. "We have been advised that a new launch date has been agreed--Thursday 27 October from the Plesetsk Cosmodrome--with 28 October as a back-up date," said Graham Shirville, G3VZV, who adds that the launch time is expected to remain at 0652:26 UTC.

The SSETI Express, which carries three CubeSat picosatellites, will leave Earth from Plesetsk Cosmodrome via a Cosmos-3M LV vehicle. Plans call for downlinking AX.25 telemetry at 9k6 bps on 437.250 MHz and at 38k4 bps on 2401.835MHz. The satellite will be turned into a single-channel amateur FM voice mode U/S transponder after the transmitter serves initial telemetry duty.

The AMSAT-UK and AMSAT-NA Web sites provide additional information on this project, including how to obtain the SSETI Express Radio Amateur Handbook by Richard Limebear G3RWL, published by AMSAT-UK. Available for downloading in either English or French, the 22-page document provides background information on the project and explains how radio amateurs can use the spacecraft and its three CubeSat passengers.

http://www.uk.amsat.org/

See the SSETI web site at http://sseti.gte.tuwien.ac.at/WSW4/MOPWS/news.php for up to date information and pictures of the launch of SSETI. The reports include input from AMSAT-UK committee member Graham Shirville, G3VZV, who is a member of the launch campaign team currently in Plesetsk.

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Yahoo! for Good
Donate to the Hurricane Katrina relief effort.
http://store.yahoo.com/redcross-donate3/

2784. National SOS Radio Network : "USA"

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-06 08:29:52 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2784 Message: 2784

"National SOS Radio Network" ready to start, based on millions of FRS "Family Radio Service" radios already in use plus 675,000 ham radio operators across America.

"National SOS Radio Network" provides instant, reliable, emergency communications for everyone. Designed to eliminate communication breakdown as occurred in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. Ready to go into operation immediately across America.

In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, it's become clear that a major contributing factor to the tragic loss of life was the near total breakdown of communication systems. Once electricity, telephone, and cell phone services failed, people were unable to let rescuers know of their dire situations -- and died as a result.

What could be a simple, instant, and virtually zero-cost solution?

"Establish a National SOS Radio Network (www.NationalSOS.com)," says Eric Knight, CEO of UP Aerospace, Inc. (www.upaerospace.com). "There are millions of 'Family Radio Service' or 'FRS' radios already in use by the public for camping, boating, and hiking, and there are 675,000 licensed ham radio operators in America -- people renown and prepared for emergency communications. The output frequencies of FRS radios are easily received by the radio gear ham radio operators use daily. That's the magic link in this emergency communication strategy."
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http://www.emediawire.com/releases/2005/10/emw293047.htm

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2785. Re: Reminder - 48th JOTA 2006

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-07 07:03:05 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 2777 Message: 2785

Dear Ulhas VU2UBP

That reminder mail was autogenerated by m_a_r_s egroup, and it will come again on the egroup 1week prior to the event. Remember the reminders autogenerated about AGM before 1st May 2005?

JOTA is always on the 3rd weekend of October every year, so it will be there on 15th & 16th October!

More details about JOTA event like station locations, station-in-charge, list of participants will be posted on the egroup soon.

I request the moderator to take care of all the reminders set in the calendar section of this egroup.

73s de Sandip VU2UGO

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>
> ULHAS
> 73
> de VU2UBP

2786. Reminder - 48th JOTA 2006

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-08 05:03:24 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2777 Message: 2786

We would like to remind you of this upcoming event.

48th JOTA 2006

Date: Saturday, October 15, 2005
Time: All Day

48th Jamboree on the Air

2787. Re: Pending licenses & results with VU2CBU

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-08 11:27:50 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2749 Message: 2787

As stated in my earlier mail dt 22nd September, the licences and communication of result is being forwarded to respective SWLs/hams by Vichare Courier.

73s
Prashant Koli

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, Prashant Koli <prashant.koli@g...> wrote:
>
> Dear All,
> Quite often I get phone calls from our members about licences issued by WPC
> but not handed over to them.
> I have to clarify that I have following licences (only) with me and the
> same will be forwarded to respective hams on confirmation of their current
> addresses irrespective of their current membership status :
> 1.Kunal Mashru,VU2KWE
> 2.Uday Shankar Roy,VU2UDR
> 3.Rahul Shankar Roy,VU2NGO
> 4.Shyam Kapadia,VU2KPE
> Similarly, there are some result sheets not collected by swls' distributed
> and the same will also be disposed off in the manner mentioned above.
> *NAME* *GRADE QUALIFIED* JAYANT GOTHE II NEHA GOTHE I CALVIN SUNIL
> I SANTOSH
> THOMAS II SHAH SHRENIK II GAURI GOTHE NOT QUALIFIED PATIL AMOL NOT
> QUALIFIED SONBARSE SATISH NOT QUALIFIED RASHMI BHARDA NOT QUALIFIED
> Shah Shrenik is not our member but WPC has forwarded his results to us and
> the same will now be sent to him.
> 73s
> VU2CBU
>

2788. Pending Receipts

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-08 13:41:24 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2788 Message: 2788

> Receipts of the following members/swls are still pending with us. It would be appreciated if concerned member/swl provide his/her snail mail so that the receipts can be forwarded to them at the earliest.Contact details may be sent to rashant.koli@...">prashant.koli@....>
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2789. Any Linux gurus (Non ham)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-11 05:21:12 UTC
From: ajay solanki
Topic: 2789 Message: 2789

Hi,
I was trying to install Linux on my pc
Config P4, 3ghz, 2gb ram,
2hard disks 250 gb and 150 gb

I got a new book called "linux for non geeks" which
has the software for linux fedora core.
I also have cds for linux 8.

I have windows xp installed on one HD
I need to make it a dual boot with linux on the second
HD.

Both the cds work for installation on a different
computer
But on my machine it gives an error while installing.

I guess some config problem.

If Any one has installed Linux with dual boot please
let me know.
My home Qth is at Byculla.
Thanks,
Aj..
VU2PAO

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2790. [OT]Re: [m_a_r_s] Any Linux gurus (Non ham)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-11 10:25:21 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2789 Message: 2790

--- ajay solanki <ajay_solanki@...> wrote:

> Hi,
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> Config P4, 3ghz, 2gb ram,
> 2hard disks 250 gb and 150 gb
>

I'll reply to your post off-list.

Meanwhile, here are two user groups (among others) frequented by Linux users in India.

Mumbai Linux Users' Group

http://mm.ilug-bom.org.in/mailman/listinfo/linuxers

Bangalore Linux Users' Group

-- Sriram

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2791. Hello everybody

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-12 00:49:50 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2791 Message: 2791

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a very happy dussera & congratulations for the new repeaters coming up

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2793. Icom P7

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-12 12:38:36 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2793 Message: 2793

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2794. THANE REPETER ON AIR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-12 17:51:29 UTC
From: Micky Korde
Topic: 2794 Message: 2794

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2795. Re: [tara1] THANE REPETER ON AIR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-13 04:32:53 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 2795 Message: 2795

Hey Congos,

Thats a wonderful Gift on Dasshera. This would definitely boost the Ham Activity in and around Thane.

I thank all those involved in this project.

73,
Parin / VU2PIC

----- Original Message -----
From: Micky Korde
To: tara ; CLASS ; MUMBAI SOCIETY ; CQMUMBAI CQMUMBAI
Sent: Wednesday, October 12, 2005 11:21 PM
Subject: [tara1] THANE REPETER ON AIR

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2796. Re: [m_a_r_s] THANE REPETER ON AIR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-13 16:58:45 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2794 Message: 2796
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2797. Cross post : worth a read

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-13 17:45:29 UTC
From: Deepak VU2CDP
Topic: 2797 Message: 2797

Hi all,
Came across this wonderful writeup which I am sure all of you would also enjoy reading.
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FROM INDIA: RADIO'S FORGOTTEN FRIENDS... SOME THOUGHTS AT 50
by Shubhranshu Choudhary

NOTE FROM THE AUTHOR: No one noticed but our transistor turned 50 today. Shall we say Happy Birth Day ?Taking the debate further which was started by Ershad and Fred...
New Delhi, 18 Oct 2004.Today I want to pay my tributes to that small instrument which made such a huge impact on my life when I was growing up in a small sleepy town in the middle of hills and jungles in Central tribal India.
It was my friend, my teacher, my university,and my window to the rest of the world- my transistor- which completes its journey of 50 years today.
It was the era before the arrival of TV, newspapers took 2 days to reach remote areas, and transistor was the source of information and entertainment.
18th October 1954 when TI-1 was first introduced, as transistor was called at that time; it costed more than $50, quite a huge sum for that period.
It was a revolution for the younger generation in America. Whereas the Radio was part of the installed furniture,controlled by the parents at home , the transistor gave the freedom to choose your favourite programme. It was also when the Rock n Roll arrived. The two clicked together so well- the rebellion of the sixties was reflected in the popularity of these little machines.
Transistor has been on roll since then. Very soon Japanese models took over the first American ones and that remains the rule so far. Prices today for a transistor have come down to less than $1 and has made itself affordable for the poor.
Moving ahead from diode and triode, the technology of transistor was a big step forward. We see its usage even today in TV and computers which uses the transistor technology in various forms.
Many have graduated from transitor to television to broadband & computers now. But for a huge majority transistor remains a trusted ally even after 50 years.
Be it be a rikshaw puller in Delhi or a farmer in remote corner of India, the one thing they have in common apart from being poor is a transistor.
If you leave last couple of decades ours has been a story of transistor radios.

I remember visiting a market called BBC Bazar in Bangladesh. It came by that name in a very interesting way- It was the year 1971, the war of liberation was on and the only transistor in the locality was available in a hamlet in this remote area half a day from capital Dhaka. The whole population converged to listen to the evening news which turned a small hamlet into a full fledged market named after the most popular radio station at that time.
India has 104 million transistor homes, more than double than the reach of TV. And radio transmissions are available to 98.5% of the population.
According to Planning Commission statistics more than half of Indian houses do not have any electricity connection. With these kind of figures does one need to emphasise the importance of transistor for a country like India ?
Ten years back, the Indian supreme court gave an interesting ruling. This judgement strongly critiqued the long-held government monopoly over broadcasting in this country. In early 1995, the court declared the airwaves as public property, to be utilized for promoting public good and ventilating plurality of views, opinions and ideas. (AIR 1995 Supreme Court 1236).
In view of this, the judges said it was essential that the Indian Parliament "steps in soon to fill the void by enacting a law or laws, as the case may be, governing the broadcast media, i.e. both radio and television".
Parliament has stepped in to relax laws to liberate television but many wonder why Governement is so afraid to free Radio.
Radio still remains a powerful tool for the rulers to spread "their" message. But it is still a one way traffic where people have no control on what they listen.
Even our tiny neighbours like Nepal and Sri Lanka have gone forward to legalise community radio stations where people talk to each other rather than being talked at all the time.
It was not surprising that there were no celebrations planned for a technology which has given us so much and contains huge potential to democratise our polity. This probably tells about the time and place we live in.

Point to note are the last two paras which talk about our neighbours Nepal & SL. Its food for thought.

73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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2798. JOTA 2005 Event Briefing

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-14 05:15:10 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 2798 Message: 2798

What is JOTA?
JOTA is an annual event in which Boy and Girl Scouts and Guides from all over the world speak to each other by means of Amateur (ham) Radio. Scouting experiences are exchanged and ideas are shared via radio waves. Since 1958 when the first Jamboree-on-the-Air was held, millions of Scouts have met each other through this event. Many contacts made during JOTA have resulted in pen pals and links between Scout troops that have lasted many years.

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When
JOTA is held the third weekend in October of each year, this year it's 15th - 16th October 2005.

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HF SMPS Pulse by SFN VHF SMPS Pulse
SWR Meter with Patch Cord - Diwa by HIT

2. Suman Nagar, Chembur VU2JPN
Assisted by - VU3MWH, VU2GBI,
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3. Sriram High School, Andheri VU2SXF
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All the best !!!
73s de Sandip VU2UGO,
JOTA Event Co-ordinator

2799. Re: [m_a_r_s] THANE REPETER ON AIR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-14 05:18:29 UTC
From: vsnl
Topic: 2794 Message: 2799

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2800. Equipment for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-14 07:04:11 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2660 Message: 2800

Hi

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Icom Base station
IC-2100H with std HM-118 mic please refer the link for more details
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2801. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2005 Event Briefing

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-14 12:24:11 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2798 Message: 2801

Wishing best of Luck all the JOTA participants....

73
NLF

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2802. FW: A tug of war.....AC vs DC

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Date: 2005-10-15 10:06:01 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2802 Message: 2802
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To:
Subject: A tug of war
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AC v/s DC ? A tug of war

On October 21, 1879, Edison created his now famous incandescent light bulb, which burned for 40 hours. During 1880, Edison continued work to refine his light bulb. He also began exploring ideas for an equally important invention: a way to generate and transmit the electricity his light bulb would need. A practical and reliable electricity supply was essential if his light bulb was ever to become a practical appliance for homes and businesses.

The first central power plant was commissioned at Pearl Street, which started generating electric power on September 4, 1882. Pearl Street had one generator and it produced power for 800 electric light bulbs. Within 14 months, the Pearl Street station had 508 subscribers and 12,732 bulbs.

With the success of the Pearl Street station, Edison created the Edison Company for Isolated Lighting. This company was formed in May 1883 to build and sell electric power stations, like the Pearl Street station, to towns and cities throughout the United States. It was a new and profitable business.

Edison's method for generating and transmitting electricity was called direct current (DC), or low voltage. While Edison was enthusiastically busy in setting up his power stations, another man known as Nikola Tesla was working on alternating current (AC) during the same time, surprisingly in Edison?s own office.

Tesla was born on 10th July 1856 in Austria. He began his career as an electrical engineer with a telephone company in Budapest in 1881 and later joined the Continental Edison

Company in Paris where he designed dynamos. In 1883 he privately built a prototype of the induction motor and ran it successfully. Unable to interest anyone in Europe in promoting this radical device, Tesla accepted an offer to work for Thomas Edison in New York.

Young Nikola Tesla came to the United States in 1884 at the age of 28. With four cents in his pocket, some mathematical computations, a drawing of an idea for a flying machine, and a letter of introduction from Charles Batchelor one of Edison's business associates in Europe to Thomas Edison.

Thrilled and terrified to meet his hero, Tesla handed Edison his letter of recommendation: It read: "My Dear Edison: I know two great men and you are one of them. The other is this young man!" Tesla proceeded to describe the engineering work he had done, and his plans for an alternating current motor.

Edison knew little of alternating current and did not care to learn more about it. In short, AC power sounded like competition to Edison. But there was something different about Tesla, and Edison immediately hired him to make improvements in his DC generation plants. Tesla claimed that Edison promised him $50,000 if he succeeded, perhaps thinking it an impossible undertaking. But the potential of so much money appealed mightily to the impoverished immigrant. Tesla then set about improving Edison?s line of dynamos while working in Edison?s lab in New Jersey.

While working with Edison, Tesla was always working on alternating current and A/C motors, which indeed, Edison never liked. Edison was not looking at the drawbacks of his DC, but insisted to improve upon. The divergence opinion started emerging, and was only a matter of time until their differences would lead to conflict.

Tesla relied on moments of inspiration, perceiving the invention in his brain in precise detail before moving to the construction stage. Edison was a trial and error man who described invention as five percent inspiration and 95 percent perspiration. Edison was self-taught. Tesla had a formal European education.

Several months after Edison employed him, Tesla announced that his work was successfully completed. When Tesla asked to be paid, however, Edison seemed astonished. He explained that the offer of $50,000 had been made in jest. "When you become a full-fledged American you will appreciate an American joke," Edison said. Shocked and disgusted, Tesla immediately resigned.

Tesla did not stop at that, he started talking to industrialist to support his alternating current which he explained them was better than Edison's direct current. This disagreement climaxed in the war of the currents, as Edison fought a losing battle to protect his investment in direct current equipment and facilities. The result was that Tesla became most hated person for Thomas Edison.

However, Tesla continued his work on alternating current. The most remarkable thing was that he invented a transformer that could step up the voltage--a desperate requirement when distributing electricity over long distances.

Edison's direct current system was unable to use transformers. In Edison's system, voltage dropped as it traveled further and further from the generator. To overcome this disadvantage, power plants would have to be built close to the power users, which was a costly solution.

Tesla did not have enough money to set up his power plant, however in 1888, Tesla introduced his motors which did not use any touching parts but worked on induction principle and electrical systems in a classic paper, ?A New System of Alternating Current Motors and Transformers,? which he delivered before the American Institute of Electrical Engineers in 1888. One of the people most impressed was the industrialist and inventor George Westinghouse. And soon the perfect partnership was established between Tesla and Westinghouse.

Thomas Edison, whose money was invested in DC power systems, did his best to discredit Tesla. Edison even went so far as to claim that AC electricity was far more dangerous than his DC power. In the event his people electrocuted dogs and old horses right on the stage to prove the matter.

But Tesla astonished the world by demonstrating the wonders of alternating current electricity at the World Columbian Exposition at Chicago in 1893. Edison lost the bid for supplying electricity to this great exhibition, because Westinghouse undercut GE's million-dollar bid by half. Much of GE's proposed expenses were tied to the amount copper wire necessary to utilize DC power. Westinghouse's winning bid proposed a more efficient, cost-effective AC system.

The Columbian Exposition opened on May 1, 1893. That evening, President Grover Cleveland pushed a button and a hundred thousand incandescent lamps illuminated the fairground's neoclassical buildings. This "City of Light" was the work of Tesla, Westinghouse and twelve new thousand-horsepower AC generation units located in the Hall of Machinery. In the Great Hall of Electricity, the Tesla polyphase system of alternating current power generation and transmission was proudly displayed. For the twenty-seven million people who attended the fair, it was dramatically clear that the power of the future was AC.

Two years later, he designed the first hydroelectric power plant at the Niagara Falls in 1895, which was the final victory for alternating current. The achievement was covered widely in the world press, and Tesla was praised as a hero worldwide.

This accomplishment changed the world and alternating current became standard power by the beginning of the 20th Century as one generating station could transmit power relatively cheaply over a wide service area.

It was one of the greatest achievements in the history of electricity. But even then Nikola Tesla remained unknown to most of the world. He was a great engineer, of whom the world should well have been proud and to whom humanity owes an immense debt of gratitude.

Because making hydroelectric plants or large thermal plants including the long wires for electrical supply is much costlier, a fix amount of charges were introduced in the bill to cover the capital cost. But still the electricity with this method was far more cheaper. Huge power stations and dams are a result of AC, which otherwise would not have existed. Some of them are wonders in construction.

Today we are all so dependent on this power that it is almost hard to think about how life would be if there was no electricity. We would probably go back two centuries behind without it.

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Check in to the Icom Users' Net.

In Memoriam: George T. Baker, W5YR (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/w5yr.html)

Newcomers to the Icom PRO family who are "moving up" from an analogue HF radio (with or without post-AGC DSP tacked onto the back end) will frequently have no concept of the radical change in radio architecture, performance and capability which they are about to experience. The PRO-series and DSP articles presented here are intended to address this "information gap". Enjoy!

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Hot News! The IC-756Pro III is now available at Icom dealers world-wide. Click link below.

My current station is an IC-756Pro III (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro3/756p3.html), driving a Yaesu VL-1000 (Quadra) amplifier (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/quadra/quadra.html). (The Pro III replaced IC-756Pro II (http://www.icomamerica.com/products/amateur/756proII/), which had replaced an IC-756Pro (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/756pro.jpg) in 2002.) The antenna is a Cushcraft R8. (http://www.cushcraft.com/amateur/r8.htm)

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Get the IC-756Pro II Technical Report (http://www.icomamerica.com/downloads/IC-756PROII_TECHNICAL_REPORT.pdf), now in English. mirror site (http://www.qsl.net/icom/download/ic756pro2/ic756pro2_tr.pdf) erratum (http://www.qsl.net/icom/ic756pro2/fig10.html)

View a detailed IC-756Pro II specification sheet. (http://www.icomamerica.com/amateur/hf/ic756proii.asp)

Here is Oba, JA7UDE's summary* (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/download/ic756pro2jcq.pdf) of the IC-756Pro II review in CQ Ham Radio, January 2002.

Download the IC-746Pro (http://www.icomamerica.com/brochures/ic-746pro.pdf), IC-756Pro (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/download/ic756pro_brochure.pdf), IC-756Pro II (http://www.icomamerica.com/brochures/ic-756proii.pdf), IC-756Pro III (http://www.icomamerica.com/brochures/ic-756proiii.pdf) and IC-PW1 (http://www.icomamerica.com/brochures/ic-pw1.pdf) Product Brochures.

Download the IC-756Pro II Feature Function Benefit Analyis. (http://www.icomamerica.com/downloads/ic-756pro_ffb.pdf)

Read my IC-756Pro User Review (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro_notes.html), now including Notes on the IC-756Pro II (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro_notes.html#756PRO2), Digital-Mode Filters (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro_notes.html#BPF), Spectrum Scope (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro_notes.html#scope), AM (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro_notes.html#am) & FM (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro_notes.html#fm) operation , Twin PBT (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro_notes.html#TPBT), BPF Indicator (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro_notes.html#BPF), AGC (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro_notes.html#AGC) and Dual Watch (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/dw.html).

Read my new IC-756Pro III User Review (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro3/pro3notes.html), including notes on microphones (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro3/pro3notes.html#mics).

Here is a useful dBm-volts-watts conversion chart (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/download/dbm_conv.pdf) (for 50Ω systems).

View the results of recent IC-756Pro II AGC measurements. (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/756pro2agc.html)

Is front-end AGC inherently evil? No! Here's (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro_notes.html#FEAGC) why...

"dBm from Heaven (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/756pro2noise.html)": use the band noise/noise floor margin to your advantage, for quieter reception

IC-756Pro II S-Meter & Spectrum Scope Calibration Curves (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/756pro2mtr.html)

Here are some signal-management tips (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/756pro2tips.html) for new IC-756Pro II and IC-756Pro owners.

Use the Spectrum Scope (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro_notes.html#scope) to configure your IC-756Pro or IC-756Pro II correctly for AM operation. (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro_notes.html#am)

Here's more on AM (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/dsp_am.html) with the IC-756Pro series.

Would you be better off with a new IC-756Pro III or a used IC-781? Please read this (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/756p3_781.html), then decide.

Review George, W5YR's IC-75Pro & Pro II Occupied Bandwidth (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/occbw/main.html) + Monitor (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/occbw/mon.html) Measurements, and Notes on Filtering & DSP. (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/dspfilter.html)

Also read George, W5YR's Brief Overview of A-D Conversion. (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/adc.html)

Read William Sabin, W0IYH's comments (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/download/rm10740_sabin.pdf) on FCC Proceeding RM-10740 (SSB occupied bandwidth).

Study the Basic Concept of Icom IF-DSP. (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/pro_dsp.html)

Read Correcting the IC756Pro Noise Blanker Drive-Signal Leakage Problem (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/nbfix/ic756pro_nbfix.html) by Jim, N2EA and Tony, K1KP.

Go to Matt, KK5DR's excellent IC-756Pro (http://www.qsl.net/kk5dr/PRO%20review.htm), IC-756Pro II (http://www.qsl.net/kk5dr/PROIIreview.htm) and IC-746Pro (http://www.qsl.net/kk5dr/746Pro.htm) User Reviews.

Here is Jeff, KC1MK's IC-756Pro II (http://home1.gte.net/res0z3ok/ic756pro2review.html) User Review.

And here is John Rippey W3ULS' IC-746Pro (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic7400/w3uls_746p.html) User Review (courtesy eHam.net (http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/1951)).

Get Icom Service Bulletin #920 (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/download/sb920.pdf) - the official IC-746Pro and IC-7400 transmitter failure fix.

Download the article by George Wagner K5KG: A Contester's View of the IC-756ProII (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/download/k5kg0602.pdf) from NCJ, May/June 2002.

Download George's companion article: IC746PRO vs. IC756PROII - A Contester?s Comparison (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/download/k5kg1103.pdf) from NCJ, November 2003.

George's kind cooperation in sharing these reviews is gratefully acknowledged.

Read a review of the IC-756PRO (http://www.plicht.de/ekki/756pro/) on Ekki, DF4OR's website.

Read the Icom IC-756PRO Advanced Operating Guide. (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro.html)

Look over Gary, VE7SOU's IC-756Pro site. (http://www.linearlinks.com/756pro/index.htm)

Also visit Greg Ordy, W8WWV's IC-756Pro (http://www.seed-solutions.com/gregordy/Amateur%20Radio/Experimentation/IC756Pro.htm), IC-756Pro CW filter (http://www.seed-solutions.com/gregordy/Amateur%20Radio/Experimentation/CWFilter.htm) shape factor selection & BPF Indicator (http://www.seed-solutions.com/gregordy/Amateur%20Radio/Experimentation/CWFilter.htm#BPF) pages.

And here is Greg's ICOM 756PRO CW Envelope Adjustments (http://www.seed-solutions.com/gregordy/Amateur%20Radio/Experimentation/CWShape.htm) page.

View IC-756Pro (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/risetime.html#PRO) and IC-756Pro II (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/risetime.html#PRO2) CW Rise Time Setting Procedure.

Then go to John WD1V's (http://www.qsl.net/wd1v/756cw.html) IC-756Pro II Rise Time Settings Page,

and George, W5YR's IC-746Pro & IC-756Pro II Spectral Keying Graphs (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic7400/746p_key.html) Page.

Here are five CW spotting (netting) (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic756pro_notes.html#net) methods for IC-756Pro/Pro II users. (Also OK for IC-746Pro and IC-7400, except for #4.)

Check out the eham.net IC-756Pro (http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/418) and IC-756Pro II (http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/1824) reviews.

Download Don, VE3HUR's IC-765 Notes (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/download/download.html#ic765).

Read Rich, KA8OKH's IC-765 Repair Notes (http://www.qsl.net/ka8okh/icom.htm).

Using an Icom AH-4 Automatic Antenna Coupler? Be sure to look over Chris, K9EQ's AH-4 (http://www.usfamily.net/web/k9eq/ah4/) page.

Build Matt, KK5DR's HF Amplifier Keying Interface (http://www.qsl.net/kk5dr/IcomKeyInterface.html) for Icom radios, and save your internal PTT relay.

Build Larry, N2LH's IC-756Pro II Digital Voice Recorder/Keyer Controller. (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/dvrcon/dvrcon.html)

Run Rob, W8LX's DSP IF Filtering Test (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/w8lx.html) to demonstrate the IC-756Pro's superior DSP filter performance.

Get the data sheet* (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/download/2sc5125.pdf) for the 2SC5125 RF power transistor, used in the IC-756Pro and IC-756Pro II PA stage.

Read technical articles on solid-state (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/quadra/sshfamp.html) and tube-type (http://www.qsl.net/kk5dr/goodamps.htm) HF amplifiers.

Why is speech compression (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ssbcomp.html) a requirement in SSB radio systems?

Join the Radio Test Gear Group (http://groups.yahoo.com/group/RadioTestGear/)

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View the comprehensive Icom Japan (http://www.icom.co.jp/world/products/amateur/7800/index.htm) IC-7800 pages. Click logo (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic7800/7800links.html) for IC-7800 links. (New links are constantly being added as more IC-7800 information becomes available.)

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Icom announced the new IC-703 HF/6m (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/ic703/ic703.html) portable in 2002.
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The IC-756Pro ARRL Lab Test results are in QST, June 2000 (http://www.arrl.org/members-only/prodrev/pdf/pr0006.pdf)*, and the Expanded Lab Test Report is on the ARRL Members-Only website* (http://www.arrl.org/members-only/prodrev/pdf/lab/ic756.pdf). (Courtesy ARRL (http://www.arrl.org/))

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View the passband curves of popular Icom filters.
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Shopping for an older Icom HF radio? Look into "Icom Oldies but Goodies" (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/oldicom.html).

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Here are the PBT Mod (http://www.qsl.net/ab4oj/icom/751a_pbt.html) for the "IF-Shift" IC-751A, and the PIEXX (http://www.piexx.com/) UX-14PX (http://www.piexx.com/cgi-bin/piexx.cgi?p=ux14&cart_id=7873109.22624) board.

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Replacement options for the EX-314 RAM board in your IC-751/A, R-71 etc.

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Download (http://www.qsl.net/icom/download/civ3.zip) the CI-V Reference Manual (3rd Edition, 1993). Interfaces (http://www.ham-radio.ch/doc/Interfaces.pd)* from Ham Radio Deluxe.
The PIEXX CIVUSB (http://www.piexx.com/cgi-bin/piexx.cgi?p=CIVUSB&cart_id=3881225.12109) CI-V/USB Adapter. The PDS Engineering (http://www.pdsengr.com/products.htm) CI-V Board.

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Get more manuals and schematics from the RigPix Data Base
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The IC-7000 will soon be at US and Canadian dealers!

2804. RF Field Changes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-15 10:30:45 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2804 Message: 2804

RF Field Changes
James W. Searcy (WA5WRE) (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA5WRE)on October 14, 2005
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Amateur's that have been in radio for at least 25 years should best view this article. I myself have used Amateur Radio for both pleasure and research for 53 of my 59 years. As an Electronics Engineering and Amateur, I have looked at many sides of this hobby/profession. I know of changes in weather affect propagation, and seasons have their input, so knowing this for the better part of the 53 years, it has come to my attention (and possibly many others), that over the past years, communications has somehow been affected.
During the daylight hours, DX and short range communications seem to be OK, but in the evening, RF seems to be replaced with noise. The reason I gave a time span of 25 years, is because in that short period, I remember that regardless of time of day, some frequency was open. I remember having QSOs with stations all over the world, and going into the early hours of daylight.
I pose this then as my question: With the creation of HAARP and utilization of some of Nikola Telsa work, are we now playing with the atmosphere? Too many things are happening to be called "common". Weather conditions all over the world are experiencing things that have never been before. -- Climate conditions, rain, hurricanes, giant waves appearing out of nowhere, etc. Or is it just our Earth going through unusual changes?
I'm not the brightest individual in the world, nor am I an idiot, but it would appreciate other inputs to this question, pro or con.
Thank You, Jim, WA5WRE

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97376)

by KV4BL (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KV4BL) on October 14, 2005

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Jim, your article is indeed timely!!!! How odd that you should write this as this has been heavy on my mind for several months and more so recently. Apart from a brief two year stint as a 2 year (non-renewable) Novice in the early 70's, I got my Tech Plus license in early 1996. When I got my first 2 meter ht a few months later, I was amazed at the conditions that I could partake of. It was a fairly normal, but nonetheless exciting, thing for me to hit repeaters 60, 100, or more miles distant with just a ht and the factory rubber duck antenna. When my (then) wife won a 2m mobile at a hamfest not long after that, we were able to hit the Greenville, SC Blue Ridge ARC repeater on 146.610 at least a couple of times a week from our ground floor apartment in West Columbia, SC and check into their net and talk with her grandmother (Elmer to both of us and many others, K4AOH). We did this with a Radio Shack 5/8 wave magnet mount antenna on a cookie sheet inside of our apartment amd running between 10 and 50 watts. The last several years, SC has seen rather severe drought and with

it, a dwindling of any meaningful "conditions" on 2m. Last year, we began to get rain on a regular basis, again, but the conditions still have not improved. Hitting repeaters in any direction that are more than 30 miles away is very rare just about anytime anymore. For a while, I wondred if it might be that the repeaters in the upstate of SC, where I used to like to make a lot of contacts were not being properly maintained or if my equipment was starting to degrade in performance. Well I doubt that all of these machines would fall into disrepair at once and I have had new radios and antennas come and go and that wasn't the problem. Also, I noticed that I can't make contact with the coast of SC as I once could. Yes, we get occasional brief bursts of propagation on VHF but it is very lackluster when compared to what we had a few short years ago. I, too, have pondered whether or not HAARP might be to blame for this and a multitude of "other" strange things going on in the atmosphere in recent years. I recall, even before getting my Tech Plus and also after, we used to get really thick heavy fog that I call "RF Friendly" as when it rolled in, you could hear some awesome skip on the VHF and UHF police bands as well as the ham bands above 144 MHz. Haven't experienced that in over 5 years. What happened???? I rarely pick up anything in the SC upstate above the white noise anymore. Even less to be heard from the SC coast. I have bounced this off of several friends and we get ideas from the weather changing patterns to sunspots, to whatever but none seem as likely to me as HAARP or similar efforts to monkey aruond with the atmosphere. Looking forward to yours and others' thoughts. 73, Ray KV4BL

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97377)

by YI9VCQ (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/YI9VCQ) on October 14, 2005

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If there truly is a "hole" in the ozone layer allowing a greater amount of radiation to reach the earth's surface then wouldn't that radiation cause some of the same effects you describe?

73,

Korey
YI9VCQ/KA5VCQ
Baghdad, Iraq

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97381)

by W2NSF (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W2NSF) on October 14, 2005

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I believe the changes you hear in noise result from increasing anthropomorphic sources - in other words, sources of man-made noise that have increased in both number and power over the years.

The good news, if there is any, is that technology, especially receiver design, has also improved, so at least we amateurs have more tools in our toolboxes to fight this increasing problem.

I don't believe it'll go away, so I predict we'll be using more digital signal processing - both on the transmit as well as receive - in the future.
Jim

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97382)

by K0BG (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K0BG) on October 14, 2005

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The internet has allowed all sorts of unsupported theories to become urban mythical in nature. It doesn't matter to most visitors that these theories are not peer reviewed; they're going to take them at face value regardless.

The debates about holes in the ozone layer supposedly caused by Freon, and global warming supposedly caused by our use of hydrocarbons are moot. We are, after all, coming off an ice age. Since modern man has never lived through one, the consequences, effects, phenomena, and other oddities can be, and are, supposition. Changes in radio propagation are certainly included in the aforementioned.

Most of man's knowledge is based on what he has observed in the past. In this case (radio propagation) is a little more than 100 years old. That's not much of a past when compared to the age of the earth.

Alan, K?BG
www.k0bg.com

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97383)

by N2XE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N2XE) on October 14, 2005

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Maybe the laws of physics have been altered by some sort of sinister Teslian longitudinal wave generator. This is how the Russians altered the weather to create hurricane Katrina.

Perhaps Louis Farrakhan's "Mother Wheel" is responsible.

Global warming and the ozone hole must surely play a part in this--damn George Bush for not signing the Kyoto Treaty.

Corporate America and Big Oil have been conspiring for years to make annoying atmospheric static while reaping huge profits on the back of the "little guy".

Let us not forget what Art Bell and Tom Bearden have been waning us about all these years.

It has been reported that the Chupacabre beast can emit RF like interference so that need to be investigated.

I've noticed that propagation pratically ceases when that spectral locomotive runs down the abandonded tracks behind my house.

Or maybe you have a wall wart that's gone bad. That seems highly unlikely though...

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97384)

by W1RFI (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W1RFI) on October 14, 2005

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A few years back, at the QRP tent at the Williams, AZ hamfest, I was talking with Paul Harden, NA5N. Paul lives in a remote area of New Mexico, a really RF quiet area. He told me that one day, he was talking with a ham from the midwest, on 40 meters, when all of a sudden, the band went really quiet, but he station he was talking to didn't change in signal strength. The next morning, the local paper reported that, just as the band went quiet, there was a major power outage in southern California. Although anecdotal, it is pretty clear that the aggregate of man-made devices connected to the grid are raising worldwide noise levels.

How much is not quantified. Also, no one knows if this is essentially from the aggregate of millions of devices, or whether a smaller number of strong sources predominate. If I weren't so tied up in all this BPL stuff, I would love to investigate that with the mobile measurement set up I put together for BPL measurements. If we measure the noise in a typical town like Newington or Burlington, CT, we can get a per-capita noise level in the aggregate and run that EIRP level against the calculated IONCAP path losses and determine what the impact will be on distant areas.

ARRL did an IONCAP study that showed the reliability of HF at amateur power levels vs varying levels of man-made noise. It is pretty chilling to look at what the legal limit for unlicensed devices like BPL are calculated to do to HF.

Go to:

http://p1k.arrl.org/~ehare/bpl/ARRL_BPL_Papers.html

Exhibit C of the Notice of Inquiry filings is this IONCAP analysis.

Ed Hare, W1RFI

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97387)

by N4ZOU (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/N4ZOU) on October 14, 2005

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Before Mount St. Helens blew it top on May 18, 1980 we were getting dire predictions of Global Cooling if we did not stop pollution and limit high altitude flights causing vapor trails that blocked the sun. Scientists predicted nuclear winters lasting year round killing all of us if nuclear war broke out. When Mount St. Helens blew it's top all these predictions were proven false. All the Chicken Little Scientists had to come up with something else to keep research money coming in the coffers so Global Cooling became Global Heating and dire predictions foretold of the ice caps melting and flooding New York and other cities, climate changes world wide causing crop failure and death if nothing was done

immediately by the year 2000. Here it is 2005 and none of these dire predictions have come true and were still debating if there is any real Global Warming actually happening. Topping this is the discovery that Mars has heated slightly and that the sun is in a phase that?s just slightly hotter than what has been what we consider normal since we started keeping track of that sort of thing. Funny thing is I just heard on the news that some idiot has started spouting Global Cooling again! I guess his Global Heating money has run out, as, according to them, we should all be dead from Global Heating 5 years ago.
http://www.fs.fed.us/gpnf/mshnvm/

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97390)

by WA3KYY (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA3KYY) on October 14, 2005

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I suspect what you are now hearing in the evenings is all those millions of computers and TVs being turned on after dinner for the evenings entertainment. They all put out small amounts of RF noise but in the aggregate can raise the local noise floor several S-units. It is almost like a switch has been thrown at about 7pm local time.

73,
Mike WA3KYY

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97391)

by PATRICK526 (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/PATRICK526) on October 14, 2005

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I think that it's not about climate change. The whole world is becoming more dependent on electronic equipment nowadays. Look at the proliferation of Wifi (802.11a-n), Bluetooth, cellphones, wireless phones, wireless garage door, key-less entry for cars, wireless entertainment centers, etc. etc... All these devices plays an important role in QRN because they are all emitting harmonics to different frequencies.

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Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97392)

by KB7LYM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KB7LYM) on October 14, 2005

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Earth has gone through unusal changes since creation. othing can be done! Its called the living world. Or would you prefer a burned out cinder in space.Be happy ! We are not going to come out of it alive.
On the other hand.. transmissions from the Heavens might very well improve.But on the other hand ...once being in the Lucifers Amateur radio Club you might have some interference.If your Transmitter don't overheat.
Live with it.... there is NO OTHER WAY.

RE: RF Field Changes

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97393)

by KT8K (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KT8K) on October 14, 2005

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As a novice I sometimes thought I heard faint, echo-ey engine spark static on HF bands, even though there were no stations operating there. If I called CQ long enough, or someone else showed up and did, it usually turned out there actually was an opening, but nobody had expected it, so nobody was operating on the band.

I still believe (especially in light of my many years of QRP operation) that even small sources of noise can be propogated long distances on HF, and combine with all the other noise sources to raise the noise floor significantly - especially when a band is open. Other evidence of this is on the good old CB band. Flip across the channels and you will know when you hit channel 19 (the highway/trucker channel used by most of the operating stations on the band). Channel 19 has a subdued roar or noise, a measurably higher noise level than the other channels even when the band seems completely closed. Either through backscatter or some similar means, noise is propogated over long distances.

From my experience, the notion that a power outage in California would reduce HF noise levels far away makes all kinds of sense. I have long expected to see the noise levels on HF rising as population increases, BPL use is expanded, and more and more people buy those cheap-o electric blankets and lamp dimmers.

As for the VHF propagation, have weather changes, air pollution, or other causes reduced the frequency of temperature inversions and other duct-producing phenomena? Has tropospheric bending been reduced by changes in air quality?
These are good things to think and learn about, as we may (do) need to do something about them. The solutions will need to be implemented on a huge scale, and will be exceeding difficult to achieve. Start your lobbying engines, folks.
73 & best rx de kt8k - Tim

RE: RF Field Changes are Bush's fault

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97394)

by W9WHE-II (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W9WHE-II) on October 14, 2005

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Its clear that Global Warming is the cause and Bush, Cheny and Haliburton to blame. As you know, Bush refused to sign the Keyoto protocol. This refusal is the cause of global warming, destruction of the ionosphere and the earthquake in Pakastan.

1) Global warming:

Cheny and Haliburton produce fossil fuels,which, when burned, are the sole cause of planetary warming. While you might think the sun has a role in warming the earth, you would be operating under a delusion propiagted by Bush and Cheney. All those stories about alternating ice ages and thawing over thousands of years are just part of the Carl Rove's spin machine.

2) Damage to the ionosphere & Ham radio:
As the world's temprature increases, the ionosphere warms. This warming causes expansion of the ionosphere and a corrisponding decrease in density. The decreased density results in less signal being propigated. With less signal propigated, you get less signal in the receiver. At the same time, all of Haliburton's evil equipment causes an increase in electromagnetic noise. All of this is calculated to ruin ham radio and force all of us to use BGPL (Broadband over Gas Pipe Lines) which Haliburton has a patent on. Carl Rove, Bush & Cheney have a plan to do away with cable and DSL and replace them with Haliburton's BGPL at $200 per month. In fact, BPL is designed to make ham radio so unreliable, that you move to Haliburton's BGPL.

3) The earthquake in Pakastan.
The quake in pakastan is all Bush's fault. He and Cheney were using a secret millitary weapon to steer Hurricaines to poor black areas of Louisiana. But they forgotr to turn it off. Instead, it sent a concentrated beam of energy into space, where it bounced off secret oil drilling bases on the moon, and back down to Pakastan, where it heated the tetonic plate, causing release and the earthquake.

RE: RF Field Changes

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97395)

by W6TH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W6TH) on October 14, 2005

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I can go back a few years on propagation, over 67 years to be exact.

Most years from 1936 up until 1990 were almost duplicate years and followed the 11 year cycle. However the last good years were in the year of 1990 when a mobile radio setup from California could put a 20 dB over 9 signal to the east coast (20 Meters), just the 100 watts to a Hustler mobile whip. In November 1990 I was able to work 100 dx countries both on cw and also 100 dx ssb (Ten Meters) with a swan 350 and a 2 element quad at 60 feet.

Since 1990 band conditions have decreased in propagation for those big strong signals and now has beome more or less sporatic conditions.

I lived in a very quiet location in the Mojave desert, no power line noise and such, however there were many times of this very heavy rash scratching noise that appeared from nowhere, at times blanking out all incoming signals, also causing my Icom 735 to send out a very raw ac note across the bands. This was mostly on the 20 meter band, not common to my other years.

To make a long story short, I do believe there is something going on with these big antenna systems located up and around the North Pole.

It has often been said, " men will eventually destroy themseles", how true, it can be seen.

73, W6TH...A non vanity call.
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by WI7B (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WI7B) on October 14, 2005

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73,
Mike WA3KYY"

Yes Mike, I think you're right. At 6:45-7:15 PDT, its like a noise switch is pulled and the ceiling falls with a thud. I noticed this is especailly true with the coming of Autumn, cooler weather, and fewer outdoor activities in the evening.

Sounds like TVs, plasma screens, PCs and their monitors, stereo and entertainment systems all arising from the dead.

73,

---* Ken WI7B

RE: RF Field Changes

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97398)

by K0IZ (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/K0IZ) on October 14, 2005

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=97398)

My station is in the mountains of Colorado with virtually no noise sources anywhere close. Using 20 meters as an example: During a solar flare or at night with low solar flux (ie dead band), my noise floor is very very low. During the daytime with normal 20M band conditions I would estimate my noise floor to be about 6 to 8 db higher. That is still much quieter than most hams have.

I would assume that some of that increase is due to world-wide storms (lightning). Some is due to poor phase noise of PLL-type transmitters, spreading broad-band hash across the bands. Also more amplifiers than years ago, such that -50db IMD is now 10db or so louder. Other related cause would be misc distant RFI.

On the receive side, a poor phase noise receiver will also give the impression of more noise.

Most hams do not realize how RF noisy their environment is, mostly local noise. Some of my visitors are amazed how much quieter my location is, compared with theirs.

By the way, I came across two interesting web sites that show some long-term solar and global temperature charts. Check out http://www.pages.unibe.ch/products/overheads/pdfs/beer-sunspotcycle.pdf for a Yr 1600-2000 trend of sunspots. Looks like we can blame ol' Sol!

Also take a look at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Geologic_temperature_record. Especially note the 5 million year global trend and the 540 million year graph.

Interesting stuff, maybe Bush isn't responsible after all??

RE: RF Field Changes

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97399)

by WB2WIK (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WB2WIK) on October 14, 2005

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I've been a ham for 40 years and have noticed some things, too...but not quite as you describe.

I surely note "local neighborhood" RF pollution is far worse today than it's ever been, for everyone who doesn't live far out in the country.

It certainly seems plausible that some of this is conducted back through the power grid and radiates a lot farther than we might think.

I think there's no question that global warming *and* global cooling has been going on for millions of years, and so far we have no way to control it.

There's a link between weather in our troposphere and propagation in our ionosphere because both are very influenced by the sun. As is practically everything on our planet.

But here's one that is a man-made problem for which I have no solution:

Overall, a lot of the signals we are trying to work, irrespective of band conditions, are weaker because they're being launched by lesser antenna systems than ever before.

40 years ago, my typical 20 meter contact was using a yagi or quad, or at the very least a good dipole strung between a couple of fifty or sixty foot tall trees. Very few hams were using "compromise" antennas, antennas in their attics, or antennas they had to hide -- as such, the antennas actually worked.

Today, it's common on any band (I'll use 20m again as the example) that my contacts tell me they're using attic-mounted dipoles, dipoles strung along five foot-high fences, indoor loops, greatly shortened verticals and all sorts of stuff that hardly works at all. As such, I'm straining to hear them, much more than I ever had to strain 40 years ago.

I think *this* is a HUGE factor, and can make the bands sound full of crappy, noise-laden signals simply because they're weak.

Contrast that to a major DX contest weekend, when half the signals on the band (the contesters) are using big beams on tall towers, and all of a sudden everybody's 40dB/S9 again.

Restrictive zoning, and worse, CC&Rs, are the cause of the crappy signals in many cases. It's a huge influence, just like the sunspot cycle.

WB2WIK/6

RF Field Changes

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97400)

by WA6BFH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA6BFH) on October 14, 2005

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Right off the bat I would say the authors assertion is uh,,,,, bold!

That?s a nice way of saying he is making a huge assumption with little fact!

I would ask him:

1) In this vast 25 year (chuckle) data collection span, what has been the :

A) Station gain of your receiving station (data collection point)?

B) Front-end gain of each comparative receiver?

C) What is the difference in dynamic range of each receiver used (probably for such ?assessments? {chuckle} the most important question)?

2) Do you think a broader sampling might be better (like say at least as far back as the Maunder Minimum)?

3) Do you use different methods of working this DX (Shsssssshh, I know the rest of us do {said in a whisper})? I?m thinking of course of both E-layer, and F-layer {as well as a few others}, inclusive of even taking advantage of the D-layer when it is stimulated.

These are just a few off the top of my head thoughts {we won?t discuss Tropospheric Ducting, Trans-equatorial skip, or Thermal Inversion}. I mean these other things are ?weather? related, but what do you mean by DX? A range of frequencies would kinda be a good consideration too, don?t?cha think?

I mean this is a serious scientific study, right?

RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97404)

by WA6BFH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA6BFH) on October 14, 2005

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For the first responder to this article, Ross Hull would I?m certain be staggered at your findings. I mean, what you have accomplished on VHF, simply puts years of his work to shame!

YI9VCQ, I think you meant to say ascribe, not describe.

W2NSF, while your input describes only one probable source and premise, it is much better and more accurate than the authors!

Alan, I think that may be the best thing I have ever heard you say!

N2XE, come now sir! I cannot allow your last assertion to stand! Simply poppycock!

W1RFI, an interesting assessment, and ARRL study! Especially when considered that you guys also thought that 1 Watt output transmitters on hospital rooftops (no rooftop height

specified, and no antenna gain specified) on 5.6 GHz for nation wide marketed devices would pose no difficulties for any Amateur operations!

N4ZOU, yup! For the rest, read Lowell Ponte?s ?The Cooling?

WA3KYY, another better premise!

Patrick526, probably more QRM rather than QRN but, hey, the ARRL is looking out for .00017% of our spectrum for us, thank god!

KT8K, Tim, yours is a much better assessment than the authors, and a better scientific study too!

Vito, I think you and I have a few different observations old friend! Suffice it to say, your observations are a heck of a lot better than the authors! Psssst, your preferred mode of choice also gives you about 8 to 12 dB advantage over most of us poor ?phone men?! ;-)

K0IZ, stop sir, you must stop! I cannot stand to hear yet another, of these VERY few, rational responses!

Oh Steve, are you telling me I have to be ?like these Ham?s out there? and put up a real tower? Come now, can?t I just use a magnet-mount on a cookie sheet for 20 Meters? Come on, be real, that da*n thing is so big it barely fits in my den! I?m thinking of just mounting ?The Resonator? {kinda like an Arnold thing? directly on my ?Antenna Tuner?. Isn?t that what such tuners were made for, I mean so that we would not have to use REAL antennas!

RF Field Changes

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97406)

by WA7NCL (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA7NCL) on October 14, 2005

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The reason why you don't hear as many stations is that there are fewer active hams, especially on CW. The ham population is aging and that means not staying up all night to work 40m CW.

Compare activity and signals on a typical day vs. when a major contest in going. There are many strong signals and the bands are crowded when a contest is on.

I think with all the newer means (cell phone, email, web sites) of contacting our friends and fellow hams we use the radio less and less for routine communications. Instead we use it for contests and special activities.

Finally, I think we are dealing with our own human perception. It's 10 or 11 years since the last sunspot minimum and we all tend to forget how bad the HF bands get (compared to our rememberence of previous cycle peaks). Add this to the fact that the last peak was somewhat lack luster compared to the two that preceed them, and you are bound to have some disappointment.

We need some ways to rekindle some enthusiasm to increase activity levels on HF. Contesting (although much maligned by rag chewers), less traditional modes like PSK, and Rtty, and QRP and field operation help keep the old spark alive.

So stop looking for mysterious causes in the ionosphere. Start looking in the mirror. There is nothing mysterious going on.

RE: RF Field Changes

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97407)

by KT8K (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KT8K) on October 14, 2005

Mail this to a friend! (http://www.eham.net/forums/mailto/1?id=97407)

If it's just the proliferation of noisy electronic devices, and the noise can propagate like any other RF signal, then the global noise level should be rising with population as well.

Over population worries me a lot more than just global warming or rising ocean levels. In the late '90's demographic experts pointed out that, given some pretty good estimates of the earth's capacity to provide food (about 7.5 billion), human population would exceed the food capacity of the world well before 2050. We passed 6 billion a few years ago, and I heard recently that we are adding 1 billion people every 13 years now. That won't mean global famine, but there will certainly be famine in many areas (North America has more food than it can eat ... for now).

Besides a continual upswing in electrical noise levels, I expect wars to increasingly break out over food, water, energy, and increasingly large movements of refugees. We in the US are currently using 25% of worldwide energy production (or something like that) while we have less than 5% of world population, but other areas of the world are catching up in per capita energy use (and noise production).

Big disasters like hurricanes create more and more deaths and damage, not because they are necessarily worse than in the past, but because there are so many more people and buildings in their paths. I recently learned that the water tables in the Arizona deserts have dropped from around 12 feet to over 100 feet down in the last few decades, and I didn't see a single low flush toilet while I was down there this year. What are people thinking?

I don't think I'll be around to see how it is all resolved, but a huge crisis driven by overpopulation is inevitable before 2050 unless we do something about it. Show me one major problem that, at its root, isn't driven by over population. Conservation measures will only delay the inevitable.

Only birthrate reduction and control will really address the problem. Otherwise, Mother Nature will address the problem as she does with other species that get out of control: their numbers are reduced by disease, environmental pollution, famine, conflict/war, and natural declines in birthrate caused by decreasing rates of fertility, increasing incidence of homosexual behavior (in mammals, for sure), increasing stress/mental illness, and other factors. Consider how big a part China's population control laws have improved their current economic prospects. Either we do something or Mother Nature will take care of the problem.

The appalling thing is that I have heard only the smartest liberal politicians talking about overpopulation, and that has been ignored by the press. The conservatives seem completely blind, and more interested in manipulating the masses with short sighted, diversionary tactics like exciting people about gay marriage and abortion so they can get reelected and make rich folks and corporations richer.

We need to start thinking, and thinking ahead, if we want to avoid a terrible global scenario for ourselves and our descendants. Gay marriage is fine with me - they're unlikely to have kids! But religions that encourage big families are doing nobody any favors.

So please fight the increase in electrical noise on the bands by weighing in against overpopulation with your government representatives.
http://www.populationconnection.org/

Best rx & 73 de kt8k - Tim

RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97408)

by W6TH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W6TH) on October 14, 2005

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I can prove that the ionization, etc can be chamged by theory and math, but there will be few that will be able to follow my math calculatons.

In my opinion, I honestly believe there are experiments, (A test under controlled conditions that is made to demonstrate a known truth going on with our ionosphere).

Ionization, Recombination, and Attachment
An electrical discharge is produced when gas molecules or atoms are ionized by electron impact. In the absence of losses, the change in the electron density is given by:
Calculus, higher math which most will not follow so will just leave it as it is.

My opinion for this experiment is to weaken, destroy "a" military action without the loss of life.

73, W6TH.... Not a vanity call...
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RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97409)

by KC8VWM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC8VWM) on October 14, 2005

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An electrical discharge is produced when gas molecules or atoms are ionized by electron impact.

Well that explains last night's dinner but what about these changing RF fields?

RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97410)

by ICOMTECH66 (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/ICOMTECH66) on October 14, 2005

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I believe its George Bush's fault -- not only does he hate Black people but he also hates ham radio operators...

I mean -- if he can cuase hurricane to go where he wants then why couldn't he also cause the propagation to change....

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RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97411)

by WA6BFH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA6BFH) on October 14, 2005

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ICOMTECH66, I think you are correct sir! Afterall, didn't Louis Farakahn tell us that G.W. blew up the ionosphere about the same time he blew up that levy?

RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97412)

by W6TH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W6TH) on October 14, 2005

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what about these changing RF fields?

Radiofrequency (RF) fields are part of the electromagnetic spectrum. For the purpose of the International EMF Project, such fields are defined as those within the frequency range 10 MHz (or 10 000 kHz) and 300 GHz. Natural and human-made sources generate RF fields of different frequency.

Common sources of RF fields include: FM radio (30 - 300 MHz), mobile telephones, television broadcast, microwave ovens, medical diathermy (0.3 - 3 GHz), radar, satellite links, microwave communications (3 -30 GHz) and the sun (3 -300 GHz).

RF fields are non-ionizing radiations (NIR). Unlike X-rays and gamma rays, they are much too weak to break the bonds that hold molecules in cells together and, therefore, produce ionization. RF fields may, however, produce different effects on biological systems such as cells, plants, animals, or human beings. These effects depend on frequency and intensity of the RF field. By no means, will all of these effects result in adverse health effects.

RF fields above 10 GHz are absorbed at the skin surface, with very little of the energy penetrating into the underlying tissues.

Who was it that mentioned Bush and his weapons of masterbation?

73, W6TH... This is not a vanity call.
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RF Field Changes

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97413)

by W2WO (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W2WO) on October 14, 2005

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I have consistently used CW since 1959 and have been fortunate enough to have had fairly good receivers and moderately good antennas. I am also fortunate to live in the "far suburbs" where local noise is minor (as far as I can tell). The long-term increase in background noise on 80 & 40 over they years is apparent. The "shape" of the noise seems to have changed also. I seem to remember a more "even" white noise in earlier years.

The noise growth on 20-10 meters is not as apparent to me.

My conclusion: zillions of small sources spread over most of the earth. Nothing we can do about it. Long term conclusion: ham radio will become much more VHF centered. I hope reasonable HF operation lasts the rest of my lifetime, but the fantastic explosion of digital and switching devices makes this unlikely. The reluctance of the FCC to enforce product conformance does not help, but that is secondary to the sheer number of devices all around us.

RF Field Changes

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97414)

by KE7ATE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KE7ATE) on October 14, 2005

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I too have noticed the increased noise levels in just the past 20 years. I have been a ham since 1996 and have noticed a change in the radio environment of the spectrum. However, I would have to agree that much of the problem may be found in the increased use of electrical devices in the development of the modern world.

The increasing number of electronic devices that have appeared in the past 100 years is staggering. Electricity is the increased or elevated motion of electrons and when you get that many electrons moving it will cause electrical interference, AKA 'noise'. Also, the increased sensitivity of radio equipment as it has progressed in the last half of the 20th century has created the opportunity for everyone to 'hear' this increased noise level.

We are not the only ones experiencing problems with terrestial noise.

Astronomers are seeking support for cities like Phonix and Chicago to reduce the amount of light used at night, aka 'city shine' so that they can promote better astronomical observation opportunites. Turning off a few lights to improve the 'noise' level increases our chances of exploring our natural resources (the ionosphere, the universe, etc.)

I like to examine what some of the Old Timers did to improve their noise levels.

Consider the source of the noise and try to reduce any local interferences. As amatuer radio persons, we take careful measures to reduce any TVI or other interferences to maintain our hobby within the confines of today's world of poorly shielded devices and fussy household appliances.

Some of these comments on this subject have noted the increased use of Digital Signal Processing (DSP) and I must agree it can help with offending band noise, but I would like to encourage fellow amateurs to also examine their antenna installation, connections, and particularly grounding techniques.

I have seen some very sloppy construction techniques that may create some terrific results and keep the neighbors happy, but the band noise is barely tolerable.

Now, I say all this after sitting in my Toyota Tundra truck with my FT-817ND, plugged into my lighter socket and contacting N1PGT located just north of Carson City. The engine noise from my engine was awful, but I wasn't trying to fix the noise problem, I just wanted to see if the antenna was working as it should (PAC-12 antenna). (See my web site if you are interested in the details)

http://ke7ate.tripod.com/

RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97415)

by WA6BFH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA6BFH) on October 14, 2005

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Vito, do gay folks do that?

And if they do, will that help ionization?

RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97416)

by KC8VWM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC8VWM) on October 14, 2005

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ROFL..

RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97417)

by KV4BL (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KV4BL) on October 14, 2005

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WA6BFH, I know that my observations are not "scientific" per se, but the bottom line is that something has gone really crummy with VHF and UHF propagation in my neck of the woods. It has been this way for over 5 years now and I have made changes to radios, antennae, and feedlines and it is not the equipment. Several of my friends who were licensed at about the same time as myself have noted it this phenomenon also. The solar cycles generally are affecting hf, as I understand it, and not so much on VHF / UHF. As I was an avid scanner listener and utilized VHF / UHF equipment on the job for the last several decades, I know that decent (and sometimes annoying) propagation was to be found on a very regular basis. "Something", has caused it to be almost unheard of in the last five or so years. I am not prepared , nor do I have the time or inclination, to offer a "scientific" dissertation on

why this is. I would like to hear others' input, though. To Tim, KT8K, you have hit the nail on the head regarding our overpopulation! It is really sad just how blind the majority of people are to overpopulation and the toll it takes on the ecology and quality of life for all of us. I don't understand why it is necessary to have three kids (or more) when two (or less) should do. Two produced by one man and one woman should be somewhere close to zero population growth. Besides the loss of wilderness and places to go to "get away from the crowd", one of the most obvious detrimental effects is the enormous increase in traffic on the roadways. Yet, government encourages unchecked reproduction by giving tax breaks for having more kids rather than taxing in proportion to the demand created for services like schools, roadways, water and sewer, etc. Will they ever wake up? Probably not.

RE: RF Field Changes

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97418)

by WA6BFH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA6BFH) on October 14, 2005

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KE7ATE, read this!

http://www.eham.net/articles/11154

RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97419)

by WA6BFH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA6BFH) on October 14, 2005

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KV4BL, you too should read the e-ham article that I wrote titled, "Black Sky"

RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97421)

by W6TH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W6TH) on October 14, 2005

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WA6BFH

Vito, do gay folks do that?

And if they do, will that help ionization?

John, in my engineering notes I cannot find anything in regards to gay folks. I don't think it was known in my time. Keep abreast and never know what will turn up.

As the world turns, never know where it will stop.

73, W6TH.. the non vanity call.
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RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97422)

by AA4PB (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/AA4PB) on October 14, 2005

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Bush doesn't hate hams. He just cancelled the propogation so hams couldn't help counter the devistation from the hurricanes he caused. He'll turn the propogation back on as soon as he gets a round tuit.

RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97423)

by W4JLE (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W4JLE) on October 14, 2005

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The real problem is the "clean air" laws. We no longer have the lead particulates in the air to reflect VHF signals.

The lead floats in the air by the same physics that allows heavier than air CFA's to climb to extreme altitudes and eat up the ozone.

I actually was told by Big Foot last night that the whole thing is caused by CBers running 50KW amplifiers. The story is that 27 Mcs was used for diathermy years ago to heat sore muscles. It was thought that the change from Mcs to MHz would change the way these frequencies behaved. A new government study has been awarded to UCLA to determine the reason for failure. (2.1 Billion Dollars).

We just have to keep convincing the uninitiated that it is a sun spot cycle.

RE: RF Field Changes

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97424)

by W4VR (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W4VR) on October 14, 2005

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The noise levels certainly have increased over the years...and most of it is man-made (part 15 devices, OTHR's, etc.)...some of it is also due to changes in solar activity. At night on 40 meters I sometimes see broadband noise bring the noise floor up 20 dB on the PROIII scope..it slowly rises then slowly decays...I see this at both my Maine and Virginia QTH's.

RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97426)

by WA6BFH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/WA6BFH) on October 14, 2005

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Ok guys, I?m betting that anytime now, we are gonna hear from:

1) Scream?n Howard Dean

2) Calypso Lewie

3) The inventor of the Internet, the revered Al-Gore

4) Edward Kennedy (probably not too coherently)

5) Noam Chomsky

6) Jerry Brown Jr.

7) Rachel Carson

8) Edward Abbey (No, he would have more on the ball, and is also an SK)

Did I miss any really scientific tree huggers out there?

RE: RF Field Changes

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97427)

by KC8VWM (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/KC8VWM) on October 14, 2005

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True..., and what about those times I have pulled up to a traffic light and heard people playing those loud stereo's lately.

RE: RF Field Changes and More Thoughts

Reply (http://www.eham.net/forums/post/Articles/97428)

by W6TH (http://www.eham.net/user/profile/W6TH) on October 14, 2005

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If it should happen that we lose our vice president, does this mean we have a new vice president called Ric (Message over 64 KB, truncated)

2805. Uniden Bearcat BCD-996T (Trunktracker IV)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-15 17:35:06 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2805 Message: 2805

Uniden Bearcat BCD-996T (Trunktracker IV)

Specifications are preliminary and may change

Type:

HF/VHF/UHF receiver/scanner

Frequency range:

25-512 / 806-956 / 1240-1300 MHz
Cellular blocked

Mode:

AM/FM/WFM/APCO25 Digital

Sensitivity:

N/A

Selectivity:

N/A

Image rejection:

N/A

Voltage:

13.8 VDC

Current drain:

Max ? mA

Impedance:

50 ohms, BNC

Dimensions (W*H*D):

? mm

Weight:

? Kg

Manufactured:

2006-200x

Other:

6000 dynamic memories. CTCSS/DCS. "Close Call" RF capture technology.
GPS-enabled for location-related scanning. When a GPS-unit is connected, it
can also alert at areas of special interest, such as dangerous intersections,
school zones or general points of interest (fixed speeding cameras anyone?).
Tracks Motorola I, II & IIi and EDACS and LTR
Will probably be released spring 2006 for about $850.00

Related documents:

2806. Uniden BR-330T (Trunktracker III).....what a beauty !!!!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-15 17:37:31 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2806 Message: 2806

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Specs are preliminary and may change

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Cellular blocked

Mode:

AM/FM/NFM/WFM

Sensitivity:

N/A

Selectivity:

N/A

Image rejection:

N/A

Voltage:

3.6-4.5 VDC (3*R6/AA)

Current drain:

? mA

Impedance:

50 ohms, SMA

Dimensions (W*H*D):

? mm

Weight:

? gr

Manufactured:

2005-200x

Other:

2500 dynamically allocated channels. "Close call" RF capture technology.
CTCSS/DCS. Tracks Motorola I, II & IIi, EDACS and LTR. Alpha tags.
Fire tone-out. Race track operation. Built-in ferrite bar for AM BC. PC-interface.

Related documents:

2807. Amazing 11 Ampere Cell

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-15 18:43:22 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2807 Message: 2807

11,000mAh D NiMH Rechargeable Batteries 2pcs pack

Model:

MH-2D110

(http://shop.mahaenergy.com/store/viewItem.asp?idproduct=342&buy=1)

(http://www.mahaenergy.com/store/buy.asp)
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2808. Read this story

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-16 14:20:28 UTC
From: vu2hit@vrmerchants.com
Topic: 2808 Message: 2808

****
Hello MARS Group,

Huzefa Merchant spent some time at our website and has sent you this story link

http://www.expressindia.com/fullstory.php?newsid=56632&pn=0

Reply to Huzefa Merchant
****
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2809. Things to do when the bands are dead

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-18 18:11:46 UTC
From: Deepak VU2CDP
Topic: 2809 Message: 2809
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If home brewing is what you love doing then this shouldn't be too difficult to make. Only catch is you can't call CQ with it :-)
and please no mails telling that this is not related to ham radio.
IT IS !!!!! (when no one answers ur call and you feel like throwing it all away, cannibalise it and use the parts to make these.Your family will finally appreciate your "technical bent of mind" HI HI

73s de
VU2CDP
http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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2810. Good Show JOTA guys.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-18 20:41:14 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2810 Message: 2810
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2811. New file uploaded to m_a_r_s

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-24 07:20:01 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 58 Message: 2811

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the m_a_r_s
group.

File : /TABLE OF REPEATERS.doc
Uploaded by : mukeshvaidya <mukeshvaidya@...>
Description : List of Repeators & Nets in & around Bangalore City

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files/TABLE%20OF%20REPEATERS.doc

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

mukeshvaidya <mukeshvaidya@...>

2812. Kalam for cheaper broadband connection

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-24 08:11:29 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2812 Message: 2812
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2813. HAM Wiki

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-24 11:22:43 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 2813 Message: 2813

Hello People,

Thought you may find this interesting:

http://www.hamwiki.info/wiki/Main_Page

Enjoy,

Harsh Vardhan

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2814. About Thane Repeater

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-25 08:35:55 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2814 Message: 2814
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2815. Any news ??

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-26 08:06:15 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 2815 Message: 2815

Hey Arun,

Any news of the Green Birds ? Its been long since we heard about it after you formally collected the names of all those who paid for it.

NLF listening ???

73
Parin

2816. HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEAR NILESH

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-26 10:57:27 UTC
From: Micky Korde
Topic: 2816 Message: 2816

WEDNESDAY the 26'th of OCTOBER
MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
WISHING A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO
OUR FOUNDER MEMBER & PRESENT SECRETARY
NILESH RATHOD - VU2 NLF

MICKY - VU2 IZO & ALL MARTIANS

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2817. Re: [m_a_r_s] HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEAR NILESH

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-26 11:07:36 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2816 Message: 2817
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2818. Re: [m_a_r_s] HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEAR NILESH

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-26 11:52:58 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 2816 Message: 2818

Dear NLF,

Wish you Many Many Happy Returns of the Day.

73 & 88,

Parin - VU2PIC

----- Original Message -----
From: Micky Korde
To: MUMBAI SOCIETY
Sent: Wednesday, October 26, 2005 4:27 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEAR NILESH

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2819. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-26 12:35:28 UTC
From: sivamanickam a
Topic: 2819 Message: 2819
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2820. Re: [m_a_r_s] (unknown)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-26 16:12:29 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 995 Message: 2820

WISHING A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY

TO

NILESH RATHOD - VU2 NLF

26 - 10 - 2005

Kaushik VU2KTW

2821. Happy Birthday...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-26 16:25:31 UTC
From: edward rodrigues
Topic: 2821 Message: 2821

Dear Nilesh sir,

Wishing you many happy returns of the day.

73,

Edward Rodrigues

VU2CVE.

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2822. Happy Birthday

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-26 17:55:58 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2822 Message: 2822

Happy Birthday
OM Nilesh Rathod
Secretary & FounderMember
& last but not the least
our elmer
Happy Birthday

ULHAS
73
de VU2UBP

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2823. Happy Bday NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-26 12:44:20 UTC
From: UrLastHope
Topic: 2823 Message: 2823
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2824. Re: [m_a_r_s] HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEAR NILESH

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-26 16:10:21 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2816 Message: 2824
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2825. Re: [m_a_r_s] HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEAR NILESH

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-26 12:06:28 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 2816 Message: 2825
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2826. Re: [m_a_r_s] Thank You

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-27 07:56:35 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2816 Message: 2826

Thank you very much all of you guys, I greatly appreciate it....

73
NLF

Micky Korde <vu2izo@...> wrote:
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2827. JOTA REPORT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-27 09:55:32 UTC
From: Sandesh Kamat
Topic: 2827 Message: 2827
Attachments: 8 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2828. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA REPORT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-30 02:24:32 UTC
From: fmpatel
Topic: 2827 Message: 2828

great Photographs
FEO

----- Original Message -----
From: Sandesh Kamat
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, October 27, 2005 3:25 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] JOTA REPORT

FRIENDS

This is a short report on the JOTA event which was conducted on 15th oct at Shree Ram Welfare high school in Andheri which could be held only for a day because of limited participation .
THE LIST OF MARS MEMBERS WHO WERE ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN THE JOTA EVENT
1) SANDESH KAMAT --- VU2SXF
2) IVOR PERIERA ----- VU2IVO
There were also few visiting hams
1) MUKESH VAIDYA
2) ARUN SINGH ----- VU2AUA
3) PRAVIN PANCHAL ---- VU3PAN

THE SETUP OF STATION
FT 840 HF TVR WITH SMPS & DIPOLE FOR 20 & 40 MT BANDS
IC 2100H VHF BASE WITH SMPS & 5/8 VERTICAL

On 14th oct I installed the dipoles for HF on 15th oct I reached the school at 8.30 am checked the SWR for the bands I was joined by Ivor at 9.45 am & then we installed the vhf ant we were on HF by 10 am to find poor band conditions so we were forced to use only VHF band . Ivor delivered a short lecture to the students about ham radio .
We were in touch with chembur & mira road stations .
Students from 5 schools participated in the event i.e from goregaon , borivali & bandra(bmc school)
about 100 students came on the air .
We had a contact with A47JOTA the only station heard on HF from MUSCAT with 59 RST.
rest nothing was heard so HF was shut down .We almost finished with all the students by 2.00 pm & we shut the station by 2.30 pm overall we had a fair response .

FINALLY I WOULD LIKE TO THANK JAYESH VU2ESP FOR LENDING HIS HF RIG
& NILESH DIXIT FOR HIS VHF RIG & SMPS.& ALSO THANKING ALL THE PARTICIPANTS
FOR THIS EVENT .

THANKS & 73

DE VU2SXF
SANDESH KAMAT

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2829. A.G.M on 20th November 2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-30 15:51:00 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2829 Message: 2829
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Dear Members,

I am very pleased to inform that our accounts for the year 2004-2005 are completed, and Audited... The same will be filed on 31/10/2005 by our auditors and hence we will retain our 80 G benefits and priviliges..

The accounts are finally completed before the deadline of 31/10/2005, thanks to the efforts put in by YOT,CBU,SFN & UGO. It would also not have been possible without the kind cooperation of our Auditors Dinesh Jain & Co, who put in 10 hours straight out of this prime time, to audit the accounts and help us finalizing them.

The Managing Committee has finalized the A.G.M date as Sunday 20th November 2005. The Venue, Time & Agenda will be informed to you shortly once we have made the reservations.

Each year we have great difficulty in getting 7 members to run for elections, I sincerely hope that this time we will not face that problem,

I am enclosing the copy of Nomination form for our convienence. Members may treat this as official Nomination form, Although we will send you the same by courier service.

Further the data base of addresses of our students / Members of our MARS-ACADEMY group (Batch) is not available with me as most of them have not submitted their Members application form. They are therefore requested to treat this soft copy of the Nomination form as original and file the same.

Also members are requested to pass this nomination form to members who are not on our E-Groups, Their nomination form will be accepted if they are eligible for contesting the election.

All members wishing to contest for election must ensure that their nomination form is physically received (Hard Copy, duly filled, Signed, Proposed and Seconded) by the Secretary (VU2NLF) before 17th November 2005, 18:00 Hours. After which the nomination from will become invalid.

Mr. Nilesh Rathod. - Secretary MARS.
803, Sidharth Ganga Towers,
Kalyani Nagar,
Pune - 411 006.

Tel: 020-56222850.

The Eligibility for contesting for the Election as per our society bye-laws is as under :-

12. ELECTION OF MANAGING COMMITTEE.

A) ELIGIBILITY:

Contesting and Voting for the election to the Managing Committee.

(1a) Any member whose name stands on the society's register for the
period of Twelve months prior to the date of election. However
this does not apply to the Founder Members.

(1b) And who has a valid Amateur Radio License

(1c) And who has paid all his Subscription for the ensuing year and
paid all his dues and arrears.

(2) An Honory Member shall not be eligible to stand or to Vote for the
elections.

B) NOMINATION:

(1) Any member who is eligible for election under the abovesaid rules
and who desires to contest the election to the managing committee
shall be proposed and seconded by two members in writing on the
prescribed nomination paper issued for the purpose. The nomination
paper shall be signed by the members proposing and seconding and
the nominee. The nominee shall countersign the nomination paper
signifying his willingness to contest the election and serve on
the committee if elected.

(2) The nomination paper shall be dispatched to each member atleast 20
days before the date of election. Such nomination paper shall
be returned to reach the Secretary atleast three days before the
date of the election.

I sincerely hope that many many members will come forward and file their nominations to
Govern & work for the great society with full dedication.

73
Nilesh - VU2NLF
Secretary - MARS.

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2830. Re: [m_a_r_s] A.G.M on 20th November 2005

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-31 01:32:31 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2829 Message: 2830

Dear Nilesh,
I was very happy to know that the accounts are closed & submiited within the required time limit. However, even though I want to attend the AGM very much, I will not be able to attend the same if it is held on 20th November 2005 as I will be out of station. I hope you can delay the AGM by a little & keep the same any time later than 23rd November 2005.

Happy Diwali & a very happy new year to you & to all MARS members.

ULHAS
73
de VU2UBP

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2831. Nomination Form

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-31 05:59:16 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2831 Message: 2831
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear Members,

Please use the Nomination Form attached herewith and discard the earlier attachment as changes were not saved due to some error on my part, sorry for the inconvienence.

73
NLF
Secretary - MARS.

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2832. ARD9000 Digital Voice Modem

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-31 15:44:45 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2832 Message: 2832

ARD9000 Digital Voice Modem

Hearing is believing!

Try it yourself !

You?ll be amazed at how much fun it is
to work ham radio in digital voice mode.

All over the world, hams have been discovering how much fun it is to work HF without background noise.

AOR set the pace in this breakthrough technology with its ARD9800. Now, in response to worldwide demand, AOR has developed the ARD9000 which makes digital voice communications even more affordable.

AOR?s digital voice technology delivers audio quality you have to hear to believe. Whether you are working digital voice across state lines or across an ocean, amazing doesn?t seem strong enough to describe it.

With an ARD9000, it?s easy to convert existing HF analog transceivers to work digital voice with NO transceiver modifications. The ARD9000 automatically detects a digital signal and decodes it, so you also maintain full analog capabilities. Whether a contact comes in as digital or analog, the ARD9000 can handle it.

Digital voice could be the biggest
revolution in HF radio since SSB!

Enjoy digital voice communications while maintaining analog capabilities.

The ARD9000 makes digital voice communications FUN & affordable. Now you can use your existing analog transceiver to work digital voice on Amateur Radio bands without making any modifications to your transceiver.

No transceiver modifications needed.
The ARD9000 uses the same audio frequencies (300 Hz ~ 2500 Hz) as microphone audio to modulate the voice signal. This allows you to use an analog radio as a digital voice radio.

Works on Single Side Band (SSB) mode.
The Automatic frequency clarifier function adjusts frequency drift automatically in the SSB mode. (Approximately up to +/- 125 Hz). Utilizes the OFDM (Multi Carrier Modulation) circuit that is effective
against Multi-path or Selective Fading.

Automatic digital receive
Automatic voice signal detector recognizes the received signal as analog or digital, automatically switching to the appropriate mode.

Built-in high grade Vocoder (AMBE)
Utilizing high-grade digital voice compression delivers quality digital voice communications.

Built-in FEC error correction
A powerful error correction circuit delivers stable and reliable communications.

Small and compact unit. Easy to operate.
Simply connect the ARD9000 between the microphone jack and microphone. No complicated modifications necessary. Optional interface cables for most popular transceivers are available or you can build your own connectors.

Wide range of operating voltages
Operates on 10 to 16 V DC from an external power source.

Utilizes a uniquely designed high performance DSP engine

Uses established G4GUO open protocol
The use of open digital protocol means use of the ARD9000 is permitted on US Amateur Radio bands (non-USA users should check applicable
regulations).

Discover how much fun it is to work Amateur Radio
in digital voice mode using the ARD9000 and your
EXISTING analog transceiver!

SPECIFICATIONS

Modulation method

OFDM

Band width

300 Hz - 2500 Hz, 36 carriers

Symbol Rate

20 mS (50 baud)

Guard interval

4mS

Tone steps

62.5Hz

Modulation method

36 carriers: DQPSK (3.6K)

AFC

+/- 125Hz

Error correction

Golay + Hamming

Header

1 Sec. 3 tones + BPSK training pattern for synchronization

Digital voice

AMBE coder, decoder

Signal detection

Automatic Digital detect, Automatic switching between analog mode and digital mode

Power requirements

10 - 16 V DC, Approx. 100 mA (@ 12 V DC)

Dimensions
(w, h, d)

70 x 33 x 98 (mm) or 2.8 x 1.3 x 3.9 (inches) (Projections excluded.)

Weight

175 g.

Connectors

Radio: Microphone output (level adjustable),

Speaker input (200 mV ~ 5 V p-p), External Speaker Output

DC Input Connector

Speaker Microphone (with PTT)

Others:

Force Synchronization Switch

(http://www.aorja.com/productinfoe.html) (http://www.aorja.com/title_e.shtml)

2833. ARD9800 Fast Modem

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-31 15:47:39 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2833 Message: 2833

ARD9800 Fast Modem

DIGITAL Voice
&
Image interface

Convert your
Analog Transceiver to Digital
In One Easy Step !

Use a conventional voice Use a conventional voice transceiver for digital voice communications, data and images while data and images while you maintain analog capabilities.

The ARD9800 is a breakthrough in communications technology. By simply connecting the ARD9800 to a pair connecting the ARD9800 to a pair of transceivers, clear, reliable transceivers, clear, reliable digital communications are a communications are a reality.

Digital voice communications using existing
analog 2way radios.
The ARD9800 uses the same audio frequencies (300 Hz - 2500 Hz) as microphone audio to modulate the voice signal. This allows you to use an analog radio as a digital voice radio.

Works on Single Side Band (SSB) mode.
The Automatic frequency clarifier function adjusts frequency drift automatically in the SSB mode. (Approximately up to +/- 125 Hz). Utilizes the OFDM (Multi Carrier Modulation) circuit that is effective against Multi-path or Selective Fading.

Digital Slow Scan TV
Built-in video capture function (NTSC). Compresses the signal into AOR?s original adaptive JPEG. Send and receive images (similar to analog slow scan TV, but faster) in the digital mode. Built-in video output connector (NTSC) allows viewing the picture on an external monitor. (ME-1 Memory module(Option) Required)

Built-in high grade Vocoder (AMBE)
Utilizing high-grade digital voice compression delivers quality digital voice communications.

Built-in FEC error correction
A powerful error correction circuit delivers stable and reliable communications.

High speed data communications on the HF band
High-speed (3600bps) data communication is possible on the HF (High Frequency) bands. (Speed may be limited by regulations in certain jurisdictions.)

Small and compact unit. Easy to operate.
Simply connect the ARD9800 between the microphone jack and microphone. No complicated modifications necessary.

Wide range of operating voltages
Operates on10 to 16 V DC from an external power source. 6 V DC operation is also possible by changing an internal jumper setting. Low power consumption (Approximately 160 mA at 12 V DC)

Utilizes a uniquely designed high performance DSP engine

Uses established G4GUO open protocol

SPECIFICATIONS

Modulation method

OFDM

Band width

300 Hz - 2500 Hz, 36 carriers

Symbol Rate

20 mS (50 baud)

Guard interval

4mS

Tone steps

62.5Hz

Modulation method

36 carriers: DQPSK (3.6K)

AFC

+/- 125Hz

Error correction

Voice: Golay + Hamming
Video/Data: Covolution + Reed-Solomon

Header

1 Sec. 3 tones + BPSK training pattern for synchronization

Digital voice

AMBE2020 coder, decoder

Signal detection

Automatic Digital detect, Automatic switching between analog mode and digital mode

Video Compression

AOR original adaptive JPEG

Video

NTSC Input/Output

Power requirements

10 - 16 V DC, Approximately 200 mA Typ(@ 12 V DC) 6 V DC by internal jumper setting

Serial port

RS-232C, 9600 bps, Asynchronous

Dimensions
(w, h, d)

100 x 32 x 158 (mm) or 3.94 x 1.26 x 6.14 (inches) (Projections excluded.)

Connectors

Radio: Microphone output (level adjustable),

Speaker input (500 mV ~ 5 V p-p), PTT (Push To Talk),

Video IN/OUT: NTSC 1 V p-p (75 ohm)

MIC

Microphone input, Speaker output, PTT input

Others:

Signal Encryption for commercial applications (wherepermitted; special commercial version required)

You don?t need a new radio to begin exploring the new world of digital communications. All you need is the ARD9800 Fast Modem!

Digital Voice Communications on Amateur Radio bands. You get clear, crisp audio at the touch of a button.

Automatic Mode Recognition
The ARD9800 automatically recognizes incoming digital signals and starts decoding those signals immediately.

Maintains Analog Capability
You keep the ability to communicate in conventional analog modes. And you can easily shift between digital and analog operations.

Send Images Too!
With the optional memory module, you can send photos or captured video images quickly and easily. View the images through any NTSC monitor that has a video input. It?s like SSTV, only faster!

No Rig Modifications Needed
All you need to do is connect the ARD9800 to your Amateur transceiver?s microphone and speaker output ports, using the supplied cables. (You will have to prepare a connector for your rig?s microphone port.) It?s a simple, easy process to start using digital communications and there are no internal modifications or adjustments needed for your radio.

(http://www.aorja.com/productinfoe.html) (http://www.aorja.com/title_e.shtml)

2834. HAPPY DIWALI

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-10-31 19:23:55 UTC
From: Micky Korde
Topic: 2834 Message: 2834

WISHING ALL DEAR MARTIANS
A HAPPY DIWALI
&
JOYOUS NEW YEAR
WITH
HEALTH, WEALTH & PROSPERITY
& OF COURSE WITH
LOT OF HAMMING

FROM
MICKY - VU2IZO

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2835. Shifting Morning QTH to Bangalore

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-01 07:34:29 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2835 Message: 2835
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2836. Fw: Happy Diwali & Prosperous New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-01 10:43:27 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2836 Message: 2836
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

DisclaimerDear All,

May this Diwali bring Peace, Joy & Happiness.
Wishing you a very Happy Diwali and Prosperous New Year.

Warm Regards,
Huzefa Merchant
VU2HIT

2837. Re: [m_a_r_s] Shifting Morning QTH to Bangalore

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-01 12:18:03 UTC
From: Mukesh Vaidya
Topic: 2835 Message: 2837

hi,

nice to hear from you, and good 2 hear that ur QSY'g
to b'lore for Morning QTH.

im in b'lore from almost past 1 year and my morning
QTH is at ITPL, Bangalore. you can reach me at my
b'lore cell # 9342226565. im in mumbai for diwali
vacation and will resume to work on 7th nov.

lots of ham activities in B'lore. all the best

Wishing all a very happy diwali

best 73s
vu3omv
Life Member : MARS & BARC

--- Amit Malgaonkar <amitbm@...> wrote:

> ?
> Hi all,
> Firstly a very very Happy Diwali to All!!
>
> May the Festival of Lights bring joy and
> Happiness to your lives.
>
> I'll be going to Bangalore next week on the
> 6th or 7th NOv as my new morning QTH is in
> Bangalore.
> It will be 2 months training in Bangalore.
> I may have to relocate to Bangalore.
>
> It's going to be a new city for me. Let's see what
> lies in store. Bangalore is quite a radioactive
> city!!
> I'll need all the help from mumbai guys who are
> in Bangalore.
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> Enjoy Diwali!!!
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> 73
> de
> VU3TMM
> Amit Malgaonkar.
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Yahoo! Mail - PC Magazine Editors' Choice 2005
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2838. Happy Diwali & Prosperous New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-01 14:04:37 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2838 Message: 2838

Dear Friends,

Wishing You A Very Happy Diwali

&

A Prosperous New Year

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NLF

Enjoy this Diwali with Y! India Click here

2839. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fw: Happy Diwali & Prosperous New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-01 14:29:21 UTC
From: fmpatel
Topic: 2836 Message: 2839
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

DisclaimerThanks Huzefa Wish you the very best this season
----- Original Message -----
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
To: Undisclosed-Recipient:;
Sent: Tuesday, November 01, 2005 4:13 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Fw: Happy Diwali & Prosperous New Year

Dear All,

May this Diwali bring Peace, Joy & Happiness.
Wishing you a very Happy Diwali and Prosperous New Year.

Warm Regards,
Huzefa Merchant
VU2HIT

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2840. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Diwali & Prosperous New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-01 14:29:54 UTC
From: fmpatel
Topic: 2838 Message: 2840

HAPPY DIWALI, GUYS
FEO
----- Original Message -----
From: nilesh rathod
To: MARS E-Group ; classes ; mars academy
Sent: Tuesday, November 01, 2005 7:34 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Diwali & Prosperous New Year

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2841. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fw: Happy Diwali & Prosperous New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-01 14:30:09 UTC
From: fmpatel
Topic: 2836 Message: 2841
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2842. Tips for all batttery users from e.ham.net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-03 05:11:52 UTC
From: dinesh patel
Topic: 2842 Message: 2842

Hello martians

Following are tips for taking care of all types of battries.

***** Caution *****
The following is an article reproduced from eham website and reader should consult expert if required before applying any tips if not confident.
--Dinesh Patel

Recharging HT Batteries
Michael S. Higgins (K6AER) on November 2, 2005

Many hams often wonder why their batteries last only a few years awhile other hams are using their rechargeable batteries 6 years after buying their HT with long use cycles. Your charging and discharge habits have more to do with your battery life cycles.

These tips will optimize performance and obtain longer life cycles from your rechargeable batteries.

1) Initialize your new battery by charging overnight before using it.

Nickel Cadmium or Nickel Metal Hydride: 14-16 hours

Lithium Ion: 1 to 2 additional hours after charger light turns green

2) New, non-initialized batteries must be stored in well ventilated, cool and dry locations. Batteries
stored in these conditions may be stored:

Nickel Cadmium - up to 2 years

Nickel Metal Hydride - up to 18 months

Lithium Ion/Polymer - up to 18 months

3) If used batteries are removed from service for periods longer than 30 days, they should be
discharged to about 50% of their capacity before storage.

4) Batteries which have been stored for more than two months should be fully discharged and
recharged.

5) Do not leave your radio and fully-charged battery in the charger when not charging. Continuous
charging will shorten battery life.

6) Only charge a battery when it needs it. If it is not fully discharged, do not recharge it. Carry a
spare.

7) Stabilize batteries to room temperature (72 F) before charging.

8) Do not return fully charged non-impres batteries to the charger for an ?extra boost?. Repeated
short cycle charging will shorten battery life.

9) Batteries will no store indefinitely. Do not buy a spare battery to use in a few years after your
present one dies. The battery will last longer with careful use than sitting on the shelf
indefinitely waiting for initial use. Buy your replacement battery when you need it.

10) Store batteries at room temperature. Batteries exposed to low or freezing temperatures will
have a shortened life.

11) Do not quick charge batteries from a high current source. It will separate the internal acid gell
and you risk explosion from heat build up.

12) Not all batteries packs are built the same or have the same quality. Buy cheep and buy often is
the caveat in the two way radio world.

2843. aor

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-04 07:10:40 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2843 Message: 2843

DIGITAL SSB WITH ANY HF RADIO!

The AOR AR9800 could be the biggest revolution in HF radio since SSB replaced AM

The ARD9800 is a modem unit that connects to the mic input of any transceiver. The user simply wires a connector for his particular transceiver, connects the speaker output of his transceiver to the modem and then connects the modem to a 12 VDC power source.

AOR donates TWO digital voice/image ARD9800 units to W1AW
(http://www.aorusa.com/w1aw.html)

Main Features

- NORMAL ANALOG OPERATION OF THE TRANSCEIVER REMAINS INTACT
- Digital voice HF is possible by selecting the Digital Mode
- Incoming digital voice signals are automatically decoded, no selection necessary.
- NO MODS TO THE TRANSCEIVER ARE NEEDED

WHY DIGITAL?
1. The ARD9800 provides NEAR FM QUALITY audio using SSB.
2. The digital signals may require LESS SIGNAL than analog throughput making operations possible under adverse band conditions.

HOW DOES IT WORK?
Understand that this is a greatly simplified explanation: the ARD9800 digitizes the signal and divides into 36 PSK sub-signals in the bandwidth occupied by a normal voice audio signal.

IS IT LEGAL?
The ARD9800 uses an open published digital protocol (G4GUO) per FCC rules. In the USA, you may identify in digital or analog mode.

DOES IT WORK IN OTHER MODES?
Yes! The ARD9800 can be used in AM or FM modes, however, FM mobile operation could be prone to "picket fencing" which could result in the loss of data.

IS THERE A MARKET FOR THIS?
The ARD9800 was demonstrated for audiences at Dayton and Friedrichshafen.
HAMS LOVED IT! Most asked question was, "When is it available?"

WHAT ELSE DOES IT DO?
With the optional memory board, images can be easily transferred, similar to SSTV but we believe the ARD9800 sends a higher quality image. You can also send file transfers.
Owner can use ARD9800 mic, or a mic of their choice (wired for ARD9800 input).

WHAT MUST I DO TO GET ON THE AIR WITH THE ARD9800?
The ARD9800 package includes, modem, mic, cables and manual.
1. You must build (or buy) a cable that interfaces from the rear panel of the ARD9800 to

the mic input of your transceiver, similar to a packet radio connection between a TNC (modem) and your radio. Then simply connect the mic input cable, the "speaker out" from your transceiver to the "audio in" on the ARD9800 and connect the power cable to the ARD9800.
2. It is suggested that you power the ARD9800 from a well regulated DC power supply. The use of "wall cube" and some "switching" power supplies is not recommended.
3. Be sure your mic and audio output settings are OK.
4. Make a test transmission in the analog mode prior to operating in digital mode.

ARE THERE OPERATING SUGGESTIONS?
1. Try to coordinate your frequencies as closely as possible. There is some small margin for error, but best results are obtained when both transceivers are exactly on the same frequency.
2. Be sure your audio filters are about 3KHz or wider.
3. Don't "overdrive" your ARD9800 with too much audio from your transceiver.
4. Don't transmit using "compression" (also known as a speech processor).
5. Be sure your ALC is within its specified operating region. If in doubt, lower audio output seems to work better than a higher setting.
6. Be mindful of your bandwidth when selecting a frequency on which to transmit. Be sure you will not interfere with operators on adjacent frequencies.

WHAT ABOUT DUTY CYCLE?
Your duty cycle will be more intense. This is important to users of amplifiers. Because the digital signal makes full use of the SSB audio bandwidth, you should consider that you will be transmitting at the maximum power output you have selected. At maximum power settings, this will likely result in your transmitter consuming more power and generating more heat. If you transmit images or large data files, your "key down" time could be three minutes or more.

ARE THERE OTHER SOURCES OF INFORMATION?
Below please find web sites that are NOT affiliated with AOR.
AOR takes no responsibility for their content.
http://www.standpipe.com/w2bri/fastmodem/fastmodem.htm
http://www.rfelectronics.com/

Specification

Modulation method:

OFDM

Band width:

300 Hz - 2500 Hz, 36 carriers

Symbol Rate:

20 mS (50 baud)

Guard interval:

4mS

Tone steps:

62.5 Hz

Modulation method:

36 carriers: DQPSK (3.6K)

AFC:

+/- 125 Hz

Error correction:

Voice: Golay + Hamming
Video/Data: Covolution + Reed-Solomon

Header:

1 Sec. 3 tones + BPSK training pattern for synchronization

Digital voice:

AMBE2020 coder, decoder

Signal detection:

Automatic Digital detect, Automatic switching
between analog mode and digital mode

Video Compression:

AOR original adaptive JPEG

Video:

NTSC Input/Output

Power requirements:

10 ~ 16 V DC, Approximately 200 mA Typ(@ 12 V DC)
6 V DC by internal jumper setting

Serial port:

RS-232C, 9600 bps, Asynchronous

Dimensions (w, h, d):

100 x 32 x 158 (mm)
or 3.94 x 1.26 x 6.14 (inches) (Projections excluded.)

Connectors:

Radio: Microphone output (level adjustable)
Speaker input (500 mV ~ 5 V p-p), PTT (Push To Talk)
Video IN/OUT: NTSC 1 V p-p (75 ohm)

MIC:

Microphone input, Speaker output, PTT input

Others::

Signal Encryption for commercial applications
(where permitted; special commercial version required)
Analog/Digital mode selector
Video capture/transmit switch

Specification & price subject to change without notice due to continuous development of the receiver. E & OE.

"ARD9800 FAQ" (http://www.aorusa.com/ard9800faq.html)

Download "ARD9800 Catalog"
ARD9800 Catalog (http://www.aorusa.com/catalogs/ard9800.pdf)

Download "ARD9800 Instruction Manual"
ARD9800 Instruction Manual (http://www.aorusa.com/Manual/ard9800manual.pdf)

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e-mail

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-04 07:15:52 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2843 Message: 2844

ARD9000 - Voice modem - hearing is believing !
NEW low cost digital voice modem, FM quality over an SSB HF link !!

THE ARD9000 IS OFCOM AND CE APPROVED

All over the world, radio amateurs have been discovering how much fun it is to work HF without background noise.
AOR set the pace in this breakthrough technology with its ARD9800. Now, in response to worldwide demand, AOR has developed the ARD9000 which makes digital voice communications even more affordable.

AOR?s digital voice technology delivers audio quality you have to hear to believe. Whether you are working digital voice across state lines or across an ocean, amazing doesn?t seem strong enough to describe it.

With an ARD9000, it?s easy to convert existing HF analogue transceivers to work digital voice with NO transceiver modifications. The ARD9000 automatically detects a digital signal and decodes it, so you also maintain full analogue capabilities. Whether a contact comes in as digital or analogue, the ARD9000 can handle it.

Discover how much fun it is to work Amateur Radio in digital voice mode
using the ARD9000 and your EXISTING analogue transceiver!

Enjoy digital voice communications while maintaining analogue capabilities
The ARD9000 makes digital voice communications FUN & affordable. Now you can use your existing analogue transceiver to work digital voice on Amateur Radio bands without making any modifications to your transceiver.
No transceiver modifications needed
The ARD9000 uses the same audio frequencies (300 Hz ~ 2500 Hz) as microphone audio to modulate the voice signal. This allows you to use an analogue radio as a digital voice radio.

Works on Single Side Band (SSB) mode
The Automatic frequency clarifier function adjusts frequency drift automatically in the SSB mode. (Approximately up to +/- 125 Hz). Utilizes the OFDM (Multi Carrier Modulation) circuit that is effective against Multi-path or Selective Fading.

Automatic digital receive
Automatic voice signal detector recognizes the received signal as analogue or digital, automatically switching to the appropriate mode.

Built-in high grade Vocoder (AMBE)
Utilizing high-grade digital voice compression delivers quality digital voice communications.

Built-in FEC error correction
A powerful error correction circuit delivers stable and reliable communications.

Small and compact unit. Easy to operate
Simply connect the ARD9000 between the microphone jack and microphone. No complicated modifications necessary. Optional interface cables for most popular transceivers are available or you can build your own connectors.

Wide range of operating voltages
Operates on 10 to 16 V DC from an external power source.

DSP
Utilizes a uniquely designed high performance DSP engine.

Uses established G4GUO open protocol
The use of open digital protocol means use of the ARD9000 is permitted on Amateur Radio bands (UK, USA, Japan and most countries are permitted).

SPECIFICATIONS

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Bandwidth

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Symbol Rate

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Digital voice

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Signal detection

Automatic Digital detect, Automatic switching between analogue mode and digital mode

Power requirements

10 ~ 16 V DC, Approximately 100 mA (@ 12 V DC)

Dimensions

70 (w) x 33 (h) x 98 (d) (mm) (Projections excluded.)

Connectors

Radio: Microphone output (level adjustable),

Speaker input (200 mV ~ 5 V p-p), External Speaker Output,

DC Input Connectors

Speaker Microphone (with PTT)

Others

Force Synchronization Switch

The operator can use the microphone supplied as part of the ARD9000 package, or a microphone of their choice (wired for ARD9000 input). The ARD9000 package includes, modem, microphone, audio cable, rear audio plug (8-pin circular) and manual. The rear panel pin-out of the ARD9000 is to ADONIS standard so that 'off-the-shelf' commercial leads may be employed. A list of leads may be viewed at the following web page (for code number):

http://www.adonis.ne.jp/code.html

Adonis cables may also be obtained from several suppliers in the UK including Martin Lynch & Sons Ltd (http://www.hamradio.co.uk/) and Waters & Stanton (http://www.wsplc.com/) PLC, refer to the Waters & Stanton 2005 catalogue page 47, prices typically range from ?10.95 to ?15.95 inc VAT (I - Icom, K = Kenwood, Y = Yaesu):

D-8MI

Modular Icom plug

D-88I

8 pin Icom plug

D-88MK

Modular Kenwood plug

D-88K

8 pin Kenwood plug

D-6MY

Modular Yaesu plug

D-8MY

Large Modular Yaesu

D-88Y2

8 pin Yaesu plug

IS IT LEGAL?

Yes, the ARD9000 employs an open published digital protocol (Charles Brain G4GUO) per FCC rules. The transmit bandwidth is within the same spectrum as conventional SSB.

CE approval has been achieved and OFCOM has approved the AR9800 for use by Radio Amateurs in the UK from 19 January 2004 under the guidelines of BR68 (open protocol data mode to enhance operation). The same situation applies to the ARD9000.

For further information visit the OFCOM web site on www.ofcom.org.uk (http://www.ofcom.org.uk/)

The data format has been characterised and publicly released as an 'open protocol' on the following web sites:

- www.chbrain.dircon.co.uk/dvhf.html (http://www.chbrain.dircon.co.uk/dvhf.html)
- www.arrl.org/announce/reports-0307/digivoice.pdf (http://www.arrl.org/announce/reports-0307/digivoice.pdf)

The ARD9800 / ARD9000 are already in use in the UK, USA, Japan and most other countries.

Top (http://www.aoruk.com/direct/ard9000.htm#top)

Operating manual & leaflet

Downloads available in Acrobat PDF format:

- ARD9000 operating manual,PDF (1.43MB) (http://www.aoruk.com/direct/pdf/ard9000_manual.pdf)
- ARD9000 sales leaflet (371kb) (http://www.aoruk.com/direct/pdf/ard9000_leaflet.pdf)

A QUICK-START-GUIDE for the ARD9000 has been written by Mike Weiler (DB1JAW) and provided to us (20.09.2005), Mike says "...it might also be of interest for your UK customers .... as I hope. The file is also available thru my homepage: http://db1jaw.de (http://db1jaw.de/)". Click here (http://www.aoruk.com/direct/pdf/ard9k_en.pdf) to download the 164kb PDF file from the UK server.

Operating manual note:
Please note that latest stock of the ARD9000 (Sept'05) now has the operating manual as a CD-ROM PDF file rather than a printed operating manual... remember, it will take some time for dealers stock to rotate (so you may still get a mixture of both manuals for a while). The carton boxes are marked with a red dot next to the serial numbers to signify that the CD-ROM version is included. There is no different in the hardware, but we note that R22 (http://www.aoruk.com/direct/pdf/ard9000_an_buzz.pdf) appears to have been removed during manufacturer (to reduce the potential for audio buzz when using analogue mode).

(http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep.html)

Top (http://www.aoruk.com/direct/ard9000.htm#top)

ARD9800 LIAISON WEB SITE (for AR9000 too)
An independent web site has been established to enable like-minded people to compare results and set up transmission schedules (November 2003). Take a look at http://www.rfelectronics.com (http://www.rfelectronics.com/)

Suggested frequencies are:

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7.169MHz, 7.170MHz, 7.173MHz, 7.176MHz, 7.290 - 7.299MHz

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14.236MHz USB (noisy in UK), try 14.255MHz USB

-
18.1625 USB

-
21.370MHz USB

There is an informal NET every Saturday and Sunday at 20:00 UTC on 14.236MHz +/- 3kHz USB

A few operators have reported an audio buzz when using the ARD9000 in analogue mode (okay in digital mode), a technical bulletin on the subject may be viewed as a PDF file (433kb) - click here (http://www.aoruk.com/direct/pdf/ard9000_an_buzz.pdf)

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2845. IC2100H & VX-150 Equipment Available

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-04 08:17:04 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant
Topic: 2845 Message: 2845
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi

I have following New equipment Box packed for sale

Icom Base station
IC-2100H with std HM-118 mic please refer the link for more details &
attachments
http://www.icomamerica.com/products/amateur/2100h/

Yaseu
VX-150 VHF Handy 5 Watts please refer the link for more details &
attachments
http://www.yaesu.com/indexVS.cfm?
cmd=DisplayProducts&ProdCatID=111&encProdID=SnUxsyxpdj8%
3D&DivisionID=65&isArchived=0

For more details & price, please you are free to conatct me on 9892 786110
between 10.30am - 5 pm and 7.30 pm to 9.30 pm

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Huzefa Merchant
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2846. The Fifth Annual General Meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-06 08:10:30 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2846 Message: 2846
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear Members,

We are pleased to inform you that the Fifth Annual General Meeting

of our Society, The Elections for the Sixth Managing Committee and

The Annual Getogether will be held on 20th November 2005.

Venue : 'S.S. Hall', Garware Club, Wankhede Stadium, 'D' Road

Churchgate, Mumbai - 400 001.

Timing: 4:00 pm to 7:00pm

Agenda for the Meeting.

4:00pm Secretary's Progress Report.

4:15pm Convener's Report of Hamfest India 2004 - Mumbai.

4:30pm Treasurer's Financial Report.

4:45pm Reports from other Members of the Managing Committee

4:55pm Vote by Hand for Term of the next M.C (4 or 16 Months).

5:00pm Voting for Expulsion or Acceptance of VU2IZO as member.

5:15pm Results of voting for VU2IZO's Membership Status.

5:30pm Voting for the Sixth Managing Committee.

5:45pm Any other topic with the permission of the Chairperson.

6:00pm Results of the Election.

6:15pm Snacks & Tea.

You are requested to attend this function and caste your invaluable

Vote and participate in this Annual Getogether (Eye Ball).

The nomination form for the election is enclosed herewith. The Nomination

form must reach us not less then 3 days prior the election (17th Nov 2005)

You may send your nomination form to the society's Secretary's Address:-

Mr.Nilesh Rathod, 803, Sidharth Ganga Towers, Kalyani Nagar, Pune - 411 006.

We sincerely hope that you will join us and make this event successful.

73,

For Mumbai Amateur Radio Society.

Nilesh Rathod. - VU2NLF

Secretary.

Enjoy this Diwali with Y! India Click here

2847. Hams catch Naxal talk, horrified

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-07 06:23:28 UTC
From: Mukesh Vaidya
Topic: 2847 Message: 2847

Front page article featured in Times of India,
Bangalore Edition on 15th Oct 2005

http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/articleshow/1263169.cms

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Yahoo! FareChase: Search multiple travel sites in one click.
http://farechase.yahoo.com

2848. Re: [m_a_r_s] Hams catch Naxal talk, horrified

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-07 06:51:16 UTC
From: Anurag Chugh
Topic: 2847 Message: 2848

what sheer stupidity..
first the guy (the ham) who heard this thing
wasnt supposed to hear that conversation
secondly if he heard it wasnt he not supposed to make it public?
he should have passed on that information to the police..
and anyway police already must have been listening in on the naxals...

WHEN ARE WE GOING TO ACTUALLY FOLLOW THE AMATEUR TELEGRAPH OPERATORS' RULES?
ITS SIMPLE... IN THIS CASE.. DONT FOLLOW THE RULES AND GET KILLED!!

agreed that the naxals were on the same frequency as the ham? or were they?
but whatever happens why make it public? as if there arent enough government monitoring stations not already listening in on the naxals..

Anurag

----- Original Message -----
From: Mukesh Vaidya
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, 07 November, 2005 11:53 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Hams catch Naxal talk, horrified

Front page article featured in Times of India,
Bangalore Edition on 15th Oct 2005

http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/articleshow/1263169.cms

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Yahoo! FareChase: Search multiple travel sites in one click.
http://farechase.yahoo.com

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Ham radio outlet

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m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

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2849. Membership Status for AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-08 15:58:34 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2849 Message: 2849

Dear Members,

You are aware that our 5th AGM and elections for the Sixth Managing Committee shall be held on 20th NOV 2005.

Please find listed below Status of our Members for contesting for elections.

These records statement is prepared by me as per data provided by our Treasurer (VU2CBU), Should there be any discrepancy in these records, you may please contact me or the Treasurer immediately.

As per our records only 83 members are eligible for election, mainly due to non payment of Annual fees, according to my calculations about Rs.98,500/- (almost 1 Lakh Rupees) are overdue in fees.

Some members may have been listed under not eligible due to their SWL status, if they have already got there ticket, they may please notify me ASAP.

As per our bye-laws, only a member with a valid membership of our
society for last 12 months and a valid Amateur Radio Licence is eligible to contest for election.

Hence members filing their nomination may please attach copy of their valid Amateur Radio Licence with their nomination form. This will help us in clearing any discrepancy. (it is quite possible that you may have a Amateur Radio licence, but it may have expired and not been renewed) .

After receiving the nomination, their Membership status will be once again be verifed by our treasurer before the election.

LIST OF FOUNDER - LIFE MEMBERS

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Sandesh Kamat

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VU2OUT

Ratnesh Javeri

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VU2ESP

Jayesh Kharwar

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VU2RIG

Rajen Kavadia

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VU2REK

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VU2CBU

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VU2UGO

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VU2ICQ

Mehul Chovatia

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Kiran Padiyar

28

VU2QIJ

Rajesh Bagwe

32

VU2YJM

Yogesh Mehta

33

VU2IVO

Ivor Periera

35

VU2UNO

Raphael Jassani

36

VU3PAN

Pravin Panchal

37

VU2CBV

Sudhir Kalkar

38

VU2NNS

Neville Shroff

44

VU3KUN

Kunal Mashru

45

VU2KIB

Jagdish Mukhtyar

46

VU2PAO

Ajay Solanki

48

VU2MOO

Milind Mokashe

51

VU2KIZ

Kailash Gupta

54

VU3GAC

Gautam Jani

56

VU3PPE

Pranav Koli

59

VU2KQS

Shrihari Krishnan

60

VU2PYG

Rohit Gada

61

VU3KNY

Kinny Joseph

62

VU2WLL

Vispy Mirza

65

VU2ADM

Capt Manek

66

VU3CAO

A Sivamanikam

71

VU2MIG

Chandni Kapil

73

VU2TAL

Dr. Anukanth Mittal

74

VU2POK

Dr. Paresh Karia

79

VU2EGO

Labhesh V More

81

VU2IZO

Milind Korde ? Status Pending till AGM

83

VU2MUF

Minal Madigeri

85

VU2GBI

Mukund Gubbi

84

VU2CIK

Mrityunjay Hiremath

94

VU2KDM

Sanjay G Kadam

95

VU2HIM

Sanjay Shinde

97

VU2IES

Santosh Vedante

98

VU2SFN

Shailesh Pradhan

103

VU2CFO

V M Vaidya

106

VU2ITV

Vilas More

107

VU2OZO

Anish Korde

108

VU2AIH

Abhaya Shah

123

VU2FEO

Feroze Patel

131

VU3MVG

Murugan Gounder

137

VU2WCS

Rajesh Shethia

146

VU2TPI

Tirandaz Irani

148

VU2

Zohar Attaree

156

VU2VAH

Ummeaiman Merchant

158

VU2WET

Farokh Irani

160

VU2NXM

Basappa Arabole

161

VU2TUR

Turabali Kapasi

163

VU2PJM

Perviz Mirza

164

VU3PBM

Chhaya Mukhtyar

165

VU2FZI

Firoza Tafti

166

VU3NIK

Nikita More

167

VU2NEH

Neha Pawaskar

168

VU2KTW

Kaushik Sanghvi

171

VU2UBP

Ulhas Paralkar

172

VU2M

Manohar Bathija

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VU2SQR

Saurabh S.Shah

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VU3MWW

Mehernosh Variava

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VU2YOB

Y.F.Bisni

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VU2JHM

Ajoy

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VU2GTE

Roomy Shroff

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VU2N G

Nandini Gangal

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VU2VGC

Viren Gada

217

VU2YOT

Yogesh Thakkar

220

VU2CUN

Anish Pancholi

226

VU2HBV

Huafrid Bathena

236

VU2SCQ

Shantanu Chand

237

VU2SFH

Surendra Shete

VU2AXN

Ankur Puranik

VU2NDF

Nandkumar Faujdar

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Mem No Call Sign Handle

47

SWL

Napolean Mody

68

SWL

Andrews Kariyattil

75

SWL

G M Zalke

133

SWL

Nishant Varsani

134

SWL

Pervez Mandroina

143

SWL

Shirish Dhuru

169

SWL

Mukesh Vaidya

170

SWL

Percy Dubash

230

SWL

Nilesh Dixit

231

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Pankaj Shah

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Malcolm N.Variava

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Anihta N. Variava

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Ashish N. Variava

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Shiraz H.Patel

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Hanoz K.Patel

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Saurabh Gadkari

178

SWL

Arjun Ferrao

194

SWL

Kishor Masurkar

234

SWL

Rishikesh Kamat

27

SWL

Dinesh Patel

LIST OF ORDINARY MEMBERS

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Mem No Call Sign Handle Type Year

92

VU2HRU

Salian Harsha

Ordinary

2005-06

99

VU2LOC

Shailesh S Desmukh

Ordinary

2005-06

119

VU2CDP

Deepak Pathak

Ordinary

2005-06

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Mem No Call Sign Handle

63

VU2GT

George Phillips

64

VU2NAJ

Najma Ishrati

162

VU2PDT

Satishchandra Pradhan

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183

SWL

Arun Narayanan

Ordinary

2004-05

186

VU2DCE

Darshan Hemani

Ordinary

2004-05

187

SWL

Edward Rodrgues

Ordinary

2004-05

191

SWL

Jayant Gothe

Ordinary

2004-05

193

SWL

Karthik Ranjan

Ordinary

2004-05

198

VU2

Nilesh Malpekar

Ordinary

2004-05

201

SWL

Priya krishnan

Ordinary

2004-05

208

SWL

Shivkumar Iyer

Ordinary

2004-05

210

VU2

Smita Desai

Ordinary

2004-05

211

SWL

Sriram Naryanan

Ordinary

2004-05

212

SWL

Sujata Neelkanta

Ordinary

2004-05

219

VU2AFC

Anand Dedhia

Ordinary

2004-05

221

VU2AXC

Anurag Chugh

Ordinary

2004-05

223

VU2

Bipin Shah

Ordinary

2004-05

227

VU2KPW

Kalpana Shah

Ordinary

2004-05

229

SWL

Neha Gothe

Ordinary

2004-05

238

VU3VME

Vishal Shah

Ordinary

2004-05

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240

VU3AXB

Asley Baptista

Ordinary

2000-01

16

VU2JYO

Jyotika Dalal

Ordinary

2002-03

53

VU2KBD

Kirti Doshi

Ordinary

2002-03

55

VU2CBW

Sandhya Koli

Ordinary

2002-03

11

VU2VPQ

Zarir Vesuna

Ordinary

2003-04

31

VU3SOB

Dhaval Patel

Ordinary

2003-04

41

VU2CCH

Rohit Arora

Ordinary

2003-04

42

VU2VVP

Vijay Motwane

Ordinary

2003-04

57

VU2AQP

Anusuya Pullakudy

Ordinary

2003-04

58

VU2PIC

Parin Gangar

Ordinary

2003-04

67

SWL

Abhijit Banerjee

Ordinary

2003-04

80

VU2POW

Manda R Pawar

Ordinary

2003-04

91

SWL

Sachin Tupe

Ordinary

2003-04

100

VU2MIV

Supriya Tupe

Ordinary

2003-04

102

VU2PIT

Rajendra Pitale

Ordinary

2003-04

114

SWL

Bharat P. Mehta

Ordinary

2003-04

127

VU3ICY

Isaac Samuel

Ordinary

2003-04

129

VU2JIG

Jigar Mehta

Ordinary

2003-04

130

SWL

Mohammed Bhanvadvala

Ordinary

2003-04

132

VU2LUB

Mustafa Bhanvadvala

Ordinary

2003-04

135

VU2TMA

Prabodh Doshi

Ordinary

2003-04

142

SWL

Shabbir Lokhandwala

Ordinary

2003-04

144

VU2KPE

Shyam Kapadia

Ordinary

2003-04

147

VU3UDR

Uday Sankar Roy

Ordinary

2003-04

148

SWL

Zarthun Zend

Ordinary

2003-04

150

SWL

Zorben Zend

Ordinary

2003-04

151

SWL

Abhaychandra Sawant

Ordinary

2003-04

152

VU2OSR

Selwyn Christi Rozario

Ordinary

2003-04

153

VU2LSD

Subhash Arun Desai.

Ordinary

2003-04

154

SWL

Shivanand Manthalkar

Ordinary

2003-04

155

SWL

Fatema Manthalkar

Ordinary

2003-04

157

VU2YAB

Yusuf Bookwala

Ordinary

2003-04

159

VU3NDZ

Nilesh Joshi

Ordinary

2003-04

VU3GAW

Jitendra Gore

Ordinary

2003-04

VU2UGA

Rajiv Sain

Ordinary

2003-04

4

VU3MHC

Minoo Contractor

Ordinary

2003-04

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Student?s who never ever paid fees after receiving free Membership

Mem No Call Sign Handle Type Year

69

VU2PWP

Ashok R Parab

Student

No Fees

70

SWL

Chander H Bhatia

Student

No Fees

72

SWL

Dinesh Chaudhary

Student

No Fees

76

SWL

Harshad Surve

Student

No Fees

77

SWL

J T D'souza

Student

No Fees

78

SWL

Kaushik Jaimalani

Student

No Fees

82

VU2ETC

Milind Paralikar

Student

No Fees

87

SWL

R K Bhatia

Student

No Fees

88

SWL

Rahul S More

Student

No Fees

89

SWL

S S Inamdar

Student

No Fees

90

SWL

Sachin Jhunjunwala

Student

No Fees

93

SWL

Samson Ramrajkar

Student

No Fees

96

SWL

Sanjeevkumar Kadam

Student

No Fees

101

SWL

Suresh Punyarthi

Student

No Fees

105

SWL

Varghese Wilson

Student

No Fees

109

SWL

Ajit V.Vora

Student

No Fees

110

SWL

Amit Gupta

Student

No Fees

111

SWL

Anand Trivedi

Student

No Fees

112

SWL

Balram Warrier

Student

No Fees

113

SWL

Bharat C.Shah

Student

No Fees

115

SWL

Bhavna Kaul

Student

No Fees

117

SWL

Charles Barboza

Student

No Fees

120

SWL

Deshraj Bharmoria

Student

No Fees

121

SWL

Dileep Prabhakaran

Student

No Fees

124

VU2GIO

Gautam Kedia

Student

No Fees

125

VU2HKL

Hardeep Singh Khalsa

Student

No Fees

128

VU3EXE

Jesal Doshi

Student

No Fees

138

SWL

Rishi Lal

Student

No Fees

139

SWL

Sachin Surendran

Student

No Fees

140

SWL

Sajiv Kurup

Student

No Fees

141

SWL

Sajjad Jivani

Student

No Fees

145

SWL

Subrata Chakraborty

Student

No Fees

179

SWL

Aaron Pereira

Student

No Fees

180

SWL

Amit Chheda

Student

No Fees

182

SWL

Amol Patil

Student

No Fees

184

SWL

Arvind Mandke

Student

No Fees

185

SWL

Ashish Sheth

Student

No Fees

188

SWL

Gauri Gothe

Student

No Fees

189

SWL

Gururaj Shanbhag

Student

No Fees

190

SWL

Hanmnat Pande

Student

No Fees

192

SWL

Kanchan Zope

Student

No Fees

195

SWL

Laxman Tawde

Student

No Fees

196

SWL

Madhukar Khillare

Student

No Fees

199

SWL

Pooja Kashikar

Student

No Fees

200

SWL

Pradnya Agaskar

Student

No Fees

202

SWL

Rahul Chaudhry

Student

No Fees

203

SWL

Sagar Bhaerao

Student

No Fees

204

SWL

Sailee Korde

Student

No Fees

205

SWL

Sapana Shrivastava

Student

No Fees

206

SWL

Satish Sonbarse

Student

No Fees

207

SWL

Shailesh Hardikar

Student

No Fees

209

SWL

Siddharth Tamhane

Student

No Fees

213

SWL

Sunil Calvin

Student

No Fees

214

SWL

Sunilkumar Chinagundi

Student

No Fees

215

SWL

Sushilkumar Inamdar

Student

No Fees

218

SWL

Abdul Sattar Molvi

Student

No Fees

224

SWL

Chetan Vhibhute

Student

No Fees

225

SWL

Elias Gonsalves

Student

No Fees

232

SWL

Rahim Bardai

Student

No Fees

233

SWL

Rajeshree Sarvagod

Student

No Fees

235

SWL

Santosh Thomas

Student

No Fees

LIST OF CANCELLED MEMBERSHIPS

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2

VU2LNZ

Girish Shukla

Cancelled

10

VU2AUU

Udayan Desai (Silent key)

Cancelled

21

VU2IIA

Mahesh Vhatkar

Cancelled

29

VU2KGO

K G Rao

Cancelled

30

VU2ITT

Vijay Daiya

Cancelled

34

VU2VRB

Russ Balaporia

Cancelled

39

VU2PTM

Vikrant Patil

Cancelled

40

VU2HEC

Ashish Joshi

Cancelled

43

VU2VVJ

Vijaylaxmi Motwane

Cancelled

52

SWL

Rajesh Nair

Cancelled

73

NLF

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2850. Re: [m_a_r_s] Membership Status for AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-09 03:11:58 UTC
From: Mukesh Vaidya
Topic: 2849 Message: 2850

i do have a ticket. callsign being VU3OMV

best 73s
vu3omv
mukesh

--- nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@...> wrote:

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2851. Re: [m_a_r_s] The Fifth Annual General Meeting.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-09 10:37:09 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 2846 Message: 2851

Hello NLF,

Just want to draw your attention towards the "Green Bird" issue which you have missed in the agenda. I believe this is an important issue, which has drawn much of attention and concern in the last year (2004 - 05).

This issue still stand unsolved. We had Arun Singh (VU3AUA) consolidating a list of all those who have paid for these Green Birds.

After that we never heard of him on this issue.

73,
Parin / VU2PIC

----- Original Message -----
From: nilesh rathod
To: MARS E-Group ; classes ; mars academy
Sent: Sunday, November 06, 2005 1:40 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] The Fifth Annual General Meeting.

Dear Members,

We are pleased to inform you that the Fifth Annual General Meeting

of our Society, The Elections for the Sixth Managing Committee and

The Annual Getogether will be held on 20th November 2005.

Venue : 'S.S. Hall', Garware Club, Wankhede Stadium, 'D' Road

Churchgate, Mumbai - 400 001.

Timing: 4:00 pm to 7:00pm

Agenda for the Meeting.

4:00pm Secretary's Progress Report.

4:15pm Convener's Report of Hamfest India 2004 - Mumbai.

4:30pm Treasurer's Financial Report.

4:45pm Reports from other Members of the Managing Committee

4:55pm Vote by Hand for Term of the next M.C (4 or 16 Months).

5:00pm Voting for Expulsion or Acceptance of VU2IZO as member.

5:15pm Results of voting for VU2IZO's Membership Status.

5:30pm Voting for the Sixth Managing Committee.

5:45pm Any other topic with the permission of the Chairperson.

6:00pm Results of the Election.

6:15pm Snacks & Tea.

You are requested to attend this function and caste your invaluable

Vote and participate in this Annual Getogether (Eye Ball).

The nomination form for the election is enclosed herewith. The Nomination

form must reach us not less then 3 days prior the election (17th Nov 2005)

You may send your nomination form to the society's Secretary's Address:-

Mr.Nilesh Rathod, 803, Sidharth Ganga Towers, Kalyani Nagar, Pune - 411 006.

We sincerely hope that you will join us and make this event successful.

73,

For Mumbai Amateur Radio Society.

Nilesh Rathod. - VU2NLF

Secretary.

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2852. Re: [m_a_r_s] Membership Status for AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-09 13:35:00 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2849 Message: 2852

noted thank you mukesh

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2853. Green Birds.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-09 13:59:01 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2846 Message: 2853

Hello Parin,

Technically MARS has got nothing to do it.... The M.C during that period had flatly refused to venture into the "green bird affair" ...

Originally it was proposed by me that MARS should invest the money and get these sets... fix them as sell them for Rs.2500/- making Rs.500/- profit for the society.. it was supposed to be a win-win situation, as Members would have got their VHF sets and could have become QRV active on 2 meters and society would also have made some profit...

Fortunately or Unfortunately my proposal was turned down by the committee. Therefore myself and VU2RIO, collected the money from you guys, hoping to get these sets, and fix them with help of our members technically qualified to fix them, we sincerely thought if Delhi Hams & Lucknow Hams can do it, so can MARS hams, Sadly we were wrong in judging the technical skills of our members...

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I have repeated said, that the "Green Bird" was always a calculated risk.. everybody knew it... you don't get base station of 2K... MARS did not wanted to risk it.. which was fair and wise dicision...

Frankly I don't understand why these sets are not fixed ? The only logical reason is that people don't care and don't want to put in effort and time...

In any case, MARS is not responsible for these Green Birds,, it is myself and VU2RIO, all you guys may deal in this matter directly with us..

People who have given money in the second lot may deal directly with VU3AUA.

73
NLF

Parin Gangar <parin.gangar@...> wrote:
Hello NLF,

Just want to draw your attention towards the "Green Bird" issue which you have missed in the agenda. I believe this is an important issue, which has drawn much of attention and concern in the last year (2004 - 05).

This issue still stand unsolved. We had Arun Singh (VU3AUA) consolidating a list of all those who have paid for these Green Birds.

After that we never heard of him on this issue.

73,
Parin / VU2PIC

----- Original Message ----- From: nilesh rathod
To: MARS E-Group ; classes ; mars academy
Sent: Sunday, November 06, 2005 1:40 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] The Fifth Annual General Meeting.

Dear Members,

We are pleased to inform you that the Fifth Annual General Meeting

of our Society, The Elections for the Sixth Managing Committee and

The Annual Getogether will be held on 20th November 2005.

Venue : 'S.S. Hall', Garware Club, Wankhede Stadium, 'D' Road

Churchgate, Mumbai - 400 001.

Timing: 4:00 pm to 7:00pm

Agenda for the Meeting.

4:00pm Secretary's Progress Report.

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6:00pm Results of the Election.

6:15pm Snacks & Tea.

You are requested to attend this function and caste your invaluable

Vote and participate in this Annual Getogether (Eye Ball).

The nomination form for the election is enclosed herewith. The Nomination

form must reach us not less then 3 days prior the election (17th Nov 2005)

You may send your nomination form to the society's Secretary's Address:-

Mr.Nilesh Rathod, 803, Sidharth Ganga Towers, Kalyani Nagar, Pune - 411 006.

We sincerely hope that you will join us and make this event successful.

73,

For Mumbai Amateur Radio Society.

Nilesh Rathod. - VU2NLF

Secretary.

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2854. Re: Green Birds.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-10 06:25:48 UTC
From: vu3wjm
Topic: 2846 Message: 2854

Hi!

Arun Singh had sent money for six sets to me @ Rs1500/ each. That is all I have received. I do not even know who all they belong to.

Since my visit to Mumbai is not certain I will be sending these rigs by transport. Will have to organise with people to see that they are handed over to the right person.

As for the earlier lot I can only help those who purchased in putting them on air when I am at Mumbai.

73

Rahul VU3WJM

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2855. VU2RBI named Sandy Lynch Award winner

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-10 07:41:10 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2855 Message: 2855
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2856. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Green Birds.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-10 10:22:00 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2846 Message: 2856

thanks rahul for all your help

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NLF

vu3wjm <vu3wjm@...> wrote:
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2857. A Good PSU

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-10 13:29:13 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2857 Message: 2857

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MVE 30A(max), 25A(continuous)

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- Fuse: 8A

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MVE 190(w) x 69(h) x 181(d) mm

- Weight: MVT/MVZ approx. 2 Kg MVE approx. 2.3Kg

2858. Reminder - Fifth Annual General Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-14 00:02:09 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2858 Message: 2858

We would like to remind you of this upcoming event.

Fifth Annual General Meeting

Date: Sunday, November 20, 2005
Time: 4:00PM - 7:00PM PST (GMT-08:00)

Dear Members,

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of our Society, The Elections for the Sixth Managing Committee and

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2859. Pending subscriptions and AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-16 03:18:50 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2859 Message: 2859
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2860. Pune VHF Repeater UP, alive and kicking...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-16 14:59:15 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2860 Message: 2860

Dear Friends,

The Pune Repeater is up and operational on 144.400 Mhz + 600Khz...At present it is located any my QTH (VU2NLF at Kalyani Nagar), once it is totally tested for any bugs or glitches. it will be moved to Sighgarh.

I am sure once it is operational at sighgarh, it can be accessed by Amednagar, and Mumbai... We may connect Mumbai - Pune Repeater back to back during the NET times too...

This will allow Pune, Mumbai and Amednagar Hams to work on 2 meters...hope this will help in increasing VHF activity..

73
NLF

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2861. Re: [m_a_r_s] Pune VHF Repeater UP, alive and kicking...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-16 17:05:26 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2860 Message: 2861
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2862. Fwd: Pending subscriptions and AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-16 17:18:06 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2859 Message: 2862
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2863. Re: [m_a_r_s] Pune VHF Repeater UP, alive and kicking...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-16 17:51:48 UTC
From: Kapil Chandni
Topic: 2860 Message: 2863

Hi NLF,
This is excellent news!
Good show

VU2MIG

----- Original Message -----
From: nilesh rathod
To: MARS E-Group ; mars academy
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2005 8:29 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Pune VHF Repeater UP, alive and kicking...

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2864. Re: [m_a_r_s] Pune VHF Repeater UP, alive and kicking...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-17 02:57:43 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2860 Message: 2864

Dear NLF,

GR8 JOB ALWAYS

73's & All the best

nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@...> wrote: Dear Friends,

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2865. Re: [m_a_r_s] Pune VHF Repeater UP, alive and kicking.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-17 04:12:06 UTC
From: firani@vsnl.com Irani
Topic: 2865 Message: 2865
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2866. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fwd: Pending subscriptions and AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-17 04:50:43 UTC
From: dilip bhandari
Topic: 2859 Message: 2866

Dear Mr Prashant Koli

This is to bring to your notice that name is
reflecting in the list of pending subscription for the
period 2003-04 & 2004-05 even though i have being
making my payments on a regular basis.

Kindly note that I have already paid my subscription
fees for the year 2003-04 on time and for the period
2004-05 i have made the payment during our AGM held on
may 2004.

However during our recent eyeball QSO during the
meeting held at our register office organised by
VU2ZRS it was informed to me that my subscription
cheque for the year 2004-05 was not deposited for some
reason and it requires to be revalidated or give a
fresh cheque, for which i requested to return my old
cheque in order to issue a fresh cheque.

You are requested to bring my 2004-05 subscription
cheque during our AGM meet. I will be bringing a fresh
cheque for the same alongwith with 2005-06
subscription amount.

Kindly check the records for the 2003-04 subscription
and make necessary corrections.

73,s
Dilip Bhandari
VU3DGB

--- Prashant Koli <prashant.koli@...> wrote:

> ---------- Forwarded message ----------
> From: Prashant Koli <prashant.koli@...>
> Date: Nov 16, 2005 8:48 AM
> Subject: Pending subscriptions and AGM
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com,
> mars_academy_2003@yahoogroups.com
>
> Dear All,
> Members in arrears of fees can pay upto 3 p.m./20th
> Nov'05 at the venue of
> the AGM.
> A list of members who are in arrears is attached
> herewith.

> 73s de VU2CBU
>

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2867. New Icom Rcvr

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-17 10:14:04 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2867 Message: 2867

Icom IC-R1500

Type:

HF/VHF/UHF/SHF receiver/scanner

Frequency range:

0.01-3300 MHz

Mode:

AM/FM/WFM/SSB/CW (No AM/SSB/CW above 1300 MHz)

Sensitivity:

N/A

Selectivity:

N/A

Image rejection:

N/A

Voltage:

12 VDC +/- 15%

Current drain:

Max 1.25 A

Impedance:

50 ohms, BNC

Dimensions (W*H*D):

Box: 146*41*206 mm
Panel: 111*40*27 mm

Weight:

Box: 1.2 Kg
Panel: 200 gr

Manufactured:

2005-200x

Other:

CTCSS/DTCS. DSP option (UT-106).
Also sold withouth the control panel as IC-PCR1500
(http://www.rigpix.com/icom/icpcr1500.htm) for computer control only

Related documents:

2868. New IC-PR1500 (This version for computers)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-17 10:16:49 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2868 Message: 2868

Icom IC-PCR1500

Type:

Computer controlled HF/VHF/UHF/SHF receiver/scanner

Frequency range:

0.01-3300 MHz

Mode:

AM/FM/WFM/SSB/CW (No AM/SSB/CW above 1300 MHz)

Sensitivity:

N/A

Selectivity:

N/A

Image rejection:

N/A

Voltage:

12 VDC +/- 15%

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Max 1.25 A

Impedance:

50 ohms, BNC

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1.2 Kg

Manufactured:

2005-200x

Other:

CTCSS/DTCS. DSP option (UT-106). Windows software for computer control via USB connector
Also sold with a separate control panel as IC-R1500 (http://www.rigpix.com/icom/icr1500.htm)

Related documents:

2869. Re: [m_a_r_s] Pune VHF Repeater UP, alive and kicking.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-17 15:45:36 UTC
From: fmpatel
Topic: 2865 Message: 2869

Wow
----- Original Message -----
From: firani@... Irani
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2005 9:42 AM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Pune VHF Repeater UP, alive and kicking.

Dear NLF,

Congrats and GREAT THANKS from all of us here in pune.
Waiting for our next QSO with bombay now.
GREAT JOB DONE.
Thanks once again.

73
VU2WET
----- Original Message -----
From: nilesh rathod
To: MARS E-Group ; mars academy
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2005 8:29 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Pune VHF Repeater UP, alive and kicking...

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2870. NOMINATIONS OR DISSOLUTION

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-17 17:34:21 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2870 Message: 2870

Dear Members,

The deadline for submitting your nomination for election was 17th Nov 2005 6pm hours.

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I am quite sure that members will come forward and file their nominations and avoid the option of article No.33.

73
VU2NLF,
Secretary - MARS.

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2871. Reminder - Fifth Annual General Meeting

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-18 00:02:17 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2858 Message: 2871

We would like to remind you of this upcoming event.

Fifth Annual General Meeting

Date: Sunday, November 20, 2005
Time: 4:00PM - 7:00PM PST (GMT-08:00)

Dear Members,

We are pleased to inform you that the Fifth Annual General Meeting

of our Society, The Elections for the Sixth Managing Committee and

The Annual Getogether will be held on 20th November 2005.

Venue : 'S.S. Hall', Garware Club, Wankhede Stadium, 'D' Road

Churchgate, Mumbai - 400 001.

Timing: 4:00 pm to 7:00pm

Agenda for the Meeting.

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5:45pm Any other topic with the permission of the Chairperson.

6:00pm Results of the Election.

6:15pm Snacks & Tea.

2872. RE: [m_a_r_s] NOMINATIONS OR DISSOLUTION

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-18 02:12:32 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2870 Message: 2872

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2873. what options do we have ????

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-18 03:35:02 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2870 Message: 2873

Hello Sarla,

It does not take a genius to figure out that if there is no managing committee, the society automatically becomes defunc...

if no one comes forward then as a secretary I have no option but to write to Registerer of Society, asking him to appoint a court receiver to take charge.. in which case it becomes very ugly situation for MARS.

Other option is to close down... and cancel our registeration.

These dicisions have to be taken in the AGM, It is ultimately the decision of the Members, weather they wish to continue or not...So far it appears that the members are not interested,

As far who am I to take the decision is concerned, well I am still the secretary of the society and it is my duty and resposibility to hand over the charge to the next managing commitee by holding proper elections as per our bye-laws.

if I don't receive the nominations it becomes my duty to inform the members about the consequences and options available to us.

The reasons which I mentioned for members not filing are as per my best knowledge, I may have overlooked something... maybe you can enlighten us as to why there are no nominations.

Members cannot wait and watch till the AGM and then file there nominations. The deadlines for nominations was given and now also extended,

I have always believed in productive actions, I strongly believe in providing solutions to problems and not create any problems..

I have mentioned that members are scared to run for election because of VU2NLF, which may be true or not true.. in any case I have made myself clear, so that there is no doubts in their minds and they can peacefully contest for elections. if they are not scared then offcourse they have nothing to worry about and simply ignore me...

As on now it appears, some of the members have decided to just make QRM in the AGM.. well I will be there to answer each any every questions...
No problem,

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2874. AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-18 06:35:20 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 1672 Message: 2874

Hi Nilesh,
I am sure you are a righteous person and take your responsibilities very seriously. So it was perfectly ok to read the writing on the wall regarding the survival of MARS and inform the members accordingly. What is obnoxious is you putting your personal opinions and conclusions about members in an e group which belongs to all. There has to be some decorum for that.
As for the causing of QRM at the AGM, hey, even in radio we deal with the qrm and still try to make a contact!!!And what constitutes QRM is a matter of personal opinion. One cant hear what one wants to hear all the time in a group! That is possible only when just one person speaks and the rest just put up with it.
Great that the AGM will take place. It sure will clear the air!!
Sarla

2875. Re: [m_a_r_s] Pending subscriptions and AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-18 08:17:00 UTC
From: Amit Malgaonkar
Topic: 2859 Message: 2875
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2876. Fox Hunt 2005 Prize distribution during the AGM ON THIS SUNDAY 20TH

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-18 11:12:24 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2876 Message: 2876

DEAR FOX HUNTERS 2005

THE PRIZES FOR THE FOX HUNT 2005 WILL BE GIVEN ON 20TH OF NOV.2005 DURING THE MARS AGM .

ALL FOX HUNT 2005 PARTICIPANTS BE PRESENT FOR THE SAME MEETING AS THERE ARE ALSO SPECIAL PRIZES TO BE GIVEN .

THANK YOU

VU2 ZRS ZYROS ZEND ,VU2WET FAROOQ IRANI ,VU2IVO IVOR PERRIRA

Fortune Cookie India
300 , cawasji hormasji patel street
marine lines
mumbai 2
tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

2877. Re: [m_a_r_s] Fox Hunt 2005 Prize distribution during the AGM ON THIS SUNDAY 20TH

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-18 14:06:17 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2876 Message: 2877

DEAR FOX HUNTERS 2005 & VU2ZRS,

Excellent idea about giving prizes, but subject to having valid membership to attend the AGM.

Non valid members please excuse...

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NLF
Secretary.

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2878. Re: [m_a_r_s] Pending subscriptions and AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-18 19:49:47 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2859 Message: 2878
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2879. Re: [m_a_r_s] Pending subscriptions and AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-18 19:51:44 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2859 Message: 2879
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2880. Re: [m_a_r_s] Pending subscriptions and AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-18 19:58:48 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2859 Message: 2880
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2881. Re: [m_a_r_s] Pending subscriptions and AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-18 20:00:56 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2859 Message: 2881
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2882. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Birds.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-19 11:26:44 UTC
From: Parin Gangar
Topic: 2846 Message: 2882

Dear Nilesh,

Thank you very much for clarifying that "MARS is not responsible for the Green Birds".

Now, lets come to the point directly. You had asked the people who paid for the First Batch of Green Birds to contact VU3AUA. Then VU3AUA even collected the list of all those people with no communication in this regards further. (Not a single mail from him till date on this issue then onwards).

Now, when there is this AGM going to take place you swing back and say that all those who paid the money for the green birds in the first lot should contact you or RIO.

Its fine..No problems. . You said the Green Birds are still lying unfixed coz "The only logical reason is that people don't care and don't want to put in effort and time..."

But, for your information, when people have tried to put in their efforts and time, you have passed the whole buck to them as if they were solely responsible for what they were doing. I know getting Green Birds a Calculated (???) Risk. And so we, those who paid for the sets are the Risk Bearers.

But, instead of just yelling out and telling around that people are not putting in efforts and time, if you could have put a mail mentioning what all has to be done for getting those sets working, it would have helped a lot. Actually people don't know what they have to do. They simply understand that you have got them some junk from the junkyard of Agra and that they are too incapable of even getting it fixed if not ix them themselves.

I understand some of the sets were fixed by VU3WJM during his trip to Mumbai. Where are those sets ?? Have they been distributed?? Some of the sets that were in very bad shape where to be couriered to VU3WJM. Have they been sent??

73

Parin / VU2PIC

----- Original Message -----
From: nilesh rathod
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2005 7:29 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Green Birds.

Hello Parin,

Technically MARS has got nothing to do it.... The M.C during that period had flatly refused to venture into the "green bird affair" ...

Originally it was proposed by me that MARS should invest the money and get these sets... fix them as sell them for Rs.2500/- making Rs.500/- profit for the society.. it was supposed to be a win-win situation, as Members would have got their VHF sets and could have

become QRV active on 2 meters and society would also have made some profit...

Fortunately or Unfortunately my proposal was turned down by the committee. Therefore myself and VU2RIO, collected the money from you guys, hoping to get these sets, and fix them with help of our members technically qualified to fix them, we sincerely thought if Delhi Hams & Lucknow Hams can do it, so can MARS hams, Sadly we were wrong in judging the technical skills of our members...

Me and VU2RIO, did all this to help you guys come up on air, without any vested interest... unfortunately this whole thing has back fired... I have to now agree that, the decision taken by the M.C that time was right and I was wrong.

We have been putting mails on the group about the green bird because all concerned person are MARS members, But technically MARS has nothing to do with it... therefore I have not taken the "green bird issue" on the agenda of MARS....

I have repeated said, that the "Green Bird" was always a calculated risk.. everybody knew it... you don't get base station of 2K... MARS did not wanted to risk it.. which was fair and wise dicision...

Frankly I don't understand why these sets are not fixed ? The only logical reason is that people don't care and don't want to put in effort and time...

In any case, MARS is not responsible for these Green Birds,, it is myself and VU2RIO, all you guys may deal in this matter directly with us..

People who have given money in the second lot may deal directly with VU3AUA.

73
NLF

Parin Gangar <parin.gangar@...> wrote:
Hello NLF,

Just want to draw your attention towards the "Green Bird" issue which you have missed in the agenda. I believe this is an important issue, which has drawn much of attention and concern in the last year (2004 - 05).

This issue still stand unsolved. We had Arun Singh (VU3AUA) consolidating a list of all those who have paid for these Green Birds.

After that we never heard of him on this issue.

73,
Parin / VU2PIC

----- Original Message -----
From: nilesh rathod
To: MARS E-Group ; classes ; mars academy
Sent: Sunday, November 06, 2005 1:40 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] The Fifth Annual General Meeting.

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Vote and participate in this Annual Getogether (Eye Ball).

The nomination form for the election is enclosed herewith. The Nomination

form must reach us not less then 3 days prior the election (17th Nov 2005)

You may send your nomination form to the society's Secretary's Address:-

Mr.Nilesh Rathod, 803, Sidharth Ganga Towers, Kalyani Nagar, Pune - 411 006.

We sincerely hope that you will join us and make this event successful.

73,

For Mumbai Amateur Radio Society.

Nilesh Rathod. - VU2NLF

Secretary.

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2883. Re: [m_a_r_s] Green Birds.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-19 11:34:29 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 2846 Message: 2883

HI PARIN

I guess last time also i said , birds are meant to fly
free, common think of it as you bought birds to let
them free, evn RICHARD GERE does it in a commercial to
make a smal girl happy , common cheer up , chill, have
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73s

de vu2ugj
ps: am in the same boat too.
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> Have they been distributed?? Some of the sets that
> were in very bad shape where to be couriered to
> VU3WJM. Have they been sent??
>
> 73
>
> Parin / VU2PIC
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: nilesh rathod
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2005 7:29 PM
> Subject: [m_a_r_s] Green Birds.
>
>
> Hello Parin,
>
> Technically MARS has got nothing to do it.... The
> M.C during that period had flatly refused to venture
> into the "green bird affair" ...
>
> Originally it was proposed by me that MARS should
> invest the money and get these sets... fix them as
> sell them for Rs.2500/- making Rs.500/- profit for
> the society.. it was supposed to be a win-win
> situation, as Members would have got their VHF sets
> and could have become QRV active on 2 meters and
> society would also have made some profit...
>
> Fortunately or Unfortunately my proposal was turned
> down by the committee. Therefore myself and VU2RIO,
> collected the money from you guys, hoping to get
> these sets, and fix them with help of our members
> technically qualified to fix them, we sincerely
> thought if Delhi Hams & Lucknow Hams can do it, so
> can MARS hams, Sadly we were wrong in judging the
> technical skills of our members...
>
> Me and VU2RIO, did all this to help you guys come up
> on air, without any vested interest... unfortunately
> this whole thing has back fired... I have to now
> agree that, the decision taken by the M.C that time

> was right and I was wrong.
>
> We have been putting mails on the group about the
> green bird because all concerned person are MARS
> members, But technically MARS has nothing to do with
> it... therefore I have not taken the "green bird
> issue" on the agenda of MARS....
>
> I have repeated said, that the "Green Bird" was
> always a calculated risk.. everybody knew it... you
> don't get base station of 2K... MARS did not wanted
> to risk it.. which was fair and wise dicision...
>
> Frankly I don't understand why these sets are not
> fixed ? The only logical reason is that people
> don't care and don't want to put in effort and
> time...
>
> In any case, MARS is not responsible for these Green
> Birds,, it is myself and VU2RIO, all you guys may
> deal in this matter directly with us..
>
> People who have given money in the second lot may
> deal directly with VU3AUA.
>
> 73
> NLF
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>
> Parin Gangar <parin.gangar@...> wrote:
> Hello NLF,
>
> Just want to draw your attention towards the
> "Green Bird" issue which you have missed in the
> agenda. I believe this is an important issue, which
> has drawn much of attention and concern in the last
> year (2004 - 05).
>
> This issue still stand unsolved. We had Arun Singh
> (VU3AUA) consolidating a list of all those who have
> paid for these Green Birds.
>
> After that we never heard of him on this issue.
>
> 73,
> Parin / VU2PIC
>
>
> ----- Original Message -----

> From: nilesh rathod
> To: MARS E-Group ; classes ; mars academy
> Sent: Sunday, November 06, 2005 1:40 PM
> Subject: [m_a_r_s] The Fifth Annual General
> Meeting.
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> Dear Members,
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> We are pleased to inform you that the Fifth
> Annual General Meeting
>
> of our Society, The Elections for the Sixth
> Managing Committee and
>
> The Annual Getogether will be held on 20th
> November 2005.
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> Venue : 'S.S. Hall', Garware Club, Wankhede
> Stadium, 'D' Road
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> Churchgate, Mumbai - 400 001.
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> Timing: 4:00 pm to
> 7:00pm
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>
> Agenda for the Meeting.
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> 4:00pm Secretary's Progress Report.
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> 4:15pm Convener's Report of Hamfest
> India 2004 - Mumbai.
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> 4:30pm Treasurer's Financial Report.

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> 4:45pm Reports from other Members of the
> Managing Committee
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> 4:55pm Vote by Hand for Term of the next
> M.C (4 or 16 Months).
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> 5:00pm Voting for Expulsion or
> Acceptance of VU2IZO as member.
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2884. HELP REQUIRED

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-19 16:40:02 UTC
From: Sandesh Kamat
Topic: 2884 Message: 2884
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2885. Re: [m_a_r_s] AGM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-20 04:05:20 UTC
From: fmpatel
Topic: 1672 Message: 2885

WOW! So right! Look at the analysis!!

Why don't we have more people in the committee like her? She thinks in such an organised manner. Why don't our committee members do the same? We could take a page or two from her book. I hope we have the good fortune of her e-mail comments on the running of the society from time to time to guide us.

Thanks Sarla, who ever you might be

FEO
----- Original Message -----
From: "sarla sharma" <sarla_sharma@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, November 18, 2005 12:05 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] AGM

> Hi Nilesh,
> I am sure you are a righteous person and take your responsibilities
> very seriously. So it was perfectly ok to read the writing on the
> wall regarding the survival of MARS and inform the members accordingly.
> What is obnoxious is you putting your personal opinions and
> conclusions about members in an e group which belongs to all. There
> has to be some decorum for that.
> As for the causing of QRM at the AGM, hey, even in radio we deal with
> the qrm and still try to make a contact!!!And what constitutes QRM is
> a matter of personal opinion. One cant hear what one wants to hear
> all the time in a group! That is possible only when just one person
> speaks and the rest just put up with it.
> Great that the AGM will take place. It sure will clear the air!!
> Sarla
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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2886. Data for Techies

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-20 13:48:59 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2886 Message: 2886

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2887. Re: [m_a_r_s] Data for Techies

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-20 14:02:15 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2886 Message: 2887

Hello Vijay:

This was quite useful information.

I haven't much time to follow up reading it, but my colleagues will love this collection, I'm sure !

-- Sriram

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2888. E.G.M on 8th January 2006. - VU2IZO Expelled.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-21 05:39:12 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2888 Message: 2888

Dear Members,

The A.G.M for accounting year 2004-2005 was conducted on 20th Nov 2005. The elections for the M.C for 2005- 2006 were also scheduled to be held at the same time.

Due to poor response in filing the nominations for elections by our members has resulted in postponing the elections.

The members presents at the AGM concluded that we should not wind up the society just yet, one more change may be given to our society and its members to come forward and file their nominations.

Hence it was decided by the General body that a Extraordinary General Meeting shall be held on 8th January 2006, with its sole agenda as elections of the A.G.M

I sincerely hope the members will come forward and file their nominations for the coming elections on 8th January 2006.

The Present committee will continue to hold office till the E.G.M

VU2IZO (mickey) is permanently expelled from our society by the General Body during the AGM.

The detailed minutes of our AGM will be posted shortly by Jayesh Kharwar (VU2ESP) shortly..

73
VU2NLF
Secretary, MARS.

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2889. Software for homebrewers

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-21 18:37:23 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2889 Message: 2889

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2890. CONGRATS - SARLA/VU2SWS - DXCC

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-22 17:52:36 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 2890 Message: 2890

Congrats Sarlaji,
You are on DXCC list. your certificate of DXCC from ARRL shows,
It was very hard work, honesty on QSL sending/receiving, good QSOs
etc...
CONGRATS ONCE AGAIN FOR CONFIRMING CONTACTS WITH MORE THAN 100
COUNTRIES.
India has very few.. may be below 50 hams out of 30 thousand hams in
VU land.
GOOD JOB.
73
Basappa

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2891. Interesting site for homebrewers !!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-22 19:31:49 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2891 Message: 2891

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(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_vom)
- Battery Low Voltage Beeper
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_lvbeep)
- Expanded Scale Battery Volt Meter
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_xsvmeter)
- Solar Current Meter
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_imeter)
- AA Battery Solar Charger
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_aacharge)
- LED Mood Light
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_ledlamp)
- 12 Volt Toilet Tank Refiller
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_tankfill)
- Self Powered Solar Box Furnace
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_solarfurn)
- Remote Solar LED light
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_pv2led1)

Ham Radio Circuits (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#topofdoc)

- Morse Code Beacon Keyer
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_beacon)
- Smooth Tone Clickless CW Sidetone Generator
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_sidetone)
- QRP Antenna Tuner
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_qrptune)

Infra Red (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#topofdoc)

- Irda Adapter rx/tx
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_adapter)
- Irda serial receiver

(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_serial_rx)
- Infra Red Remote Transponder
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_trasponder)
- Cheap 40KHz clock
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_40khz_cheap)
- A very STABLE 40khz generator
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_40khz_gen)
- Minimizing SUN's noise in IR reception
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_sun_noise)
- Build an Infrared night scope
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_night_scope)
- Decoding IR Remote Controls
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_decoding)
- IR 'slotted switch' sensor
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_slotted_switch)
- Serial-driven IR remote controller
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_serial_driver)
- IR Opto Detector
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_opto_detect)
- HP48SX IR DECODER
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_hp48sx_dec)
- PC IR Remote Control
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_pc_ir_sig)
- Infrared Transmitter / Detector
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_txrx1)
- Infrared Remote Control
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_remote1)
- IR Type Data Link
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_datalink1)
- IR Remote Extender
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_extender1)
- Infrared Remote Controller
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_remote2)
- Infrared Remote Control Tester
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirird_tester1)

Telephone (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#topofdoc)

- Telephone in-use light
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_inuse1)
- Phone in-use Light
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_inuse2)
- Phone in-use indicator
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_inuse3)
- Phone in-use indicator
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_inuse4)
- Phone in-use indicator
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_inuse5)
- Phone in-use indicator
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_inuse6)
- 'phone rang' indicator light
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_rang_light)

- Detecting a telephone RING
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_det_ring)
- Detecting a telephone RING
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_det_ring2)
- Detecting a telephone RING
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_det_ring3)
- Detecting a telephone RING
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_det_ring4)
- Phone Off-Hook Indicator
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_offhook_ind)
- Phone to audio interface (SSI202 input)
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_phone_to_audio)
- Phone Line to Audio
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_phone_to_audio2)
- Telephone Line Monitor (Plans)
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_line_monitor)
- Use old phones as an intercom
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_intercom)
- Telephone Power?
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_power)
- Hold function for Telephone
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_hold_funct)
- Digital/Standard Phone Line Tester
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_tester)
- Telephone Tap (http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_tap1)
- Telephone Controlled Night Light
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_tcnl1)
- Phone Recorder (http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_rec1)
- Music-On-Hold Box
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_music1)
- Hands-Free Telephone
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_handsfree1)
- Wireless Telephone Eavesdropper
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirtel_wireless1)
- Isolated Telephone Interface
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_tap)

Music - Sound (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#topofdoc)

- Optoinsulated MIDI cable
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=circuit_midi)
- MIDI to RS232 Interface
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=circuit_midi_rs232)
- MIDI Drum Box (http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cirmidi_drum)
- Stereo Audio Isolator
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_stereoiso) gets rid
of hum in long audio lines
- Guitar Reverb Circuit
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_reverb2)
- Voltage Controlled Panner Circuit
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_panner) pans audio

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Smartcard (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#topofdoc)

- Smartcard PC Emulator
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_smartcardemu)
- Smartcard PC Serial Reader / Writer (Phoenix)
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_smartcard_rw)

PIC Programmers (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#topofdoc)

- PICALL and P16PRO PICs programmers
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_pic_prog)

Power Supply (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#topofdoc)

- 200W ATX PC Power Supply
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_ps_atx200)
- AT PC Power Supply 1
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_ps_at_001)
- AT PC Power Supply 2
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_ps_at_002)
- AT PC Power Supply 3
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_ps_at_003)
- AT PC Power Supply 4
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_ps_at_004)
- AT PC Power Supply 5
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_ps_at_005)

Geiger Counter Circuits (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#topofdoc)

- Hot Rodding a CDV700 Geiger Counter
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_cdv700)
- Count Accumulator for Radiation Levels (CARL)
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_carl)
- CDV700 Geiger Counter Probe Rebuilding
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_solorb_geigerprobe)

Filters (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#topofdoc)
First Order Lowpass (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#filt1lp) | Second
order Lowpass (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#filt2lp) | First Order
Highpass (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#filt1hp) | Second Order
Highpass (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#filt2hp) | Second Order
Bandpass (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#filt2bp) | Second Order Notch
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#filt2bs)

- Filters Notes and n-order filters
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_notes)

First Order Lowpass (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#Filters)

- First Order Lowpass I non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp1ni_01)
- First Order Lowpass II non-inverting

(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp1ni_02)
- First Order Lowpass III inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp1i_03)

Second order Lowpass (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#Filters)

- Sallen-Key (SK) Second order Lowpass I non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp2ni_sk_01)
- Sallen-Key (SK) Second order Lowpass II non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp2ni_sk_02)
- Multiple Feedback (MFB) Second Order Lowpass I inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp2i_mfb_01)
- Multiple Feedback (MFB) Second Order Lowpass II inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp2i_mfb_02)
- Fliege Second Order Lowpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp2ni_fliege_01)
- Bach Second Order Lowpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp2ni_bach_01)
- Twin-T Second Order Lowpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp2ni_twint_01)
- KHN (Non-Inverting Input) Second Order Lowpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp2ni_khn_01)
- KHN (Inverting Input) Second Order Lowpass inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp2i_khn_02)
- Tow-Thomas (TT) Second Order Lowpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp2ni_tt_01)
- Mikhael-Bhattacharyya (MB) Second Order Lowpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp2ni_mb_01)
- Berka-Herpy (BH) Second Order Lowpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp2ni_bh_01)
- Akerberg-Mossberg (AM) Second Order Lowpass inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_lp2i_am_01)

First Order Highpass (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#Filters)

- First Order Highpass I non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_hp1ni_01)
- First Order Highpass II non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_hp1ni_02)
- First Order Highpass III inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_hp1i_03)
- First Order Highpass IV inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_hp1i_04)

Second Order Highpass (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#Filters)

- Sallen-Key (SK) Second Order Highpass I non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_hp2ni_sk_01)
- Sallen-Key (SK) Second Order Highpass II non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_hp2ni_sk_02)
- Multiple Feedback (MFB) Second Order Highpass inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_hp2i_mfb_01)
- Fliege Second Order Highpass non-inverting

(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_hp2ni_fliege_01)
- Twin-T Second Order Highpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_hp2ni_twint_01)
- KHN (Non-Inverting Input) Second Order Highpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_hp2ni_khn_01)
- KHN (Inverting Input) Second Order Highpass inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_hp2i_khn_01)
- Mikhael-Bhattacharyya (MB) Second Order Highpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_hp2ni_mb_01)
- Berka-Herpy (BH) Second Order Highpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_hp2ni_bh_01)
- Akerberg-Mossberg (AM) Second Order Highpass inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_hp2i_am_01)

Second Order Bandpass (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#Filters)

- Deliyannis Second Order Bandpass I inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bp2i_deliyannis_01)
- Deliyannis Second Order Bandpass II inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bp2i_deliyannis_02)
- Sallen-Key (SK) Second Order Bandpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bp2ni_sk_01)
- Multiple Feedback (MFB) Second Order Bandpass I inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bp2i_mfb_01)
- Multiple Feedback (MFB) Second Order Bandpass II inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bp2i_mfb_02)
- Fliege Second Order Bandpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bp2ni_fliege_01)
- Twin-T Second Order Bandpass inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bp2i_twint_01)
- KHN (Non-Inverting Input) Second Order Bandpass inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bp2i_khn_01)
- KHN (Inverting Input) Second Order Bandpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bp2ni_khn_01)
- Tow-Thomas (TT) Second Order Bandpass inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bp2i_tt_01)
- Mikhael-Bhattacharyya (MB) Second Order Bandpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bp2ni_mb_01)
- Berka-Herpy (BH) Second Order Bandpass non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bp2ni_bh_01)
- Akerberg-Mossberg (AM) Second Order Bandpass inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bp2i_am_01)

Second Order Notch (http://www.technick.net/public/code/circuits.php#Filters)

- Sallen-Key (SK) Second Order Notch non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bs2ni_sk_01)
- Fliege Second Order Notch non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bs2ni_fliege_01)
- Twin-T Second Order Notch I non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bs2ni_twint_01)
- Twin-T Second Order Notch II non-inverting

(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bs2ni_twint_02)
- KHN (Non-Inverting Input) Second Order Notch inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bs2i_khn_01)
- KHN (Inverting Input) Second Order Notch non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bs2ni_khn_01)
- Mikhael-Bhattacharyya (MB) Second Order Notch non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bs2ni_mb_01)
- Berka-Herpy (BH) Second Order Notch non-inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bs2ni_bh_01)
- Akerberg-Mossberg (AM) Second Order Notch inverting
(http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_dpage.php?aiocp_dp=cir_filter_bs2i_am_01)

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- Contact Us (http://www.technick.net/public/code/cp_contact_us.php)
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2892. Re: [m_a_r_s] E.G.M on 8th January 2006.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-23 01:25:05 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 2888 Message: 2892

Can we have the QTH for the EGM please?
73
de vu2ubp

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73
de VU2UBP

RES?: 2431 1367
WORK : 24072295 OR 24092556
CELL : 98206 22237

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2893. Re: [m_a_r_s] E.G.M on 8th January 2006.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-23 05:01:13 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 2888 Message: 2893

hi ulhas

QTH of EGM wud depend upon how much money we have in
kitty , and i guess QTH is not much important anymore
its more important to set the house in order first ,
next time insallah we can have AGM in best of places .
And hey do come forward to file your nominations and
also crate some competition for all so that we hve
many candiatates and we are able to choose the best
ones.

73s

de vu2 ugj.

--- ULHAS <ulhasparalkar@...> wrote:

> Can we have the QTH for the EGM please?
> 73
> de vu2ubp
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> ULHAS
> 73
> de VU2UBP
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> RES?: 2431 1367
> WORK : 24072295 OR 24092556
> CELL : 98206 22237
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> Yahoo! FareChase - Search multiple travel sites in
> one click.

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http://farechase.yahoo.com

2894. Re: Pune VHF Repeater UP, alive and kicking...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-23 05:30:35 UTC
From: Basappa Arabole
Topic: 2860 Message: 2894

Dear NLF ji,

Very very great job indeed. I was off the HAM for a month. Didnot know the things happenings around. It is really a great hard work and fantastic thing for the HAMS.

THE MATHERAN SITE WAS ALSO TESTED !! WHEN THE REAPETER IS COMING UP THERE ?? PSE

WITH my best wishes,
VU2NXM

2895. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Pune VHF Repeater UP, alive and kicking...

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-23 11:52:05 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2860 Message: 2895

Dear NXM,

Thank you very much for your appreciations..

About the Matheran Repeater, I am told that TARA is putting it up, hence we shall put up our repeater at Mahabaleshwar or some other suitable site..

73
NLF

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2896. Famous Hams

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-25 09:02:17 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2896 Message: 2896
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2897. Re: [m_a_r_s] Famous Hams

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-25 10:25:05 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 2896 Message: 2897

hi vu2loc

Nice to read about the famous hams list, but a larger
part of it is misssing , you simply overlooked the
list of memebers of MARS-MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY.
The most famous ones.

73s

devu2ugj
--- VU2LOC <vu2loc@...> wrote:

> Famous Hams
>
> 7L2NJY Dr Mamoru Mohri, Japanese astronaut
> 9K2CS Prince Yousuf Al-Sabah
> 9N1MM Father Marshall Moran, missionary (SK)
> A41AA Qaboos Bin Said Al-Said, Sultan of Oman
> EA0JC Juan Carlos, King of Spain
> FO5GJ Marlon Brando aka Martin Brandeaux, actor
> G2DQU Lord Rix (formerly Sir Brian), former actor
> and charity head
> G3TZH Tony Dolby, brother of "the" Dolby
> G3YLA Jim Bacon OBE, weatherman
> GB1MIR Helen Sharman, astronaut
> HS1A Bhumiphol Adulayadej, King of Thailand
> I0FCG Francesco Cossiga, former President of Italy
> JA5FHB Japanese Minister for Transport and
> Communications
> JY1 King Hussein of Jordan
> JY1NH Offspring?
> JY2 Queen of above
> K0HWY Tex Beneke, band leader
> K1OKI Mickey Schulhof, head of Sony US
> K2HEP John Sculley, CEO of Apple (lapsed)
> K2ORS Jean Shepard, author
> K4LIB Arthur Godfrey, TV performer (SK)
> K6DUE Roy Neal, television reporter
> K7TA Clifford Stoll, author & scientist
> K7UGA Senator (US) Barry Goldwater (SK)
> KB2GSD Walter Cronkite, newsman
> KB6LQR Jeana Yeager, Voyager '86 pilot
> KB6LQS Dick Rutan, Voyager '86 pilot
> KB6OLJ Paul J Cohen, mathematician
> KC4OCA Gordon Barnes, weatherman
> KD6BUP James Treybig Jr, son of W6JKV?

> KG7JF Jeff Duntemann, author
> LU1SM Carlos Saul Menem, President of Argentina
> N4KET David French, CNN newsman
> N4RH Ralph Haller, FCC PRB chief
> N5YYV Kathy Sullivan, Chief Scientist NOAA (former
> astronaut)
> N6FUP Stu Cook[s], baseball player
> N6GGM Laura, XYL of N6FUP
> N6KGB Stewart Granger (born James Stewart), actor
> NK7U Joe Rudi, baseball player
> ON1AFD Count Dirk Frimouth, Belgian astronaut
> S21A Head of Bangladeshi PTT
> SU1VN/P Prince Talal of Saudi Arabia
> SV2ASP/A Monk Apollo
> U2MIR/UV3AMMusa Manarov, cosmonaut
> UA1LO Yuri Gagarin, cosmonaut (SK)
> VK2BL Graham Connelly, radio announcer
> VK2DIK Dick Smith, entrepreneur & millionaire
> VK2IG Dave Grey, Deputy Commissioner
> VK2KB Sir Allan Fairhall, politician
> VK2YOW Bob Hughes, radio announcer
> VR6TC Tom Christian, great**n-grandson of Fletcher
> Christian
> VU2RG Rajiv Gandhi, Prime Minister of India (SK)
> VU2SON Sonia Gandhi, XYL of VU2RG
> W0ORE Tony England, astronaut
> W2TQ Joel Miller, IEEE lawyer
> W3ACE Armin Meyer, US Ambassador to Japan
> W4ZG Worth Gruelle, started Raggedy Ann and Andy
> W5LFL Owen Garriot, astronaut
> W6EZV General Curtis LeMay (SK)
> W6FZZ Samuel F.B. Morse III
> W6JKV James Treybig, CEO of Tandem
> W6QHS President of California Microware
> W6QYI Cardinal Roger Mahony
> W6ZH Herbert Hoover Jr (son of ARRL Pres, grandson
> of US Pres)
> W8JK John Kraus (astronomer?)
> WA2MKI Larry Ferrari, organ player
> W4CGP Chet Atkins, GUITAR PLAYER (SK)
> WA4SIR Ron Parise, astronaut
> WB4KCG Ronnie Milsap, singer
> WB6ACU Joe Walsh, singer
> WB6RER Andy Devine, actor (SK)
>
> FROM: www.aesham.com
> --
> 73 DE VU2LOC (Shailesh Deshmukh)
>
> A/B-301, Vinayak Krupa ,

> Khambal Pada, Opp. to Manjunath College,
> Kanchan Gaon, Dombivili (East),
> Dist: Thane, Maharashtra, India.
> Pin Code: 421201
> Ph No.(R) 95251-2420643/
> (M) 9820303379
> E-Mail: vu2loc@...
>

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2898. International Humanitarian Award nomination deadline looms

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-25 12:06:36 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2898 Message: 2898
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2899. Re: [m_a_r_s] Famous Hams

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-25 14:26:22 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 2896 Message: 2899

--- Mr Mukesh Jaitley <mjaitley@...> wrote:

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> hi vu2loc
>
> Nice to read about the famous hams list, but a larger
> part of it is misssing , you simply overlooked the
> list of memebers of MARS-MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY.
> The most famous ones.
>

Indeed. GT is well respected all over India. Lots of Rally HAMs I know have a good regard for him.

Mrs. Sarla is an articulate and motivated editor of the Amateur Radio Mag that she puts out regularly. I believe she's also participated in some DX expeditions at the Elephanta Caves.

Some Rally Hams in Kerala and Bangalore also have a good regard for NLF.

There may be others on the list too, but I'm not really aware of them. My apologies if I've missed out anyone.

>
> 73s
>
> devu2ugj

-- Sriram

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2900. Re: [m_a_r_s] Famous Hams

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-25 17:26:22 UTC
From: Deepak VU 2 C D P
Topic: 2896 Message: 2900

What about Jon Bon Jovi's brother? There is a rumour about Bon Jovi being a ham but his brother is definitely a call sign holder.

73 de VU2CDP
CDP on the web: http://www.qsl.net/vu2cdp

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2901. JOTA Report

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-25 18:37:34 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 2901 Message: 2901

48TH JAMBOREE ON THE AIR

15TH & 16TH OCTOBER 2005

REPORT

1. SHREE RAM WELFARE HIGH SCHOOL, ANDHERI

HAMs - Sandesh (VU2SXF), Jayesh (VU2ESP), Ivor (VU2IVO), Mukesh (VU2OMV), Arun (VU3AUA), Pravin (VU3PAN) and SWL - Nilesh Dixit.

100 scouts and guides from 5 schools participated in the event i.e from Goregaon, Borivali & Bandra (bmc school). Contact with A47JOTA the only station heard on HF from Muscat, Oman with 59 RST.

2. SUMAN NAGAR HIGH SCHOOL, CHEMBUR

HAMs ☐ Jaiprakash (VU2JPN), Sarla (VU2SWS), Shailesh (VU2LOC), Gubbi (VU2GBI), Andrews (VU2LLM), Ananta (VU3MWH) SWLs ☐ Rohit, Aditya and Shilpa

HF Contact ☐ A47JOTA

VHF Contacts ☐ Sudhir (VU2SVS), Percy (VU2PLE), Zarir (VU2VPQ) and Mahesh (VU2IIA)

235 scouts & guides from 6 schools.

3. SHANTI NAGAR HIGH SCHOOL, MIRA ROAD

HAMs - Sandip (VU2UGO), Shailesh (VU2SFN), Dilip (VU3DGB), Deepak (VU2CDP), Ulhas (VU2UBP), Suren (VU2SFH) and SWL - Vijay

Schools ☐ 2, Scouts ☐ 323, Guides ☐ 161, Cub ☐ 22, Bulbul ☐ 16

HF Contacts ☐ A47JOTA, VU2ARC/SXE, VU2BSG/JOS, VU2RBI

All the three locations were QRV on HF using inverted `V' antennas for 40M, 20M & 15M and on VHF simplex as well as duplex via MARS Repeater.

Thanks to Maharashtra State Bharat Scouts and Guides HQ, WPC Amateur Wing and Mumbai Amateur Radio Society for their cooperation and kind support.

Special thanks to Huzefa (VU2HIT) for getting WPC permission for this event.

Report by Sandip VU2UGO ☐ Event co-ordinator

2902. About Famous Hams list

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-26 07:05:04 UTC
From: dinesh patel
Topic: 2896 Message: 2902

Dear LOC and MARS members

The list of famous Hams Looks like famous people who were Hams.

Famous Hams list should perhaps begin with W1AW (SK).

If we are serious enough then we should list down those hams and scientists who have contributed in development of Radio and Ham Radio and put on our web site / Groups site.

Dinesh Patel

2903. DXCC

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-26 17:48:42 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2903 Message: 2903

Congratulations to VU2NXM, Basappaji for receiving his DXCC award for contacting 100 countries in CW!
Great going !!
Sarla

2904. Air Balloon Record

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-29 08:30:46 UTC
From: vu2scq
Topic: 2904 Message: 2904

Dear Friends,
On 26th November Dr. Vijaypat Singhania broke the world record for the highest ever flight in a Hot Air balloon. I was keenly following the flight as it happened literally outside my window. I was up on my terrace overlooking the race course and clicking pictures wildly. I have uploaded some of those pictures on the web. Those interested can visit the following link.

http://photobucket.com/albums/c17/vu2scq/

73s
Shantanu Chand

2905. Re: Air Balloon Record

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-11-30 06:20:52 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 2904 Message: 2905

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> highest ever flight in a Hot Air balloon. I was keenly following the
> flight as it happened literally outside my window. I was up on my
> terrace overlooking the race course and clicking pictures wildly. I
> have uploaded some of those pictures on the web. Those interested can
> visit the following link.
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> http://photobucket.com/albums/c17/vu2scq/
>
> 73s
> Shantanu Chand

Hi SCQ,

Thanks for the link - the pictures look good to me. In fact I did not know the flight was scheduled and was on my morning walk when I saw the balloon from Kemps Corner (up the road the Prithvi Apts.) and it was reflecting sunlight so it appeared totally white (unlike its actual multicoloured design).

Yes it is a world record indeed though he did not touch his intended 80K ft as mission control asked him to abort after he broke the world record. He landed up in Nasik near Shirdi.

Good show anyways, both VS and SC!

Next time maybe we'll lobby for a repeater under the bucket with VU2MPS (OM Madhupati Singhania) 'pulling some strings'. ;-)

73
VU2NHR
(Nirav)

2906. Special Event CallSign: AT0JCB

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-03 12:44:47 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2906 Message: 2906
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2907. Fwd: Conference Server for India

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-03 13:20:04 UTC
From: harshvardhan_k
Topic: 2907 Message: 2907

--- In vuhams@yahoogroups.com, "Kusumba S" <mail@k...> wrote:

Hi all,

Hope you are all doing fine.

It gives me immense pleasure in announcing setting up of "Conference Server" for India.

What is Conference Server?

Conference Server is a dedicated server running on a high-end configuration hosted on high bandwidth circuit to connect various radio audio streams and mix them for broadcasting.

Why do we need?

While we are all striving to increase the community of HAM World, we still have many gaps and I feel the conference server can bring all of us together. Conference server connects all the cities together.

How does it work?

Conference server is an extended part of Echo Link network. It can allow the Echo Link stations to connect and run conference / bridge.

What will happen then?

Imagine, you triggering your local repeater in your city which in-turn triggers all the repeaters across the country. You are Heard across the Country! Guess, you have worked out the backend process in your mind by now I think.

Well, still lot needs to be done to make it successful.

What needs to be done?

I invite all the club stations and repeater stations across the country to be able to volunteer and setup following:

A Pentium III class computer with dedicated internet connection (probably one with BSNL broadband or Cable Internet with static IP will work) connected to your repeater. And then, this will get connected to Conference Server in Hyderabad, India. Once this is done, your repeater is now on the network and connected all across. The conference server though has no limitation; I prefer loading about 10 repeaters initially and then increase the load depending on the performance of the same.

You can send me a mail about expressing your interest and we will then help you out to put the things together.

Road Ahead!

As you all remember I was mentioning about www.qrz.in <http://www.qrz.in/> . Ofcourse, I have not received much participation from anyone to work on developing the same, we have started-in with available resources and same should be completed soon. Also, I mentioned about APRS (Automatic Position Reporting System) which is now functional and you can check www.aprs.in <http://www.aprs.in/> , the Indian APRS website and probably click on VU3SPQ now. Once the repeaters are connected, we are working to have your position reported to the APRS server on the same conference network. Ofcourse, efforts are being made for low cost GPS receivers to be made available and be able to connect to VHF in your car using the required circuit. (Just obtained sample and working on the same). Not forgetting, I have announced DX Cluster at www.dxcluster.in <http://www.dxcluster.in/> and I really see not more than single digit number users using the same. I have completed my WAS and major part of DXCC because of it recently.

We are also working on providing you email access over HF radio itself without a Packet radio modem and your email address will be callsign@q... and you can access the same directly from Internet too. The idea is one should be able to access APRS, EMAIL at QRZ.in and DX Cluster using a radio and single connectivity point. So, folks, this is the way ahead. A true convergence of Internet into Ham Radio!

I really need participation and contribution. Probably constitute a Tech committee and Working Committee and drive this whole stuff!

Who is behind this?

Folks, its we all! I would not like to mention any names including mine as this is for every one of us and everyone is part of it. Ofcourse, few individuals who are contributing immensely shall be recognized appropriately. There is no President, Chairman, Director, Vice President etc., here, it is only one and only one the TOP post or RANK available is "HAM". That's it!

So, now please write back.

73's

DE VU3SPQ / Sunny

--- End forwarded message ---

2908. About TECHFEST 2006

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-06 10:58:18 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2908 Message: 2908
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2909. Morse key Required

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-07 04:47:37 UTC
From: dinesh patel
Topic: 2909 Message: 2909

Dear friends

I require a good morse key for practice.

Kindly reply me with details about type of key and price.

reply directly to my id so that there is less of unwanted traffic on E group.

73's

Dinesh patel / Borivali / Mumbai

2910. Amateur Radio Emergency Comms. - Organisations Worldwide

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-07 11:17:01 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2910 Message: 2910
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2911. Emergency Communications Organisations' Frequencies

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-07 11:35:28 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2911 Message: 2911
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2912. Re: [m_a_r_s] Morse key Required

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-08 12:36:38 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2909 Message: 2912

Dear Dinesh,

I understand that you require a morse key for practice, I think as a life member you have the previlage and access to MARS rescources, hence you may please collect one key from VU2CBU - Treasurer.

73
best of luck,
VU2NLF
secretary MARS

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Dinesh patel / Borivali / Mumbai

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2913. IC-7000 review

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-08 18:52:05 UTC
From: Deepak VU2CDP
Topic: 2913 Message: 2913

The ICOM IC-7000

A short review by Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ (founder-QRZ.com)

Since I have the pleasure of being one of the first 100 or so folks in the US to get the new IC-7000 I wanted take an the opportunity to share my initial impressions with the QRZ community.

By now you've probably heard of the radio which some would describe as the successor to the IC-706MKIIG. The comparisons are easy to make at first glance but in many ways it may be more like the IC-756 PRO series radios, or perhaps a bit of both. There's no denying on any account that it's a dynamite package with big league operating features. In this review I'll take a practical look at the radio from an experienced user's point of view. Since I don't have a spectrum analyzer or the types of gear needed to do a scientific review, I'll leave that part of it up to the ARRL labs.

First, a bit about myself. I've been involved in electronics and computers for about 30 years. I've been a ham since 1987 and my first radio was a Kenwood TS-820. Over the years I've owned quite a few different HF rigs including Galaxy's, Swans, plus a variety of modern, solid state rigs including the TS-440, TS-940, TS-850, TS-570, TS-480, IC-706, IC-735, IC-761, IC-765, FT-920, plus a few others that I can't recall at the moment. My favorite radio for look and feel was the IC-765, and for performance it has been a toss up between several of them. Just last week I sold my TS-480SAT (which incidentally was a great radio) as I scraped together the cash (about $1500) to buy the IC-7000.

Now, back to the IC-7000. Let's face it, from a distance it looks exactly like an IC-706 with a color screen. It's about the same size (a little smaller, actually), and has the main tuning knob on the right just like it's older sibling. It also covers HF/50/144/440 just like the IC-706MKIIG. That said, we can stop comparing the two. The '7000 has capabilities and features that only a decade's worth of technology can account for, and performance which will probably put a lot of other radios to shame.

First Impressions
Obviously, the color display is big news. ICOM introduced the first color TFT display in an HF rig with the 756PRO and now with the IC-7800. Yaesu has it in their flagship FT-9000D and Kenwood has, well, nothing. Kenwood is so far behind the technology curve right now that they may well be on the verge of abandoning the amateur radio market.

Unlike most HF radios, the IC-7000's screen is a true video display. The capabilities of the display are not limited to any specific character set or presentation but instead are controlled by the radio's software. It shouldn't be all that surprising really as this type of small-screen presentation has been available for several years now on your typical cell phone at dirt cheap prices.

When I first looked at the 7000, I was a little shocked at the size of the screen. It measures only 2.5 inches diagonal which is noticeably smaller than the IC-706's antique LCD display. Some of the characters are very small, smaller than typical newspaper print. Despite this, however, they are extremely sharp and clear. Not a hint of fuzziness or video artifacts but more like the crisp display of Palm Pilot or cell phone.

Interestingly, the 7000 has a composite video output jack on the rear that can be fed into any standard TV. I saw a Japanese website where someone had mounted one in a car and attached one of those wildly popular 7-inch in-car DVD screens to it. Feeling like I could possibly get an IC-756 PRO III for the cost of a small screen, I hurried down to Fry's Electronics and picked up a 6-inch "headrest monitor" for $123. With it's simple 12 volt hookup and single video connector it was a snap to hook up.

I found the results of the external monitor to be a bit of a disappointment. Since the external video output is analog and not digital (as the 7000's internal screen surely is), there were some video artifacts such as some light ghosting/smearing plus some difficulties setting the color and contrast. The biggest shock, however, was the loss of apparent detail. The resolution of the internal screen is very small, perhaps on the order of 320x160 (actual numbers not yet known), and when they're blown up onto a larger screen, the characters look a bit choppy and staircased.

Wondering if this was a product of the cheap 6 inch external display, I then hooked up the 7000's video output to a regular 20" television set. The results were the same except that there was some horizontal overscan. Fortunately, there was a menu setting that corrected the overscan, a nice touch from ICOM.

For the past two days I've been using just the built in 2.5 inch screen and have left the external display disconnected. I'm happy to report that my initial fears were unfounded. Due to the uncompromizing clarity of the little screen, I'm having no real trouble reading it even with my 52 year old eyes and bifocal lenses. I can say that I'm happy with it as-is. Forget the external display except when your vision is very bad, or, you're looking to show off the radio to a crowd.

Ever since the radio debuted in Dayton 2005, we've all been told of it's ability to receive and display standard broadcast TV. We've seen pictures of it doing this in Japan. Lo and behold, however, the FCC nixed the idea and when the final approval was granted, it was minus

the TV receive capability. Rumor has it that this will be restorable via a diode mod but so far nobody has spilled the beans on it. The mods website www.mods.dk has been listing an extended receive mod for the IC-7000 for about a month now but there is no description at all as to what exactly the mod accomplishes. I elected not to do the mod from www.mods.dk lacking more info and waiting to hear from others who may be braver than me.

Perhaps the "extended receive" mod makes the radio work in the 200-400 mhz range, which is completely blocked out for some unexplained reason. TV audio can be heard in the low band (54-88 mhz) and part of the high band (175-199 mhz) using the wideband FM mode. You can hear the video as well so its clear that at least the lower 13 channels should be receivable.

To be fair, broadcast TV reception is a gee-whiz feature that doesn't have a lot to do with ham radio, except perhaps for a few isolated cases. The same can't be said for ATV, however, and there doesn't seem to be a good reason why it was disabled too. The FCC's rationale for inhibiting TV was based on the perceived danger of people watching it while driving their cars. Sure, it could happen, I suppose, but that idea sure hasn't stopped the raft of in-dash CD/DVD players with the flip-up screens that the consumer world so enjoys. Sure, there are state laws which prohibit its use, but it doesn't prohibit the manufacturers from selling car stereo equipment that has this capability. Why do they think hams are any less responsible? I suppose they do it because they can, and because unlike mass consumers, we're subservient to their wishes.

The Out of Box Experience (a.k.a. the OOBE)
Unpacking and hooking up the radio was a no-brainer with no surprises. Two things I noted about the rear were that first, there are two antenna connectors, one labeled Ant-1 and the other, not surprisingly, Ant-2. To me, this meant that the system had an A/B antenna switching capability, much like my TS-480 had. Not so. Although it's not marked on the unit, Ant-1 is for HF (160 thru 6 meters) and Ant-2 is for VHF (54 mhz) and above. The other oddity was that there are four 3.5 mm accessory jacks on the back, none of which are labeled! After holding the radio up to the light for several moments I finally noticed that there is a label on the bottom of the unit that identifies the mystery holes as well as the serial number and FCC ID of the unit.

That said, I think that I was able to get "basic" functionality out of the unit before I cracked open the 150+ page manual but had I insisted on sticking with that strategy I would have missed a great deal of what the rig had to offer.

Speaking of the manual, my first recommendation is to go to the ICOM website and download the PDF version. With the newest free Adobe reader, you can search the entire manual for key words which is much faster than endless thumbing back and forth looking for subjects of

interest.

The second thing about the manual that I find odd is that unlike most rigs, this one comes without a schematic. There is not one shred of info about the internal workings of the radio, something that at least Kenwood gives with every rig. I can't remember if the other ICOM rigs include a schematic but one would have been nice to have with this one. I suppose I'll have to wait for the service manual to come out in order to get a peek.

Immediately upon unpacking the unit I took notice of its weight. There's a lot of stuff packed in this little box and it has the kind of heft that folks used to use to judge cameras. Good, expensive ones were always heavier than the cheap, plastic imitations. This box feels like a solid brick which gave me the warm satisfying feeling that it might well be worth the $1500 that I paid for it.

So just how packed is it? Well, for starters, there aren't any options, none. Filters? None. TCXO? Built-in. Speech synthesizer? Built-in. Voice recorder? Built-in. Memory keyer? Built-in. This is a fully loaded rig containing all the desirable options right from the factory. I like it. On my TS-480 I suffered the indignity of adding the voice recorder/speech synthesizer option which cost too much money. It was especially frustrating to note that the option was about the size of a postage stamp and it contained one big integrated circuit and a connector. Kudos to ICOM for doing away with this insulting practice and for raising the bar on minimum transceiver standards by including the $2 chip right on the motherboard!

Getting My Feet Wet
Turning on the new radio, you first see the ICOM logo and then a notice that RF power is set at 100%. The initial operating frequency is 14.100 mhz, USB. A turn of the knob and yep, there's activity on the band. Being a technocrat, however, I wanted to see what the radio would DO, not what was happening on the bands so I started wildly pushing buttons and flipping through menus. Wow! What an assortment of things to look at. It's hard to begin and impossible to recall exactly which buttons I pressed in what order except to say that I spent a good 30 minutes just marveling over it.

The total number of features is hard to describe. Needless to say, most front panel buttons have multiple, context sensitive functions and some use abbreviations that aren't immediately apparent. It was beginning to look like some manual reading would be in my future.

A really big discovery was the microphone. It's not your typical mic as it has 25 buttons not including the PTT switch. It is most useful in that it gives you one-button access to a lot of features that take multiple presses on the radio's front panel. I really like the one button band selectors, the quick access to the Filter menu, and the two programmable buttons that can be set to do whatever. I can imagine that some enterprising soul will invent an external control panel that

duplicates these features. This would be especially true for base station use where a different microphone (having no buttons) might be connected.

The basic menu idea follows what has become a standard of sorts in a lot of rigs lately. If a button has a label, pressing it activates that function. Press and hold the same button and you're taken to a menu where you can adjust the feature. While this strategy isn't necessarily followed on all functions, it is the basic idea and one that helps you understand what to expect when pushing buttons. Don't worry, if you're wrong or if the button has no meaning in the current mode context, the radio will issue a beep sound and nothing happens.

An example of this is the mode button. Each time you press it the operating mode changes to the next mode, for example CW -> RTTY -> FM -> LSB. If LSB is currently selected, pressing and holding it changes to USB. If FM is selected, pressing and holding changes to AM, or to WFM (wideband FM). It's not that different from a lot of other radios and easy enough to get used to. One button is oddly labeled in my opinion. The legend says P.AMP which without thinking reminded me of Power Amp. Actually, it's the receiver preamp button. I would have labeled it PRE instead. Press once to engage the preamp, hold it down for 1 second and it engages the Attenuator.

The DSP functions are some of the best I've ever seen. The radio has two DSP chips but the documentation doesn't indicate how their tasks are divided. One can only guess that perhaps one is for transmit and one for receive, but until someone sees a block diagram, no one will know. There are four noise reduction features: a Noise Blanker (NB), a Noise Reducer (NR), a Manual Notch Filter (MNF), and an Automatic Notch Filter (ANF).

NB is the typical ignition-type noise blanker. It was hard to find a test signal but I could tell it was engaged when I listened to the 80 meter band. Like all of the DSP features, this one is adjustable by holding down the NB button for more than one second. A pop-up window will show the current level and you use the main tuning knob to adjust. The NR is great, and it is also adjustable. It really improves 80 meter operations. The MNF is a really useful feature. It is actually a dual notch filter and when it is engaged you have two independently adjustable notches. Adjusting them is easy with a little graphic that slides left and right across a small scale. The ANF is the automatic notch and it works well to suppress heterodynes. It is not enabled in CW mode, where the MNF is typically used.

The DSP is also responsible for an elaborate dual passband filter with adjustable width and center frequency. Adjusting it is similar to the IC-756PRO and it gives a nice graphic to see the two pass bands. The two bands are represented by graphics that have different colors and a third color shows the intersection of the two. For SSB the pass band filters have three default settings of 3.6 khz, 2.4 khz, and 1.8 khz,

all of which sound good. By pressing a button, you can customize any of these three filters to be as wide as 3.6 khz all the way down to 50 hz. Cool. The available filter widths vary by operating mode to values that are sensible for that mode. There is also a SOFT/SHARP selection for each filter that selects the filter shape. My gut feeling is that we won't be missing crystal filters with all of this adjustability.

The radio has a nice RTTY decoder function with a built-in waterfall display. I've never seen an easier RTTY decoder to operate. The waterfall shows up in blue and makes for a pleasing presentation. This isn't a feature that is immediately obvious, however, and one that I had to crack the manual to figure out how to use. One comment about it, however, is that it is receive-only. In other words, it has no built-in tone generator (which would have been easy) and no way to send RTTY except by using a traditional external source. RTTY can be sent either FSK or AFSK and the manual documents the hookups well.

A lot of us get really excited about the notion of a band scope. The scope on the IC-756 PROIII is a prime example, and the scope on the IC-7800 is legendary having a dedicated DSP unit just for that function. The IC-7000's band scope is nice but it won't compare to either of its big brothers. The reason has to do with the fact that a) there isn't a lot of space on the screen to display it and b) it doesn't have a dedicated DSP chip. When you're using it, the audio cuts out with the regularity of a square wave as the chip samples the IF stream. The sampling speed is adjustable, i.e. FAST and SLOW, and in the slow mode you can still understand what folks are saying. In the FAST mode, you pretty much give up receive while it updates the display. Still, it's pretty usable and the adjustable bandwidths are nice. It's also easy to tune to a peak to see what's really happening around you.

The CW keyer is pretty fabulous too. It stores up to 4 messages and has an auto increment feature for contests. To program a message, you turn the main dial to select characters to send. Oddly, however, there is no CW decoder which should have been a no-brainer with the on board DSP.

The radio has more memory channels than I will ever use, and I suspect few will exhaust it. A super cool feature is the ability to tag every memory location with a name, and a scrollable list to choose from them.

Room for Improvement
Despite my unabashed love for this new radio, I can still find a few areas where the rig could be made even more spectacular: First, it's time for the manufacturers to jump on the USB bandwagon. The interface circuitry for USB is very cheap and there should be no reason that it cannot be added to the typical rig. There is so much that could be

done with USB 2.0 including full audio I/O, remote control, accessories, and more. CV-I is nothing more than old fashioned serial data converted from RS-232 to 5V TTL. Stick a fork in this protocol because it's done. In addition, how about Bluetooth? Wouldn't it be cool to attach a wireless Bluetooth keyboard or headset to the unit?

The ability to send CW and RTTY via a keyboard would have been an easy add-on if USB had been implemented. The processing power is certainly there.

Finally, there's the clock. I like the little time display but am left wondering why ICOM went through all the trouble to include a 2nd clock with offset from Clock 1 when only one of the two clocks can be displayed at any time. It would have been nice to see both clocks on the display, such as local and UTC. As it is, its one or the other.

ICOM makes two separation cables for this unit, which are new part numbers for this radio. One is 3M and one is 5M in length. Both are outrageously expensive (About $80) and the 5M wire costs $20 more than the 3M wire. Why? I can't help but feel that I'm being raked over the coals on this inconsequential part. To top it off, the connector is so unique that there's virtually no possibility that an after-market third party offering will emerge. Hat's off to Kenwood on their TS-480 for using standard RJxx connectors in this area. To be fair to ICOM, an RJ-45 wouldn't have worked because the radio needs 10 contacts instead of the 8 afforded by the wildly popular telephone/ethernet/microphone connector.

The main tuning knob has a detent lever much like the IC-706 that is used to adjust the drag feel. There are 4 settings, Channel, hard, medium, and no drag. My complaint here is that the lever is difficult to move and the detent's aren't as positive as they should be.

The Tune button doesn't work for my tuner, the SGC-230. ICOM wants me to buy their inferior AH-2 or AH-4 which I don't care for. I suppose I'll have to get one of those little plugs that some guys are selling on eBay to trick the radio into thinking an ICOM tuner is attached. All I need is a few watts of CW out while I'm pushing the button. Of course, whistling into the microphone will do it too, but I can't help but feel like a CB'er when I do this. For that reason I usually end up switching to CW or RTTY for my tune ups, even though I could just key up and start talking, as the SGC can handle it.

More to Come
I don't yet have a VHF/UHF antenna setup but there's a brand new Diamond dual band stick in my garage. I'm looking forward to trying it out on both FM and sideband, realizing the limitations of not using a Yagi. Still, I expect to have a lot of fun once I get the antenna up on the roof. Speaking of antennas, my HF setup includes an SGC-230 at the end of about 100' of 9913 coax. This the tuner feeds a 100 foot wire that is about 25 feed above the ground at its highest point. I'm able to tune everything from 160 through 10 meters with this, and the

noise level is pretty decent. I don't miss not having an internal automatic antenna tuner and for my money, and external remote tuner is the best in nearly every longwire situation.

Having only owned the radio for 4 days, and not having as much time to spend as I'd wish, I have just barely cracked the surface of what it's capable of doing. I hope to have more to report in the coming weeks.

The Bottom Line
This is one of the most exciting radios I've come across in a while. It delivers performance and features like none other that I've owned. It would be very interesting to see how it competes with the IC-756 PRO III, or the IC-746 PRO. Without the test equipment to prove it, I have a gut feeling that it's going to hold its own in most areas, and surpass in some others.

ICOM should do well with this radio and they have clearly set the new standard for features and usability across a broad product range. Kenwood is left the farthest back in the dust with no top end radio and only a mediocre midrange rig (the TS-2000). Yaesu is doing quite well with the FT-9000D but they seriously need to produce a competitor to the IC-756 if they're going to expand their market share. Ths FT1000MP MKV Field is nice, but it doesn't get really nice until you pump a boatload of expensive filters into it. Ditto for the MKV as well. Until Yaesu and Kenwood really jump into the LCD digital display and DSP arena like ICOM has done, they're going to stay in second and third place in the mainstream radio technology race. ICOM clearly wins this round and they are the force to be reckoned with.

Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ Founder, QRZ.COM

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Regards,

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2916. Radio Projects

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-10 16:44:16 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 2916 Message: 2916

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If you are interested in building radios then do visit:

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2917. Story of Less known radio technologist Fessenden => What about Sir J.C.Bose ?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-12 07:44:44 UTC
From: dinesh patel
Topic: 58 Message: 2917

Dear radio friends of MARS

Following is the story less known but major contributor in radio revolution.
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LOCAL NEWS

Remembering a forgotten radio pioneer: Marshfield to mark anniversary of historic broadcast
By SHAMUS McGILLICUDDY
The Patriot Ledger
He is the forgotten pioneer. Yet anyone who has ever tuned a radio dial has experienced Reginald Aubrey Fessenden?s legacy.
A Canadian-born scientist and inventor, Fessenden is said to be the first man to make a radio broadcast.
And he made that broadcast from Marshfield.
??People first envisioned radio as a way of communicating, - point to point communications,?? said Edward Perry, owner of Marshfield radio station WATD.
??What Fessenden did was he demonstrated that you could entertain people with it.??
??He?s a forgotten hero,?? said Dave Riley of Marshfield, a ham - or amateur - radio enthusiast. ??He gave us most of what we have today (in radio).??
Next month begins the 100th anniversary of one of the most important years in radio and communications history.
Fessenden?s legacy in Marshfield began in 1905 when he and his associates came to Brant Rock and built a 400-foot radio tower in what is today the Blackman?s Point trailer park and campground. He arranged the construction of a second tower in Macrihanish, Scotland.
The towers were completed within a few months, and on Jan. 2, 1906, Fessenden recorded his first historic moment. He made the first two-way radio communication across the Atlantic Ocean by transmitting Morse code signals between Marshfield and Scotland, and by the end of that year, used radio waves to broadcast music.
Now, 100 years later, people in Marshfield are preparing to celebrate the anniversary of Fessenden?s pioneering year of radio in Marshfield.
Riley and several other locals have restored the masonry base of Fessenden?s radio tower, which was torn down in 1912.
They have a dedication planned at the tower?s base in Blackman?s Point at 1 p.m. on Saturday.
And on Jan. 2, Riley and hundreds of other ham radio operators across the world will transmit Morse code signals to each other to mark the anniversary of the first two-way transatlantic communication. Specifically, he will send

a message to radio enthusiasts gathered in Macrihanish.
Others in town are talking about a summer celebration to mark the year.
Perry and Robert Demers of the Marshfield Historical Society said the town will form a committee to plan an event.
Until that two-way radio transmission on Jan. 2, the signals had been sent only one-way by Guglielmo Marconi.
Fessenden continued to experiment with radio throughout the year. In November, while sending Morse code signals to Scotland, he accidentally transmitted his voice as well, becoming the first person to transmit voice across the Atlantic.
But late in 1906 a storm destroyed the tower in Scotland.
Riley said this dashed the hopes of Fessenden?s fledgling company, the National Electric Signaling Company, which intended to sell his technology based on demonstrations of the two-way communication.
Then Fessenden decided to try something else.
U.S. Navy vessels and ships of the United Fruit Company had been equipped with radio equipment Fessenden had built. The equipment had been used only for point-to-point Morse code communications.
The day before Christmas Eve 1906, Fessenden sent a message to those ships, telling them to listen for a message on Christmas Eve.
They were surprised when they heard Fessenden?s voice.
??All the shipboard operators were astonished when they heard this coming over their radio instead of the beep beep beep (of Morse code),?? Perry said.
Fessenden began his legendary broadcast with a brief introduction about what he planned to do. Then he played a phonograph record of George Frideric Handel?s ??Largo.?? He followed that with his own violin solo, playing ??O Holy Night.??
He read some passages from the Bible, wished his listeners a merry Christmas and signed off for the evening.
Ships reported hearing him up and down the Atlantic coast, as far south as the Caribbean.
Perry said Fessenden?s broadcast was historic.
??We think it was Fessenden that laid the groundwork for radio to become a broadcast medium rather than point-to-point communication. We see him as the founder of entertainment radio communications.??
Perry said it took another 15 years for the radio entertainment industry to get going with the country?s first commercial radio station, KDK in Pittsburgh.
??But Fessenden was at the beginning of this thing,?? Perry said.
Unfortunately, Fessenden?s Pittsburgh-based investors were not interested in transmitting voices and music.
As the radio entertainment industry exploded in the 1920s, Fessenden?s legacy was forgotten.
It wasn?t until 1928 that he won $500,000 in a lawsuit over some of the patents he had lost to his investors.
Riley said he wants to mark the centennial because he hopes Fessenden?s inventiveness will inspire other aspiring technological pioneers in the area. He also wants Fessenden to get the credit he is due. Many historians remember Marconi has the father of radio.

??He never really got the credit I think he deserves,?? Demers agreed.
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2918. Enter our 'Free Competition' and you could win Icom's brand-new IC-V82

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
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Topic: 2918 Message: 2918
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2919. News Tell us what you think and win a Radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-12 10:26:33 UTC
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2920. The Electronic QSL Card Center [Must Read]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
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2921. GPS-enabled handheld

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2922. THE REAL HOT BABE [A true visionary]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-12 12:27:52 UTC
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Topic: 2922 Message: 2922
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2923. Re: [m_a_r_s] Enter our 'Free Competition' and you could winIcom'sbrand-new IC-V82

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-13 01:28:03 UTC
From: fmpatel
Topic: 2923 Message: 2923

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2924. Feedline Energy analysys

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-13 11:10:10 UTC
From: dinesh patel
Topic: 2924 Message: 2924

Dear Mars Friends

Following is an article on feedline energy from eham.net

If interested take good printout and read it with fresh mind.

Dinesh Patel

A Feedline Energy Analysis
Cecil A. Moore (W5DXP) on December 12, 2005
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An Energy Analysis at an Impedance Discontinuity in an RF Transmission Line, Part I
Where Does the Power Go? [1] There continue to be many differing responses to the question within the amateur radio community and, so far, no one has presented the facts of the physics of power as understood from the field of optics. Those facts from optics have been known and understood for decades and are consistent with the laws of physics and the equations governing the behavior of RF transmission lines. Light and RF waves are both composed of electromagnetic energy. Most of the following information comes from "Optics" [2]. In the field of optics, irradiance is the same thing as power in an RF transmission line if the cross sectional area of the transmission line is taken into account. Irradiance has the dimensions of energy per unit area per unit time. If the light beam of a particular laser occupies the same cross sectional area as a particular coaxial RF transmission line then the irradiance of the laser beam is comparable to the RF power in the transmission line. The 1/4 wavelength thin-film deposited on glass to obtain a non-reflective surface performs in a virtually identical way to a 1/4 wavelength series matching section in a transmission line. Single-source RF energy in a transmission line and laser light are both coherent electromagnetic energy waves that obey the laws of superposition, interference, conservation of energy, and conservation of momentum.
My Historical Perspective
My first memories of the answer to "Where does the power go?" are articles published in QST written by Walter Maxwell, W2DU, some quarter of a century ago. Mr. Maxwell later compiled the information into a book titled, "Reflections", which quickly became the bible for Amateur Radio applications involving stub matching, transmission lines, and forward and reflected energy flow. Mr. Maxwell coined the terms, "virtual short" and "virtual open", as a shorthand description of what rearward-traveling reflected energy encounters at a match point in a transmission line resulting in 100% re-reflection. He also explained the function of destructive wave interference and constructive wave interference in achieving a match point on a transmission line [8] which is what a large part of this article is about.

Sometime after the publication of Reflections, some people questioned the validity of Mr. Maxwell's concepts. In particular, Dr. Steven Best, VE9SRB, took Mr. Maxwell to task in a series of articles published in QEX [3]. Simply put, Dr. Best disagreed with Mr. Maxwell that reflected power is 100% re-reflected in a matched system. Before publication of his Part 3 QEX article, Dr. Best sent up trial balloons for his ideas on the usenet newsgroup, rec.radio.amateur.antenna. My opinion was that Dr. Best's future article contained numerous errors which were pointed out to him. However, the article as published still contained the alleged errors. My determination to resolve the conflicts between the concepts presented by Walter Maxwell and the ones presented by Dr. Best culminated in this present article. The conclusions will be presented first with the technical details to follow in Part II and Part III.

In a nutshell, Walter Maxwell's "virtual short" is a two step process. The reflected wave from the load encounters the impedance discontinuity at the match point. A re-reflection occurs that equals the incident reflected power multiplied by the power reflection coefficient at the match point (the square of the voltage reflection coefficient). This re-reflected energy joins the forward wave traveling toward the load. That first energy re-reflection is not the only energy that joins the forward wave. That fact is what Dr. Best missed in his article. Interference of any kind was never mentioned in Dr. Best's QEX article.

The part of the reflected wave that is not re-reflected is transmitted back through the impedance discontinuity at the match point and attempts to flow toward the source. We know the reflected energy doesn't make it to the source in a matched system, so where does it go? The answer is mentioned in "Reflections II" [8]. What Mr. Maxwell is describing is wave cancellation due to total destructive interference between two reflected waves. The first wave is the part of the source forward wave that is initially reflected back toward the source from the match point. The second wave is the part of the reflected wave from the load that is transmitted through the match point toward the source. These waves are equal in magnitude and opposite in phase so, as Mr. Maxwell asserts in Reflections II, they cancel to zero at the match point thus eliminating reflections between the match point and the source.. The canceling of these two waves to zero is the second step in Mr. Maxwell's virtual short process of 100% reflection.

Voltages can cancel and currents can cancel but energy cannot cancel. What happens to the energy that existed in the waves before they were cancelled? Since we know that all the energy in a matched system winds up flowing toward the load, the answer is a no-brainer. There are only two directions in a transmission line. If energy that was previously flowing toward the source isn't flowing toward the source anymore, it must necessarily be flowing toward the load. The conclusion is inescapable. Not only is 100% of the reflected energy re-reflected at the match point, but wave cancellation is the cause of part of that re-reflection. This is a well understood phenomenon in the field of optics [9] but not well understood in the field of RF engineering.

An RF engineer will usually say there are three things that can cause 100% reflection. Those are a short-circuit, an open-circuit, or a purely reactive impedance. This is true at a load. But at an impedance discontinuity with

waves incident from both directions, to that list of three, we can add a fourth, namely wave cancellation due to total destructive interference. In general:

The destructive interference energy resulting from wave cancellation at an impedance discontinuity becomes an equal magnitude of constructive interference in the opposite direction. Since there are only two directions in a transmission line, wave cancellation is the equivalent of an energy reflection. 100% wave cancellation means 100% energy reflection. [9]

References are included in this Part I of the series and will not be repeated in Parts II and III. In Part II, the general case qualitative analysis will be presented.

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2925. Feedline energy analsys (from eham.net)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-14 04:40:03 UTC
From: dinesh patel
Topic: 2925 Message: 2925

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Following is an article from eham.net on Feedine energy those members who find it interesting may take a good printout and read the same at convenient time

SWL Dinesh Patel

A Feedline Energy Analysis
Cecil A. Moore (W5DXP) on December 12, 2005
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An Energy Analysis at an Impedance Discontinuity in an RF Transmission Line, Part I
Where Does the Power Go? [1] There continue to be many differing responses to the question within the amateur radio community and, so far, no one has presented the facts of the physics of power as understood from the field of optics. Those facts from optics have been known and understood for decades and are consistent with the laws of physics and the equations governing the behavior of RF transmission lines. Light and RF waves are both composed of electromagnetic energy. Most of the following information comes from "Optics" [2]. In the field of optics, irradiance is the same thing as power in an RF transmission line if the cross sectional area of the transmission line is taken into account. Irradiance has the dimensions of energy per unit area per unit time. If the light beam of a particular laser occupies the same cross sectional area as a particular coaxial RF transmission line then the irradiance of the laser beam is comparable to the RF power in the transmission line. The 1/4 wavelength thin-film deposited on glass to obtain a non-reflective surface performs in a virtually identical way to a 1/4 wavelength series matching section in a transmission line. Single-source RF energy in a transmission line and laser light are both coherent electromagnetic energy waves that obey the laws of superposition, interference, conservation of energy, and conservation of momentum.
My Historical Perspective
My first memories of the answer to "Where does the power go?" are articles published in QST written by Walter Maxwell, W2DU, some quarter of a century ago. Mr. Maxwell later compiled the information into a book titled, "Reflections", which quickly became the bible for Amateur Radio applications involving stub matching, transmission lines, and forward and reflected energy flow. Mr. Maxwell coined the terms, "virtual short" and "virtual open", as a shorthand description of what rearward-traveling reflected energy encounters at a match point in a transmission line resulting in 100% re-reflection. He also explained the function of destructive wave interference and constructive wave interference in achieving a match point

on a transmission line [8] which is what a large part of this article is about.

Sometime after the publication of Reflections, some people questioned the validity of Mr. Maxwell's concepts. In particular, Dr. Steven Best, VE9SRB, took Mr. Maxwell to task in a series of articles published in QEX [3]. Simply put, Dr. Best disagreed with Mr. Maxwell that reflected power is 100% re-reflected in a matched system. Before publication of his Part 3 QEX article, Dr. Best sent up trial balloons for his ideas on the usenet newsgroup, rec.radio.amateur.antenna. My opinion was that Dr. Best's future article contained numerous errors which were pointed out to him. However, the article as published still contained the alleged errors. My determination to resolve the conflicts between the concepts presented by Walter Maxwell and the ones presented by Dr. Best culminated in this present article. The conclusions will be presented first with the technical details to follow in Part II and Part III.

In a nutshell, Walter Maxwell's "virtual short" is a two step process. The reflected wave from the load encounters the impedance discontinuity at the match point. A re-reflection occurs that equals the incident reflected power multiplied by the power reflection coefficient at the match point (the square of the voltage reflection coefficient). This re-reflected energy joins the forward wave traveling toward the load. That first energy re-reflection is not the only energy that joins the forward wave. That fact is what Dr. Best missed in his article. Interference of any kind was never mentioned in Dr. Best's QEX article.

The part of the reflected wave that is not re-reflected is transmitted back through the impedance discontinuity at the match point and attempts to flow toward the source. We know the reflected energy doesn't make it to the source in a matched system, so where does it go? The answer is mentioned in "Reflections II" [8]. What Mr. Maxwell is describing is wave cancellation due to total destructive interference between two reflected waves. The first wave is the part of the source forward wave that is initially reflected back toward the source from the match point. The second wave is the part of the reflected wave from the load that is transmitted through the match point toward the source. These waves are equal in magnitude and opposite in phase so, as Mr. Maxwell asserts in Reflections II, they cancel to zero at the match point thus eliminating reflections between the match point and the source.. The canceling of these two waves to zero is the second step in Mr. Maxwell's virtual short process of 100% reflection.

Voltages can cancel and currents can cancel but energy cannot cancel. What happens to the energy that existed in the waves before they were cancelled? Since we know that all the energy in a matched system winds up flowing toward the load, the answer is a no-brainer. There are only two directions in a transmission line. If energy that was previously flowing toward the source isn't flowing toward the source anymore, it must necessarily be flowing toward the load. The conclusion is inescapable. Not only is 100% of the reflected energy re-reflected at the match point, but wave cancellation is the cause of part of that re-reflection. This is a well understood phenomenon in the field of optics [9] but not well understood in the field of RF engineering.

An RF engineer will usually say there are three things that can cause 100%

reflection. Those are a short-circuit, an open-circuit, or a purely reactive impedance. This is true at a load. But at an impedance discontinuity with waves incident from both directions, to that list of three, we can add a fourth, namely wave cancellation due to total destructive interference. In general:

The destructive interference energy resulting from wave cancellation at an impedance discontinuity becomes an equal magnitude of constructive interference in the opposite direction. Since there are only two directions in a transmission line, wave cancellation is the equivalent of an energy reflection. 100% wave cancellation means 100% energy reflection. [9]

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2926. QSO from Matheran

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-19 05:31:42 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 2926 Message: 2926

Hi OM/YLs

Yesterday 18 Dec 2005 had contact from Mathe ran to Mamba repeater.
Setup was Kenwood TH 78A with telescopic antenna and tiger-tell.Output of HT was 5W.This contact was not from hi point in Matheran.
I must thank VU2SCQ,VU2HIT,VU2UGO for coming on air and helping me.

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Please give signal report at your end

Shailesh Pradhan
VU2SFN
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2927. QSO From Raigad the capital of Shivaji's kingdom

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-19 06:27:52 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2927 Message: 2927
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2928. Re: [m_a_r_s] QSO from Matheran

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-19 08:32:56 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2926 Message: 2928
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2929. Report for QSO from Matheran

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-19 08:38:42 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2929 Message: 2929

Dear SFN

Copy at my end on VX-7R thru Repeater was about 4/7 - 4/8, Obviously could not copy you simplex since i was on handy with a rubber duckie.

de VU2HIT
----- Original Message -----
From: Shantanu Chand
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, December 19, 2005 2:02 PM
Subject: [**LikelySPAM] Re: [m_a_r_s] QSO from Matheran

Dear Shailesh,

Signal report my end though the repeater was about 4/8 but simplex was 5/9. Congratulations on the good QSO.

De VU2SCQ

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Shantanu Chand
VU2SCQ
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2930. Chinese handies

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-19 09:58:34 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2930 Message: 2930
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2931. Eton RX

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-19 17:39:43 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2931 Message: 2931

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2932. ETON Receiver.....assembled in India !!!!!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-19 17:46:27 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2932 Message: 2932

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Vijay, VU2VVP

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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-19 18:01:43 UTC
From: vijay motwane
Topic: 2933 Message: 2933

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2934. A program for the Analysis, Checking, Design & Management of Towers, Masts & Poles

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-20 07:58:34 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2934 Message: 2934
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2935. QSL STAMP FORERUNNERS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-22 11:48:30 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 2935 Message: 2935
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2936. Cross Post from VUHAMS : Broadband

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-23 13:27:09 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2936 Message: 2936

----- Original Message -----
From: Anil
To: vuhams@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 23, 2005 5:42 PM
Subject: [VUHams] Re: Broadband

Sarla,

Two probs far as I can see :-
(A) a router that is not configured
(B) a firewall that is blocking echolink.

In the first place pl confirm whether you have a fixed IP address for your computer. Your router will be 192.168.1.1. If there is only one computer then go Start -> Control panel -> Networking -> local area connection -> right-click -> "properties" -> Internet Protocol(TCP/IP).If "use the following IP address" has been selected, note the IP address. Else select "use the following IP address".
IP address to be 192.168.1.AnythingBetween2And254.
Subnet Mask 255.255.255.0
Gateway 192.168.1.1

If (A)above, you will have to log into the router by
1. typing 192.168.1.1 in your browser
2. and using "admin" as username as well as password. (Hopefully your router-supplier has not changed it)

Once in the router you will have to find "port forwarding" in the menu or submenu. You will have to enter 5198 and 5199 as the port numbers for which incoming and outgoing traffic is to be allowed under UDP. Similarly set port 5200 to allow outgoing traffic under TCP. In both cases you have to key in the IP address of the comp.

Restart Networking and the router and if there are no firewall issues, you should be ok. Better still restart the system :-)

Am using ZoneAlarm Pro as a firewall so am unable to comment on anything other than that.But in principle, you shd configure the firewall to allow access as is done for the router.
Have found this link for Windows XP firewall and echolink in case you are using the XP firewall.
http://www.qsl.net/vk2jtp/xpfirewall.htm.

HTH

73

Anil

--- In vuhams@yahoogroups.com, "sarla sharma" <sarla_sharma@h...> wrote:
>
> Hello,
> I was connected to echolink via a dial up system and it was working
fine.
> Now I have Broadband with a D-Link DSL 520T ADSL Router and I am not
able to
> connect to any station on Echolink. I operate on windows xp.
> Can anyone help me with this?
> Thanks,
> Sarla
>

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2937. Season's Greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-24 10:28:56 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 440 Message: 2937
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

WISHING YOU & YOUR FAMILY

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

WITH WARM REGARDS & BEST WISHES

FROM,

HUZEFA MERCHANT & FAMILY

2938. Re: [m_a_r_s] Season's Greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-24 16:43:48 UTC
From: fmpatel
Topic: 440 Message: 2938
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Thanks Huzeefa,

wish you all a very merry christmas and a wonderful year ahead

FEO
----- Original Message -----
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
To: Mars Groups ; cqmumbai@yahoogroups.com
Cc: Zain. S (F). Ali ; Zain (F) ; Yusuf Pardawala ; Vishal Sanghvi ; tarun malhotra ; Taha Hasanali ; Taha ; soni ; Shripal Manilal VU2SPM ; Shabbir Kagalwala ; Sandeep Baruah ; salim ; Noor Merchant ; Mustafa Sanchawala from Mumbai ; Mustafa Merchant ; Murtaza Saifuddin Suterwala ; Murtaza Dubai ; Mufaddal Gomberawalla ; Mufaddal ; Mr Rangwala ; mohammed tinwala ; Kutbuddin Asgarally ; Kaizer Taherali ; Juzer Rupawala ; Irfan Motiwala ; irfan motiwala ; Hasan Merchant ; Batul Merchant ; Altaf R. Mawani ; <^!RAJ>^! ; (L)(F)cute_19(F)(L) ; (*)(8)I want to Tell u something(8)(*)
Sent: Saturday, December 24, 2005 3:58 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Season's Greetings

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2939. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-25 07:32:57 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2939 Message: 2939

Dear Friends,

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

73
NLF

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2940. EGM for Electing New Manging Commitee, 1/8/2006, 4:00 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-25 10:25:12 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2940 Message: 2940

Reminder from the Calendar of m_a_r_s
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

EGM for Electing New Manging Commitee
Sunday January 8, 2006
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
(This event does not repeat.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 7 days, 4 minutes.)
Event Location: To Be Informed

Notes:
Request all Member to attend the Extra Ordinary General Meeting for Electing a New Managing Committee

Set up birthday reminders!
http://us.rd.yahoo.com/cal_us/rem/?http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal?v=9&evt_type=13

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2941. E.G.M. details soon and new E-Group of MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-25 13:19:52 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2941 Message: 2941

Dear Members,

The details of the E.G.M will be posted soon, please ignore the auto mail posted by the person who has hijacked the group.

Since our E Group has been Hijacked, I have started our new group
M-A-R-S@yahoogroups.com

You will receive the invitation to the new group soon, once you enrolled in our new group kindly unsubscribe from our old group.

m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

73
Nilesh, VU2NLF
Secretary, MARS

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2942. Amateur (Ham) Radio Volunteering - a big event Feb 2006

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-26 05:27:51 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 2942 Message: 2942

Dear Friends,

Karnataka State has planned International level religious and cultural events to mark the "Mahamastakabhisheka" of Bahubali at Sravanabelagola, in Hassan District in February 2006.

This Mahamastabhisheka happens once in 12 years and the Statue of Gomateshwara is 1025 Years young, believed to be the worlds tallest monolithic (single stone) statue standing 57 feet on top of the hillock. This Feb 2006, an estimate of 30 Lakh people are expected to visit this small village, including the top VVIPs of our country and abroad. Details of this event can be had at http://www.jainheritagecentres.com

Though the State and Central Government have been spending a lot of money to develop its infrastructure on this occasion, we amateur (ham) radio volunteers are struggling to make our presence felt for the first time during Mahamastabhisheka have managed to talk with the organisers for Amateur (Ham) Radio Service with the sole idea of (a) working maximum DX HF stations in contest type QSOs in as many modes and bands as possible and (b) helping local authorities using VHF communications for crowd control etc., with a single likely special call "AT6MM" (yet to be alloted by WPC) to operate a special event station,. The plan is to operate the special event station for a minimum period of three weeks, or at least from 8th to 18th February 2006 (though the event starts on 22nd January 2006), so that different highly active groups from Bangalore, Mangalore, Mumbai, Kolkata and Gujarat can also participate in this mega event, to make as many DX QSOs as possible by assigning few days for each groups.

The Organsiers at Sravanabelagola are expected to arrange very simple boarding and lodging facilities for small operating group. All other expenditure, like your two-way travel etc, are to be managed by your own group. The special QSL card for the occasion with the call AT6MM is likely to be printed by the Organizers.

Your willingness to come with your group and equipment, may kindly be E-mailed to lions@... , immediately for taking further action at this end.

From at6mm-group volunteered by VU2UR, VU2LX and VU2JHM dated 17th dec 2005.

2943. Reminder - New MARS Group

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-27 07:20:16 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2943 Message: 2943

Dear Friends,

You must be aware that we have started a new Group m-a-r-s@... as our this group is hacked and hijacked.

You must have surely received a invitation for joining the new group. once you have join kindly unsubscribe from this group.

All future correspondence will take place on our new group.

All members are requested to cooperate and comply.

73
NLF,
Secretary,MARS

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2944. VU2ST

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-28 17:04:16 UTC
From: Mumbai Amateur Radio Society MARS
Topic: 2944 Message: 2944

Dear Members & Friends
This is for the first time I am addressing you all, reason for this as I, VU2ST the rightful owner of the group who has taken in charge of the groups unfortunately been termed as Hacking. I fail to understand that the earlier owner/moderator Mr. Nilesh Rathod VU2NLF of this group who feels that he own the group and society and was making rules to add member at his own whim and fancy.
Please understand friend I am one of you with a call sign VU2ST which itself means "MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY" and such policy decision has to be taken by the Managing committee of the society not an individual member of the the committee regardless of his post, but this was flaunted by the secretary itself who may have regarded himself the godfather.
I am not disputing his contribution to the society but others too have why is that when any policy decision was to be taken MC members were consulted and when any decision regarding the MARS group was to be taken it was taken at an individual level and not at the committee level.
first and foremost when the mars group was formed it was for mars members only why did non members were added??
why the other two groups continue inspite the members attaining full membership not shifted to the original group?
I have taken pains to make this group in order and have not done any harm to the group , if i wanted i would have deleted the group and removed the earlier owner from his moderator ship , organized the group members by adding them from other 2 groups, if members still feel they are free to join any other groups i will not resist them so but you will be only strengthen the ill effort of a individual who thinks that the society is owned by him.
I am assuring you that I will make the new Chairperson and Secretary in charge of this group and then this legacy will continue as when the committee is formed, Ideally this should be the practice when a new committee is formed lot of changes are made for e.g. Signature in Bank Accounts are changed inspite of lot efforts are required, so why not this group wherein just few minutes are required.
I still do not understand the earlier Mr. Nilesh Rathod VU2NLF makes a statement that he will no more continue as secretary and on the other hand still wants the control of the society indirectly, why can't he just leave the new committee on its own and make them NLF-free so that the society can function smoothly, efficiently with lot of participation of members on all level.
Please also member I feel after this mail lot of discussion will be initiated, but will not reply to any. if u feel you may send mail directly to me and keep this group hassle free where only Ham related discussion takes place for which the society and group were started.
73
DE
VU2ST - MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
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2945. Re: [m_a_r_s] VU2ST

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-28 21:02:43 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2944 Message: 2945

To the person who call himself VU2ST.

VU2ST is the call sign which belongs to MARS, any tom dick and harry cannot claim himself to be VU2ST.

VU2NLF is the secretary of MARS, and therefore the rightful owner of the MARS Group. (which now hacked by VU2ST).

You say you will make the new chairman or the secretary the owner of the group, which means you do not recognise the current secretary and you think you are above the law.

Just one more thing if you look at the licence of VU2ST it has VU2NLF's photo on it, so please do not try to claim that you are VU2ST.

well your indentity will be exposed in the EGM and necessary legal action will be taken against you.

73
Nilesh, VU2NLF
Secretary, MARS

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society MARS <vu2st@...> wrote:
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2946. VU2ST

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-29 06:16:24 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2944 Message: 2946

Hello VU2NLF,the phantom VU2ST and common junta of mars,
Mr Phantom, I really dont understand as to what other name can be given to your effort of hacking into this group. There is really no other term that can be applied in the cyber world to this action. I cannot condone this as it is a wrong thing to do. I fail to understand why this mode was adopted by you to air your grievances. We are after all just a hobby group. There is nothing to fear in eyeball confrontation of issues with NLF. Mars is still a demoncratic institution. Whatever NLF is doing, whether right or wrong, is because he is allowed to do it!!!There is still the power of the vote. The best way to keep anybody at leash is the vote. So stand for election and if all have faith in your capabilities, you will be in the commitee.
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To the junta at mars, I must clarify that I took this step of writing this mail is because I am one of the founder members of MARS. That doesnt put me in a pedestal, but definitely gives me the right to state my views.
So please come to the EGM and vote. You will get what you deserve, only by the vote.
Thanks,
Sarla
VU2SWS

2947. Mistake

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-29 07:24:50 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2947 Message: 2947

Hello all,
In my last mail, I had mistakenly typed "demoncratic' instead of democratic. Kindly excuse this genuine typo mistake. No pun intended.
Sarla

2948. Two big events for Amateur (Ham) Radio Volunteers

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-29 13:02:29 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 2948 Message: 2948

Dear friends,

Shri Ravishankar known worldwide for Art of Living and Sudarshanakriya with their organisation known as Vyakti Vikas Kendra are having their Silver Jubliee Celebrations lined up for 17th to 19th of February 2006.

Those Amateur (Ham) Radio Licencees who are practicing above and who are interested in providing VHF / HF assistance or otherwise to register themselves as Ham Volunteers so that not only make Silver Jubilee but future activities of this organisation.

Do check for this link
http://www.silverjubilee.org/VolunteerHAM.asp
and their main link http://www.artofliving.org

The other one is Mahamastabhishekha at Sharavanabelogola between Jan 22nd to Feb 25th, 2006.

de Lion Ajoy ☐VU2JHM
Amateur (Ham) Radio Volunteer.

2949. Re: [m_a_r_s] don't make him a hero

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-30 03:46:31 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2944 Message: 2949

hello sarla,

Please don't make the "hacker" the "hero" , he has violated the law and there is no dispute about it. he claims he has done so for the better of our society, but the fact is his sole purpose for hacking was to challenge the decision of VU2NLF and the Managing commitee for expelling Mickey - VU2IZO from the society. he hacked in and enrolled VU2IZO back into the group.

Whatever the decision maybe according to you right or wrong, you cannot challange the M.C. they are the custodian of the society, you have elected him, so now you must accept their decisions.

The hacker has stated in his mail that a lot of non members were on the group, well I have not enrolled any single non member (with exception of VU3WJM, because he is a well wisher of mars and he is a lot to do with green bird issue).

I am sure most of the non members were approved by VU2ICQ, by mistake, when he was the secretary and moderator of the group. I am sure he corrected the mistake and removed those members.

As far as our other 2 groups are concerned, why they have were not transfered to MARS group, well most of them at that time student members and had actually not enrolled by paying fees, plus we had kept these students seperate till they get their tickets as all student related info was mailed on this group and to avoid all unnecessary students related mails on our main group, that was the whole purpose of forming seperate group. mails related to our society was always posted to all the groups which you may please note.

VU2SCQ and VU2UGO, both were made moderator to sort out these students and transfer them to main group. I have never capitalized on the group, I have transfered the powers to VU2ICQ when he was the secretary and I have got it back when I again became the secretary.

So this hacker trying to justify his cause is absolutely bogus, his sole intention was to bring VU2IZO back into the group. if he wanted to really help our society in sorting out the groups, all he had to ask me I would have made him the moderator as I made VU2SCQ and VU2UGO.

These are the facts and they are indisputabe, Yahoo Groups mentions a moderator log which has all the entries, and it can be verified.

As far my attitude of running the society (like CEO) is concerned, I have always said Ham radio is hobby, MARS is a society of hobbist, but MARS in itself is not a hobby, we are a organisation, answerable to our members and to the GOVT. and therefore I HAVE to run it in a profesional manner. for example I cannot justify delays to the Income tax Authorities or Registarar of Societies, by saying its a HOBBY.

Members don't like my approch may not vote for me.. I will accept their decisions. I have no problem with that. In fact before the AGM I clearly stated that I do not wish to

continue, because of QRM of handful of members,
I gave you guys the society on the platter, and what happened ? we nearly ended in winding up the society.

I care for MARS and I work hard for it and I therefore will not let the society disolve, I am going to run for elections and I have 6 others members also running for election. so whatever happens in the EGM, one thing is for sure MARS will continue...

You (Sarla) claim yourself to be a concerned founder member for MARS, but your loyalty to MARS is questionable, You have put in more time in a rival society (TARA) then in MARS, You have once ran for election and became the chairperson of MARS, and then resigned... In the AGM I heard you saying to "desolve the society" not once but 4 times, now tell me which founder member would wish to desolve the society ? I have never said that you are a "enemy of MARS" but you loyalty to MARS is questionable.

You believe in "POWER OF VOTE" why not run for elections and see for yourself. the janta will decide....

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2950. Re: [m_a_r_s] don't make him a hero

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-30 08:55:47 UTC
From: sarla sharma
Topic: 2944 Message: 2950

Hi there Nilesh,
Pointless talking to you. I dont beleive you read my mail nor understood it. I never believed that any ham group can be an be a rival of another. Thats your line of thinking. Rivalry was never my forte. If there are 10 ham societies in mumbai, I would be a member in all of them . As for the question of loyalties, why the heck should anybody have to prove that, specially to you!!!!!
Cheers
Sarla

>From: nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@...>
>Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] don't make him a hero
>Date: Fri, 30 Dec 2005 03:46:31 +0000 (GMT)
>
>
>hello sarla,
>
> Please don't make the "hacker" the "hero" , he has violated the law and
>there is no dispute about it. he claims he has done so for the better of
>our society, but the fact is his sole purpose for hacking was to challenge
>the decision of VU2NLF and the Managing commitee for expelling Mickey -
>VU2IZO from the society. he hacked in and enrolled VU2IZO back into the
>group.
>
> Whatever the decision maybe according to you right or wrong, you cannot
>challange the M.C. they are the custodian of the society, you have elected
>him, so now you must accept their decisions.
>
> The hacker has stated in his mail that a lot of non members were on the
>group, well I have not enrolled any single non member (with exception of
>VU3WJM, because he is a well wisher of mars and he is a lot to do with
>green bird issue).
>
> I am sure most of the non members were approved by VU2ICQ, by mistake,
>when he was the secretary and moderator of the group. I am sure he
>corrected the mistake and removed those members.
>
> As far as our other 2 groups are concerned, why they have were not
>transfered to MARS group, well most of them at that time student members
>and had actually not enrolled by paying fees, plus we had kept these
>students seperate till they get their tickets as all student related info
>was mailed on this group and to avoid all unnecessary students related
>mails on our main group, that was the whole purpose of forming seperate

>group. mails related to our society was always posted to all the groups
>which you may please note.
>
> VU2SCQ and VU2UGO, both were made moderator to sort out these students
>and transfer them to main group. I have never capitalized on the group, I
>have transfered the powers to VU2ICQ when he was the secretary and I have
>got it back when I again became the secretary.
>
> So this hacker trying to justify his cause is absolutely bogus, his sole
>intention was to bring VU2IZO back into the group. if he wanted to really
>help our society in sorting out the groups, all he had to ask me I would
>have made him the moderator as I made VU2SCQ and VU2UGO.
>
> These are the facts and they are indisputabe, Yahoo Groups mentions a
>moderator log which has all the entries, and it can be verified.
>
>
> As far my attitude of running the society (like CEO) is concerned, I
>have always said Ham radio is hobby, MARS is a society of hobbist, but MARS
>in itself is not a hobby, we are a organisation, answerable to our members
>and to the GOVT. and therefore I HAVE to run it in a profesional manner.
>for example I cannot justify delays to the Income tax Authorities or
>Registarar of Societies, by saying its a HOBBY.
>
> Members don't like my approch may not vote for me.. I will accept their
>decisions. I have no problem with that. In fact before the AGM I clearly
>stated that I do not wish to continue, because of QRM of handful of
>members,
> I gave you guys the society on the platter, and what happened ? we
>nearly ended in winding up the society.
>
> I care for MARS and I work hard for it and I therefore will not let the
>society disolve, I am going to run for elections and I have 6 others
>members also running for election. so whatever happens in the EGM, one
>thing is for sure MARS will continue...
>
> You (Sarla) claim yourself to be a concerned founder member for MARS,
>but your loyalty to MARS is questionable, You have put in more time in a
>rival society (TARA) then in MARS, You have once ran for election and
>became the chairperson of MARS, and then resigned... In the AGM I heard you
>saying to "desolve the society" not once but 4 times, now tell me which
>founder member would wish to desolve the society ? I have never said that
>you are a "enemy of MARS" but you loyalty to MARS is questionable.
>
> You believe in "POWER OF VOTE" why not run for elections and see for
>yourself. the janta will decide....
>
> 73
> NLF
>

>
>sarla sharma <sarla_sharma@...> wrote:
> Hello VU2NLF,the phantom VU2ST and common junta of mars,
>Mr Phantom, I really dont understand as to what other name can be given to
>your effort of hacking into this group. There is really no other term that
>can be applied in the cyber world to this action. I cannot condone this as
>it is a wrong thing to do. I fail to understand why this mode was adopted
>by you to air your grievances. We are after all just a hobby group. There
>is nothing to fear in eyeball confrontation of issues with NLF. Mars is
>still a demoncratic institution. Whatever NLF is doing, whether right or
>wrong, is because he is allowed to do it!!!There is still the power of the
>vote. The best way to keep anybody at leash is the vote. So stand for
>election and if all have faith in your capabilities, you will be in the
>commitee.
>Please dont mistake this effort of mine as me coming out in favour of NLF.
>I think he is obnoxious. In my association with him over the years, I have
>seen him turn from a fun loving ham to a person pretending to be a CEO of a
>company which doesnt exist!!!If he managed to start MARS with the support
>of
>many like me, he has also managed to mess things up pretty bad. Mars has
>forgotten the very basics of hamradio which is friendship. It has all
>gotten down to proving who is mightier, and all this amongst people who
>never come on radio or pursue the hobby for what it is. Hobbies are
>supposed
>to be enjoyed and not create tension.
>But one must admit that NLF didnt force anything. We let it happen. If we
>let it happen, then we have no business to complain. If a change is
>required then it can only be done if we come forward to take responsibility
>in MARS. I suggest Mr Phantom that you act and not keep just complaining.
>NLF, would it be too much to ask you to loosen up? I know you have listed
>me as an "enemy" of Mars in many forums behind my back, but I do care as to
>what happens to mars. Our hobby needs more enthusiasts and we need to bond
>rather than try to demolish each other.
>To the junta at mars, I must clarify that I took this step of writing this
>mail is because I am one of the founder members of MARS. That doesnt put
>me
>in a pedestal, but definitely gives me the right to state my views.
>So please come to the EGM and vote. You will get what you deserve, only by
>the vote.
>Thanks,
>Sarla
>VU2SWS
>
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>---------------------------------
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2951. happy new year 2006 . LETS ENJOY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-30 10:10:53 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2951 Message: 2951

DEAR MARS MEMBERS

LETS ALL MAKE THE YEAR 2006 FREE OF "QRM"

THIS IS "OUR" SOCIETY LETS ALL WORK TOGETHER AND ENJOY IT IN THE YEAR 2006

HIP HIP HURRAY

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2006 TO ALL THE "MARS" MEMEBERS

THANK YOU 73"S

VU2ZRS

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cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

2952. Re: [m_a_r_s] happy new year 2006 . LETS ENJOY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-30 17:28:14 UTC
From: Deepak VU2CDP
Topic: 2951 Message: 2952

Right said "budd ". let's bury the hatchet and try and be role models as we have always been to old and new alike. After all, what is a family without those minor tiffs between family members? :)

Wish you all a great new year ahead.
Hope we put our NBs ON-let's banish QRM.

Cheerio!

73 de VU2CDP
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2953. Re: [m_a_r_s] happy new year 2006 . LETS ENJOY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2005-12-31 11:43:46 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2951 Message: 2953

QSL on that, well said....

73
NLF

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2954. EGM for Electing New Manging Commitee, 1/8/2006, 4:00 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-01 10:26:30 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 2940 Message: 2954

Reminder from the Calendar of m_a_r_s
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

EGM for Electing New Manging Commitee
Sunday January 8, 2006
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
(This event does not repeat.)
Event Location: To Be Informed

Notes:
Request all Member to attend the Extra Ordinary General Meeting for Electing a New Managing Committee

Set up birthday reminders!
http://us.rd.yahoo.com/cal_us/rem/?http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal?v=9&evt_type=13

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2955. Check out the eCard I sent you from Yahoo! Greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-01 11:13:34 UTC
From: vu2ies@yahoo.com
Topic: 2955 Message: 2955

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2956. Re: [m_a_r_s] EGM for Electing New Manging Commitee, 1/8/2006, 4:00 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-01 13:23:25 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2940 Message: 2956

Dear Members,

Please ignore this message as it is generated by the hacker.

You must have received the invitation from our new group M-A-R-S. and hopefully you must have registered yourself.

The actual EGM details are posted on our new group.

Kindly unsubscribe from this group as soon as possible to avoid future confusions.

73
Nilesh, VU2NLF
Secretary, MARS

m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote:

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Sunday January 8, 2006
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
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Event Location: To Be Informed
Notes:
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2957. Re: [m_a_r_s] EGM for Electing New Manging Commitee, 1/8/2006, 4:00 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-02 01:47:02 UTC
From: fmpatel
Topic: 2957 Message: 2957

No Problem. We all familiar with our web address by now, so these goof messages do not matter
FEO
----- Original Message -----
From: nilesh rathod
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, January 01, 2006 6:53 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] EGM for Electing New Manging Commitee, 1/8/2006, 4:00 pm

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73
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Secretary, MARS

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2958. Re: [m_a_r_s] EGM for Electing New Manging Commitee, 1/8/2006, 4:00 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-02 03:25:10 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 2957 Message: 2958
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2959. Get a $500 college scholarship.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-06 02:39:59 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 2959 Message: 2959

Hi!

This site is giving away $500 college scholarships. Have a look...

http://www.progressingrewards.com/?r=kTETRhUhVAkUAGAGDSwB&i=hm&z=1&tc=1

Talk soon!

http://www.progressingrewards.com/?r=kTETRhUhVAkUAGAGDSwB&i=hm&z=1&tc=1

2960. MISSING NOMINATION.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-07 04:52:59 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 2960 Message: 2960

Hello Nilesh/fellow hams.

It was very heartening to see the nomination list , but i also felt sad at ommisionof my name also vu2hit and vu2 rios name , dont know what went wrong , cause even though i received blank nomination form on 5th itself by courier , since i had previous blank form , i filled it up and got it proposed by vu2hit and secounded by vu2tpi, and had sent it across , cause all 3 forms viz vueugj/vu2hit/vu2rio were bunched together and i guess couriered ,i really dont know what went wrong.any ways this was clarification cause i was the first one to raise my hands for re election procedure in EGM on 8th and look here am i the one missing the bus .

Guess , am not destined , but what is good , that we wont have society getting defunct , as we have elections hppng now , and there will be a commitee , and a i said in my earlier mail we all have to chip in our efforts.

so all the best for future to all of us .

de vu2 ugj
mukesh jaitley.

ps : since we are mumbai amateur radio societ , started in mumbai with its base , i guess all administrative and executive work should be conducted from mumbai , so that the kind of goofup that happnd with my nominations doesnt happens , and i think we should also , discuss before the EGM as a issue of having persons on board within geographical region of mumbai and thane as their base , dont know , how the society would function with a remote , like previously vu2 icq had to step down as he had shifted base from mumbai , so pls discuss this , and lets have a commitee ,which represents mumbai more , and people whose base is not in mumbai, can represent us outside mumbai.

--- nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@...> wrote:

> Dear Friends,
>
> I am very pleased to inform that we have received

> 9 nomination forms for the election of the Sixth
> Managing Committee of our society, The names are as
> under:-
>
> 1. Feroze Patel.
> 2. Nilesh Rathod.
> 3. Viren Gada.
> 4. Yogesh Thakkar.
> 5. Abhay Shah.
> 6. Ulhas Paralkar
> 7. Shailesh Deshmukh
> 8. Ferokh Irani.
> 9. Mehernosh Variava.
>
> All eligible members may please attend the EGM and
> caste their vote..
>
> 73
> Nilesh, VU2NLF
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2961. Fwd: [m-a-r-s] HI

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-07 04:53:58 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 2961 Message: 2961
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2962. Re: [m-a-r-s] Nomination List.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-07 05:53:31 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2962 Message: 2962

Dear Nilesh and Friends

During the AGM when no election took place due to no members coming forward, and inspite of my personal commitments , I took the challenge to run the society...but due to the goofed up i have missed the bus too..UGJ & RIO....it seems we are destined or being made so, anyway I am happy we have election as 9 members have come forward..but the last point UGJ put forward need to be considered seriously for efficient running of the society

73's Cheers
De
VU2HIT
----- Original Message -----
From: nilesh rathod
To: Mumbai Amateur
Sent: Friday, January 06, 2006 10:54 PM
Subject: [m-a-r-s] Nomination List.

Dear Friends,

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9. Mehernosh Variava.

All eligible members may please attend the EGM and caste their vote..

73
Nilesh, VU2NLF
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2963. Nomination not received..

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-07 07:32:40 UTC
From: nilesh rathod
Topic: 2963 Message: 2963

Dear Huzefa & Mukesh,

I am very sorry to learn about your nomination forms. I had absolutely no idea that you guys have filed your nomination forms till I spoke with you (HIT) late last night. Till this date I have not received your forms and that is a fact.

What I find strange is that almost all the poeple who have filed their nominations have confirmed with me on phone about the receipt of their nomination form, surprisely none of you guys (HIT, UGJ RIO) bothered to do that..

I have discussed this issue with M.C Members (Prashant, VU2CBU and Pankaj, VU2RIO) and we have come to the conculsion that not much can be done about it now, as we have to stick to the norms..

I don't understand the delay, you guys had one and half months (AGM to EGM) to file your nominations, why did you wait till the last date ? the nomination form is the same form, which was mailed and couried to you earlier, a copy of the same was again,mailed (soft copy) and hard copy again couriered.

I have received Feroze patels's nomination 15 days ago by ordinary mail.. I myself filed my nomination form 1 week ago, when I could have filed at the last minute.. I have received 9 nomination forms in total...

As far as the question about my running the society from Pune is concerned, I simply fail to understand, what is the difference ?

I am physically present for the meetings and events, I am more on 2 meters than many of you guys, In fact I am told that my VHF signal is better that some of the local Mumbai stations, VU2HIT himself had called me to confirm weather I was in Mumbai or Pune as he could not make out the difference..

I am on e-groups and I even use a Mumbai mobile number phone...how does it matter where I sleep ? ....In fact one will never come to know that I stay in pune, if I don't let them know...

As far as mukesh's point on sending form to Pune is concerned.. well it takes the same amount of time, weather you courier it to Pune, Mumbai or Thane.. it reaches the very next day...

73
Nilesh, VU2NLF
Secretary, MARS

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2964. Lone Survivor KC8VKZ of Coal Mine Disaster

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-09 07:11:55 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 2964 Message: 2964

Dear Friends

In the recent coal mine disaster in West Virginia, USA the only survivor, rescued after 40 hours after the incident which killed 12 others, being an Amateur (Ham) Radio Licencee is Mc Cloy Jr, Randal L with callsign KC8VKZ

(Doctors say lone survivor Randy McCloy is suffering from severe dehydration and a collapsed lung. The 27-year-old is being sedated and remains in a critical condition - CNN)
Details on
http://news.yahoo.com/s/ap/20060109/ap_on_re_us/mine_explosion
and other links within.

Request Amatuer (Ham) from all over the world to send "Get Well" QSL card has come from Allan MacDonald Jose N4BAA (email amac@...) thru my common Lion Friend Dan Uitti (SWL) his email dan@...

Kindly send him at this address direct or thru bureau

McCloy Jr, Randal L, KC8VKZ (Technician)
PO BOX 223
Philippi, WV 26435
United States of America.

Best of 73's
de Lion Ajoy ☐ VU2JHM
Disaster Manager & Custodian,
Lions Clubs International ☐ Ham Radio Club Station ☐VU2LCI
email: lions@...

2965. Congrats

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-11 09:20:44 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant
Topic: 2965 Message: 2965

Hello

Sorry for the late mail..

Congrats & Best Wishes to the Managing Commitee Member

ALso like to wish the entire team who has helped to put up the echolink node for Mumbai which was desperately required

de
VU2HIT Huzefa Merchant

2966. FYI YOT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-11 09:23:08 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant
Topic: 2966 Message: 2966

Dear Yogesh

Hope you have received documents from ULHAS PARALKAR (VU2UBP), Please acknowledge the same on my cell

73
de
VU2HIT - Huzefa Merchant

2967. Equipments fro sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-11 15:31:13 UTC
From: Sandesh Kamat
Topic: 2967 Message: 2967
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2968. Dream run Marathon 2006 MARS . important information

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-12 13:05:17 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 2968 Message: 2968

dear mars marthon runner

vu2 loc

dilip bhandari

vu2MIG

vu2AUA

Vu2 YOT

vu2 hit

vu2 AXN

vu2 FEO

JAYESHREE

SWL NILESH

VU2 NLF

ANY MORE WANT TO JOIN PLEASE CONTACT VU2FEO FIROZE ON 9892249670 OR VU2 ZRS ON 9821025289

All the above runners please note

you have to be present at Avijah building , next to kyani bakery METRO by 7.am

at avijah we will hand over the MARS ponchos to you and also the marasthon bibs

please be present with you mars t-shirts ,and caps and id cards if you have them .

also carry your vhf uhf handies and your antennas , preferable telescope ones

also get Rs 150 /- for the marathon bib number only

last date for registration was 15 of dec 2005 , but i am trying to get it through a contact .

please note all the above names of runners please call up firoze patel and RE-CONFIRM your entry by the saturday 10 am confirming the above requirements .

also come in easy walking shoes and shorts or track pants . the dream is a easy easy walk in the park so dont worry about stamina .

thank you

vu2zrs

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2969. Re: [m_a_r_s] Dream run Marathon 2006 MARS . important information

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-13 04:15:40 UTC
From: Abhay Shah
Topic: 2968 Message: 2969
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2970. Re: Dream run Marathon 2006 MARS . important information

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-13 04:18:10 UTC
From: Abhay Shah
Topic: 2968 Message: 2970
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2971. Yaesu FT 2800M

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-01-18 16:10:58 UTC
From: Shantanu Chand
Topic: 2971 Message: 2971
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2972. Check ins 23rd Aug

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-02-05 07:32:34 UTC
From: VU2SCQ
Topic: 2657 Message: 2972
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2973. Re: Check ins 23rd Aug

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-02-05 07:32:34 UTC
From: VU2SCQ
Topic: 2657 Message: 2973
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2974. Re: Check ins 23rd Aug

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-02-05 07:34:08 UTC
From: VU2SCQ
Topic: 2657 Message: 2974
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2975. Check ins 23rd Aug

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-02-05 07:34:47 UTC
From: VU2SCQ
Topic: 2657 Message: 2975
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2976. Check ins 23rd Aug

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-02-05 11:38:48 UTC
From: VU2SCQ
Topic: 2657 Message: 2976
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2977. Check ins 23rd Aug

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-02-05 12:04:05 UTC
From: VU2SCQ
Topic: 2657 Message: 2977
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2978. Check ins 23rd Aug

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-02-05 12:05:27 UTC
From: VU2SCQ
Topic: 2657 Message: 2978
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2979. Cross Post from CQ-VU Internet saps ham radio popularity

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-03-08 12:01:21 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2979 Message: 2979

----- Original Message -----
From: Sunil U K
To: CQ_VU@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, March 08, 2006 11:10 AM
Subject: [CQ_VU] Internet saps ham radio popularity

Source ::: The Peninsula

Doha: Proliferation of the Internet and its popularity among youth has caused the decline of amateur radio, the world's only hobby governed by international laws, Timothy St J Ellam, Vice-President, International Amateur Radio Union (IARU), said here yesterday. The number of ham radio operators worldwide has dropped by about 10 per cent over the last decade, he added.

In an interview with The Peninsula, Timothy said, easier access to the Internet had weaned away youth from taking up amateur radio as a hobby. Amateur of ham radio is a hobby that allows enthusiasts to communicate with similarly licensed and equipped persons across the globe. Such radio communications are used primarily as a hobby. However, ham radio has also served excellently in establishing contact between the world and disaster hit areas, where other, conventional forms of telecommunications failed due to a breakdown of the infrastructure.

The official estimated that about 3m people around the world pursue the ham radio hobby but in most countries, the number had either declined over the years, or remained stagnant. In India, for example, he said, the number of amateur radio operators was stagnant though there was an increase in hams in China. He pointed out that amateur radio nowadays was not confined only to Continuous Wave (CW) contacts through Morse code or Single Side Band and Frequency Modulation voice communications. Developments in technology now also permit hams to communicate via data, he added. Timothy is representing the IARU at the ongoing 4th World Telecommunications Development Conference being held in Doha, along with IARU's Region-1 Vice President, Tafa Diop.

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http://www.thepeninsulaqatar.com/Display_news.asp?section=Local_News&subsection=Qatar+News
&month=March2006&file=Local_News2006030815556.xml

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

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2980. CROSS POST FROM ARSI * WPC ammendments

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-03-09 07:58:38 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2980 Message: 2980

----- Original Message -----
From: ARSI
To: arsi@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2006 11:01 AM
Subject: [**LikelySPAM] -.. . ARSI * WPC ammendments

Amateur Radio Society of India -
The National asociation for Radio Amateurs

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Dear ARSI Member

As you know we have had taken up with WPC the
issues regarding rules and we are happy to advise
that a part of our representation has been given
effect to. Other items are in the pipeline and we
will keep you informed as and when some changes take place.

Gopal Madhavan
(President)

(Extract from the Gazette of India-Extraordinary)
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(Wireless Planning and Coordination)
NOTIFICATION
New Delhi the 9th June 2005

G.S.R. 385(E).- In exercise of the powers
conferred by Sections 4 and 7 of the Indian
Telegraph Act, 1885 (13 of 1885), the Central
Government hereby makes the following rules
further to amend the Indian Wireless Telegraphs
(Amateur Service) Rules 1978.namely:-
1) Sort Title and commencement:- (1) These
rules may be called The Indian Wireless
Telegraphs(Amateur Service) Amendment Rules,
2005. (2)They shall come into force on the date
of their publication in the Official Gazette
2) In the Indian Wireless Telegraphs
(Amateur Service) rules. 1978,(hereinafter
referred to as "the said rules) for Rule 4, the
following rule shall be substituted, namely:-

"4, Categories of Licence: There shall be two categories of licences, namely
(i) Amateur Wireless Telegraph Station Licence(General)
(ii) Amateur Wireless Telegraph Station Licence(Restricted)"

3) In rule 5 the said rules:-
(a) in sub rule(1) in the proviso, for the
words and figure "Station Licence Grade-II, the
words and brackets "Station Licence (Restricted) shall be substituted;
(b) In sub rule (2) for the portion beginning
with the words "Notwithstanding anything
contained" and ending with the words, Short wave
Listeners Amateur Wireless Telegraph Station
Licence"., the following words, brackets and
letters shall be substituted, namely:-

"Notwithstanding anything contained in clause (b)
of sub-rule (1), the Central Government may grant
to bonafide experimenters between the age of 12
and 18 years, Amateur Wireless Telegraph Station
Licence (General) or Amateur Station Licence (Restricted):"
4) In rule 7 of the said rules:-
(a) for clause (b) the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-
(b) such person pays the fees on the following scale, namely:
(i) Amateur Station Operators Examination (General) -Rs.. 100.00
(ii) Amateur Station Operators Examination (Restricted) Rs. 100.00

(b) clause (c) shall be omitted

5) In rule 8 of the said rules, for sub-rule
(2) the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely:-
"(2) An application for Licence in Annexure-II to
the rules shall be submitted not later than one
month before the date of the desired examination."
6) For rule 11 of the said rules, the
following rule shall be substituted, namely:- !!.
Period of Validity- (1) A Licence granted under
these rules shall be issued for a period of 20
years or lifelong as the case may be commencing
on the date of issue of the Licence and expiring
on the last date of the month preceding the month of issue.
(Explanation:- For the purpose of this rule, the
expression "life long:" means till the holder
attains the age of 80 years. The validity of the
life long Licence may be extended on specific
request of the Licence holder for 10 years at a
time without any additional payment."
7) In rule 12 of the said rules, for
sub-rule (1) the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely:_
"(1) A Licence fee on the following scale shall
be payable to the Central Government on receipt
of instructions from that Government and in the manner directed by it:-
Category of Licence Fees in Rupees
20years Life Long
(i)Amateur Wireless Telegraph 1000 2000
(ii)Station Licence (General) 1000 2000

8) In rule 14 of the said rules, in sub rule(10:-
(a) for the words "two or five years, as the
case may be" the words" twenty years" shall be substituted;
(b) for clause (c) the following clause shall be substitute, namely
"© Pays a fee of Rs.1000/-"
9) In rule15 of the said rules:-
(i) for the words "two years" the words "five years" shall be substituted;
(ii) for letter and figures :Rs.10/- the
letters and figures "Rs.100/-" shall be substituted

10) In the said rules, in the proviso of rule
17, for words "rupees Five", Rs. 200/-" shall be substituted
11) In the rule 18 of the said rules, in sub rule (1)
(a) for clause (ii) the following shall be substituted namely:-
"(ii) the applicant holds an Amateur Wireless
telegraph Station Licence (General)
(b) in clause (iii) for the letters and
figures "Rs10/- the letter and figure"Rs.200/-" shall be substituted
12) In the rule 20 of the said rules, in sub-rule(2)
(a) in clause(i) for the letters and figures
"Rs.10/-" the letters and figure "Rs100/-" shall be substituted
(b) in clause (ii) for the letters and
figures "Rs5/-" the letters and figures "Rs 100/-" shall be substituted.

C. Rama Rao, Assistant Wireless Advisor.

http://www.arsi.info

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2981. Diamond SWR Meter

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-03-10 10:03:08 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2981 Message: 2981
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi

Available DiamonD SWR & Power Meter

SX20C The Diamond SX20C and SX40C are compact Wattmeters featuring cross needle meter for measuring power and SWR simultaneously.

Model
Number Power
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SX20C 30w & 300w 3.5 - 150 MHz
3.5-30 / 50-54 / 130-150 MHz 3 5/16" W x 3 5/16" H x 3 3/4" D Rs. 4600/-
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PLease let me know ypur requirments

Huzefa Merchant

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Ham Radio call Sign : VU2HIT TEL NO :

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ICQ # : 81941713 (M) +91 9892 786110

MSN : vu2hit@...

Yahoo : vu2hit@...

Website : www.qsl.net/vu2hit

2982. Re: Welcome to the m_a_r_s group

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-03-23 04:16:48 UTC
From: PravinKumar
Topic: 2982 Message: 2982

who is the moderator of this group.
ITS A STANDRARD PROTOCALL FOR A HAM TO IDENTIFY ON THE AIR
PL. IDENTIFY YOUR CALL IN THE GROUP ALSO.

--- m_a_r_s Moderator <m_a_r_s-owner@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> Hello,
>
> I've added you to my m_a_r_s group at Yahoo! Groups, a free,
> easy-to-use service. Yahoo! Groups makes it easy to send and receive
> group messages, coordinate events, share photos and files, and more.
>
> My introductory message to you:
> --
> Welcome to MARS Yahoogroup
>
> Description of the group:
> --
> Welcome to MUMBAI AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
> Mumbai Amateur Radio Society is promoted by a group of active
> HAMS in Mumbai.
> The prime objective of this Society is to increase activity of
> Amateur Radio.
>
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>
> Important information about the m_a_r_s group
> --
> * To send a message to the members of this group, send an email to:
> m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
>
> * To leave the group, you can unsubscribe by replying to this message,
> or by sending an email to:
> m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com
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> * To learn more about the m_a_r_s group, please visit:
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s
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> * To view and modify all of your groups, visit:
> http://groups.yahoo.com/mygroups
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> Regards,
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> Moderator, m_a_r_s

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> Report abuse:
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> Because Yahoo! Groups values your privacy, it is a violation of our
> service rules for moderators to add subscribers to a group against
> their wishes. If you feel this has happened, please notify us:
> http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/abuse/index.html
>
> You may also change your email preferences to prevent group owners from
> adding you to their groups. To do so, please go here:
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http://groups.yahoo.com/s?tag=7PTkZX2D8cUBRKLoqM855KTh53r60g1rxtFsWVFe5M4EXUeSQmG_g8ruVxGF
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2983. QRM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-04-07 08:04:01 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2983 Message: 2983

Dear Martians.

QRM on Thursday's ECHO-Link is very much regretted.

Dear please note, we are heard over the world.

Such QRM behind the curtain can be created only by
illegal elements and not by ham community. But this
QRM by a ham - horrible.

Since all on the air are experienced hams I am sure to
locate this transmitting station is easy.

I could read what was punched. Checked on 144.700 for
signal strength of the transmitting station. So guess
how to locate QRM creator.

As our frequency is being used by non-hams I was
deciding to put up fox hunt antenna on my terrace top
with manual rotator at my window. This was just for
an experiment purpose to know the location of the
station being transmitted. Since I am at Chembur
which is some what centre of Mumbai I have a chance of
pointing antenna 360deg. NOw i feel it necessary for
many a hams do fix up fox hunt antenna to pin point
our own ham's qrm.

Hoping peaceful nets and QSOs

73s

de JPN

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2984. DMP Support.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-04-07 13:33:04 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2980 Message: 2984

Dear Friends

This is an invitation to all Hams in Mumbai & Thane for Ham Radio Communication Support, whenever required by me for Civil Defence, during any disaster.

Civil Defence Services carry a heavy responsibility and they are well trained for that purpose.

I am a Civil Defence cadet since 1995 and as on date I am Dy.Divisional Warden for BMC?s ?M? Ward (West). My base was always at Mumbai/Area Office during emergencies. Being busy with my morning QTH I was not able to mobilize to any disaster locations. Hence from Ham Radio I was out of Mars DMP Team (ARES). Now I have left my office for good and I work on my own as an Insurance Consultant making myself free for other activities also.

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We have worked during: Ganesh Visarjans, BMC Strikes, Elections, All Red Alerts, 27/6 flooding, Latur ? Orissa & Gujarat Earthquakes, Tsunami, etc.

To deal with emergencies, CD renders the following services.

Rescue Service - Fire Service - Casualty Service.
Depot Service. - Welfare Service - Warden Service
And
Control & Communication Service.

Myself is a part of CD?s Control & Communication Team.
Every quarter CD conducts Emergency Stimulation
Exercise in Mumbai.

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communication support required from hams will be Relay
of Messages operating from our own QTH. Therefore,
hams who can volunteer to support during any disaster
can send me their details in the given format:

1. Call-sign
2. Handle
3. Address
4. Your area BMC Ward
5. LL (O) & (R)
6. Mobile
7. HF working at QTH
8. VHF working at QTH

These details will be of great help for co-ordination.

Awaiting your full support.

73?s

VU2JPN

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2985. Fwd: DMP Support.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-04-08 11:14:25 UTC
From: PV Jaiprakash
Topic: 2985 Message: 2985

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...>
wrote:

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--- End forwarded message ---

2986. Request for Hams and their Friends to participate in Zee TV Reality Show !!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-04-10 17:53:13 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 2986 Message: 2986

Dear Friends,

I have received telephone call from Shri Hemant
Pandya (now in Mumbai) who is looking
out for someone who can be selected to be a actor
/ part of team -
well, here is the invitation - go ahead and
respond
directly - wish
you all the very best...

de Lion Ajoy
Bald headed people like me may be rejected for
bouncing too much
light all around - Hi. - My personal version !!!

[Invitation for getting an opportunity to
participate in India's
most thrilling reality show HAUNTED HAI" on ZEE TV
produced by
Clapstem Productions a company of Girish Mallik &
Co-produced by
Applause Entertainment, a company floated by
prestigious Mr. Kumar
Mangalam Birla.

Brief information about the show: The show is
called "HAUNTED HAI".
It is a reality show that involves certain
activities, where you have
to explore one of the few chosen HAUNTED places of
India.

This activity has to be done ALONE without any
assistance from anyone
else in the middle of night.

On the successful completion of all the tasks that
are given to you,
you will be declared the winner and would be
entitled to a
gratification.

Once you are chosen for the show as participant,
You

would also be
required to sign a bond with us, before we proceed
to shoot,
accepting the rules and regulations of the game
and
that you are
participating in this game by your own free will
and
will be
responsible for the same.

For this purpose initially you are required to
send
your bio-data &
photo. also when you can be available for
shooting.
criteria: a) participant can be any either male or
female. b) they
should be between age group 21 to 45 only. c)
family
of 3 can also
participate together. d) one have to travel alone
without any company
for shoot.

shooting will be any where in India, your
travelling, lodging &
boarding will be taken care by company. you can
forward this mail to
ur family, friends & acquaintances as well. In
case
of any further
queries about the show, you can contact me or mail
me on the
following details.
with regards,
hemant m. pandya
participant co-ordinator
0- 9869956255 / 0- 9892015635
Email ☐ hemantsunita@...
hemantsunita@...]

2987. DMP SUPPORT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-04-12 16:22:37 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2987 Message: 2987

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2988. VU2FEO ALL THE BEST ON YOUR BIRTHDAY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-04-13 13:15:26 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2988 Message: 2988

Dear Firoze

Wish you a very Happy Birthday

Yes let have a party and if ZRS gets the cake i will do the rest.....Just Decide when

Take care and god bless the life member and Active Chairman of MARS

Regards

VU2HIT

Life Member , ex-Chairman & Founder Member No.13(what luck, today is the 13th)
----- Original Message -----
From: fortunecookie@...
To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: Mumbai Amateur
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2006 5:31 PM
Subject: [**LikelySPAM] [m-a-r-s] VU2FEO ALL THE BEST ON YOUR BIRTHDAY

DEAR FIROZE ,

HAPPY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU .

LETS HAVE A PARTY ..... I'LL GET THE CAKE ... JUST DECIDE WHEN

TAKE CARE AND WISH YOU ALL THE BEST AS LIFE MEMEBER AND CHAIRMAN OF MARS

REGARDS

VU2ZRS

MARS FOUNDER MEMBER NO.1 (ONE)

ZYROSZ END

----- Original Message -----

From: nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@...>

Date: Thursday, April 13, 2006 12:19 pm

Subject: [m-a-r-s] Happy Birthday - VU2FEO

> MARS Wishes its Life Member and Active Chairman Feroze Patel -
> VU2FEO a very Happy Birthday
>
>
> ---------------------------------
> Jiyo cricket on Yahoo! India cricket

> Yahoo! Messenger Mobile Stay in touch with your buddies all the time.

YAHOO! GROUPS LINKS

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cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

2989. ic 706

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-04-13 15:06:52 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 2989 Message: 2989

Hi everybody I want to sell an Icom IC 706 receiver works transmitter does not and volume control very erratic anybody interested call me on 9821207296 Roomy VU2GTE

2990. CQ CALL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-04-19 10:51:40 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2990 Message: 2990

TESTING CQ CQ CQ DE VU2JPN VU2JPN

ANY STN ON MARS.

MY EMAILS ARE NOT REACHING MARS.

73'S

DE JPN

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2991. Re: [m_a_r_s] CQ CALL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-04-19 10:53:40 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2990 Message: 2991

Thank god, i reached mars this time.

--- Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...> wrote:

> TESTING CQ CQ CQ DE VU2JPN VU2JPN
>
> ANY STN ON MARS.
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> MY EMAILS ARE NOT REACHING MARS.
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> 73'S
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2992. DMP SUPPORT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-04-19 11:17:53 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2987 Message: 2992

Dear Friends

This is an invitation to, ALL HAMS from MARS in Mumbai, for Ham Radio Communication Support whenever required
by me for Civil Defence, during any disaster.

Civil Defence Services carry a heavy responsibility and they are well trained for that purpose.

I am a Civil Defence cadet since 1995 and as on date I am Dy.Divisional Warden for BMC?s ?M? Ward (West). My base was always at Mumbai/Area Office during emergencies. Being busy with my morning QTH I was not able to mobilize to any disaster locations. Hence from Ham Radio I was out of Mars DMP Team (ARES). Now I have left my office for good and I work on my own as an Insurance Consultant making myself free for other activities also.

CD Area is divided BMC?s Ward Wise and the In-charge is known as Divisional Warden under whose leadership comes Dy.Dvl.Wardens, Staff Officers & Post Wardens. The every BMC Wards are further divided in to 10-20 chowkies whose incharge are Post Wardens. Post Wardens are highly responsible persons of the particular chowki to have complete knowledge of the given location.

Civil Defence has it?s own communication network of HF and VHF and always mobilize during emergencies. Latest being in Tsunami. Around 26 CD Cadets worked after Tsunami at Different Islands for 22 days continuously.

We have worked during: Ganesh Visarjans, BMC Strikes, Elections, All Red Alerts, 26/7 flooding, Latur ? Orissa & Gujarat Earthquakes, Tsunami, etc.

To deal with emergencies, CD renders the following services.

Rescue Service - Fire Service -
Casualty Service.
Depot Service. - Welfare Service -
Warden Service
And

Control & Communication Service.

Myself is a part of CD?s Control & Communication Team.
Every quarter CD conducts Emergency Stimulation
Exercise in Mumbai.

As a second line of communication setup during any
Disaster, Ham Radio Operators are the best. Hence the
communication support required from hams will be Relay
of Messages operating from our own QTH. Therefore,
hams who can volunteer to support during any disaster
can send me their details in the given format:

1. Call-sign
2. Handle
3. Address
4. Your area BMC Ward
5. LL (O) & (R)
6. Mobile
7. HF working at QTH
8. VHF working at QTH

These details will be of great help for co-ordination.

Awaiting your full support.

73?s

VU2JPN

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2993. Happy Birthday - VU2UGJ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-04-21 14:47:49 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 1117 Message: 2993

MARS Wishes its Founder Member , ex - Chairman & Life Member Mukesh jaitley - VU2UGJ a very Happy Birthday

2994. Happy Birthday - VU2UGJ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-04-26 04:17:36 UTC
From: Basappa Arabole
Topic: 1117 Message: 2994

Hello Mukesh, HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU.

Basappa/VU2NXM

2995. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday - VU2UGJ

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-04-26 14:41:21 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 1117 Message: 2995

hi
bassappaji , thanks a lot ,
devu2ugj
--- Basappa Arabole <basappaji@...> wrote:

> Hello Mukesh, HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU.
>
> Basappa/VU2NXM
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2996. Fw: How can your organisation help in Disaster Mitigation?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-04-28 14:17:14 UTC
From: Rajesh
Topic: 2996 Message: 2996

VU2NLF

may b of interest to ARES team

rgds

VU2WCS
Rajesh

----- Original Message -----
From: karmayog.com
To: Surajmaritime
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2006 10:57 AM
Subject: How can your organisation help in Disaster Mitigation?

The BMC Disaster Management Cell has asked the NGO Council to furnish details of organisations (non-profit or commercial) who can provide services or get involved prior, during, and after a disaster as per their expertise, capability and interest.

This will be put into a publication they intend printing so that you can be contacted quickly by different agencies in the event of a disaster, and also for meetings, information dissemination, workshops, capacity-building, etc.

So please email and also post the following information on the letterhead of your organization. Please also see the Disaster Management and Flooding Sections in www.karmayog.org

Thank you.

To: NGO Council, C/o Karmayog, Shreeniwas House, 2nd floor, H. Somani Road, Fort, Mumbai 400001

Our Details for MCGM Disaster Management Cell

Can work in City / Western Suburbs / Eastern Suburbs (please select):

Name of Organisation:

Address:

Telephone:
Fax:
Email:
Website:

Name of Main Person:
Designation:

Cell Phone: (display: yes/no)
Email (personal): (display: yes/no)

Representative for Disaster Management:
Designation:
Cell Phone: (display: yes/no)
Email (personal): (display: yes/no)

Field of Work

Speciality of Work

Infrastructure available:
- people including volunteers that can be mobilised
- types of equipment
- no. & types of vehicles
- training facility
- intellectual, professional & mobilisational expertise

Services that can be provided before / during / after disasters:

Signature (with name & designation)

2997. LAPTOP FOR SALE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-05-04 14:35:24 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2997 Message: 2997

Hi

LAPTOP FOR SALE
Dell C610
Pentium III 1 ghz
20 GB HDD
256 MB RAM,
DVD ROM
LAN/MODEM
USB/IR/Serial
S Video Out
with orignal Dell carrying Bag
expected price 18k
http://geek.pricegrabber.com/search_techspecs_full.php/masterid=4941602

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Huzefa Merchant
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ICQ # : 81941713 (M) +91 9892 786110

MSN : vu2hit@...

Yahoo : vu2hit@...

Website : www.qsl.net/vu2hit

2998. LAPTOP FOR SALE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-05-04 13:41:35 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2997 Message: 2998

Hi

LAPTOP FOR SALE
Dell C610
Pentium III 1 ghz
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LAN/MODEM
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S Video Out
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2999. Fw: [m-a-r-s] Must we allow such messages as posted by VU2HIT---laptopforsale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-05-05 08:23:40 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 2999 Message: 2999
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

HI FMP & WET

I am really impressed that Group policy are being slowly carved out and as promised by feroze things are coming into order.

Sorry to say WET but it seems you have not done your homework well, please check the "List of Equipment to be carried for Scramble Team Exercise" drafted by our dear friend NLF which states the LAPTOP as part of it, so if you feel i am wrong then something is really wrong somewhere, However It seems all mail i put are scrutinized and then all policy or rules are made.

anyway cut short... i do not intend to start any business , i put this mail since this laptop is with me which i wanted to sell to the our members since it is at a good price & same price which i bought and also in the past NLF & UGJ and other members have benefited and also most talked ARES members would have benefited for digital communications.

Members please make me understand & decide
Does selling this Ham radio related equipments tantamount to commercial exploitation??
then what about the mail sent about selling Ham Radio Related equipments by other member.

and what about mail sent by members discussing issue not related to ham radio...
is it because i am being more vocal therefore i am being singled out and my mail are being moderated.

Also to inform you all i would have not sold this laptop since i would have require for my Ham gear but i am buying a HF from the proceed i get from the laptop.

De
Huzefa Merchant

PS : Feroze dont you think some one is being instigated by some one to make this happen & look as a QRM on the group!!!!

----- Original Message -----
From: fmp
To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 11:32 PM
Subject: Re: [m-a-r-s] Must we allow such messages as posted by VU2HIT---laptopforsale

I am with you WET,
this group should be used exclusively for healthy
discussion on ham radio and the hobby only.
There should be no commercial exploitation on this group.
HIT you will agree that the first rule we learn is not to exploit this hobby for gain or profit. Maybe you were trying promote a bargain offer amongst your collegues. But this is

not the platform.
All of us will refrain from posting such mails.
73s
FEO

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2wet
To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 11:22 PM
Subject: [m-a-r-s] Must we allow such messages as posted by VU2HIT---laptopforsale

Dear Members of MARS,

As a commitee member and moderator of this e-group I put this message
across to the members of this group and ask each and every one of
you, should we allow such messages (that help people to make
money...sell Bread and honey)or just restrict the e-group to healthy
discussion on ham radio and the hobby only.
Is this not spamming?
Is this not making money out of ham radio?
Is is right to post personal ads on this group?

The answer has to be given by you'll ....members?

Moderator and Commiteee member,
VU2WET

Attached herewith copy of the message

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3000. antennae for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-05-12 09:28:12 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3000 Message: 3000

Hi all, I have some diamond mobile antennas and one X50 all brand new for sale if anybody is interested call me on 9821207296 Roomy VU2gte

3001. w32.blackmal.e@mm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-05-13 05:12:02 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 3001 Message: 3001

Symantec Security Response - W32.Blackmal.E@mmHi Farookh & Prashant
The mail as referred is being sent by an infected computer with w32.blackmal virus , please read the below virus threat report from symantec, even my mail was used in one of the non Ham yahoogroup , anyway please go thru the below report

De
Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT

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Locate A Partner
Become A Partner
og In To PartnerNet

Management Team
nvestor Relations
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W32.Blackmal.E@mm
Discovered on: January 17, 2006
Last Updated on: February 03, 2006 01:26:05 PM

W32.Blackmal.E@mm is a mass-mailing worm that attempts to spread through network shares and lower security settings. On the third day of every month it attempts to rewrite files with certain extensions with custom text.

Also Known As: CME-24, Win32.Blackmal.F [Computer Associates], Email-Worm.Win32.Nyxem.e [F-Secure], Email-Worm.Win32.Nyxem.e [Kaspersky], W32/MyWife.d@MM [McAfee], W32/MyWife.d@MM!M24 [McAfee], Win32/Mywife.E@mm [Microsoft], W32/Small.KI@mm [Norman], Tearec.A [Panda Software], W32/Nyxem-D [Sophos], WORM_GREW.{A, B} [Trend Micro]

Type: Worm

Systems Affected: Windows 2000, Windows 95, Windows 98, Windows Me, Windows NT, Windows Server 2003, Windows XP

a.. Virus Definitions (LiveUpdate™ Plus)
January 17, 2006

a.. Virus Definitions (LiveUpdate™ Daily)
January 17, 2006

a.. Virus Definitions (LiveUpdate™ Weekly)
January 17, 2006

a.. Virus Definitions (Intelligent Updater)
January 17, 2006

Wild

a.. Number of infections: More than 1000
b.. Number of sites: More than 10
c.. Geographical distribution: Low
d.. Threat containment: Easy
e.. Removal: Moderate
Threat Metrics

Wild:
Medium
Damage:
Medium
Distribution:
High

Damage

a.. Payload Trigger: n/a
b.. Payload: Deletes files and registry entries of security-related applications.
a.. Large scale e-mailing: Creates a mass-mailing of itself using addresses gathered from the compromised computer.
b.. Deletes files: Attempts to delete files associated with security-related programs.
c.. Modifies files: n/a
d.. Degrades performance: n/a
e.. Causes system instability: n/a
f.. Releases confidential info: n/a
g.. Compromises security settings: n/a
Distribution

a.. Subject of email: Varies.
b.. Name of attachment: Varies.
c.. Size of attachment: n/a
d.. Time stamp of attachment: n/a
e.. Ports: n/a
f.. Shared drives: n/a
g.. Target of infection: n/a

When W32.Blackmal.E@mm is executed, it performs the following actions:

1.. Copies itself as one of the following files:

a.. %Windir%\Rundll16.exe
b.. %System%\WINZIP_TMP.EXE
c.. %System%\SAMPLE.ZIP

d.. %System%\New WinZip File.exe
e.. movies.exe
f.. Zipped Files.exe

Note:
g.. %Windir% is a variable that refers to the Windows installation folder. By default, this is C:\Windows or C:\Winnt.
h.. %System% is a variable that refers to the System folder. By default this is C:\Windows\System (Windows 95/98/Me), C:\Winnt\System32 (Windows NT/2000), or C:\Windows\System32 (Windows XP).

2.. Copies itself as one of the following files:

a.. %System%\scanregw.exe
b.. %System%\Winzip.exe
c.. %System%\Update.exe

Note: The worm monitors the above files and will recreate them if they are deleted.

3.. Creates an empty .zip file using the same file name as the worm itself in the %System% folder. It then opens this file in order to hide its functionality.

4.. Drops the file %System%\MSWINSCK.OCX which is a clean Microsoft control used for network connectivity.

5.. Adds the value:

"ScanRegistry" = "scanregw.exe /scan"

to the following registry subkey:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run

so that it runs every time Windows starts.

Note: The worm monitors the above registry entry and recreates it if it is deleted.

6.. Modifies the values:

"WebView" = "0"
"ShowSuperHidden" = "0"

in the registry subkey:

HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\
Explorer\Advanced

Note: The worm monitors the above registry entries and recreates them if they are deleted.

7.. Modifies the value:

"FullPath" = "1"

in the registry subkey:

HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\
Explorer\CabinetState

Note: The worm monitors the above registry entry and recreates it if it is deleted.

8.. Adds the values:

"5f54e750-ce26-11cf-8e43-00a0c911005a" = "mnlnnimimnoiuilnvjkinnkitjwjnimntntm"
"F4FC596D-DFFE-11CF-9551-00AA00A3DC45" = "mbmabptebkjcdlgtjmskjwtsdhjbmkmwtrak"
"190B7910-992A-11cf-8AFA-00AA00C00905" = "gclclcejjcmjdcccoikjlcecoioijjcjnhng"
"72E67120-5959-11cf-91F6-C2863C385E30" = "ibcbbbebqbdbciebmcobmbhifcmciibblgmf"
"096EFC40-6ABF-11cf-850C-08002B30345D" = "knsgigmnmngnmnigthmgpninrmumhgkgrlrk"
"556C75F1-EFBC-11CF-B9F3-00A0247033C4" = "xybiedobrqsprbijaegcbislrsiucfjdhisl"
"4D553650-6ABE-11cf-8ADB-00AA00C00905" = "gfjmrfkfifkmkfffrlmmgmhmnlulkmfmqkqj"
"57CBF9E0-6AA7-11cf-8ADB-00AA00C00905" = "aahakhchghkhfhaamghhbhbhkbpgfhahlfle"
"9E799BF1-8817-11cf-958F-0020AFC28C3B" = "uqpqnqkjujkjjjjqwktjrjkjtkupsjnjtoun"
"78E1BDD1-9941-11cf-9756-00AA00C00908" = "yjrjvqkjlqqjnqkjvprqsjnjvkuknjpjtoun"
"DC4D7920-6AC8-11cf-8ADB-00AA00C00905" = "iokouhloohrojhhhtnooiokomiwnmohosmsl"
"7C35CA30-D112-11cf-8E72-00A0C90F26F8" = "whmhmhohmhiorhkouimhihihwiwinhlosmsl"
"2c49f800-c2dd-11cf-9ad6-0080c7e7b78d" = "mlrljgrlhltlngjlthrligklpkrhllglqlrk"
"899B3E80-6AC6-11cf-8ADB-00AA00C00905" = "wjsjjjlqmjpjrjjjvpqqkqmqukypoqjquoun"
"B1EFCCF0-6AC1-11cf-8ADB-00AA00C00905" = "qqkjvqpqmqjjpqjjvpqqkqmqvkypoqjquoun"
"6FB38640-6AC7-11cf-8ADB-00AA00C00905" = "gdjkokgdldikhdddpjkkekgknesjikdkoioh"
"E32E2733-1BC5-11d0-B8C3-00A0C90DCA10" = "kmhfimlflmmfpffmsgfmhmimngtghmoflhsg"
"4250E830-6AC2-11cf-8ADB-00AA00C00905" = "kjljvjjjoquqmjjjvpqqkqmqykypoqjquoun"
"BC96F860-9928-11cf-8AFA-00AA00C00905" = "mmimfflflmqmlfffrlnmofhfkgrlmmfmqkqj"

to the registry subkey:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Classes\Licenses

which enables the %System%\MSWINSCK.OCX file to function.

9.. May modify values in the following registry subkeys:

HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Control Panel\BMale
HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Control Panel\DNS

10.. Disables the mouse and keyboard functionality the first time the worm is executed on the compromised computer.

11.. Displays the following icon in the Windows Task Bar when it detects the presence of antivirus software:

Note: The text "Update Please wait" is displayed when a user hovers over the icon.

12.. Monitors the titles of active windows. If the user is browsing with Windows Explorer, the window title is the path to the current folder. The worm uses this information to search the current folder for the file desktop.ini. If this file exists the worm copies itself to the current folder as WinZip_Tmp.exe and creates the file temp.htt.

13.. Deletes the following files:

a.. %ProgramFiles%\DAP*.dll
b.. %ProgramFiles%\BearShare*.dll

c.. %ProgramFiles%\Symantec\LiveUpdate*.*
d.. %ProgramFiles%\Symantec\Common Files\Symantec Shared*.*
e.. %ProgramFiles%\Norton AntiVirus*.exe
f.. %ProgramFiles%\Alwil Software\Avast4*.exe
g.. %ProgramFiles%\McAfee.com\VSO*.exe
h.. %ProgramFiles%\McAfee.com\Agent*.*
i.. %ProgramFiles%\McAfee.com\shared*.*
j.. %ProgramFiles%\Trend Micro\PC-cillin 2002*.exe
k.. %ProgramFiles%\Trend Micro\PC-cillin 2003*.exe
l.. %ProgramFiles%\Trend Micro\Internet Security*.exe
m.. %ProgramFiles%\NavNT*.exe
n.. %ProgramFiles%\Morpheus*.dll
o.. %ProgramFiles%\Kaspersky Lab\Kaspersky Anti-Virus Personal*.ppl
p.. %ProgramFiles%\Kaspersky Lab\Kaspersky Anti-Virus Personal*.exe
q.. %ProgramFiles%\Grisoft\AVG7*.dll
r.. %ProgramFiles%\TREND MICRO\OfficeScan*.dll
s.. %ProgramFiles%\Trend Micro\OfficeScan Client*.exe
t.. %ProgramFiles%\LimeWire\LimeWire 4.2.6\LimeWire.jar

Note: %ProgramFiles% is a variable that refers to the program files folder. By default, this is C:\Program Files.

14.. Queries the following values:

"Home Directory"
"NAV"
"Folder"
"InstallLocation"

under the following registry subkeys:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\Software\INTEL\LANDesk\VirusProtect6\CurrentVersion
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Symantec\InstalledApps
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\KasperskyLab\Components\101
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\
Uninstall\Panda Antivirus 6.0 Platinum

and deletes all .exe files found in the folders it locates.

15.. Queries the value:

"Folder"

in the following registry subkey:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\KasperskyLab\InstalledProducts\Kaspersky Anti-Virus Personal

and deletes all files found in the folder it locates.

16.. Queries the value:

"Path"

in the following registry subkey:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\App Paths\Iface.exe

and deletes all *.exe and *.ppl files in the folder it locates.

17.. Closes windows whose title contains any of the following strings:

a.. SYMANTEC
b.. SCAN
c.. KASPERSKY
d.. VIRUS
e.. MCAFEE
f.. TREND MICRO
g.. NORTON
h.. REMOVAL
i.. FIX

18.. Deletes the values:

PCCIOMON.exe
pccguide.exe
Pop3trap.exe
PccPfw
Tmproxy
McAfeeVirusScanService
NAVAgent
PCCClient.exe
SSDPSRV
rtvscn95
defwatch
vptray
ScanInicio
APVXDWIN
KAVPersonal50
kaspersky
TMOutbreakAgent
AVG7_Run
AVG_CC
Avgserv9.exe
AVGW
AVG7_CC
AVG7_EMC
VetAlert
VetTray
OfficeScanNTMonitor
avast!
DownloadAccelerator
BearShare

from the following registry subkeys:

HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\

RunServices

19.. Gathers email addresses from files with the following extensions:

.htm
.dbx
.eml
.msg
.oft
.nws
.vcf
.mbx
.imh
.txt
.msf

The worm also gathers email addresses from files with one of the following strings in the full name :

a.. CONTENT.
b.. TEMPORARY

20.. Attempts to send itself as an email to the addresses it gathers using its own SMTP engine. The email will have the following characteristics:

Subject:
One of the following:

a.. *Hot Movie*
b.. A Great Video
c.. Fw:
d.. Fw: DSC-00465.jpg
e.. Fw: Funny :)
f.. Fw: Picturs
g.. Fw: Real show
h.. Fw: SeX.mpg
i.. Fw: Sexy
j.. Fwd: Crazy illegal Sex!
k.. Fwd: image.jpg
l.. Fwd: Photo
m.. give me a kiss
n.. Miss Lebanon 2006
o.. My photos
p.. Part 1 of 6 Video clipe
q.. Photos
r.. Re:
s.. School girl fantasies gone bad

Message body:
One of the following:

t.. Note: forwarded message attached. You Must View This Videoclip!
u.. >> forwarded message
v.. Re: Sex Video
w.. i just any one see my photos.
x.. It's Free :)
y.. The Best Videoclip Ever
z.. Hot XXX Yahoo Groups
aa.. Fuckin Kama Sutra pics
ab.. ready to be FUCKED ;)
ac.. forwarded message attached.
ad.. VIDEOS! FREE! (US$ 0,00)
ae.. What?
af.. i send the file.
ag.. Helloi attached the details.
ah.. Thank you
ai.. the file i send the details
aj.. hello,
ak.. Please see the file.
al.. how are you?
am.. i send the details.

Attachment:
One of the following:

an.. 007.pif
ao.. 392315089702606E-02,.scR
ap.. 677.pif
aq.. Adults_9,zip.sCR
ar.. Arab sex DSC-00465.jpg
as.. ATT01.zip.sCR
at.. Attachments[001],B64.sCr
au.. Clipe,zip.sCr
av.. document.pif
aw.. DSC-00465.Pif
ax.. DSC-00465.pIf
ay.. eBook.pdf
az.. eBook.PIF
ba.. image04.pif
bb.. New Video,zip
bc.. New_Document_file.pif
bd.. photo.pif
be.. Photos,zip.sCR
bf.. School.pif
bg.. SeX,zip.scR
bh.. Sex.mim
bi.. Video_part.mim
bj.. WinZip,zip.scR
bk.. WinZip.BHX
bl.. WinZip.zip.sCR
bm.. Word XP.zip.sCR
bn.. Word.zip.sCR
bo.. 04.pif

bp.. DSC-00465.Pif
bq.. DSC-00465.pIf
br.. image04.pif

The attachment may be an executable file or a MIME file that contains an executable file. Those attachments that are MIME files may have the following file names:

bs.. 3.92315089702606E02.UUE
bt.. Attachments[001].B64
bu.. Attachments00.HQX
bv.. Attachments001.BHX
bw.. eBook.Uu
bx.. Original Message.B64
by.. Sex.mim
bz.. SeX.mim
ca.. Video_part.mim
cb.. WinZip.BHX
cc.. Word_Document.hqx
cd.. Word_Document.uu

These files may also have one the following file names:

ce.. 392315089702606E-02
cf.. Clipe
cg.. Miss
ch.. Photos
ci.. Sweet_09

These file names will be combined with one of the following extensions:

cj.. .b64
ck.. .BHx
cl.. .HQX
cm.. .mim
cn.. .uu
co.. .UUE
cp.. .XxE

If the attachment is a MIME file, it may contain a file with one of the following file names:

cq.. 392315089702606E-02,UUE[BLANK SPACES].scr
cr.. Adults_9,zip[BLANK SPACES].scr
cs.. ATT01.zip[BLANK SPACES].scr
ct.. Atta[001],zip[BLANK SPACES].scr
cu.. Attachments,zip[BLANK SPACES].scr
cv.. Attachments[001],B64[BLANK SPACES].scr
cw.. Clipe,zip[BLANK SPACES].scr
cx.. New Video,zip[BLANK SPACES].scr
cy.. Photos,zip[BLANK SPACES].scr
cz.. SeX,zip[BLANK SPACES].scr
da.. WinZip,zip[BLANK SPACES].scr

db.. WinZip.zip[BLANK SPACES].scr
dc.. Word XP.zip[BLANK SPACES].scr
dd.. Word.zip[BLANK SPACES].scr

The attachment may use the following icon:

21.. Searches the network for the following shared folders, where it copies itself as WINZIP_TMP.EXE:

a.. ADMIN$
b.. C$

Note: The worm also copies itself using the same file name to network shares protected by weak passwords.

22.. Copies itself to network shares as the following:

C$\Documents and Settings\All Users\Start Menu\Programs\Startup\WinZip Quick Pick.exe

23.. Deletes the following file from network shares:

C$\Documents and Settings\All Users\Start Menu\Programs\Startup\WinZip Quick Pick.lnk

24.. Attempts to access the following URL:

[http://]webstats.web.rcn.net/[REMOVED]/Count.cgi?df=765247

25.. Enumerates the computers in the same domain as the host computer by using WNetOpenEnum.

26.. Executes the command "net use \\[COMPUTER NAME] /user:administrator" to connect to that computer.

Note:
a.. If the user on the compromised computer is already connected to some other network computer, the worm will be able to use that connection.
b.. [COMPUTER NAME] is a remote computer name and "" is a blank password.

27.. Attempts to delete the following folders on the computer it connects to:

a.. \C$\Program Files\Norton AntiVirus
b.. \C$\Program Files\Common Files\symantec shared
c.. \C$\Program Files\Symantec\LiveUpdate
d.. \C$\Program Files\McAfee.com\VSO
e.. \C$\Program Files\McAfee.com\Agent
f.. \C$\Program Files\McAfee.com\shared
g.. \C$\Program Files\Trend Micro\PC-cillin 2002
h.. \C$\Program Files\Trend Micro\PC-cillin 2003
i.. \C$\Program Files\Trend Micro\Internet Security
j.. \C$\Program Files\NavNT
k.. \C$\Program Files\Panda Software\Panda Antivirus Platinum
l.. \C$\Program Files\Kaspersky Lab\Kaspersky Anti-Virus Personal
m.. \C$\Program Files\Kaspersky Lab\Kaspersky Anti-Virus Personal Pro
n.. \C$\Program Files\Panda Software\Panda Antivirus 6.0

o.. \C$\Program Files\CA\eTrust EZ Armor\eTrust EZ Antivirus

28.. Attempts to execute the following command on the compromised computer to execute its copy at the end of the hour:

at [COMPUTER NAME] [HOUR]:59 /interactive \\[COMPUTER NAME]\Admin$\WINZIP_TMP.exe
at [COMPUTER NAME] [HOUR]:59 /interactive \\[COMPUTER NAME]\C$\WINZIP_TMP.exe

Note: [COMPUTER NAME] is a remote computer name and [HOUR] represents the hour when propagation begins.

29.. 30 minutes after the worm file UPDATE.EXE is loaded into memory (which could be when a compromised computer is started up or when the worm is executed on a computer), the worm checks if the date is the 3rd of the month. If it is the 3rd of the month the worm will attempt to overwrite files with the following extensions in available drives from A to Z:

a.. *.doc
b.. *.xls
c.. *.mdb
d.. *.mde
e.. *.ppt
f.. *.pps
g.. *.zip
h.. *.rar
i.. *.pdf
j.. *.psd
k.. *.dmp

Note:
l.. The worm will not overwrite files in the first available drive. For example if the first available drive is the C drive, the worm will overwrite files in available drives from D to Z.
m.. The files are overwritten with the following text:

DATA Error [47 0F 94 93 F4 F5]

Symantec Security Response encourages all users and administrators to adhere to the following basic security "best practices":

a.. Turn off and remove unneeded services. By default, many operating systems install auxiliary services that are not critical, such as an FTP server, telnet, and a Web server. These services are avenues of attack. If they are removed, blended threats have less avenues of attack and you have fewer services to maintain through patch updates.
b.. If a blended threat exploits one or more network services, disable, or block access to, those services until a patch is applied.
c.. Always keep your patch levels up-to-date, especially on computers that host public services and are accessible through the firewall, such as HTTP, FTP, mail, and DNS services (for example, all Windows-based computers should have the current Service Pack installed.). Additionally, please apply any security updates that are mentioned in this writeup, in trusted Security Bulletins, or on vendor Web sites.
d.. Enforce a password policy. Complex passwords make it difficult to crack password files on compromised computers. This helps to prevent or limit damage when a computer is

compromised.
e.. Configure your email server to block or remove email that contains file attachments that are commonly used to spread viruses, such as .vbs, .bat, .exe, .pif and .scr files.
f.. Isolate infected computers quickly to prevent further compromising your organization. Perform a forensic analysis and restore the computers using trusted media.
g.. Train employees not to open attachments unless they are expecting them. Also, do not execute software that is downloaded from the Internet unless it has been scanned for viruses. Simply visiting a compromised Web site can cause infection if certain browser vulnerabilities are not patched.

Removal using the W32.Blackmal@mm Removal Tool
Symantec Security Response has developed a removal tool to clean the infections of W32.Blackmal.E@mm. Use this removal tool first, as it is the easiest way to remove this threat.

Note: The threat targets AV products, so if any of the targeted files have been deleted, then the AV product may need to be reinstalled after using the removal tool.

Manual Removal:

The following instructions pertain to all current and recent Symantec antivirus products, including the Symantec AntiVirus and Norton AntiVirus product lines.

1.. Disable System Restore (Windows Me/XP).
2.. Update the virus definitions.
3.. Run a full system scan and delete all the files detected.
4.. Delete any values added to the registry.

For specific details on each of these steps, read the following instructions.

1. To disable System Restore (Windows Me/XP)
If you are running Windows Me or Windows XP, we recommend that you temporarily turn off System Restore. Windows Me/XP uses this feature, which is enabled by default, to restore the files on your computer in case they become damaged. If a virus, worm, or Trojan infects a computer, System Restore may back up the virus, worm, or Trojan on the computer.

Windows prevents outside programs, including antivirus programs, from modifying System Restore. Therefore, antivirus programs or tools cannot remove threats in the System Restore folder. As a result, System Restore has the potential of restoring an infected file on your computer, even after you have cleaned the infected files from all the other locations.

Also, a virus scan may detect a threat in the System Restore folder even though you have removed the threat.

For instructions on how to turn off System Restore, read your Windows documentation, or one of the following articles:
a.. How to disable or enable Windows Me System Restore
b.. How to turn off or turn on Windows XP System Restore

Note: When you are completely finished with the removal procedure and are satisfied that the threat has been removed, reenable System Restore by following the instructions in the aforementioned documents.

For additional information, and an alternative to disabling Windows Me System Restore, see the Microsoft Knowledge Base article: Antivirus Tools Cannot Clean Infected Files in the _Restore Folder (Article ID: Q263455).

2. To update the virus definitions
Symantec Security Response fully tests all the virus definitions for quality assurance before they are posted to our servers. There are two ways to obtain the most recent virus definitions:
a.. Running LiveUpdate, which is the easiest way to obtain virus definitions:
a.. If you use Norton AntiVirus 2006, Symantec AntiVirus Corporate Edition 10.0, or newer products, LiveUpdate definitions are updated daily. These products include newer technology.
b.. If you use Norton AntiVirus 2005, Symantec AntiVirus Corporate Edition 9.0, or earlier products, LiveUpdate definitions are updated weekly. The exception is major outbreaks, when definitions are updated more often.
b.. Downloading the definitions using the Intelligent Updater: The Intelligent Updater virus definitions are posted daily. You should download the definitions from the Symantec Security Response Web site and manually install them. To determine whether definitions for this threat are available by the Intelligent Updater, refer to Virus Definitions (Intelligent Updater).

The latest Intelligent Updater virus definitions can be obtained here: Intelligent Updater virus definitions. For detailed instructions read the document: How to update virus definition files using the Intelligent Updater.

3. To scan for and delete the infected files
1.. Start your Symantec antivirus program and make sure that it is configured to scan all the files.
a.. For Norton AntiVirus consumer products: Read the document: How to configure Norton AntiVirus to scan all files.
b.. For Symantec AntiVirus Enterprise products: Read the document: How to verify that a Symantec Corporate antivirus product is set to scan all files.
2.. Run a full system scan.
3.. If any files are detected, click Delete.

Important: If you are unable to start your Symantec antivirus product or the product reports that it cannot delete a detected file, you may need to stop the risk from running in order to remove it. To do this, run the scan in Safe mode. For instructions, read the document, How to start the computer in Safe Mode. Once you have restarted in Safe mode, run the scan again.

After the files are deleted, restart the computer in Normal mode and proceed with the next section.

Warning messages may be displayed when the computer is restarted, since the threat may not be fully removed at this point. You can ignore these messages and click OK. These messages will not appear when the computer is restarted after the removal instructions have been fully completed. The messages displayed may be similar to the following:

Title: [FILE PATH]
Message body: Windows cannot find [FILE NAME]. Make sure you typed the name correctly, and then try again. To search for a file, click the Start button, and then click Search.

4. To delete the value from the registry
Important: Symantec strongly recommends that you back up the registry before making any changes to it. Incorrect changes to the registry can result in permanent data loss or corrupted files. Modify the specified subkeys only. For instructions refer to the document: How to make a backup of the Windows registry.

1.. Click Start > Run.
2.. Type regedit
3.. Click OK.

Note: If the registry editor fails to open the threat may have modified the registry to prevent access to the registry editor. Security Response has developed a tool to resolve this problem. Download and run this tool, and then continue with the removal.

4.. Navigate to the subkey:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run

5.. In the right pane, delete the value:

"ScanRegistry" = "scanregw.exe /scan"

6.. Navigate to the subkey:

HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\
Explorer\Advanced

7.. In the right pane, reset the values to the original values, if applicable:

"WebView" = "0"
"ShowSuperHidden" = "0"

8.. Navigate to the subkey:

HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\
Explorer\CabinetState

9.. In the right pane, reset the value to the original value, if applicable:

"FullPath" = "0"

10.. Exit the Registry Editor.

Additional information:

High level detection - Here are some symptoms that may help determine the presence of W32.Blackmal.E@mm.

1.. Uses its own SMTP engine to send an email with a copy of itself as an attachment.

Look for non-mail server machines sending port 25 traffic

2.. Enumerates the computers in the same domain as the host computer by using WNetOpenEnum. The worm then executes the command "net use \\[COMPUTER NAME] /user:administrator """ to connect to that computer. However, if the user on the compromised computer is already connected to some other network computer, the worm will be able to use that connection.

Look for locked user accounts due to brute password attacks

3.. Attempts to access the following URL:
[http://]webstats.web.rcn.net/[REMOVED]/Count.cgi?df=765247

Look for any computer that accessed this website. Isolate and use the repair tool or scan with updated defs

Revision History:

a.. February 3, 2006: Minor edit regarding date based payload.
b.. February 2, 2006: Added additional information regarding high level detection.
c.. February 1, 2006: Added reference to date based payload to the short description.
d.. January 31, 2006: Updated alias information.
e.. January 30, 2006: Updated revision history.
f.. January 27, 2006: Added details step 7.
g.. January 24, 2006: Updated alias information.
h.. January 17, 2006: Added link to removal tool.

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3002. Non Ham - Petrol news

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-05-20 18:03:47 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3002 Message: 3002

Dear Friends!

Petrol in Pakistan Rs17 per liter

Malaysia Rs 18 per liter

In Indiait's 48 per liter

Why this difference in Asiaitself ? World Market CRUDE Oil is not
the reason for this. It's all Gain for private owners? As we are the
general public, or Common Man as R.K.Laxman wud hv said, we have to
raise our voice, let's raise thru Emails.

Forward this to all Indians who care.

IT HAS BEEN CALCULATED THAT IF EVERYONE DID NOT PURCHASE A DROP OF
PETROL FOR ONE DAY AND ALL AT THE SAME TIME, THE OIL COMPANIES WOULD
CHOKE ON THEIR STOCKPILES.

AT THE SAME TIME IT WOULD HIT THE ENTIRE INDUSTRY WITH A NET LOSS
OVER 4.6 BILLION DOLLARS WHICH AFFECTS THE BOTTOM LINES OF THE OIL
COMPANIES.

THEREFORE "Monday May 22nd " HAS BEEN FORMALLY DECLARED
"STICK IT UP THEIR BEHIND " DAY AND THE PEOPLE OF THIS NATION SHOULD
NOT BUY A SINGLE DROP OF PETROL THAT DAY.

THE ONLY WAY THIS CAN BE DONE IS IF YOU FORWARD THIS E-MAIL TO AS
MANY PEOPLE AS YOU CAN AND AS QUICKLY AS YOU CAN TO GET THE WORD
OUT. WAITING ON THE GOVERNMENT TO STEP IN AND CONTROL THE PRICES IS
NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. WHAT HAPPENED TO THE REDUCTION AND CONTROL
IN PRICES THAT THE ARAB NATIONS PROMISED TWO WEEKS AGO?

REMEMBER ONE THING, NOT ONLY IS THE PRICE OF PETROL
GOING UP BUT
AT THE SAME TIME AIRLINES ARE FORCED TO RAISE THEIR
PRICES,
TRUCKING COMPANIES ARE FORCED TO RAISE THEIR PRICES
WHICH AFFECTS
PRICES ON EVERYTHING THAT IS SHIPPED. THINGS LIKE
FOOD, CLOTHING,
BUILDING SUPPLIES MEDICAL SUPPLIES ETC. WHO PAYS IN
THE END? WE
DO!

WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.IF THEY DON'T GET THE MESSAGE
AFTER ONE
DAY, WE WILL DO IT AGAIN AND AGAIN. SO DO YOUR PART
AND SPREAD THE
WORD. FORWARD THIS EMAIL TO EVERYONE YOU KNOW. MARK
YOUR
CALENDARS AND MAKE SEPTEMBER 22nd A DAY THAT THE
CITIZENS SAY
"ENOUGH IS ENOUGH"

We forward so many junk email to many of our friends,
now let us do
it for some useful cause to cut down the price of the
petrol .. ...

REMEMBER : May 22nd 2006

Do You Yahoo!?
Tired of spam? Yahoo! Mail has the best spam
protection around
http://mail.yahoo.com

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3003. RE: [m_a_r_s] antennae for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-05-24 06:14:09 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 3000 Message: 3003

Hi Roomy,

Do you still have X-50, I may be interested.

73s DE VU2CBU

-----Original Message-----
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com [mailto:m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of vu2gte
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2006 2:58 PM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] antennae for sale

Hi all, I have some diamond mobile antennas and one X50 all brand new for sale if anybody is interested call me on 9821207296 Roomy VU2gte

Yahoo! Groups Links

3004. Fw: Weather Sat image Wed. morning

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-05-24 14:33:36 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 3004 Message: 3004
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

----- Original Message -----
From: vu2iia
To: VU2CDP ; vu2roe@...g ; vu2scq@... ; VU2PLE - Percy ; Akshay Mishra ;
ankurpuranik@rediffmail.com ; mayaanillusion@... ; tara1@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2006 11:21 AM
Subject: Weather Sat image Wed. morning

Hi All,

See the latest NOAA weather Sat image on Wed morning 6:15am .

regards
mahesh

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a.. Visit your group "tara1" on the web.

b.. To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
tara1-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

c.. Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to the Yahoo! Terms of Service.

3005. x 50

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-05-26 06:25:35 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3005 Message: 3005

Hi Prashant the x50 is sold as also most of the mobile antennas there is one comet and one diamond left Roomy

3006. Fw: NOAA 15 WEATHER SAT IMAGE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-05-27 06:44:49 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 3006 Message: 3006
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

----- Original Message -----
From: mahesh
To: VU2AXN ; vu2sfh ; VU2SCQ ; atul chaudhari ; omkar ; VU2PDN ; VU3EOJ ; tara1@yahoogroups.com ; vijay motwane ; vicks ; vu2cdp ; vu2izo ; Vu2kib ; vu2lnz ; VU2MLW ; vu2ubp ; minoo ; dattatray_anr@... ; dattatray-anr@...
Sent: Saturday, May 27, 2006 7:22 AM
Subject: [tara1] NOAA 15 WEATHER SAT IMAGE

HI,

SEE THE LATEST WEATHER SAT IMAGE.

REGARDS
MAHESH
VU2IIA

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3007. RE: [m_a_r_s] x 50

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-05-31 11:54:40 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 3005 Message: 3007

Hi Roomy!

Sorry for replying late.
I was interested only in X-50.
Thanks!
73s de Prashant

-----Original Message-----
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com [mailto:m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of vu2gte
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2006 11:56 AM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [m_a_r_s] x 50

Hi Prashant the x50 is sold as also most of the mobile antennas there is one comet and one diamond left Roomy

Yahoo! Groups Links

3008. RE: [m_a_r_s] x 50

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-06-01 04:36:33 UTC
From: Roomy Shroff
Topic: 3005 Message: 3008

Hi prashant I have an diamond x 4000 base antenna if you are interested

Roomy VU2GTE

3009. RE: [m_a_r_s] x 50

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-06-01 07:10:40 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 3005 Message: 3009

Tnx Roomy. I already have X-510 and wished to have X-50 for my other QTH.

-Prashant VU2CBU

From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com [mailto:m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Roomy Shroff
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2006 10:07 AM
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [m_a_r_s] x 50

Hi prashant I have an diamond x 4000 base antenna if you are interested

Roomy VU2GTE

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<http://groups.yahoo.com/gads?t=ms&k=Hobby+and+craft+supply&w1=Hobby+and+craft+supply&w2=Craft+hobby&w3=Ham+radio&w4=Ham+radio+sales&w5=Ham+radio+outlet&c=5&s=103&.sig=ZweihurHXRhznpwpjtEQ_g> and craft supply

Craft
<http://groups.yahoo.com/gads?t=ms&k=Craft+hobby&w1=Hobby+and+craft+supply&w2=Craft+hobby&w3=Ham+radio&w4=Ham+radio+sales&w5=Ham+radio+outlet&c=5&s=103&.sig=8ckmp-pJ_Z5eXeJlf-86iQ> hobby

Ham
<http://groups.yahoo.com/gads?t=ms&k=Ham+radio&w1=Hobby+and+craft+supply&w2=Craft+hobby&w3=Ham+radio&w4=Ham+radio+sales&w5=Ham+radio+outlet&c=5&s=103&.sig=BrARW-2dmkfc_y42ghOp0g> radio

Ham
<http://groups.yahoo.com/gads?t=ms&k=Ham+radio+sales&w1=Hobby+and+craft+supply&w2=Craft+hobby&w3=Ham+radio&w4=Ham+radio+sales&w5=Ham+radio+outlet&c=5&s=103&.sig=2Y1QsZWBYyjVxWPCenme0Q> radio sales

Ham
<http://groups.yahoo.com/gads?t=ms&k=Ham+radio+outlet&w1=Hobby+and+craft+supply&w2=Craft+hobby&w3=Ham+radio&w4=Ham+radio+sales&w5=Ham+radio+outlet&c=5&s=103&.sig=k8RG8XD5SbYLHd2e8UTc7g> radio outlet

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<mailto:m_a_r_s-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com?subject=Unsubscribe>

* Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to the Yahoo!
<http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/> Terms of Service.

3010. [m-a-r-s] Fw: -.. . ARSI * International YL Meet

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-06-15 11:59:34 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 3010 Message: 3010

----- Original Message -----
From: "Sarla Sharma" <sarla_sharma@...>
To: <ARSI@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2006 1:25 PM
Subject: -.. . ARSI * International YL Meet

The International Mumbai YL Meet
The Amateur Radio Society of India is proud to announce that the
International Mumbai YL Meet will be held at the Hotel Intercontinental
Grand, Sahar, Mumbai, from the
26th -29th of October 2006.
This event is held once in 2 years and since 1996 has traveled to all parts
of the world. It is now India's turn to play host to this very important
event.
YLs and OMs are welcome to join this event. The programme is as follows:

Day 1- 26th October 2006:
4pm-6.30p.m : Registration and eyeball
7p.m onwards : Inaugural Dinner followed by Cultural programme

Day 2 - 27th October 2006
9a.m-12.30p.m : Conference and Presentations by YLs
1.pm : Lunch.
Free time for the rest of the day.

Day 3 - 28th October 2006:
9.30 a.m : Depart from Hotel to visit important
establishments and sightseeing
to Elephanta island off the coast of
Mumbai. Return by 5.30p.m
6.30 p.m : Traditional dress evening & dinner.

Day 4 - 29th October 2006
9.30 a.m : Free time for more sightseeing in Mumbai. Dx YLs
leave for Jaipur
from Mumbai Central Train Station in the
evening.

Registration Fees: For Day 1, kit, Day 2 and lunch: Rs. 2000

All are welcome to join activities on Day 3 & 4 with payment at actuals.

Those wishing to stay at the Grand Intercontinental where all the dx YLs
will be staying should inform me immediately to avail of the special rates.
Accomodation elsewhere can also be arranged.

Optional Tours have been organized and they are as follows:
Tour 1
Jaipur-Agra-New Delhi by train and road.
Departure Mumbai 29th October, terminating New Delhi 2nd November 2006.

Tour 2
Goa by air
Departure N.Delhi 3rd November, terminating Mumbai 5th November 2006.

YLs, OMs, SWLs who wish to attend the YL Meeting or join the tours, may please get in touch with me immediately at telephone No: 022 25682361 or at email sarla.yl@...

Thanks,

Sarla Sharma VU2SWS 7,Gaurav Apts
Convener Mumbai YL Meet Behind Ashok
Nagar
Vice President ARSI Nahur,

Mulund West

Mumbai 400080

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http://www.arsi.info/

Yahoo! Groups Links

3011. Amateur Radio and 99 Hobbies

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-06-23 14:51:09 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 3011 Message: 3011

Hi All, Hope you find this of use ... Keep having fun with this hobby.
Best wishes,

HarshVardhan
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99 Hobbies This site encourages ham radio enthusiasts to try something new with the hobby. I interview other people who have done it already, and explain how you can do it too!

http://99hobbies.blogspot.com/

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3012. GNU Radio opens an unseen world

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-06-25 18:36:30 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 3012 Message: 3012

http://www.wired.com/news/technology/1,70933-0.html

By Quinn Norton| Also by this reporter
02:00 AM Jun, 05, 2006
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3013. SOS on Flooding.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-06-30 03:14:26 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3013 Message: 3013

Dear Hams:

It's Season of Rains and Floods. In Mumbai we all face flooding problem everywhere, however showers are moderate.

I request all hams TO BE ON AIR at all times during rains.

We may be of help to pass on communication to near and dear of our ham community as well as help other Hams working on DMP.

All modes of communications can fail and also electricity during any 26x7-2005 type flooding.

We hams should be proud that we can work for more hours due to power back-ups etc.

HENCE REQUEST, ALL HAMS TO BE PRESENT ON AIR AT ALL TIMES DURING THIS SEASON.

We say Ham's as "Help All Mankind". So please keep this in mind and help.

I am sure my message is clear to all. Keep the band active.

Do join Night Owls net for more information.

73's,

de vu2jpn

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3014. RealTime Satellite Tracking - Google Maps

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-02 14:55:02 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 3014 Message: 3014

Hi All,

Check out this website.

http://www.n2yo.com/

Best wishes,

de

HVK

Do you Yahoo!?
Get on board. You're invited to try the new Yahoo! Mail Beta.

3015. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2006, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-05 20:10:42 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3015 Message: 3015

Reminder from the Calendar of m_a_r_s
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

MARS ANNIVESARY
Thursday July 6, 2006
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(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 11 hours, 42 minutes.)

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3016. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2006, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-06 08:02:57 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
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3017. GNU Radio Opens an Unseen World

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-06-24 17:20:07 UTC
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3018. birthday wishes

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-10 10:27:14 UTC
From: vu2dce
Topic: 3018 Message: 3018

thank you every body for the love and regards thanks again

WANDE MATARAM

3019. Psychological Trama Councelling- Help available from Bangalore

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-11 17:36:07 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3019 Message: 3019

Dear Friends,

Regarding Mumbai Serial Blast - I have received call from Centre for Psychological Counselling, Bangalore University offering help by Dr. Romate John cell # 09448936115 , residence 080-22961509, 28602424 and email romate_j@...

Do pass this to Govt / NGO who are interested with Psychological Counselling

de Ajoy - VU2JHM
Life Member, Mumbai Amateur Radio Club - MARS

Emergency Communication Co-Ordinator,
Amateur Radio Society of India

3020. HANDLING OF THIRD PARTY MSGS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-14 08:42:28 UTC
From: Basappa Arabole
Topic: 3020 Message: 3020

Some of our fellow HAMS rushed to the disaster sites on that deadly day.
Some given instructions to the new boys to go close the scene.
We all required to read the Amateurs Rules once again.
I would like to mention few things here for those who are new :

Handling Third party Messages : In case of failure of normal telecommunication facilities, Amateurs are permitted to handle third party messages, relating to natural calamities such as earthquake, floods, cyclones and wide spread fires, originating from and addressed to a competent civil authority namely:
(a) District Magistrates or Deputy Commissioners or Collectors of the district and
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The licensee shall inform by letter addressed to the licensing authority regarding the use of his amateur station for such purposes on each such occasions.

Temporary Change of Location : Amateurs are required to take permission from the WPC well in advance as per the rules.

In any types of emergencies, if HAMs wanted to render communication assistance,
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PSE DON'T get in to trouble.

Enjoy your HOBBY.

73

de VU2NXM

3021. Re: [m_a_r_s] HANDLING OF THIRD PARTY MSGS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-14 09:56:48 UTC
From: Lion Ajoy
Topic: 3020 Message: 3021

Dear Basappa & MARS friends,

Being young and energytic, kindly note that Amateur (Ham) Radio is only hobby and whatever humanitarian assistance provided out as Emergency Communication needs backing from District Authorities (whenever so possible) - Since the 3rd Party message only when the normal telecommunication facilities fail and only thru DC/DM of your District, hence, as Basappa points do not get stuck by going against the rule book when it is Man-Made Disasters especially Terrorism in compaired to Natural Disasters.

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Disaster Communication Co-Ordinator,
Amateur Radio Society of India.

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3022. cross post from ARSI * Using Airmail for finding propogation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-14 14:32:56 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 3022 Message: 3022

----- Original Message -----
From: Gopal Madhavan
To: ARSI-Groupmail
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2006 5:44 PM
Subject: -.. . ARSI * Using Airmail for finding propogation

Hello All.

Airmail is a mail program that lets you send e-mail via HF radio using Pactor. However even if you do not need that, it has a component to see what propagation is to various parts of the world so that you can plan when you want to be on air for some DXing even during very poor conditions.

Any ham can download Airmail from

http://www.airmail2000.com/

After you run the setup and enter your Callsign, location etc, you should also download the propagation programme which is also available on the same site and set it up in the same directory as Airmail.

When you go to view/propagation it shows a list of stations and by clicking on any of them you will see the propagation predictions to that area. It is pretty accurate and very useful for us hams.

Give it a try

73

Gopal VU2GMN

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128(old63) Greenways Road
Chennai - 600 028

Tel: 91 44 2493 7724 / 4230 3129
Mobile: 91 94440 18452
E-mail: gopalmadhavan@...

3023. Cross Post from [cqmumbai] ASOC exam

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-12 14:48:34 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 3023 Message: 3023

----- Original Message -----
From: sarla sharma
To: cqmumbai@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2006 3:03 PM
Subject: [**LikelySPAM] [cqmumbai] ASOC exam

The ARSI will be conducting the ASOC exam in Thane, Mumbai.

Probable date of exam: 27th, 28th or 31st of July 2006.
Last date of confirmation of participation 16th July 2006.

Date of attestation of certificates, form filling: 20th July 2006
Venue : Hotel Sharanam, Eastern Express Highway, Thane.

All help will be provided in attestation and form filling.
Costs incurred: Rs 300 per person which includes the exam fees,
breakfast,
lunch and tea and snacks

Those staying in and around Mumbai and neighbouring areas who wish
to avail
of this opportunity, may please confirm with me via
email-sarla_sharma@... or Phone 022 25682361.

Kindly note that the exam will be conducted ONLY if we have a
minumum of 20
participants.

Thanks,
Mrs Sarla Sharma
Vice President ARSI

3024. Re: HANDLING OF THIRD PARTY MSGS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-15 07:16:02 UTC
From: vu2dce
Topic: 3020 Message: 3024

respected snior hams
what has been specifed by the rules may be right but if needed you can not say no and if its just a hobby u need not go to disasters may be a man made or god made. but we rushed there because we had already gone through it peviosuly and apart of it, it is always a social responsiblity towards community and no rules go beyond humanity .
so you may be right not to go in man made disaster but i am sorry if i am needed then i wil be there .

WANDE MATARAM

3025. Tracking Satellites using NAVSPASUR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-17 19:47:10 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 3025 Message: 3025

Hello All,

Please check out this website if you are interested ...

http://www.k4gfg.us/navspasur/toc.html

Tracking Satellites using NAVSPASUR ... interesting website ...

Regards,

Harsh

3026. [m-a-r-s]cross post from VUHams Re: Mumbai A R Service - Wireless Institute of Australia News

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-18 11:22:19 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 3026 Message: 3026

----- Original Message -----
From: Ajoy
To: vuhams@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2006 3:49 PM
Subject: [**LikelySPAM] [VUHams] Re: Mumbai AR Service - Wireless Institute of Australia News

G'Day from GraHam VK4BB

Long time since we chatted! still remember all your help with ROAR Rotarians of Amateur Radio.

This week on the WIA news we will feature the Mumbai Story... and I have
filed a voice report for Bill Pasternack of the Amateur Radio Newsline
in
the USA with one they had compiled.

News for week commencing July 23
Voice (in mp3) and text from the news link at
www.wia.org.au

73
GraHam VK4BB

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> Do check the following weblink for details
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3027. [m-a-r-s]cross post from VUHams Re: Mumbai A R Service - Wireless Institute of Australia News

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-18 11:37:27 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3026 Message: 3027

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de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Life Member, MARS

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> From: Ajoy
> To: vuhams@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2006 3:49 PM
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-19 05:42:49 UTC
From: santosh vedante
Topic: 3026 Message: 3028

Dear All,

Article is available on following link.

http://www.ibnlive.com/news/ham-bailed-city-out-of-mobile-mess/15488-

Video covring ZRS, HIT & others is available on following link

3.htmlhttp://www.ibnlive.com/videos/fullbvideo.php?id=15488

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Yahoo! Groups Links

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3029. Re: [m_a_r_s] Tracking Satellites using NAVSPASUR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-20 07:10:41 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 3025 Message: 3029
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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3030. Mumbai A R Service - BMC's call

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-23 02:56:27 UTC
From: Basappa Arabole
Topic: 3026 Message: 3030

Hello all friends,
It is understood from other sites , OUR HAMS WENT TO THE BMC and disaster SCENES, AFTER RECEIVING CALL FROM BMC. It is really a wonderful job done by all those who got involved.

Now THIS is the time for the group leaders to conduct HAM RADIO AWARENESS in different areas.

We all get ready with our rigs tested, to answer the calls of govt AGENCIES.

IT WAS WONDERFUL JOB BY ALL THOSE WHO GOT INVOLVED IN THE RECENT CALL.

BRAVO ZULU,

73

VU2NXM

3031. Drawing Concentric Rings and calling for Shots - Bad Article

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-24 07:35:22 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3031 Message: 3031

Dear Mumbai Friends,

Sorry to read this article

http://www.mumbaimirror.com/nmirror/mmpaper.asp?
sectid=2&articleid=723200623194479672320062318446 71#

Well, this article will ensure the Government of India - Monitoring Organisation of WPC throughout the country to enforce their working.

Hams keep your station registers intact - Log Sheet, Equipment Registers, Licence copy (check any change in QTH - Renewals)

It does not apply to Mumbai Hams alone but to all of us in our country - Not a Nice Article to circulate and not a good thing Hams can boast about.

When giving nice information about volunteer service renered by good hams for public service be careful of giving them this sort of information (which may be true !!!) the media loves this sort of sensation information for wider publicity - so BEWARE WHEN GIVING SUCH INFORMATION TO MEDIA - Yes, they do read between lines and put such News of bad taste.

Best of 73's

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Disaster Communication Co-Ordinator,
Amateur Radio Society of India - ARSI
&
Life Member, MARS.

3032. August 5th and 6th - 3rd Asia Pacific Regional JOTA/JOTI

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-25 10:56:06 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3032 Message: 3032

Dear Mumbai Friends,

Wake up the Scouts/Guides out there for participating in the 3rd Asia Pacific Regional Jamboree on the Internet / Air on 5th and 6th August for an not so popular event as we always wait for October for our regular JOTA/JOTI.

Here is the link for details
http://www.apr.scout.or.jp/documents/circular.htm
click on
3rd Asia-Pacific Regional Air/Internet Jamboree
4-2006, 31 March 2006

Here at Bangalore we would be having VU2LCI representing Chamundi Scouts Group and VU2GOP from SJR Public School - soon we will have the list growing.

Anticipate this message is circulated amongs hams and Scout friends so that you would be on band.

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM

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3033. Drop Cell, use Radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-25 12:09:52 UTC
From: santosh vedante
Topic: 3032 Message: 3033

Please read the article published in Mumbai Mirror http://www.mumbaimirror.com/nmirror/mmpaper.asp?sectid=2&articleid=72320062319447967232006231844671

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3034. RE: [m_a_r_s] Drop Cell, use Radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-28 04:26:27 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 3032 Message: 3034

dear santosh
thanks for teaching me how to use a multi meter in the train 2 years back .

also thanks for that article about mumbai mirror vhf /uhf
well the goverment should do something about it .

if i am not mistaken even during the mumbai riots an article came in the
paper how the wrong people were using the govt issued freqency for their
horrible needs

well lets hope .

73's
vu2zrs
(mem.no1 MARS)
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-28 05:06:15 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 3020 Message: 3035

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Date: Fri, 14 Jul 2006 02:56:48 -0700 (PDT)

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needs backing from District Authorities (whenever so
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Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-28 06:31:39 UTC
From: Lion Ajoy
Topic: 3020 Message: 3036

Dear Zyros - VU2ZRS,

Thanks for your email, I am herewith replying so that my friends would go thru...

Please read the Official Rules & Regulations again

" 18. Portable and mobile amateur station:
Without prejudice to rule 17, the Central Government may in addition to an amateur station licensed for a specified location issue a special authorisation to establish, maintain and work an amateur station as a portable station or a mobile station fixed on board a motor vehicle for a specific period in special occasions like exhibitions and jamborees or for specific technical investigations in radio if-

(i) application for such authorisation is made well in advance indicating, among others, the specific period for ......PLEASE READ FURTHER IN THE BOOK "

that is for change of location even for temporary operation

When it comes for Disaster Communication Handling

Under the "CONDITIONS FOR THE CONDUCT OF AMATEUR WIRELESS TELEGRAPH STATION"
Sub-Conditions Under Messages :
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SO GOING BY RULE BOOK WHICH IS IN FORCE AND NOT FURTHER AMENDED, MODIFIED SO FAR - THIS IS WHAT IT IS.

So when meeting the Media (News Paper/TV) be very careful when you say you did come out Volunteered to help on Humanitarian Grounds - Please do it with lower key - especially when it comes out in Newspaper as Bad Article such as what appeared in Mumbai-Mirror, the local monitoring Stations are going to be taken into task on their everyday work - How many pink letters is issued for so many everyday mistakes we conduct - knowingly or unknowingly. Common mistakes we Bangalore Hams have received pink letters are
1. Not using full callsign Instead of VU2JHM, I use 2JHM or just JHM - on our local VHF repeaters
2. Using non-standard phonotics for Juliet Hotel Mike - I say Japan Honolulu Mexcio.... my other senior fiend like to say Sugar Easy (VU2SE) or Alpha Ocean (VU2AO) not just at callsign but when spelling out his handle -Sure you are seeing the AD on TV of Naukari.com of HARI SADU !!!
3. How many are writing log of everyday VHF QSOs
4. Equipment Register with details of whome you bought your equipment and whome you sold it, for common the details of import
5. Station Registers - as Rules & Regulation book (normally a copy is there in callbook) - etc.

So if a fault has to be got out from anybody - there is no problem - so why wake the sleeping dog.

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3037. Test Message

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-29 13:06:09 UTC
From: PV Jaiprakash
Topic: 3037 Message: 3037

This is only a test message. Thru.my comp.I am unable to send Emails - forward messages - delete and move msg. Hence trying thru.group. I am only able to read the emails.

73s

de vu2jpn

3038. Re: HANDLING OF THIRD PARTY MSGS - BLANKET PERMISSION ???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
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From: Basappa Arabole
Topic: 3020 Message: 3038

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It is all Revision for us.

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Tnx for reading this mail.

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3039. Re: HANDLING OF 3rd PARTY MSGS - BLANKET PERMISSION - Rethink !!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-31 07:26:39 UTC
From: Lion Ajoy
Topic: 3020 Message: 3039

Dear Friends,

Nice to see the discussion is still on - this is the healthy way of understanding.

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de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Also Volunteer Blood Doner
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3040. Re: HANDLING OF THIRD PARTY MSGS -VU2JHM AND VU2NXM

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-07-31 09:44:00 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3020 Message: 3040

Dear Zyros - VU2ZRS and my friends,

You are very right that you cannot think of applying for permission for real disasters - but when you have operated on behalf of Deputy Commissioner/District Collector the WPC has to be intimated on every such occations - that is what the rule says.

I do not know if you have seen the WPC's circular for Amateur (Ham) Radio operation in Andamans - soon after the Tsunami - Here is the link kindly see to this link

http://www.wpc.dot.gov.in/
http://www.wpc.dot.gov.in/DocFiles/circularpage.htm

Your comments and discussion - I am sure the group is reading this...

Basappaji - VU2NXM to take over.

Best of 73's

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, "ZYROS ZEND" <zzend@...> wrote:
>
> DEAR SIR's
>
> THANK YOU FOR THE INFOrmation .
> please i would like to know how we can ......
>
> ----"Temporary Change of Location : Amateurs are
> >required to take permission from the WPC well in advance as per the
> >rules.
>
> i mean this permission is for a ham event like fox hunt , jota ,
field trip
> etc or for real dissaster communication .
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> we dont know when disaster strikes .so how d we take permission..
please
> advice . thank you
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> vu2zrs
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> ZYROS ZEND
> FORTUNE COOKIE INDIA
> 300,CAWASJI HORMASJI STREET
> DHOBI TALAO

> MUMBAI.
> TEL.00-91-22-22035586
> RES.00-91-22-22875741
> FAX.OO-91-22-22025848
> MOBILE. 9821025289
>
> ----Original Message Follows----
> From: Lion Ajoy <lionajoy@...>
> Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] HANDLING OF THIRD PARTY MSGS
> Date: Fri, 14 Jul 2006 02:56:48 -0700 (PDT)
>
> Dear Basappa & MARS friends,
>
> Being young and energytic, kindly note that Amateur
> (Ham) Radio is only hobby and whatever humanitarian
> assistance provided out as Emergency Communication
> needs backing from District Authorities (whenever so
> possible) - Since the 3rd Party message only when the
> normal telecommunication facilities fail and only thru
> DC/DM of your District, hence, as Basappa points do
> not get stuck by going against the rule book when it
> is Man-Made Disasters especially Terrorism in
> compaired to Natural Disasters.
>
> de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
> Disaster Communication Co-Ordinator,
> Amateur Radio Society of India.
>
>
> --- Basappa Arabole <basappaji@...> wrote:
>
> > Some of our fellow HAMS rushed to the disaster sites
> > on that deadly
> > day.
> > Some given instructions to the new boys to go close
> > the scene.
> > We all required to read the Amateurs Rules once
> > again.
> > I would like to mention few things here for those
> > who are new :
> >
> > Handling Third party Messages : In case of failure
> > of normal
> > telecommunication facilities, Amateurs are permitted
> > to handle third
> > party messages, relating to natural calamities such
> > as earthquake,
> > floods, cyclones and wide spread fires, originating

> > from and
> > addressed to a competent civil authority namely:
> > (a) District Magistrates or Deputy Commissioners or
> > Collectors
> > of the district and
> > (b) Any other officer authorised by authorities
> > mentioned at (a)
> > above.
> > The licensee shall inform by letter addressed to
> > the licensing
> > authority regarding the use of his amateur station
> > for such
> > purposes on each such occasions.
> >
> > Temporary Change of Location : Amateurs are
> > required to take
> > permission from the WPC well in advance as per the
> > rules.
> >
> > In any types of emergencies, if HAMs wanted to
> > render communication
> > assistance,
> > (a) The govt. may call you for providing
> > communication. (b) if you
> > are voluntarily going to the scene of action, they
> > should report to
> > the Government authorities in that location and upon
> > getting the
> > permission from them (Written will be best
> > preferred) they should
> > start the radio communication. I remember my club
> > friends from
> > Mumbai i.e. VU2NLF and group went to Gujarat
> > (During earthquake) on
> > their own and they reported to the authorities. They
> > (we all)
> > provided the best possible communication to the
> > govt. of Gujarath.
> > PSE DON'T get in to trouble.
> >
> > Enjoy your HOBBY.
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3041. DMP - Mah Flooding.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-08-01 02:19:39 UTC
From: PV Jaiprakash
Topic: 3041 Message: 3041

Hi

Part of Mah.under flood. Any DMP in action?

73's

de vu2jpn

3042. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: HANDLING OF THIRD PARTY MSGS - BLANKET PERMISSION ???

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-08-01 11:02:57 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 3020 Message: 3042

DEAR BASAPPA

thanks for the info

blanket permission is a good point

all should work together and help when required .

may there never be a disaster but we should be prepared .

73's

vu2zrs

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MARS----- Original Message -----

From: Basappa Arabole
Date: Sunday, July 30, 2006 9:46 am
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Re: HANDLING OF THIRD PARTY MSGS - BLANKET PERMISSION ???

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3043. PERMISSION ON FAX NOS .. & small workshop

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-08-01 14:09:47 UTC
From: Basappa Arabole
Topic: 3020 Message: 3043

HELLO FRIENDS,

WPC SENDS BLANKET PERMISSION LETTERS/FAX TO CONCERNED CLUBS AND
TEAM LEADERS OF DX PDETIONS FOR PROCEEDING TO THE SCENE OF DISASTERS
WHEN NECESSARY.
ARSI AND FEW OF US RECEIVED FAX MSG TO GO TO A & N DURING TSUNAMI.

ALL WE RECEIVED ON OUR FAX NOS.

MAY BE WE SEND OUR CLUB FAX NOS(let it be C/O) AND TEL NOS. TO WPC
FOR FUTURE USE.

THIS is GOOD SITE FOR DISCUSSION. HI !! HI !!

I ALSO REQUEST ZRS or any one to conduct a small workshop on disaster
communication for HAMS and SWLs in and around Mumbai

BASAPPA
CELL 93708 55031

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3044. ReallyReady.Org / An In-depth Guide to Citizen Preparedness

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-08-02 12:43:34 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 3044 Message: 3044

Hello All,

The following websites may be of interest to you.

ReallyReady.org is devoted to providing comprehensive and correct emergency preparedness information for families, businesses, and individuals with disabilities.

http://www.fas.org/reallyready/index.html

http://www.fema.gov/areyouready/index.shtm

Best wishes,

Harsh Vardhan
VU2HVK

3045. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: HANDLING OF 3rd PARTY MSGS - BLANKET PERMISSION - Rethink !!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-08-03 09:09:32 UTC
From: darrshu hemani
Topic: 3020 Message: 3045

dear FREINDS
i agree with the goup not to give communication like lion ajoy had already said
but if it is some thing very urgent and the time is more pricious and a large mob is suffering then we should always go in .
i.e. like bomb blast or huge epidemic like plague or the same sort of emergency were time is precious
its my point may be I may be rong But still
WANDE MATARAM
Lion Ajoy <lionajoy@...> wrote:
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3046. NEW CALLSIGN HOLDERS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-08-16 04:34:57 UTC
From: Basappa Arabole
Topic: 3046 Message: 3046

HELLO FRIENDS,

ALL THOSE WHO HAVE RECEIVED THE LICENSES RECENTLY ARE REQUESTED TO JOIN THE ARSI, THIS IS THE ONLY INDIAN SOCIETY WHICH IS AFFILIATED TO IARU. IARU TAKES ONLY ONE SOCIETY FROM A COUNTRYAS ITS MEMBER.

TO PUT YOUR VOICES TO THE IARU THIS IS THE ONLY SOCIETY OF OUR COUNTRY.

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YOU CAN SEND YOUR PAYMENTS BY DD IN THE NAME OF ARSI PAYABLE IN BANGALORE. MONEY ORDER CAN BE SENT TO : ARSI, PO BOX NO. 3462, BANGALORE-560034.

WITH BEST WISHES,
BASAPPA ARBOLE
VU2NXM

3047. PC Oscilloscope And Spectrum Analyser

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-08-16 18:02:14 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 3047 Message: 3047

Visual Analyser 8.14

for Windows (95/98/Me/2000/XP)

PC Oscilloscope And Spectrum Analyser

A complete professional real time software transforms your PC into a complete set of instruments; no new hardware necessary (you can use the Sound Card of your PC).

http://www.sillanumsoft.com/

Visual Analyser is a freeware program that monitors the audio coming into and going out of your PC and displays the results on your monitor screen in a very fair representation of proper stand-alone test instruments.

Hope you will find this useful.

Best Wishes,

Harsh Vardhan

3048. Ganesh Visarjan

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-08-28 02:42:01 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 797 Message: 3048

Dear Ulhas.

Wishing you the best for doing Ganesh Visarjan.

I am in Civil Defence duty for full 10 days in my
Chembur Area.

This is the first year that I am missing Ganesh
Visarjan duty with all Hams at Girgaon Chowpati which
started since last 8-10 years.

73's to all participant's too.

de vu2jpn

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3049. Word file

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-09-19 07:16:10 UTC
From: KK
Topic: 3049 Message: 3049
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Please see the file.

3050. eBook.pdf

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-09-20 13:10:05 UTC
From: KK
Topic: 3050 Message: 3050
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Note: forwarded message attached.

3051. JOTA 2006

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-10-05 06:17:53 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 3051 Message: 3051

Dear All,

As it happens every year, this year also MARS in association with Maharashtra State Bharat Scouts & Guides, is participating in 49th International Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) 2006 on 21st & 22nd October 2006 (Sat-Sun).

Briefing for JOTA2006 will be conducted in our October Monthly Meeting which will be held on the 8th October (sunday) at Bharda High School, VT (behind Capitol Cinema) between 10AM to 12 noon.

C U all there!

BTW we have received a request for a JOTA Station in Pune from Pune Troop! Any of club member interested in puting up JOTA station (HF/VHF) there, please contact me ASAP.

73s
Sandip - VU2UGO
M - 9820272837
JOTA Event Co-ordinator

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MSN & Y! ID : sandipadiwarekar
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3052. Sub:- Demo on HAM Radio (JOTA)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-10-11 17:03:28 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 3052 Message: 3052

With the consent of Panvel Nagarpalika and V.K.High School, Panvel. Technologist Association of Panvel (T.A.P) inder the chairmanship of Prof. Ranade(IITian) has asked me for conducting demo on HAM radio.

Keeping JOTA in mind I will be shifting my QTH at V.K.High School, Panvel for 2 days (i.e. 21st & 22nd October 2006).

With HF/VHF rigs - Inverted Vee/Half square and Telescopic vertical antenna will be raised on 20th October 2006. All those intrested to help me in raising antennas be present on friday 20th

October 2006 at 15.00 hrs venue V.K.High School, Panvel (5 mins walk from Panvel ST stand). Intrested HAM/SWL may stay with me for 2 days.

Contact:-
Shankar Waghmale Cell: 9370855032
Aditya Sawant Cell: 9869375099

73,
Basappa Arbole
VU2NXM
AT0BI/ATOEI/AT4HQG & VU7LD (Dec. 2006)
Cell: 9370855031

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3053. JOTA 2006 Station Details

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-10-13 11:09:33 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 3053 Message: 3053

Dear All

MARS is participating in 49th JOTA 2006 on 21st & 22nd October 2006
and will be QRV on 40/20/15/10M/2M & 70CM from following locations in
Mumbai & Thane:

1. Our Lady of Salvation High School
Near Portugese Church, Dadar(W)
Headed by VU2IVO & VU2UBP

2. Shanti Nagar High School
Sector-2, Mira Road (E)
Headed by VU2UGO

Members can participate in this event by visiting the nearby JOTA
station. Please confirm the station timings from respective
station-in-charge before your visit.

73
Sandip VU2UGO
JOTA Event Coordinator
MO-9820272837

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vu2ugo@...
MSN & Y! ID : sandipadiwarekar
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3054. October Quiz

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-10-13 11:18:36 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 3054 Message: 3054
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3055. Re: October Quiz - Answer

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-10-20 07:18:48 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 3055 Message: 3055
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3056. Join my SoonR network and earn $10

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-10-21 07:24:05 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 3056 Message: 3056

Hi there,

Come join my SoonR network and make free international
calls from your cell phone. The download is free and
you can earn $10 for trying it out (it will help me
earn $10, too!).

Please take a moment to view my personal invitation by
clicking below:

http://share.soonr.com/r/4824e066b22510298408

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3057. Thank you from mjaitley@yahoo.com

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-10-21 13:41:33 UTC
From: soonr.com on behalf of mjaitley@yahoo.com
Topic: 3057 Message: 3057

This automated notification from share.soonr.com is to inform you that your friend, mjaitley@... is now one step closer to receiveing their $10 thanks to you.

Remember, you can view the status of all your own referrals and invite more friends by visiting your status page at

http://share.soonr.com/?PC=STATUS

If you do not want to receive these notices, use this link:

http://share.soonr.com/?PC=EMAIL

share.soonr.com / PMB# 210 2440 16th Street / San Francisco, CA 94103-4211

3058. Diwali greetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-10-22 16:52:13 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 3058 Message: 3058
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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3059. Fw: [m_a_r_s] Join my SoonR network and earn $10

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-10-23 14:34:36 UTC
From: Farokh Irani
Topic: 3059 Message: 3059

thanks mukesh...its great
----- Original Message -----
From: "Mr Mukesh Jaitley" <mjaitley@...>
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 21, 2006 12:54 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Join my SoonR network and earn $10

> Hi there,
>
> Come join my SoonR network and make free international
> calls from your cell phone. The download is free and
> you can earn $10 for trying it out (it will help me
> earn $10, too!).
>
> Please take a moment to view my personal invitation by
> clicking below:
>
>
>
> http://share.soonr.com/r/4824e066b22510298408
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>
> ~---~
> Do You Yahoo!?
> Tired of spam? Yahoo! Mail has the best spam protection around
> http://mail.yahoo.com
>
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>
> Yahoo! Groups Links
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3060. JOTA 2006 - Snaps Ham Station at Shanti Nagar H.S. Mira Road

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-11-10 08:32:06 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 3060 Message: 3060
Attachments: 8 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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3061. Re: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2006 - Snaps Ham Station at Shanti Nagar H.S. Mira Road

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-11-11 11:51:50 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 3060 Message: 3061

great snaps sundeeeeep.
looks as if the flame of ham radio is always glowing with you also . good chief, keep it up
vu2 zrs m.no1

----- Original Message -----
From: Sandip Adiwarekar <vu2ugo@...>
Date: Friday, November 10, 2006 2:07 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] JOTA 2006 - Snaps Ham Station at Shanti Nagar H.S. Mira Road
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, mars-academy@yahoogroups.com

> Ham Station at Shanti Nagar High School Mira Road
>
> Next Email - JOTA'06 - Report - Mira Road
> --
> ========================
> vu2ugo@...
> MSN & Y! ID : sandipadiwarekar
> ========================
>

Fortune Cookie India
300 , cawasji hormasji patel street
marine lines
mumbai 2
tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

3062. cross post from VUHams: Grid Squares using Google Maps

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-12-06 05:28:28 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 3062 Message: 3062

Hi

Wonderful Link for GRID Locator...tried working perfect

Huzefa VU2HIT

----- Original Message -----
From: Binu VU2NGB
To: VUHAMS
Sent: Wednesday, December 06, 2006 3:53 AM
Subject: [SPAM] [VUHams] Grid Squares using Google Maps

Laurent, F6FVY, has programmed a tool based on Google Earth so that you can click on any spot in the world and automatically the corresponding full grid locator is being displayed. Just go to http://f6fvy.free.fr/qthLocator/fullScreen.html and adjust the map to the desired resolution. Then just click on the spot you want to know and a small window pops up with longitude, latitude and...ww-grid.

73

Binu

3063. cross post VUHams Remote access to Radio VERY INTERESTING

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-12-07 14:12:16 UTC
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT
Topic: 3063 Message: 3063

----- Original Message -----
From: Jalaludeen CA
To: vusat@yahoogroups.com ; vuhams@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, December 07, 2006 7:01 PM
Subject: [SPAM] [VUHams] FW:Remote access to Radio

Saw this on Echolink yahoogroup and thought it could be of interest ...

73s
Jalal, VU2CAJ

Randy Hall <listk7age@...> wrote:
To: echolink@yahoogroups.com
From: "Randy Hall" <listk7age@...>
Date: Wed, 6 Dec 2006 09:01:41 -0800
Subject: Re: [echolink] Re: Remote access to Radio

HI,

I have done something similar, but it has nothing to do with echolink. But it does require two computers.

I have software on my radio computer that controls the radio. I use TRX-MANAGER, but there are others.

From my laptop, over my wireless, or from a hotel room in Beijing, I connect to my radio pc using logmein (www.logmein.com) with their free remote desktop software. Once connected, I am controlling the radio pc and controlling the radio. (I have this also on my general pc and I can remotely help my wife when she needs a bit of assistance.)

I set up both computers each with their own Skype account, more free software. I set Skype on my radio pc to automatically answer the call. Now I have audio linked. I may add a web cam to the radio pc, then I could see the hamshack too!

I use the Skype audio link to pass audio back and forth between the pcs for voice modes. Since my radio is a TS-2000 I can run HF/VHF/UHF. I can run MMSSTY, MMTTY, and Digipan on the radio pc, remotely for digital QSOs. With the digital modes the skype is providing audio for monitoring, but not for transmission.

I just added a simple relay board on the radio pc's parallel port connected across my antenna switch to change antennas. Next is to add the serial interface into the rotator so that I can turn that. I am also looking at the Array Solutions Powermaster SWR meter with its pc software to monitor the xmitter output.

I also use QuickMix, to store and recall sound card setting.
www.msaxon.com/quickmix/ This makes it easy to have the sound card mixer set for each mode and be able to recall the settings by opening a file.

If I forget to set something on the radio computer, I have full control. The only thing I can't do is turn the radio pc on remotely! Does anyone know an easy way to get WakeON lan to work over the internet?

This may be way beyond what you are trying to do, but is lots of fun.

Randy
K7AGE
http://www.youtube.com/profile?user=K7AGE

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3064. Hello

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2006-12-27 05:04:58 UTC
From: Basappa Arabole
Topic: 783 Message: 3064

Dear All,

My New Cell No:9960671418. Old Relaince cell discontinued.

73,
VU2NXM

3065. YEAR OF JAMES BOND 2..007

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-01-01 03:11:16 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 783 Message: 3065

DEAR Hams wish you all a happy new year
love vu2zrs

----- Original Message -----
From: Basappa Arabole <basappaji@...>
Date: Wednesday, December 27, 2006 10:35 am
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Hello
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com

> Dear All,
>
> My New Cell No:9960671418. Old Relaince cell discontinued.
>
> 73,
> VU2NXM
>
>

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marine lines
mumbai 2
tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

3066. RADIO STUFF FOR SALE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-01-29 15:48:26 UTC
From: Sandesh Kamat
Topic: 3066 Message: 3066
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3067. Own QSL Card - old user

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-02-07 09:28:32 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3067 Message: 3067

Dear Members

I found my own callsign "vu2jpn" user's QSL card on
sale in ebay.

Now how to get back to seller? anybody to guide me
please?

http://cgi.ebay.co.uk/qsl-japanese-embassy-new-delhi-india-vu2jpn_W0QQitemZ200045387963QQihZ010QQcategoryZ38031QQcmdZViewItem#ebayphotohosting

73's

Jaiprakash vu2jpn

Any questions? Get answers on any topic at www.Answers.yahoo.com. Try it now.

3068. Digital modem program for Linux. Fldigi Version 1.23

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-02-07 20:30:34 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 3068 Message: 3068

Hello ALL,

You may find this interesting.

Dave Freese has just released version 1.2 of Fldigi, a popular new program for Linux and FreeBSD which enables amateur radio operators to join their radios and their computers at the hip and create a new kind of ham shack: a digital ham shack. Here's the story behind both the rising popularity of "sound card" digital modes in amateur radio and how Fldigi lets you enjoy enjoy them on Linux.

http://www.w1hkj.com/Fldigi.html

http://www.w1hkj.com/index.htm

73

Harsh Vardhan

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3069. Re: [m_a_r_s] Own QSL Card - old user

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-02-08 04:43:31 UTC
From: kiran padiyar
Topic: 3067 Message: 3069

Dear JPN,
Its common on ebay that rare QSLs on auction. If this is actually your QSL, i think reciever is no longer interested in keeping the stock with him. (but it dates back to 1980, were you licensed then?!)

JR1BMU Akihiro Aoki, had this call sign when he was in serving in Delhi for Japanese Foriegn Service.

I think VU2JPN was reissued to you by WPC after Akihiro surrenderred his ticket.

I don;t think there is anything to be concerned. Good info about JR1BMU can be found on QRZ.COM

W0/VU3KPL

Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...> wrote: Dear Members

I found my own callsign "vu2jpn" user's QSL card on
sale in ebay.

Now how to get back to seller? anybody to guide me
please?

http://cgi.ebay.co.uk/qsl-japanese-embassy-new-delhi-india-vu2jpn_W0QQitemZ200045387963QQihZ010QQcategoryZ38031QQcmdZViewItem#ebayphotohosting

73's

Jaiprakash vu2jpn

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3070. Re: [m_a_r_s] Own QSL Card - old user

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-02-08 04:51:10 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 3067 Message: 3070

That's nice info KiRAN.
Vu2cbu

On 2/8/07, kiran padiyar <kiran_padiyar@...> wrote:
> Dear JPN,
> Its common on ebay that rare QSLs on auction. If this is actually your QSL,
> i think reciever is no longer interested in keeping the stock with him. (but
> it dates back to 1980, were you licensed then?!)
>
> JR1BMU Akihiro Aoki, had this call sign when he was in serving in
> Delhi for Japanese Foriegn Service.
>
> I think VU2JPN was reissued to you by WPC after Akihiro surrenderred his
> ticket.
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> I don;t think there is anything to be concerned. Good info about JR1BMU can
> be found on QRZ.COM
>
> W0/VU3KPL
>
> Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...> wrote:
> Dear Members
>
> I found my own callsign "vu2jpn" user's QSL card on
> sale in ebay.
>
> Now how to get back to seller? anybody to guide me
> please?
>
> http://cgi.ebay.co.uk/qsl-japanese-embassy-new-delhi-india-vu2jpn_W0QQitemZ200045387963Q
QihZ010QQcategoryZ38031QQcmdZViewItem#ebayphotohosting
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> 73's
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==< Thank you for spending your valuable time here-- Prashant Koli >==

3071. Re: [m_a_r_s] Own QSL Card - old user

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-02-08 10:41:04 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3067 Message: 3071

Tnx. I knew its old user vu2jpn's qsl card.

I had a chat on 25/1/07 with vu2rak om rakesh from New Delhi who had helped these Japanese guy to get the Indian callsign during 1980 and later on surrendered.

I was much interested to get the seller on ebay who included these qsl card on sale.

Surely of no concern but I want to have info for my knowledge. I knew I am the second user of vu2jpn since 1997 and some one had earlier operated as vu2jpn during 80's since his contacts records where found during google search for vu2jpn.

Thank you kiran for letting me know the orignal old user of vu2jpn - JR1BMU Akihiro Aoki -

73's have a nice time and hope you are still available on echo link.

de vu2jpn

--- Prashant Koli <prashant.koli@...> wrote:

> That's nice info KiRAN.
> Vu2cbu
>
> On 2/8/07, kiran padiyar <kiran_padiyar@...>
> wrote:
> > Dear JPN,
> > Its common on ebay that rare QSLs on auction. If
> this is actually your QSL,
> > i think reciever is no longer interested in
> keeping the stock with him. (but
> > it dates back to 1980, were you licensed then?!)
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> when he was in serving in
> > Delhi for Japanese Foriegn Service.
> >
> > I think VU2JPN was reissued to you by WPC after
> Akihiro surrenderred his
> > ticket.
> >
> > I don;t think there is anything to be concerned.
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> >
> > W0/VU3KPL
> >
> > Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...> wrote:
> > Dear Members
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> > I found my own callsign "vu2jpn" user's QSL card
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> > sale in ebay.
> >
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hZ010QQcategoryZ38031QQcmdZViewItem#ebayphotohosting
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> www.Answers.yahoo.com. Try it
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> > Finding fabulous fares is fun.
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> sites to find flight and
> > hotel bargains.
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>
> --
> ==< Thank you for spending your valuable time here--
> Prashant Koli >==
>

8:00? 8:25? 8:40? Find a flick in no time
with the Yahoo! Search movie showtime shortcut.

http://tools.search.yahoo.com/shortcuts/#news

3072. Revised ARRL Band Chart available (Feb 22, 2007)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-02-26 10:54:34 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 3072 Message: 3072

A new ARRL band chart reflecting all changes to the FCC Amateur Radio Service rules as of February 23, 2007, is available for downloading on the ARRL Web site in either black and white or color versions. Created by ARRL Senior Technical Illustrator, Dave Pingree, N1NAS, the attractive new chart represents a major change from earlier designs. This is the same chart featured in the eight-page "Welcome" tear-out section in March QST (following page 48). The entire QST tearout also is available for downloading in PDF format.

http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/bands.html

http://www.arrl.org/?artid=7232

Check out the all-new Yahoo! Mail beta - Fire up a more powerful email and get things done faster.

3073. Holi

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-03-04 12:39:25 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 3073 Message: 3073
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3074. Prashant has Tagged you! :)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-03-11 15:28:54 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 3074 Message: 3074

Prashant has Tagged you! :)
(http://www.taggedmail.com/welcome.html?conn=1uh9eqsj8&ect=3r954s6&tId=130065&fid=0d8c80bde440aecd)

Prashant K, 46

India

Prashant K has added you as a friend

Is Prashant K your friend?
(http://www.taggedmail.com/welcome.html?conn=1uh9eqsj8&ect=3r954s6&tId=130065&fid=0d8c80bde440aecd)
Please respond or Prashant may think you said no :(

Click here (http://www.taggedmail.com/no_more.html?unsem=m_a_r_s%40yahoogroups.com&tId=130065&fid=0d8c80bde440aecd) to unsubscribe from Tagged, P.O. Box 193152 San Francisco, CA 94119-3152

3075. For kind info - Karnataka Mountaineering Association KMA 2007 Program Circular

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-03-27 06:44:23 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3075 Message: 3075

Dear Friends,

This is not an advertisement but for information so that your kids, grandkids become more active outdoors.

Kindly visit this url http://www.kmaindia.org and look into the Summer Camp for 10 to 15 Yr from 11th Apr to 16th Apr 2007 at Kollur and for those who are looking in for serious mountaineering stuff the following are the 2007 plans of Karnataka Mountaineering Association where I have been Life Member for more than three decades, this KMA is affliated to Indian Mountaineering Foundation, National Adventure Foundation and GETHNAA of Karnataka.

1. Climbing Expedition to Mt.Stok Kangri in Ladakh Region (20,450 Ft) 23th June to 11th July.
2. Trekking Expedition to Hampta Pass in Himachal Himalayas 21st May to 5th June 2007.
3. Trekking Expedition to Sundherdhunga/Sukhram Glaciers in Kumaon - Uttarkhand Himalayas
4. Trekking Expedition to Valley of Flowers and Hemkund Sabib in Garhwal Himalayas from 6th July to 20th July.
5. Trekking Expedtion to Kalindi Pass in Uttaranchal during Aug/Sep
6. Trekking Expedtion from Darcha to Lamayur in JK Himalayas in Sep/Oct.

Since the above programs are on First-come-first Served basis, do hurry up and contact the organisers.

Best of 73's
de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM

3076. Magnitude 6.2 Hindukush EQ felt in VU

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-04-03 06:21:00 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3076 Message: 3076

Dear Friends,

Today morning 8:35 AM IST Earthquake of 6.2 happening close to Kabul,
Afghanistan was felt in Pakistan and India

Here is the USGS link for more details
http://neic.usgs.gov/neis/bulletin/neic_asas_l.html

Our Indian Meteorological Department site is
http://www.imd.ernet.in/main_new.htm

Aftershocks will soon follow. Do keep watch on the proceedings and
do update your IQ on this subject.

Best of 73's

de LionAjoy VU2JHM
Disaster Communication Co-Ordinator,
Amateur Radio Society of India - ARSI

3077. disasters are we ready?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-04-10 08:24:27 UTC
From: vu2dce
Topic: 3077 Message: 3077

WANDE MATARAM

06/04/07

Respected ARES seniors,

Since last after the 11/7 incident none of the ARES meeting has been taken, all the knowledge what we are given is on standby, we need to check our gears also make a list of the gears with the team and can try to increase them.

The main purpose to come out of the sleep was:

Very sorry to say that some person has predicted a huge earthquake in or near Bombay,
May god make his prediction wrong, but then to I would prefer to DIG A WELL BEFORE FIRE.

May be I may be wrong and maybe too foolish to trust a person but then too I don't see any harm to brush up all the knowledge, systems and have a mock drill . what I have suggestion in my mind:
Having a meeting of old new ARES members.
Going for a mock drill with required gears
Making teams
Locating locations
Having some body that has to manage the ARES.(HOD)
Suggestions from other members.
Training of the new batches who are interested in ARES.
Etc etc etc etc

This is what I think please guide if there's some thing wrong.

Please reply with suggestion with suitable time for the above things.

WANDE MATARAM

VU2DCE

3078. Fwd: [ILUG-BOM] [Announce] the "MOWGLI" mailing list on mesh for Mumbai

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-05-02 14:54:24 UTC
From: Sriram N
Topic: 3078 Message: 3078

--- Vickram Crishna <v1clist@...> wrote:

> Date: Tue, 1 May 2007 20:22:59 +0100 (BST)
> From: Vickram Crishna <v1clist@...>
> To: linuxers@...-bom.org, mowgli@...
> Subject: [ILUG-BOM] [Announce] the "MOWGLI" mailing list on mesh for Mumbai
>
> The Mowgli mailing list has just opened up at
> http://recurrencies.net/mailman/listinfo/mowgli_recurrencies.net
>
> To subscribe, mail mowgli-subscribe@...
> and reply to the mail in the standard automated
> process verifier.
>
> The list will serve as a discussion ground for the
> deployment and use of a open mesh network for people
> in Mumbai to use. The primary objective is to build a
> local rich data functioning municipal area wireless
> mesh network open to all, with arms-length punctuated
> Internet access a future possibility.
>
> Anyone willing to either help build the network, using
> known mesh technology and community owned and run
> hardware, or to build projects (art, games,
> catalogues, collaborative performances etc) that will
> showcase network capabilities, or to research open
> technologies to optimally strengthen the network, or
> to research and develop new technology layers on the
> network, or to collectively build or provide access to
> storage layers to power data resources, or *anything*
> not covered in the previous descriptions but have the
> possibility of growing value for all, please do join
> in and let's get the ball rolling.
>
> fyi the first mesh node was built by LUGgers at HBCSE
> last month, and this list has grown out of the
> person-to-person discussions following that, to look
> for ways to bring this technology to bear for this
> *urban* area. Aside from Nagarjuna and myself, artists
> and educators and techie enthusiasts are coming
> together in the hope that more such efforts will
> catalyse the Mumbai mesh into self-sustaining growth.
>
> The practical functioning of the mesh will depend on

> and grow together from many community level networks
> in discrete but contiguous parts of the city. As far
> as the technology goes, we look for expertise (now and
> in the future) in antenna construction, hardware
> refabrication, OLSR, streaming, data cacheing and
> database management, content management and many more.
> We are lucky that listmembers here live in wide-spread
> areas of the city, and hope they will use the
> preliminary workshops and events conceptualised and
> being planned, to learn and to teach others to build
> out from there.
>
> Welcome.
>
> Vickram
>
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> _____
> Yahoo! Answers - Got a question? Someone out there knows the answer. Try it
> now.
> http://uk.answers.yahoo.com/
>
> --
> http://mm.glug-bom.org/mailman/listinfo/linuxers
>

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Do You Yahoo!?
Tired of spam? Yahoo! Mail has the best spam protection around
http://mail.yahoo.com

3079. Yahoogroups settings by remote control

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-05-04 10:47:26 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 3079 Message: 3079

You can send blank emails to our yahoo group and change your settings. These emails need to be sent from your id that is subscribed to the groups.

For individual emails to be received as they were sent from the sender send
a blank email to
m_a_r_s-normal@yahoogroups.com (I would recommend "digest" and "traditional" settings -see below)

For other such commands send a blank email to
the above id by replacing the word after the hyphen as below

digest = converting all emails of the day to a single email in a
digest format
fullfeatured = to include the hajaar garbage and masala text that comes with
the current mail (most of you are currently in this mode - I suggest you change to
traditional and see the difference- you can always change back)
traditional = to remove the hajaar garbage and masala text
nomail = to switch off receiving mails when you are on vacation (you can
still read them at www.groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/messages)

unsubscribe = to remove your existing id from our list
subscribe = to join our group with another id
(use this pair to change the id where you want to receive mails -
caution ---> do the unsubscribe first)

Note that I have disabled all attachments so if you want to share an
attachment you have to upload it in the files section of our group here -
www.groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/files

When you want to reply to the group, ensure that the "To" address on your screen is
m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com

Have fun,
de
VU2NHR
(Nirav)

3080. HF YAGI FOR SALE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-05-08 04:08:21 UTC
From: Sandesh Kamat
Topic: 3080 Message: 3080
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3081. DELTON COAX TO GIVE AWAY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-05-09 08:14:14 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3081 Message: 3081

HI GUYS (AND GIRLS IF THERE ARE ANY) I HAVE ABOUT 25 METRES OF DELTON RG 213 COAX TO GIVE AWAY I AM CONTACTABLE ON 9821207296. ROOMY VU2GTE

3082. sos frequency

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-06-04 08:36:51 UTC
From: vu2dce
Topic: 3082 Message: 3082

31.05.07

Respected HAMS,

I had been to KUTCH & various places in GUJRAT. During this visit I just thought of some changes to be made in the 2 meter communication practices.
This is my thought from my no of experiences.
During my stay in KUTCH there was no activity.

But while back I visited AHEMADABAD, GANDHINAGAR, BHARUCH, and BULSAD.

We have hams in all this areas having communications on individual frequencies,
For example GANDHINAGAR 145.400 ☐ shift.

Since I am using GP300 programmed handy I was not able to trigger repeater.
And again to know the frequencies I had to call vu2cpv from my cell.
Apart from all this touch wood there was no need to give any distress call.

Not joking but a very serious thought came that god forbids if some thing happens and some body as per the protocol gives a distress call on 145.500 every body knows is a disaster frequency no body is there to listen the SOS. All the repeaters are on different frequency and even the simplex conversation are on different frequency so the person will not get any help and .

CAN WE

Change all the repeaters of INDIA on the same frequencies 145.500 ☐ shift.

We may have some problems like the Bombay, Thane, Pune repeaters will get some problem but if we try we can get solutions to that, we have lots of experts like IIA SFN UGO NLF etc.

All the simplex conversation should be on the same frequencies 145.500

Temporary going to other frequencies when this is busy all together a different issue but when no conversation receiving should be ON on 145.500.

This will help us a lot when ever somebody is going to any city where there is HAM population he has to just tune 145.500 he is in business and any type of SOS will be received in the respective range. And as

far as repeaters QRM is concerned if every body is convinced there will be surely some solution.

Dear hams this is my thought, may be I may be wrong what I think is just from my no of experiences during every disasters I worked (EVEN WHEN I WAS NOT A HAM)

So please consider the thought and reply with your view because learning is a continuous process and may be you can teach me some thing new and even correct me where I am wrong.
This topic was even discussed with vu2cpv when I had a eyeball with him during my visit at GANDHI NAGAR.

Please reply

73'S
WANDE MATARAM

Vu2dce
DARRSHU

3083. Ham Radio - Children's Day

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-06-15 02:33:59 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3083 Message: 3083

Dear Friends

June 16, 2007 - CQ KID'S DAY

Let's have KID's QSO on June 16, 2007.

As we have lots of hams and activities on air now on 2mtrs, I request all to make this day Mumbai KID'S QSO on 2mtrs a success.

So do bring Harmonics and their friends too on air on 2mtrs may be from 2100hrs to 2300hrs on Mumbai as well as Thane Repeaters and let them also check into Night Owls' Net.

73's de vu2jpn

Dates: January 7, 2007 and June 16, 2007.

June QST Story (PDF)

http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html

CQ KID'S DAY DE WA9LGQ

Fun was the apparent result of a successful recipe--a recipe that included lots of preplanning, food, and Ham Radio. At the Indianapolis the Red Cross Chapter house, the Red Cross radio disaster group sponsored its very first Kids Day event. [Full Story] Time: 1800 to 2400Z. No limit on operating time.

Suggested exchange: Name, age, location and favorite color. You are encouraged to work the same station again if an operator has changed. Call "CQ Kid's Day."

Suggested Frequencies: 28350 to 28400 kHz, 24960 to 24980, 21360 to 21400 kHz, 18140 to 18145 kHz,14270 to 14300 kHz, 7270 to 7290 kHz, and 3740 & 3940 kHz. 2-meter repeater frequencies with permission from your area repeater sponsor. Observe third party traffic restrictions when making DX QSOs.

Reporting: Logs and comments may be posted on the Internet. Those without Internet access may forward comments to the Boring Amateur Radio Club (address below).

Awards: All participants are eligible to receive a
colorful certificate (it becomes the child's
personalized sales brochure on ham radio). You can
download this certificate for free, customized with
the kids' names, after filling out our Kid's Day
Survey, or send a 9 X 12 SASE to: Boring Amateur Radio
Club, PO Box 1357; Boring, OR 97009. More details may
be obtained by joining the Kid's Day Reflector.

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3084. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ham Radio - Children's Day

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-06-15 05:45:31 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 3083 Message: 3084

deare jpn
sounds like a very good idea .
i am in for it . advice when ?
73's zyros zend
vu2zrs
m.no.1 M.A.R.S

----- Original Message -----
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...>
Date: Friday, June 15, 2007 8:05 am
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Ham Radio - Children's Day
To: tara1@yahoogroups.com, m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com, m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com,
cqmumbai@yahoogroups.com

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fortunecookie@...

3085. KID'S DAY JUNE 16, 2007

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-06-15 17:06:24 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3085 Message: 3085

Dear Ziros

KID'S DAY MESSAGE I got it today 15/06/07 morning.
It's a short notice to inform all and also could not
check into Night Owl's net today.

May be I will be on Air from 2100 to 2300 IST on June
16, 2007. In case Kids comes in can have QSO and also
I will inform Wispi to check the kids into Night Owl's
net.

73'S DE VU2JPN

QUOTE :

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3086. Hum hai na, say Hams!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-07-04 02:12:31 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 3086 Message: 3086
Attachments: 4 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hum hai na, say Hams!

When the weather gets bad, Mumbai's Ham radio operators get cracking

REAGAN GAVIN RASQUINHA Times News Network

When it rains, it certainly does pour. And Mumbai has seen ample evidence of that old maxim. While the city is slowly getting back to normal, with a brief respite from the rains, the weather forecast for the days ahead is literally a gamble. But Mumbai's Ham radio operators, who quietly, resolutely and efficiently were in their element during the weekend's downpour and floods, are unperturbed. Operating from town till Thane, Zyros Zend (call sign vu2zrs), Huzefa Merchant (vu2hit), Girish Shukla (vu2lnz) and Ankur Puranik (vu2axn) from the Mumbai Ham Radio Association were out
in the field, doing their bit for the safety of the public.
As soon as ominous rumblings were heard on Saturday, the group convened. "We met in the morning and prepared ourselves for the day. In the monsoon, there's bound to be floods and chaos. Fortunately, mobile phone services were not hit on the weekend. We started from Nariman Point as our control station is in Colaba," says Ankur. They don't rely on the bulletins of the Meteorological Department (at Navy Nagar) for weather updates. Hams get their own weather images via satellite. "We had Hams sitting in the disaster control cells at Mantralaya, in the BMC and NMMC (Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation)," says Zyros.
But in an era of cellphone technology, how do these widely dispersed Ham operators do their job? What is their utility? "Unlike cellphones, Ham radios never get jammed. One of us sits with the BMC, another at the NMMC (Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation) and the other with the Fire Department. We have other Ham operators with handsets roaming the city in a radio-equipped vehicle. These people radio information about which areas are flooded, where a tree has collapsed or where people are stranded. Then, the BMC, police or Fire Brigade sends a team out there. Basically we help the authorities, functioning as extra manpower and relaying emergency messages," says Zyros.
Adds Ham operator Girish
Shukla, who was also in the thick of things on 30/7, "One of our Ham friends, Mahesh Watkar (vu2iia), provided an important service by downloading satellite weather images for us from the internet and giving it to the authorities. This information is separate to that obtained by the weather bureau."
While the Meteorological Department at Navy Nagar cautions of "intermittent heavy to very heavy showers in parts of the city and the suburbs with strong gusty winds" over the next few days, the Ham operators continue to monitor their satellite images as well as the data that they gather from the field. The Hams advise, "We get satellite images twice a day. But the weather could turn suddenly. So take precautions," warns Zyros.
reagan.gavin@...

(l to r) Ankur Puranik, Zyros Zend, Kaushik Sanghvi, Huzefa Merchant and Girish Shukla
Welcome to the sparkling world of gemstones

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3087. Yaseu world colour maps .final count . 7 COLOUR MAPS & 3 BLACK - WHITE. any more ?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-07-05 07:02:41 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 3086 Message: 3087

dear mars

as of now the yaseu coloured world maps required are :-

vu2 cdp 2 colour maps

vu2 aih 2 colour maps and 2 black and white maps

vu2 nyt 2 clour maps

dinesh patel m.no.27 SWL 1 colour map

vu2 sfh surendra shetty 1 black and white map

Any one else wanting the world yaseu colour maps for Rs 120/- cost to cost and black and white Rs 30 /- cost to cost

please reply soon .

73's
vu2 zrs
m.no. 1
MARS

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fortunecookie@...

3088. Re: [m_a_r_s] Yaseu world colour maps .final count . 7 COLOUR MAPS & 3 BLACK - WHITE. any more ?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-07-05 11:25:26 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3086 Message: 3088

Zrs
pls make a correction. I want 1 colored map.

On 7/5/07, fortunecookie@... <fortunecookie@...> wrote:
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3089. Re: [m_a_r_s] Yaseu world colour maps .final count . 7 COLOUR MAPS & 3 BLACK - WHITE. any more ?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-07-05 12:51:13 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 3086 Message: 3089

Hey guys who want maps (whether colour or black and white),

I've got news for you.

1. Less than 10 of you are sending mails to a huge group of people.
2. Typically the first mail should read - I am co-ordinating this activity - these are the details - whoever is interested email me OFF-LIST ON such-and-such email id.
3. The guy who sent the email in #2 above sends a cc to all who email him and all subsequent discussion can be executed by using the "Reply All" button.

Now one more email that is not meant for ALL on this list is going to cause something somewhere to be struck by lightning! :)

regards,
Nirav

ps: For those who did not understand any of this, email Zyros to HIS email id and I am sure he will use his cc function.

----- Original Message -----
From: Surendra Shete
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2007 4:55 PM
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Yaseu world colour maps .final count . 7 COLOUR MAPS & 3 BLACK - WHITE. any more ?

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3090. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2007, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-07-05 19:56:50 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3090 Message: 3090

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

MARS ANNIVESARY
Friday July 6, 2007
1:30 pm - 1:30 am
(This event repeats every year.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 11 hours, 48 minutes.)

Notes:
Wishing All Members a Very Happy Anniversary and Congratulations to all Members on sucessfully promoting our wonderful hobby

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3091. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2007, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-07-06 07:43:18 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3090 Message: 3091

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

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3092. Congrats

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-07-06 09:24:59 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 2965 Message: 3092

Dear All

Long live MARS

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

73's

de VU2JPN

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3093. 2007 IARU HF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP CONTES

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-07-09 02:15:38 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3093 Message: 3093

2007 IARU HF World Championship Contest Rules
ARRL Contest Branch ? General Rules ? HF Rules

Organized and administered by the ARRL on behalf of
the IARU
1. Eligibility: All licensed amateurs worldwide.

2. Object: To contact as many other amateurs,
especially IARU member society HQ stations, around the
world as possible using the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10
meter bands.

3. Date and Contest Period: The second full weekend of
July, beginning 1200 UTC Saturday and ending 1200 UTC
Sunday (July 14-15 2007). Both Single and Multi
operator stations may operate the entire 24-hour
period.

4. Entry Categories:
4.1. Single Operator
4.1.1. Categories
4.1.1.1. Phone only ? High, Low and QRP power
levels
4.1.1.2. CW only ? High, Low, and QRP Power levels
4.1.1.3. Mixed mode ? High, Low and QRP Power
levels
4.1.2. One person performs all operating and logging
functions.
4.1.3. Use of spotting nets or packet is not
permitted.
4.1.4. All operators must observe the amateur radio
regulations of their country at all times.
4.1.5. Single operator stations are allowed only one
transmitted signal at any given time.

4.2. Multi Operator, Single Transmitter, Mixed Mode
only
4.2.1. Must remain on a band and mode for at least
10 minutes before changing bands or modes.
4.2.2. Only one transmitted signal is allowed at
any given time.
4.2.2.1. You are not allowed a second radio that
works only multipliers.
4.2.3. All operators must observe the amateur radio
regulations of their country at all times.
4.2.4. Violation of the band change rules will

reclassify the entry as a checklog.

4.3. IARU Member Society HQ Station
4.3.1. May have only one transmitted signal per band mode (160 CW, 160 Phone, 80 CW, 80 Phone, 40 CW, 40 Phone, 20 CW, 20 Phone, 15 CW, 15 Phone, 10 CW, 10 Phone) at the same time.
4.3.2. All stations involved in an HQ operation must be in a single ITU zone.
4.3.3. Only one HQ station callsign per member society per frequency band is permitted.
4.3.4. All operators must observe the amateur radio regulations of their country at all times.

5. Contest Exchange:
5.1. IARU member society HQ stations send signal report and official IARU member society abbreviation. IARU International Secretariat club station NU1AW counts as a HQ station. Members of the IARU Administrative Council and the three IARU regional Executive committees send ?AC,? ?R1,??R2,? and ?R3? as appropriate.

5.2. All others send signal report and ITU zone.

5.3 A complete exchange must be logged for each valid QSO.

6. Valid Contact:
6.1. The same station may be worked once per mode per band for QSO credit.
6.1.1. Mixed-mode entries may work a station once per mode per band.

6.2. A station may only be worked for credit in the portion of the band that is generally accepted for the mode used.
6.2.1. On any band, a station may be worked once on Phone (in the Phone segment) and once on CW (in the CW segment).
6.2.2. Cross mode, cross band and repeater contacts are not valid QSOs.

6.3 Where contest-preferred segments are incorporated into regional band plans, participants must observe them.

6.4 The use of non-amateur radio means of communications (e.g. telephone or the Internet) for the purpose of soliciting a contact (or contacts) during the contest period is inconsistent with the spirit and intent of these rules.

6.5 Use of self-spotting techniques on packet or other mediums are inconsistent with the spirit and intent of these rules.

7. QSO Points:
7.1. Contacts within your own ITU zone, as well as QSOs with any IARU-member society HQ station or IARU official (counting as the special multiplier), count one point each.
7.1.1. Contacts with a station in the same ITU zone but on a different continent count one point.

7.2. Contacts within your continent (but different ITU zone) count three points.

7.3. Contacts with a different continent and IARU zone count five points.

8. Multipliers: The total number of ITU zones plus IARU member society HQ stations worked on each band (not mode.) IARU officials represent a maximum of four multipliers per band (AC, R1, R2 and R3)
8.1. IARU member society HQ stations and officials do not count for zone multipliers.

8.2. To qualify as the special multiplier, Administrative Council and Regional Executive Committee stations must only be operated by the individual station licensee as single operator entry.

9. Scoring: The total number of QSO points times the total number of multipliers worked.

10. Reporting:
10.1. Entries must be postmarked or emailed no later than 30 days after the end of the contest (August 14, 2007). No late entries can be accepted. Entries that are received after mid-October, 2007, even if mailed in time, may not be received in time to be included in the official results.

10.2. Electronic entries must conform to the Cabrillo file format.
10.2.1. The Cabrillo file format and specifications may be found at http://www.kkn.net/~trey/cabrillo/ or in the November 1999 issue of QST magazine.
10.2.2. Any entry which has been generated using a computer (either during the contest or after the contest) must be submitted either as an attachment to an email or on a 3.5? diskette.
10.2.3. Electronic files must use the entrant?s callsign as the file name.
10.2.4. The log file must be a chronological list of

QSOs as made not separated by band or mode.
10.2.5. Entries sent as attachments to email must be sent to IARUHF@...
10.2.5.1. Email entries must include the callsign used during the contest on the SUBJECT line of the email.
10.2.6. Entries sent on diskette should be mailed to: IARU HF Championship, IARU International Secretariat, Box 310905, Newington, CT 06111-0905 USA.
10.2.6.1. Diskettes must be clearly labeled with the station call sign, contest name, entry class and date.

10.3. Participants may submit their entry using the web applet found at www.b4h.net/cabforms

10.4. Paper logs must be in chronological order, not separated by bands, and clearly indicate for each contact: band, mode, date, time (in UTC) callsigns, complete exchanges sent and received, multipliers and QSO points.
10.4.1. Multipliers should be marked in the paper log only the first time they are worked on each band.
10.4.2. Paper logs with more than 500 QSO?s must include dupe sheets (an alpha-numeric list of all callsigns worked, broken down by band and mode.)
10.4.3. All contacts in paper logs must be in chronological order, not separated by bands.
10.4.4. Paper logs must be mailed to IARU International Secretariat, Box 310905, Newington, CT 06111-0905 USA and postmarked no later than August 9, 2007.

10.5. All paper entries must include an official summary sheet or reasonable facsimile thereof with complete contest information.

11. Awards:
11.1. A certificate will be awarded to the high scoring entry in each category in each ITU zone , each DXCC country and each ARRL Section.

11.2. A certificate will be awarded to the high scoring IARU member society HQ station.

11.3. Achievement level awards will be issued to those making at least 250 QSOs or having a multiplier total of 75 or more.

11.4 Additional awards may be made at the discretion of each country?s IARU member society.

12. Conditions of Entry: Each entrant agrees to be bound by the provisions of this announcement, by the regulations of his/her licensing authority, and by the decisions of the ARRL Awards Committee, acting for the IARU International Secretariat.

13. Disqualification: Any entry may be disqualified if the overall score is reduced by more than 2%.
13.1. For paper log entries:
13.1.1. Score reductions do not include correction of arithmetic errors;
13.1.2. Any entry may be disqualified if more than 2% of duplicate QSOs are left in the log and claimed for credit; and
13.1.3. A three-QSO reduction will be assessed for each duplicate QSO found during log checking or for miscopied callsigns.

For electronic logs, a one-QSO penalty will be assessed for a miscopied callsign.

14. Additional Rules. For situations not covered in these rules refer to the ARRL General Rules for All Contests and the ARRL Rules for Contests on Bands below 30 MHz..

15. For contest information, contact contests@...
or IARU HF Contest Information, PO Box 310905,
Newington, CT 06111-0905 USA.
15.1. Contest forms may be downloaded at:
http://www.iaru.org/contest.html

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3094. Fwd: [a-r-e-s] Briefing Meeting on 15th July 2007 at 13:30 Hours.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-07-12 09:40:22 UTC
From: Abhay Shah
Topic: 3094 Message: 3094

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3095. Fwd: [a-r-e-s] Meeting for Structure & SOP for Urban & Rural Disaster Communications on 15/07/2007

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-07-12 09:42:43 UTC
From: Abhay Shah
Topic: 3095 Message: 3095

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3096. Reg: Meeting for Structure & SOP for Urban & Rural Disaster Communications on 15/07/2007

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-07-12 11:17:33 UTC
From: Lion Ajoy
Topic: 3095 Message: 3096

Dear Nilesh - VU2NLF and Abhay Shah,

Greetings from Bangalore Amateur Radio Club - VU2ARC

Best Wishes for taking up the ARES in big way.

Do keep us posted on developments and any activity we
can participate from Bangalore.

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Life Member, Mumbai Amateur Radio Club

Secretary (2007-09), Bangalore Amateur Radio Club -
VU2ARC

Disaster Manager & Custodian, Lions Clubs
International Amateur (Ham) Radio Club Station -
VU2LCI

Disaster Communication Co-Ordinator, Amateur Radio
Society of India - ARSI

--- Abhay Shah <abhay69in@...> wrote:

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> Note: forwarded message attached.
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today.> To: Amateur Radio Emergency Service
> <a-r-e-s@yahoogroups.com>
> From: nilesh rathod <vu2nlf@...>
> Date: Thu, 12 Jul 2007 09:09:40 +0100 (BST)
> Subject: [a-r-e-s] Meeting for Structure & SOP for
> Urban & Rural Disaster Communications on 15/07/2007
>
> Dear Friends,
>
> India has become quite Disaster Prone, every year
> we are facing some disaster or the other may it be
> Earthquake, Floods or Bomb Blasts. During such
> emergencies, most of the time all the primary modes
> of communications fails and Ham Radio becomes the
> alternative mode of communication.

>
> In order to provide productive (Intelligent)
> Communication during such emergencies, we must have
> a proper plan of operation. Presently most of the
> time during such emergencies we find Hams just
> Ragchewing and no real help is provided.
>
> Our ARES team will now be called "Maharashta
> Amateur Radio Emergency Services" - MARES. This is
> in view of our tie-up with the Government of
> Maharashtra.
>
> MARES will have Have ham volunteers from all our
> Maharashtra, we shall train and prepare them so that
> they can provide vital communications during any
> emergencies.
>
> MARES will have a 3 Tier Structure and Hams can
> select their role and place in the MARES Team :
>
> 1. Core Team (Commando Team) for Rural and Urban
> Disaster. (HF/ VHF/ UHF)
> 2. Field Team for Urban Disaster (VHF / UHF) .
> 3. Fixed Station Team for Rural and Urban Disaster
> (HF /VHF/UHF).
>
> The complete Structure and "Standard Operating
> Procedures" shall be provided to you in detail (
> hard copy) at the meeting which is to be on
> 15/07/2007 at 13:30 Hours
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>
> Venue : B.S. Bengelle Girls school., Churchgate,
> Mumbai
>
> Date : 15/07/2007
>
> time : 13:30 - 15:30 Hours.
>
> All interested hams are requested to attend the
> meeting on time.
>
> Looking forward to having an eye ball with you.
>
> 73
> Nilesh, VU2NLF
> Head - ARES.
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> browser, without download.

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3097. Re: MARS Disclaimer - CORRECTION

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-07-13 10:52:11 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3097 Message: 3097

QSL Husefa, de vu2jpn

--- Huzefa Merchant <vu2hit@...> wrote:

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> THE LAST LINE IS REPHRASED AND SHOULD BE READ AS
> BELOW
>
> Member may kindly note Mumbai Amateur Radio
> Emergency Service(MARES) is not officially
> affiliated to Mumbai Amateur Radio Society and Abhay
> Shah VU2AIH has sent the mail for our information
> only, member willing to join MARES initiative may do
> so solely at their own risk & discretion, MARS or
> any of its Managing Commitee Member shall not be
> responsible arising out of any consequences
> thereofLong Live HAM RADIO !!!!yours SincerelyHuzefa
> Merchant VU2HITSecretary -
>
MARSMARS_____ONE
> WORLD.. ONE LANGUAGE.. AMATEUR RADIO..Huzefa
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> See what you?re getting into?before you go there.
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3098. for sale icom ic 736 hf + 6m

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-08-06 04:40:54 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3098 Message: 3098

Hi I have for sale an Icom IC 736 hf + 6 m rig in excellent condition
the rig has a built in automatic tuner and power supply anybody
interested call 9821207296 thanks Roomy

3099. Fwd: Seminar about ham

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-08-08 13:19:35 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3099 Message: 3099
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3100. Invitation to view Surendra's Picasa Web Album - The Great Escape Mahindra Rally

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-08-28 05:30:02 UTC
From: Surendra
Topic: 3100 Message: 3100
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

http://picasaweb.google.com/vu2sfh/TheGreatEscapeMahindraRally

3101. When All Else Fails... Amateur Radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-09-01 09:56:18 UTC
From: HVK
Topic: 3101 Message: 3101

"When All Else Fails... Amateur Radio," the ARRL's slogan calling attention to the fail-safe nature of the Amateur Radio Service, has never been more true for more of us than it is today.

By David Sumner, K1ZZ
September 1, 2007

http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2007/09/01/1/

Be a better Globetrotter. Get better travel answers from someone who knows.
Yahoo! Answers - Check it out.

3102. Hey M_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com ;)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-09-02 13:53:19 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 3102 Message: 3102

http://www.hi5.com/register/fh0wL?inviteId=A_9076632_Ppu6U5HKLFm151479858

Prashant

3103. Alert.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-09-13 03:10:13 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3103 Message: 3103

Dear All

From last few days, I am receiving some mails
automatically from my own email ID vu2jpn@...
which has not been sent by me.

This has happened when I did open one of the emails
sent by a ham which contained an adverisement of a
medical product.

Hence I request all, not to open my emails with
spurious subjects such as medical advertisements etc.

Best Regards

Jaiprakkash PV

Need a vacation? Get great deals
to amazing places on Yahoo! Travel.
http://travel.yahoo.com/

3104. Ganpati Visarjan Article.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-09-27 05:42:58 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3104 Message: 3104
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3105. Ham Radio Demo conducted at R.D.National College.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-09-30 05:50:21 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3105 Message: 3105
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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3106. Re: MARS Ham Radio Demo conducted at R.D.National College.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-09-30 11:10:27 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 3105 Message: 3106

dear M.A.R.S

Sure the demo was appreciated . good show for HAM RADIO FIELD

VU2ZRS
Mem.no.1 M.A.R.S

----- Original Message -----
From: Surendra Shete <vu2sfh@...>
Date: Sunday, September 30, 2007 11:21 am
Subject: MARS Ham Radio Demo conducted at R.D.National College.
To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com, m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com

> Hi,
>
> A ham radio demo was conducted on 29 Sept. 2007 at R.D. National
> College(Bandra) to create awareness about ham radio for the
> students of the Physics
> Dept. of the college. A power point presentation was presented by Ivor
> Periera (VU2IVO) to the 100 students & 15 staff members of the
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> live VHF demo. HF was setup but due to bad conditions, could not
> get any
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> Thanks.
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3107. [m_a_r_s] Re: MARS Ham Radio Demo conducted at R.D.National College.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-09-30 16:42:29 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 3105 Message: 3107
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Great Job,
Guys Kep It UP
Thanks to all Senior Members for taking efforts for this Job
73's

VU2KTW

Welcome to the sparkling world of gemstones

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mahavirgems@hotmail.com tel:
mobile: 2341 1546
9869164711

Want to always have my latest info? Want a signature like this?

----- Original Message -----
From: fortunecookie@...
To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: 30/09/2007 4:40 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Re: MARS Ham Radio Demo conducted at R.D.National College.

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3108. HAM STUFF FOR SALE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-10-07 02:14:32 UTC
From: Sandesh Kamat
Topic: 3108 Message: 3108
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3109. Special Postal Cover & Cancellation for 50th JOTA - Radio Scouting Event

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-10-14 17:41:03 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3109 Message: 3109

SPECIAL POSTAL COVER AND CANCELLATION
FOR 50th JOTA - THE RADIO SCOUTING EVENT
BY VU2ARC and VU2LCI

Bangalore Amateur Radio Club VU2ARC along with Lions Clubs International Amateur (Ham) Radio Club VU2LCI have got approved from Indian Postal Authorities ☐ Karnataka Postal Circle for Special Postal Cover which is multicolored denoting the Scout Centenary 2007 and World Scout Jamboree on the Air 50th Anniversary JOTA 2007 by Bharat Scouts & Guides, Karnataka INDIA de VU2LCI with VU2ARC. The Special Postal Cancellation depicts of Radio Scouting Logo giving callsigns of VU2ARC and VU2LCI.

Those who are interested in buying this Special Postal Cover affixed with Rs. 5/- stamp (Rose Fragrance Stamp) can do so at General Post Office, GPO, Bangalore on payment of Rs. 10/- (MRP fixed by Postal Department) and those who are interested for bulk purchase of above 25 covers may send Bank Demand Draft to "Lions International Stamp Club ☐ India Chapter" along with postage charges to VU2LCI.

Cheapest would be buying a Megadoot post card which costs 25 paisa and getting it affixed with Radio Scouting Special Postal Cancellation which is free of cost across the Philatelic Counter at GPO Bangalore on 20th October 2007. Of if you are posting any letters with appropriate valued stamps affixed you can do that in Philatelic Section of GPO Bangalore which will get Special Postal Cancellation which also is free of cost.

THIS IS THE FIRST POSTAL SPECIAL COVER AND SPECIAL POSTAL CANCELLATION WITH CALLSIGNS ON THEM FROM INDIA.

Anticipate that those Amateur Radio Societies and Clubs take this up and make use of this unique opportunity.

Best of 73's

de Lion Ajoy ☐ VU2JHM

Secretary, Bangalore Amateur Radio Club

Disaster Manager & Custodian, Lions Club International Amateur (Ham) Radio Club Station ☐ VU2LCI

Secretary, Lions International Stamp Club ☐ LISC ☐ India Chapter # 3.

3110. Change in Mobile number of Abhay Shah - VU2 AIH- New Nos: 09920023987

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-10-20 04:23:51 UTC
From: Abhay Shah
Topic: 3110 Message: 3110

Dear Friends,

Please make change in your data base for my new mobile number by replacing previous one with : 09920023987

Pl do the same as I would not be available on my old number from Monday onwards,

Thanks & Regards (73's)

Abhay Shah
VU2 AIH

For ideas on reducing your carbon footprint visit Yahoo! For Good this month.

3111. Invitation to view Surendra's Picasa Web Album - JOTA 2007

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-10-24 08:20:19 UTC
From: Surendra
Topic: 3111 Message: 3111
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

http://picasaweb.google.com/vu2sfh/JOTA2007

3112. Re: [m_a_r_s] Invitation to view Surendra's Picasa Web Album - JOTA 2007

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-10-25 01:40:44 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 3111 Message: 3112
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3113. National Disaster Reduction Day - AT7CD - Special Event Station

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-11-09 06:28:00 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3113 Message: 3113

Greetings from Bangalore Amateur Radio Club - VU2ARC

On the Occation of National Disaster Reduction Day being celebrated we had proposed for setting up Special Event Station from 15th to 17th Nobember 2007 to be operational from the venue of International Exhibition and Seminar at auditorium of St. Joseph's Indian Boy's High School, Vittal Mallya Road, Bangalore.

The following group of 14 Amateur (Ham) Radio Volunteers have been issued with special callisgn to operate from this Special Event

VU2JHM - Ajoy ; VU2UR - Manohar (Arasu) ; VU2GGM - Girimaji ; VU2LNN - Nagesh ; VU2LX - Lakshman ; VU2POP - Pratap ; VU2GUR - Guru ; VU2QNY - Ismail ; VU2LU - Ramesh ; VU3NOI - Suresh ; VU2CML - Satish ; VU3HDP Suresh ; VU3HDK - Sridhar and SWL122 - Yugadhi

This Special Permission, Callsign is allocated by the Government of India , Ministry of Communications & Information Technology, Department of Telecommunications, WPC Wing, Amateur Section, New Delhi vide letter No. L-14011/640/2007-AMT Dated 8th November 2007.

The same group would be participating in the 3rd Emergency Communication Party on the Air from their respective home QTH as Emergency Communication Exercise on 11th November 2007 which is included in the above permission granted by the Government of India. Special Postal Cover with Special Postal Cancellation on occation of "National Disaster Reduction Day" is going to be issued by the Postal Authorities on 15th Novemeber 2007 with efforts from VU2LCI - Lions International Stamp Club - LISC India Chapter # 3.

Do look out for AT7CD and work for getting Special QSL Card which we propose to bring out. More details write to Bangalore Amateur Radio Club - VU2ARC on email vu2arc@...

Best of 73's

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM

Secretary, Bangalore Amateur Radio Club - VU2ARC

Secretary, Lions International Stamp Club - LISC - India Chapter # 3.

Disater Manager & Custodian,
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Emergency Communications Co-Ordinator,
Amateur Radio Society of India - ARSI

PS:- Do note that Bangalore Amateur Radio Club - VU2ARC formed in year 1959 is getting ready for Golden Jubliee celebrations - do be with us in true tradition of Amateur Radio - A Club for hobby happy hams.

3114. Standard Chartered Mumbai Marathon 2008

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-11-28 07:25:09 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3114 Message: 3114
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3115. Re: [cqmumbai] CW and the State of Our 'Hobby'

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-12-04 02:59:30 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3115 Message: 3115

Dear Huzefa.

Thank you for this email.

Lets enjoy this hobby of Ham Radio at its first place always. 73's de vu2jpn.

Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT <vu2hit@...> wrote:
extract from a link http://www.eham.net/articles/17503 CW and the State of Our 'Hobby'Daniel R. Quintiliani (K3DRQ) on November 6, 2007
I was recently thinking again about the repeal of the CW requirement and came to realize something important. Thanks to the efforts of the ARRL (not renewing my membership this year) and our government, ham radio is increasingly being marketed as a utility and public service and not a hobby. While it's always a good thing to help out in an emergency, we are forgetting the fact that ham radio is primarily a hobby. Emergencies are best left to the police, fire, and ambulance crowd. Besides, that is one of the core reasons we pay our taxes. We are now tying radio with the Internet via Winlink and the HSMM/Hinternet proposals. We also have Echolink, which has nothing to do with ham radio, but is rather a combination of a glorified instant messaging "boy's club" limited to ham operators. We are forgetting the fact that ham radio is primarily a hobby. At least, that's why I got into the hobby ten years ago. The new Techs coming in are treating it as a utility and cellular phone system, not realizing the fun of propagation and working distant stations.
This is why bands such as 15 and 10 meters are pretty much dead. Pretty soon, we'll lose more frequencies to business interests and be down to one or two "citizen's bands."
If we are serious about continuing the hobby during the next century and beyond, we need to market it as the "fun" that it is. This includes the fun of working 10 meter SSB in low sunspot years during Sporadic E skip days, the "retro" and historic nature of CW, and the QRP movement. Otherwise, why not just use the Internet or a cell phone? Repealing the CW requirement is a prime example of this trend. Whether it is "necessary" or not (it is still technically the second most efficient mode next to PSK31 and doesn't require a computer), it is still a highly important aspect of the hobby. 5 WPM isn't that difficult, and shouldn't scare people away from the hobby. -- At least from my perspective (I started out as a 5 WPM Tech Plus in 1997 and upgraded to a 13 WPM General two years later). Let's remember that ham radio is primarily a hobby, and should stay that way if it is going to last in the future. (Note: Before you accuse me of being too old and too nostalgic, know that I just turned 23 two months ago.) 73, Dan K3DRQ

article courtsey Deepak VU2CDP
73
Huzefa VU2HIT

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3116. Re: MARS COngartulation VU2ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-12-13 10:00:06 UTC
From: Percy Dubash
Topic: 3116 Message: 3116

Three Cheers for Zyros & His Family - hip hip hurray!! Bun Pav & Maska Zindabad!!!!

VU2PCO

----- Original Message ----
From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT <vu2hit@...>
To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com; Mars Groups <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>; marsacademy2007@yahoogroups.com; mars-academy@yahoogroups.com; cqmumbai <cqmumbai@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2007 3:18:03 PM
Subject: MARS COngartulation VU2ZRS

It is an honour for Mumbai Amateur Radio Society to have a member who is diversified into various fields... cookery, farming, bakery and last not the least Ham Radio.

A member who has been honoured and felicitated by the Governor of Maharashtra for preserving the rich heritage of Mumbai.

I on behalf of the society congratulate our Founder Member No. 1 Mr. Zyros Zend VU2ZRS and his family on this grand occasion for receiving the Urban Heritage & Citizens Award.

Listed below are the links of various news article

http://epaper. timesofindia. com/Repository/ ml.asp?Ref= VE9JTS8yMDA3LzEy LzEzI0FyMDEwMDA= &Mode=HTML& Locale=english- skin-custom

http://epaper. hindustantimes. com/artMailDisp. aspx?article= 13_12_2007_ 006_004&typ= 1&pub=264

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Huzefa Merchant
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3117. RE: [m_a_r_s] Re: MARS COngartulation VU2ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-12-13 14:12:10 UTC
From: JYOTIKA DALAL
Topic: 3116 Message: 3117

Zyros!!!! CONGRATULATIONS!!! All the very best to you and the family and may the awards keep rolling in :-)Warm regards from the land of tequila and sombreros.
Jyotika

To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com; m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com; marsacademy2007@yahoogroups.com; mars-academy@yahoogroups.com; cqmumbai@yahoogroups.comFrom: dubash1@...: Thu, 13 Dec 2007 02:00:06 -0800Subject: [m_a_r_s] Re: MARS COngartulation VU2ZRS

Three Cheers for Zyros & His Family - hip hip hurray!! Bun Pav & Maska Zindabad!!!!

VU2PCO
----- Original Message ----From: Huzefa Merchant VU2HIT <vu2hit@...>To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com; Mars Groups <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>; marsacademy2007@yahoogroups.com; mars-academy@yahoogroups.com; cqmumbai <cqmumbai@yahoogroups.com>Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2007 3:18:03 PMSubject: MARS COngartulation VU2ZRS

It is an honour for Mumbai Amateur Radio Society to have a member who is diversified into various fields... cookery, farming, bakery and last not the least Ham Radio.A member who has been honoured and felicitated by the Governor of Maharashtra for preserving the rich heritage of Mumbai. I on behalf of the society congratulate our Founder Member No. 1 Mr. Zyros Zend VU2ZRS and his family on this grand occasion for receiving the Urban Heritage & Citizens Award.Listed below are the links of various news article http://epaper. timesofindia. com/Repository/ ml.asp?Ref= VE9JTS8yMDA3LzEy LzEzI0FyMDEwMDA= &Mode=HTML& Locale=english- skin-custom http://epaper. hindustantimes. com/artMailDisp. aspx?article= 13_12_2007_ 006_004&typ= 1&pub=26473Huzefa MerchantSecreatry - M A R S_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _ONE WORLD.. ONE LANGUAGE.. AMATEUR RADIO..Huzefa MerchantHam Radio call Sign : VU2HIT TEL NO : Email : vu2hit@... (O) +91 22 23460575 vu2hit@vrmerchants. com (R) +91 22 22811646ICQ # : 81941713 (M) +91 9892 786110MSN : vu2hit@hotmail. comYahoo : vu2hit@yahoo. comWebsite : www.qsl.net/ vu2hit _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

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3118. Re: RE: [m_a_r_s] Re: MARS COngartulation VU2ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-12-14 17:54:17 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 3116 Message: 3118
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3119. Kids Day Check-in

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-12-15 06:11:44 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3119 Message: 3119

Dear Friends pls.get ready for kids day.

Let our harmonics and their friends enjoy our hobby and pull them out from internet chatting.

Kids Day is an on-air event Sunday Jan 6, 2008.

http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html

To encourage young people (licensed or not) to have fun with Amateur Radio. It is designed to give on-the-air experience to youngsters and hopefully foster interest in getting a license of their own. It is also intended to give older hams a chance to share their station and love for Amateur Radio with their children.

QSO: Name, age, location and favorite color.

Frequencies: 28.350 to 28400 MHz, 24.960 to 24.980 MHz, 21360 to 21400 MHz, 18140 to 18145 MHz, 14.270 to 14.300 MHz, 7.270 to 7.290 MHz, 3.740 to 3.940 MHz, as well as your favorite 2-meter repeater (with permission of the repeater?s sponsor).

Reporting: Logs and comments may be posted on the Internet.

Awards: All participants are eligible to receive a colorful certificate. You can download this certificate for free, customized with the youngster?s names, after filling out the Kids Day Survey.

http://lists.contesting.com/mailman/listinfo/kids

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3120. count me in vu2zrs Kids Day Check-in

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-12-15 06:28:45 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 3119 Message: 3120

dear vu2 jpn will surely be around with my kids to for the event. regards vu2 zrs M.No.1 MARS
ZYROS ZEND
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MOBILE. 9821025289
Date: Fri, 14 Dec 2007 22:11:44 -0800From: vu2jpn@...: [m_a_r_s] Kids Day Check-inTo: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com; m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com; tara1@yahoogroups.com Dear Friends pls.get ready for kids day. Let our harmonics and their friends enjoy our hobby and pull them out from internet chatting. Kids Day is an on-air event Sunday Jan 6, 2008. http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html To encourage young people (licensed or not) to have fun with Amateur Radio. It is designed to give on-the-air experience to youngsters and hopefully foster interest in getting a license of their own. It is also intended to give older hams a chance to share their station and love for Amateur Radio with their children. QSO: Name, age, location and favorite color. Frequencies: 28.350 to 28400 MHz, 24.960 to 24.980 M Never miss a thing. Make Yahoo your homepage.
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3121. Ham Radio Operating Practices

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-12-17 07:16:53 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3121 Message: 3121
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3122. HAM CLUB MEETING on Sunday 23rd December 2007

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2007-12-18 03:23:28 UTC
From: kau_san
Topic: 3122 Message: 3122

All the members of Mumbai Amateur Radio Society
are herby informed to attend the HAM CLUB MEETING
on Sunday 23rd December 2007 at Bengali Girls School,
Churchgate at 9.30 AM Sharp. There shall also be a video presentation
of a HAM ACTIVITY
OF BHUTAN, the details shall be sent later on. So friends please be
there on time. As we are also inviting all the HAMS, the seats might
be limited,
Anyway, the members of Mumbai Amateur Radio Society shall
be the first preference, Hence, all the members interested in
participating,
need to confirm their seats with VU2HIT before 20th December 2007, so
that
arrangements can be done to accomodate maximum HAMS. To contact
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=kau_san@...> Want to always have my latest info?
<https://www.plaxo.com/add_me?u=25769971384&v0=333484&k0=1996243291&src=\
client_sig_212_1_banner_join&invite=1> Want a signature like this?
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3123. ICOM VHF TRANSCEIVER

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-01-23 17:57:14 UTC
From: Sandesh Kamat
Topic: 3123 Message: 3123
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3124. Help required for operating from DX Land.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-01-24 02:01:26 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3124 Message: 3124

Dear Friends,

VU2HBN Haridas (brother) is moving out to London for 2-3 years. I would like to know :

(1) complete procedure for temparary change of licence so that he can operate from there.Dual Licence operating.

(2) He wants to carry his VHF Handy purchased in Mumbai.

Pls.reply to my email at : vu2jpn@... only and not in group mail. Thank you.

73's de vu2jpn Jaiprakkash PV.

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3125. Trekking Mountaineering program from KMA Bangalore INDIA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-02-04 18:43:26 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3125 Message: 3125

The Karnataka Mountaineering Association (R)
6, Gurunanak Bhavan Complex, Jasma Bhavan Road,
Vasanthnagar, BANGALORE-560052
Phone 080-22269053, Email : kma@...
Homepage : http://www.kmaindia.org
Established : 1966
Affiliated to : Indian Mountaineering Foundation, National Adventure Foundation and GETHNAA.

Circular No. KMA/08/C1 Dated
15-Jan-2008
Extract - Summary

With successful Climbing expedition of Mt. Stok Kangai in Ladakh Himalayas, 31 programs including 5 Himalayan ventures with 271 participants !!!

KMA has announced following programmes for the year 2008

Children Camps
1. Kondajji (Chitradurga District - Karnataka) 11th Apr to 15th Apr
2. Manali (Himachal Pradesh) - 18th May to 29th May 2008

Himalayan Trekking / Climbing Expeditions
1. Rourikhori Frozen Lake (Snow Camp) / Deo Tibba Base Circuit - 24th May to 7th Jun 2008
2. Mt Everest Base Camp & Island Peak (19712 ft) 3rd May to 25th May
3. Manali to Simla via Bhawa Pass - 21st June to 7th July 2008
4. Valley of Flowers & Hemkhund Sahib - 26th July to 9th Aug 2008
5. Mt. Deo Tibba Base 27th Sep to 10th Oct 2008
6. Pindari and Kafni Glaciers 3rd Oct to 18th Oct 2008
7. Adi Kilash, Parvati Sarovar and Om Parvat - During Sep 2008

Mountain Biking and Jeep Safaris - Dates yet to be announced

Details of the above programmes do log on to the
http://www.kmaindia.org
and contact Srivatsa 9845093836, Sudhakar 9448677683, Vasumathi 9945602188, Swamy 9448607602, Lavaraju 9844044765.

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM keying in brief of the circular.
Life Member MARS.

3126. Fwd: Rs 5800/- Vhf / Uhf Handys

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-02-08 06:16:50 UTC
From: VU2NXM
Topic: 3126 Message: 3126

--- On Fri, 2/8/08, sailin gudhka wrote:

From: sailin gudhka
Subject: Fwd: Rs 5800/- Vhf / Uhf Handys
To: "basappaji"
Date: Friday, February 8, 2008, 11:43 AM

Note: forwarded message attached.
Support the World Aids Awareness campaign this month with Yahoo! for Good (http://us.rd.yahoo.com/mailuk/taglines/isp/control/*http://us.rd.yahoo.com/evt=51947/*http://uk.promotions.yahoo.com/forgood/)

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3127. RE: MARS FOX HUNT 2008

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-02-13 05:22:53 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 3127 Message: 3127

> Dear MARS members> Good morning, > > As you all are aware the climate has become extremely cooolldd in Mumbai. Our famous Fox is hiding deep in his > > Home/ hole / barrow to keep warm from the cold. So hunting him will be very very difficult and challenging for us.> > 2nd of March 2008 will be the date of the “Fox hunt 2008 "' in Mumbai. > > I , (vu2zrs) and vu2 Axn have got inside information that there are at least 4 foxes hiding in Mumbai city, and each one is cunning then the other. > > > Details of FOX HUINT 2008:-> > > > 1.. Briefing for the fox hunt will be the 24th of Feb 2008 at Bai Bengalli School, Church gate, Mumbai At 10 a.m. > > 2.. Also during the briefing on the 24 th of feb.2008 the transmitting Fox will be present with the DFA (direction finding antennas) . So bring your VHF handies along so that you can test your vhf sets and your antennas . > > 3... Special Prizes will be given to any fox hunter who gets his own home brewed antenna for the fox hunt. > > 4...There will be overall champion "FOX HUNTER2008 "prize also. There will be prizes for 1st and 2nd place in all the fox hunts conducted. > > 5... there will be nominal fee of Rs 250 /- for all members. Which would include veg breakfast, veg hot lunch and late evening snacks or veg dinner)> > 6... all interested to participate reply by email or call vu2zrs on 9821025289 or vu2axn. The sooner the better for better planning for event (thank you). > > 7... please reply back with your equipment details and any trasnsport is possible from your side e.g car or bike (cycles not allowed) its not compulsary> > 8... fox hunt timing will be from morning to late evening.> > happy hunting> > 73's> vu2 zrs > vu2axn> vu2 ivo > (FOX HUNT 2008 Organizers)> > P.S. vu2 ivo forward mail to MARS classes too.> > > Fortune Cookie India > 300 , cawasji hormasji patel street> marine lines> mumbai 2> tel no.22035586> cell no.9821025289 > fortunecookie@...> > >

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3128. Re: [m_a_r_s] RE: MARS FOX HUNT 2008

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-02-13 16:28:04 UTC
From: Abhay Shah
Topic: 3127 Message: 3128

Dear ZRS,

Pl count me for Fox Hunt 2008

Abhay Shah
VU2AIH
9920023987

ZYROS ZEND <zzend@...> wrote:

> Dear MARS members
> Good morning,
>
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3129. 9 SWL's confirmation for the Fox Hunt

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-02-19 09:56:30 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 3129 Message: 3129
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Hi Zyros
Please add in following 9 SWL's confirmation for the Fox Hunt.

1.. Satvinder Singh
2.. Manish Malaviya
3.. Rakesh Acharya
4.. Nicholas
5.. Yogesh Gulati
6.. Dominic K
7.. Maharishi Bhatia
8.. Jyoti Thanvi
9.. Hemlata Thanvi.

and a small correction in the call sign for participant no. 26 it is VU2 DBL
We appreciate the efforts taken by ZRS, AXN & IVO, for arranging FOX HUNT,

73's
VU2KTW
Kaushik S

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3130. Swl for fox hunt

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-02-20 06:36:27 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 3130 Message: 3130

Hi Zyros

Please add one more SWL

1.. Jayesh B
for the fox hunt.

73's
VU2KTW
Kaushik S

3131. Fox Hunters (Bombay Times Article)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-03-02 17:29:13 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3131 Message: 3131
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3132. Invitation to view Surendra's Picasa Web Album - Fox Hunt 2008

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-03-03 08:49:32 UTC
From: Surendra
Topic: 3132 Message: 3132
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

http://picasaweb.google.co.in/vu2sfh/FoxHunt2008

3133. FOX HUNT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-03-03 11:59:36 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 3133 Message: 3133
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

All the participants are herby requested to
upload their snaps of the FOX Hunt Event on the E-group,

Thank you very much to all the participants of the event and
Special Thanks to the event managers

VU2 IVO,
VU2 AXN &

VU2 ZRS OUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUU.

The Debriefing Meeting shall be announced Shortly.

About the articles in the Newspaper.
there was
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http://epaper.timesofindia.com/Repository/ml.asp?Ref=VE9JTS8yMDA4LzAzLzAyI0FyMDM5MDI=&Mode=HTML&Locale=english-skin-custom

2.article on page 3 of The Asian Age 3rd March 2008.

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3134. FOX HUNT 2008 Info.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-03-03 12:19:17 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3134 Message: 3134
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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3135. Re: MARS FOX HUNT de-briefing sunday 9th at 11 am

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-03-04 16:22:12 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 3133 Message: 3135

dear successfull mars hunter ,

firstly thank you taking CARE OF THE DF ANTENNA'S
briefing of the fox hunt 20078 will be on sunday 9th at 11am at bengalli school churchgate

all present will recievea dvd of the photos of the fox hunt taken by vu2 BMW

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3136. vu2 cbu prasant kholi ..thank you for the fox

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-03-05 03:30:13 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 3133 Message: 3136

dear vu2 bdl, vu2 sfh

i should thank you (vu2 bdl) also for being there for vu2 nfs who is a very old founder ham radio member. i am sure you would have gained alot of experience from her .

yourself and all are welcome . i am sure vu2 axn vu2 ivo and vu2 ktw have taken troble to organise this event to the best possible way .

and not to forget to thank vu2cbu Prasant kholi whoese vhf handy was used as the fox . thank you prasant very much , also a founder member .

thank you

73;s

vu2 zrs

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3137. Re: MARS FOX HUNT

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-03-05 03:38:01 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3133 Message: 3137

Dear Fox Hunters & Organisers

Very Good Morning. Good Afternoon .....!

First of all let me thank VU2ZRS, VU2AXN, VU2IVO and all others who organised this Fox Hunt successfully.

After a long gap I attended the Fox Hunt. It was very exiting & enjoyable to hunt 4 fox's with expert hunters and SWL's.

I appreciate the snacks, lunch & dinner provided by organisers as well as I should thank for all the additional VHF sets bases/handies arranged - Thanks to all who provided vehicles for the event.

Hunting DON Fox was excellent - Don ko pakadna mushkil hi nahi namumkin hai - that went wrong Zyros. Many caught DON Fox. Location when caught the DON Fox looked like a DX Land itself - Would like to have snap of this location with DON Fox Around.

Hatz off to Zyros, Ankur, Ivor and all others out there.

I very much loved the event and would like to c more events coming up.

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3138. [marsacademy2007] FW: MARS Fox Hunt report 2008 .

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-03-19 18:16:19 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 3138 Message: 3138

----- Original Message -----
From: Rakesh Acharya
To: marsacademy2007@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 6:11 PM
Subject: RE: [marsacademy2007] FW: MARS Fox Hunt report 2008 .

That was super. - Fox Hunt
Really nice reading it.

Thanks
Rakesh

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3139. wishing all a HAPPY ZORASTRIAN PERSIAN NEW YEAR.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-03-20 05:16:40 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 3138 Message: 3139

dear hams ,
i wish all a happy persian zorastrain new year
a equinox year
god bless all man kind and let there be happiness and love all over the world

73's
vu2 zrs zrs

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3140. Field Trip at Matheran

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-03-31 08:36:51 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3140 Message: 3140
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3141. Train Timings and Final Confirmation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-03 05:07:06 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3141 Message: 3141
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3142. Train Confirmation

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-03 05:18:48 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3142 Message: 3142

BOTH THE TRAINS ARE KARJAT LOCAL TRAINS (SLOW AND FAST)

Thanks.

3143. Greetings and Best Wishes from Bangalore Amateur Radio Club - VU2ARC

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-03 06:40:23 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3141 Message: 3143

Dear Friends @ Mars,

Wishing all the best with the "Matheran Outing" of MARS

Best of 73's

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM
Life Member, MARS

Honarary Golden Jubliee Secretary,
Bangalore Amateur Radio Club - VU2ARC

--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, "Surendra Shete" <vu2sfh@...> wrote:
>
> Hi,
>
> We will be reaching Neral Station by a local from CST.
> The Train timings are as follows,
>
> Slow (Will STOP at all stations)
>
> 5:41 (CST)
> 5:49 (Byculla)
> 5:58 (Dadar)
> 6:09 (Kurla)
> 6:15 (Ghatkopar)
> 6:35 (Thane)
> 7:07 (Kalyan)
> 7:49 (Neral)
>
> In case if anyone misses the slow train, can catch the below
mentioned FAST
> Train.
>
> Fast (Waits at following stations)
>
> 6:50 (CST)
> 6:57 (Byculla)
> 7:03 (Dadar)
> 7:11 (Kurla)
> 7:16 (Ghatkopar)
> 7:30 (Thane)
> 7:51 (Kalyan)
> 8:35 (Neral)
>

>
> We will be taking the first compartment from the North End (ie. the
> compartment which is right behind the motorman). This would help
all of us
> to be in the same compartment till reaching Neral.
>
> Money will be collected in the train or at Neral Station.
>
> *We will be catching the Neral-Matheran train leaving at 08:50am.
Anyone
> misses this train, will have to come on their OWN. *We all will be
waiting
> at a hotel named *HOPE HALL* at Matheran.
>
> Activities to be carried out at Matheran will be informed as soon
as we
> reach Matheran (Briefing).
>
> *VERY IMPORTANT*
>
> Please carry your Clothes, Towels, *TORCH*, PEN and a writing pad,
Mosquito
> repellent or cream and other personal stuff like medicines etc.
Apart from
> hobby related radio stuff, try to carry less heavy stuff with you.
>
> There are chances of mobile phones not working in Matheran at some
> locations. In case of emergency, please contact VU2HIT (Huzefa-
> 9892-786-110) who will be on VHF and HF.
>
> In case, you are late to reach or due to any problems, if you are
not
> coming, *PLEASE DON'T FORGET* to inform SFH on 98206-60662
(anytime) or LNZ
> on 98207-58053
>
> Final Confirmation of names coming to Matheran
>
> Zyros Zend (ZRS- Member No.1)
> Girish Shukla- LNZ
> Sandip Adiwarekar- UGO
> Ivor Pereira- IVO
> Ulhas Paralkar- UBP
> Kaushik Sanghvi- KTW
> Surendra Shete- SFH
> Rajesh Sethia- WCS
> Mohammed- GYM
> Deepa Bolwalkar- DBL
> Jayesh Banatwala
> Amit Chavan

> Jyoti
> Hemlata
> Jagdish
> Maharishi
> Nicholas
> Satvinder Singh
> Suhas
> Mahesh Vhatkar
>
> PS: Please call if you have any issues.
>
> Thanks.
> --
> There is no such thing called as "Free Lunch" in Life.
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3144. Re: [m_a_r_s] Greetings and Best Wishes from Bangalore Amateur Radio Club - VU2ARC

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-03 07:08:06 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3141 Message: 3144

Dear Ajay,

Thanks a lot for the wishes.

73s

On Thu, Apr 3, 2008 at 12:10 PM, Ajoy <lionajoy@...> wrote:
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> Dear Friends @ Mars,
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>
> Best of 73's
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3145. MARS has been Quoted in Divya Bhaskar

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-04 09:00:04 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 3145 Message: 3145
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hey Guys
MARS has been quoted in a Gujrati Newspaper
Divya Bhaskar (Just Chill Supplement) 4th April 2008
Along with Hobby like Paragliding & Aero Modelling,
Check Out.
I can see ZRS, HIT, MIG, DVB, DBL,FEO, AIH, UBP,KJA, IVO, JPN, NAFISA, JAYESH, YOGESH, RAKESH, NICHOLAS, SATVINDER, & LOTS MORE
73'S
VU2KTW
KAUSHIK S

Welcome to the sparkling world of gemstones

Mr. Kaushik. S Mahavir Gems
21/23 Dhanji Street,
G-10 Mumbadevi Mansion,
Grd Floor,
Mumbai- 400 003
mahavirgems@hotmail.com tel:
mobile: 2341 1546
9869164711

Want to always have my latest info? Want a signature like this?

3146. Invitation to view Surendra's Picasa Web Album - Matheran Field Trip

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-08 07:09:12 UTC
From: Surendra
Topic: 3146 Message: 3146
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

http://picasaweb.google.co.in/vu2sfh/MatheranFieldTrip

3147. Matheran Field Trip Report (April 2008)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-09 05:33:15 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3147 Message: 3147
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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3148. Re: Matheran Field Trip Report (April 2008)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-11 02:43:40 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3147 Message: 3148

Congratulations Zyros for learning the morse code.

3149. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Matheran Field Trip Report (April 2008)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-11 03:11:53 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 3147 Message: 3149
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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3150. Happy Birthday

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-14 02:47:19 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 2822 Message: 3150

Many happy returns of the day. HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

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Sent from Gmail for mobile | mobile.google.com

There is no such thing called as "Free Lunch" in Life.

3151. Re: MARS Happy Birthday

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-14 14:06:24 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 2822 Message: 3151

Sorry, it's Prashant / CBU's birthday today.

On 4/14/08, Surendra Shete <vu2sfh@...> wrote:
> Many happy returns of the day. HAPPY BIRTHDAY.
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> --
> Sent from Gmail for mobile | mobile.google.com
>
> There is no such thing called as "Free Lunch" in Life.
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3152. loads of ham stuff for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-19 05:52:02 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3152 Message: 3152

Hi guys I want to clear out a lot of ham stuff like
2m icom handies kenwood dual bander handies icom dual
bander mobile dual band diamond antenna mobile and
base duplexers, triplexers, 2 way 3 way 6 way coax
switches swr meters, belden 9913 coax cable, priced
to sell quickly lots of other stuff for ham radio
any one interested call me on 9821207296 VU2GTE

3153. Re: [m_a_r_s] loads of ham stuff for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-19 06:49:08 UTC
From: Harsha Salian
Topic: 3152 Message: 3153
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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3154. Re: loads of ham stuff for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-19 14:13:56 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3152 Message: 3154

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--- In m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, "Harsha Salian" <hr20_99@...> wrote:
>
> Hello GTE,
>
> Could u kindly mention the price you are expecting for the Kenwood
handy TH
> 78 A
>
> Regards,
>
> VU2HRU
>
> On Sat, Apr 19, 2008 at 11:22 AM, vu2gte <vu2gte@...> wrote:
>
> > Hi guys I want to clear out a lot of ham stuff like
> > 2m icom handies kenwood dual bander handies icom dual
> > bander mobile dual band diamond antenna mobile and
> > base duplexers, triplexers, 2 way 3 way 6 way coax
> > switches swr meters, belden 9913 coax cable, priced
> > to sell quickly lots of other stuff for ham radio
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> --
> Salian Harsha
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3155. Re: loads of ham stuff for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-19 14:19:43 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3152 Message: 3155

Buy 2 get the third one free

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> Salian Harsha
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3156. Fw: 8th AGM & Election

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-21 03:45:53 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 3156 Message: 3156

The notice for AGM can also be downloaded from http://www.mumbaihams.org/AGMNotice.pdf

INVITATION TO AGM

We are pleased to inform you that the Eight Annual General Meeting of our Society and the Elections for the Eighth Managing Committee will be held on 1st May 2008.

Venue : Conference Hall, 1st Floor, Bharada High School

Behind Capitol Cinema, Opp. VT Station.

Timing: 11.00 am to 2.00pm

Agenda for the Meet

11:00 am Chairman's Report

11:15 am Secretary's Progress Report.

11:30 am Treasurer's Financial Report.

11:45 am Reports from other Members of the Managing Committee

12:00 am Approval for change in Society Registered Address

12:15 am Fox Hunt Prizes.

12:30 am Any other business with the permission of the Chairperson.

Break

01:00 pm Voting for the New Managing Committee.

01:30pm Results of the Election.

01:45 pm Takeover by New Managing Committee

02:00 pm Vote of Thanks

ELECTION NOTICE

Nominations are hereby invited for the 9th Managing Committee Membership from members who have no pending dues, are license holders and have minimum membership of one year with the Society. Please find below the Nomination Form.

Mr. Feroze Patel (VU2FEO - Mob: 9833734505) has been appointed as Election Officer. Please fill up the form and send it by hand / courier on or before 29th April 2008 6.00 pm to his address at Electrosteel Casting Ltd., 1st Floor, Kamani Chambers, R Kamani Marg, Ballard Estate , Mumbai - 400001. The list of nomination forms received, complete in all respects, will be declared on yahoogroups on 30th April 2008. The last date for withdrawal of

nomination will be 30th April 2008 - 5.00pm

Looking forward to your active participation.

Sd/-

Huzefa Merchant

Secretary

(M) 9892 786110

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

Nomination for Election 2008

I _____ (Name of the Nominee), _____ (call sign), License No. _____valid till _____, am Member of The Mumbai Amateur Radio Society and hereby solemnly declare that I am a valid Member of our Society for more than 1 year.

I would like to contest for The Ninth Managing Committee of our Society. I shall perform my duties truthfully, honestly and with full dedication if I am elected.

_____ _____ _____

Nominee's Signature. Proposed by Seconded by

Membership No. Name: Name:

Membership No. Membership No.

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Huzefa Merchant

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(R) +91 22 22811646

(M) +91 9892 786110

MSN : vu2hit@hotmail.com

Yahoo : vu2hit@...

3157. My QSL card collections ----------Note a forwarded mail

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-22 08:49:33 UTC
From: Basappa Arabole
Topic: 3157 Message: 3157

Dear Freinds,

I have uploaded the QSL card collection of mine do check it out and do be a part of me and share the joy with me www.vu2sgw.blogspot.com.

73/Namaste,
Sai.....De VU2SGW
www.vu2sgw.blogspot.com

3158. ANTENNA TUNER

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-23 05:11:28 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3158 Message: 3158

ALSO ONE BRAND NEW HF ANTENNA TUNER TO ADD TO THE LIST FOR SALE CONTACT 9821207296

3159. HF REMOTE RIG CONTROLLER

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-23 05:45:44 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3159 Message: 3159

ALSO ONE AEA RADIOLINK WHICH IS USED TO REMOTE CONTROL ICOM YAESU AND KENWOOD HF RADIOS VIA VHF /UHF. AND ONE ICOM Q7 DUAL BAND HANDY PLEASE CONTACT 9821207296

3160. Icom dsp unit for ic 718 and 706

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-04-26 04:41:12 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3160 Message: 3160

Also dsp unit for ic 718 and ic 706 mk 2 and mk2g for sale please contact 9821207296

3161. Re: [marsacademy2007] PSLV Launches 10 satellites

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-05-01 15:21:11 UTC
From: Sandip Adiwarekar
Topic: 3161 Message: 3161
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3162. Power supplies

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-05-04 07:36:56 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3162 Message: 3162

One switching power supply 30 amps compact. Daiwa and one 40 amp
Diamond for sale.

3163. Re: Renwal of licences

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-05-08 04:19:20 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 3163 Message: 3163

Thanks for your kind help. hence i will keep this help in my mind. once again thank you.

Shailesh Pradhan
9870123765

----- Original Message ----
From: Huzefa Merchant <vu2hit@...>
To: shaileshpradhan@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 7, 2008 4:42:43 PM
Subject: Renwal of licences

Shailesh

I have already couriered the all the renewals letter on Monday to Delhi, it will not be possible to do it form here now as , getting a draft from SBI takes hell lot of a time, so i request you to kinldy do the same form your side, also the Renewal letter required the signature of the applicant which was not on your renewal letter ,so evenn i had got the draft it would had not been possible to sent then too.

Regards
Huzefa

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http://mobile.yahoo.com/;_ylt=Ahu06i62sR8HDtDypao8Wcj9tAcJ

3164. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Renwal of licences

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-05-08 04:22:49 UTC
From: rajesh shethia
Topic: 3163 Message: 3164

dear shailesh have to send mine too

lets send it to gether

vu2wcs
Rajesh Shethia
Libra Chemie
18 M G Mandir Marg
2nd floor suite # 6
Matunga Mumbai 400 019
India
tel 91 22 24096568 / 24095695
fax 91 22 24041518
cell 91 98200 34716
----- Original Message -----
From: shailesh pradhan
To: Huzefa Merchant ; mars
Sent: Thursday, May 08, 2008 9:49 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Re: Renwal of licences

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3165. Re: MARS RE: [m_a_r_s] Re: Renwal of licences

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-05-08 06:36:03 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3165 Message: 3165
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3166. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Renwal of licences

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-05-08 15:19:11 UTC
From: Abhay Shah
Topic: 3163 Message: 3166

Dear Shailesh,
Even my will be due in Aug 2008, better to send now only,
Pl guide further...

Abhay Shah
vu2aih
9920023987

rajesh shethia <librachemie@...> wrote:
dear shailesh have to send mine too

lets send it to gether

vu2wcs
Rajesh Shethia
Libra Chemie
18 M G Mandir Marg
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3167. Wireless Net Work Help

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-05-12 02:03:37 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3167 Message: 3167

Dear All

I request all hams, if possible, to be on Air (VHF Mumbai Repeater) tomorrow Tuesday 13/05/08 from 10AM to 5PM for a support to demo.

Regards

Jaiprakkash VU2JPN 9892186646

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3168. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Renwal of licences

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-05-12 07:34:32 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3163 Message: 3168
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3169. Thanks for the good work

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-05-14 09:34:35 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3169 Message: 3169
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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3170. Re: [tara1] Wireless Net Work Help

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-05-14 18:06:26 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3170 Message: 3170

Dear Friends

This is to inform all that BMC conducted a surprise Disaster Excercise on Tuesday 13th May 08 at the vital 3 locations in Mumbai. All DMP team viz Govt.Organisation and NGO Teams were called by BMC.

As regards Ham Radio Support to BMC, I was happy to see VU2SVS and his team VU3RLP & VU2KGN had kept their presence at the locations. I had expected a very big team at different locations but couldn't satisfy the real ham support. Even though the turn out of hams were low I appreciate VU2SVS did it to the satisfaction.

I was with Civil Defence at SubControl alongwith VHF setup and could co-ordinate with these team, thanks to them. The frequency we operated was on 145.900. I also thank VU2AXN, VU2LNZ, VU2NYT, VU2HIT & VU2UBP for their call as standy support.

73z de vu2jpn

m> wrote:
Normally on which frequency we talk?

Regards,
Dinesh
VU2NDH

Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...> wrote:
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3171. ham radio Wireless Net Work Help

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-05-16 05:38:28 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 3170 Message: 3171

dear vu2jpn,

nice to read the mail on the help given by HAMS , but sincerly wish no Disaster EVER HAPPENS any where .
73's
vu2zrs
m.no.1MARS

----- Original Message -----
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...>
Date: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 11:36 pm
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Re: [tara1] Wireless Net Work Help
To: tara1@yahoogroups.com, m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com

> Dear Friends
>
> This is to inform all that BMC conducted a surprise
> Excercise on Tuesday 13th May 08 at the vital 3 locations in
> Mumbai. All DMP team viz Govt.Organisation and NGO Teams were
> called by BMC.
>
> As regards Ham Radio Support to BMC, I was happy to see VU2SVS
> and his team VU3RLP & VU2KGN had kept their presence at the
> locations. I had expected a very big team at different locations
> but couldn't satisfy the real ham support. Even though the turn
> out of hams were low I appreciate VU2SVS did it to the satisfaction.
>
> I was with Civil Defence at SubControl alongwith VHF setup and
> could co-ordinate with these team, thanks to them. The frequency
> we operated was on 145.900. I also thank VU2AXN, VU2LNZ, VU2NYT,
> VU2HIT & VU2UBP for their call as standy support.
>
> 73z de vu2jpn
>
> m> wrote:
> Normally on which frequency we talk?
>
> Regards,
> Dinesh
> VU2NDH
>
> Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...> wrote:
> Dear All
>
> I request all hams, if possible, to be on Air (VHF Mumbai

> Repeater) tomorrow Tuesday 13/05/08 from 10AM to 5PM for a
> support to demo.
>
> Regards
>
> Jaiprakkash VU2JPN 9892186646
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3172. Radio Junun

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-06-04 11:30:34 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3172 Message: 3172
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear Mars Members

The attachment is picture with notes & self explanatory.
We must salute the efforts of such hams

SWL Dinesh Patel

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3173. 1.4 MHz Narrow filter

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-06-05 04:52:20 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3173 Message: 3173

Hello MARS Members

I am looking for 1.4 Mhz SSB filter with bandwidth of 2.7Kc

If anybody has this please call me on my Cell 98190 34371.
Or SMS details of filter along with price.

TNX

SWL Dinesh Patel

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3174. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Renwal of licences

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-06-14 14:14:16 UTC
From: srihari krishnan
Topic: 3163 Message: 3174

Hi VU2LOC,
Tks for the info. I d like to renew my licence also after a lapse of long time. I shall forward all the documents and amt. reqd.asap. I had a word with VU@HIT some time ago about this. I am one of the Life Members of Mars when MARS was instituted.
Pls keep posted for any details/updates. My New Mob. No.9867363895. My new QTH is Dahisar(W), Link Road, Mumbai 400068.
Call Sign : VU2 KQS, Licence No.23133, Date of Issue: 13.2.1996, Place:New Delhi
My QTH in origjnal licence was Chembur, Mumbai-400071.
Pl revet for any clarification. Tks. 73s.DE VU2KQS.
--- On Mon, 5/12/08, VU2LOC <vu2loc@...> wrote:

From: VU2LOC <vu2loc@...>
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Renwal of licences
To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com, m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, mars-academy@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, May 12, 2008, 1:04 PM

Hello All,

For your information I am collecting the renewal forms and fees for renewal of the amateur radio licence as per VU2HIT instruction.

Following are details,

Grade One = Rs. 100.00/- Fee for 5 Years (Rs. 50.00/- for postal charges) Total = Rs. 150.00/-
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Please feel free to communicate for renewal of the amateur radio licence.

Mobile Number: 9920575650 (Shailesh Deshmukh - VU2LOC)

For reference the renewal form and checklist is attached.

--
73 DE VU2LOC (Shailesh Deshmukh)

A/B-301, Vinayak Krupa ,
Khambal Pada, Opp. to Manjunath College,
Kanchan Gaon, Dombivili (East),
Dist: Thane, Maharashtra, India.
Pin Code: 421201
Ph No.(R) 95251-2420643/
(M) 9920575650
E-Mail: vu2loc@gmail. com

On 5/8/08, Abhay Shah <abhay69in@yahoo. com> wrote:

Dear Shailesh,
Even my will be due in Aug 2008, better to send now only,
Pl guide further...

Abhay Shah
vu2aih
9920023987

rajesh shethia <librachemie@ vsnl.com> wrote:

dear shailesh have to send mine too

lets send it to gether

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2nd floor suite # 6
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tel 91 22 24096568 / 24095695
fax 91 22 24041518
cell 91 98200 34716

----- Original Message -----
From: shailesh pradhan
To: Huzefa Merchant ; mars
Sent: Thursday, May 08, 2008 9:49 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Re: Renwal of licences

Thanks for your kind help. hence i will keep this help in my mind. once again thank you.

Shailesh Pradhan
9870123765

----- Original Message ----
From: Huzefa Merchant <vu2hit@gmail. com>
To: shaileshpradhan@ yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 7, 2008 4:42:43 PM
Subject: Renwal of licences

Shailesh

I have already couriered the all the renewals letter on Monday to Delhi, it will not be possible to do it form here now as , getting a draft from SBI takes hell lot of a time, so i request you to kinldy do the same form your side, also the Renewal letter required the signature of the applicant which was not on your renewal letter ,so evenn i had got the draft it would had not been possible to sent then too.

Regards
Huzefa

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3175. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Renwal of licences

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-06-14 14:14:40 UTC
From: srihari krishnan
Topic: 3163 Message: 3175

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India
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fax 91 22 24041518
cell 91 98200 34716

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3176. Kids Day QSO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-06-16 07:19:47 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3176 Message: 3176

Dear Friends

Let us have the following excercise on Air

----------Quote----------
KIDS DAY ON THE AIR

Kids Day is an on-air event to encourage young people (licensed or not) to have fun with Amateur Radio. It is designed to give on-the-air experience to youngsters.

Dates:Saturday, June 21, 2008, 1800z – 2400z. Operate as much or as little as you like.

Suggested exchange: Name, age, location and favorite color. Be sure to work the same station again if an operator has changed. To draw attention, call “CQ Kids Day.”

Suggested Frequencies: 28.350 to 28400 MHz, 24.960 to 24.980 MHz, 21.360 to 21.400 MHz, 18.140 to 18.145 MHz, 14.270 to 14.300 MHz, 7.270 to 7.290 MHz, 3.740 to 3.940 MHz, as well as your favorite 2-meter repeater (with permission of the repeater’s sponsor).

Reporting: Logs and comments may be posted on the Internet. Those without Internet access may forward comments to the Boring Amateur Radio Club (see address below).

Awards: All participants are eligible to receive a colorful certificate. You can download this certificate for free, customized with the youngster’s names, after filling out the Kids Day Survey. Alternatively, you can send a 9” x 12” SASE to Boring Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 1357, Boring, OR 97009. You can also join an email reflector for Kids Day. More info can be found at: http://lists.contesting.com/mailman/listinfo/kids

----------Unqote----------

Regards

De vu2jpn

3177. great lets have fun with our Kids. Day QSO

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-06-20 03:26:27 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 3176 Message: 3177

dear jpn wow. will be there for sure . my kids are excited . vu2 zrs
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Date: Mon, 16 Jun 2008 00:19:47 -0700From: vu2jpn@...: [m_a_r_s] Kids Day QSOTo: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com; tara1@yahoogroups.com; m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com Dear Friends Let us have the following excercise on Air
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----------Unqote---------- Regards De vu2jpn
_____ No Harvard, No Oxford. We are here. Find out !! http://ss1.richmedia.in/recurl.asp?pid=500

3178. Ham Radio Field Trip

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-06-21 07:17:55 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3178 Message: 3178
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3179. Re: [m_a_r_s] Ham Radio Field Trip

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-06-22 06:01:25 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 3178 Message: 3179

Dear Surendra,

Last time i miss field trip ans seems the dates are again clashing. Is it possible to postponed this field trip next month so i can come?This is a suggestion.

Shailesh Pradhan
9870123765

----- Original Message ----
From: Surendra Shete <vu2sfh@...>
Sent: Saturday, June 21, 2008 12:47:55 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Ham Radio Field Trip

Dear Friends,
Summers are Over. Radios are in cold. Lets go and make the radios hot.
Planning to do a Field Trip on 26th and 27th July 2008 (Weekend) at Lonavla. The place is owned by Yogesh Gulati (waiting for the call sign) near Lonavla (2.5 kms from Lonavla Station. The place can accomadate max. upto 20 people. We will be reaching the destination by DECCAN EXPRESS (Dept 07:10) or INTERCITY EXP (Dept 06:45), both leaving from CST.

Please confirm your participation by calling me on 98206-60662 or LNZ (Girish) on 98207-58053 latest by 10th JULY 2008.

One and all hams are welcome. Come Together and enjoy the hobby and life.
Thanks.
Happy Hamming
de
vu2sfh

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3180. RE: [m_a_r_s] Ham Radio Field Trip

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-06-23 07:08:22 UTC
From: Dilip Bhandari
Topic: 3178 Message: 3180

count me for the field trip, also let me know whether i can bring my harmonic

Dilip Bhandari
VU3DGB

From: vu2sfh@...: Sat, 21 Jun 2008 12:47:55 +0530Subject: [m_a_r_s] Ham Radio Field Trip

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3181. Tent lying with MARS to be used on the Ham Radio Field Trip

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-06-24 03:47:08 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 3181 Message: 3181

dear surendra and girish

there is a very big TENT lying with MARS . arun singh used it it last . its in good condition .
Why dont we use it on this field trip to trip to lonavla . it would be exciting .
AROUND 6 PEOPLE CAN FIT IN THE TENT .
just a suggestion .
73's vu2zrs
mem.no.1
MARS

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http://video.msn.com/?mkt=en-in

3182. Lonavla Field Trip Update Info.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-07-05 07:06:55 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3182 Message: 3182
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3183. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2008, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-07-05 19:55:14 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3183 Message: 3183

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

MARS ANNIVESARY
Sunday July 6, 2008
1:30 pm - 1:30 am
(This event repeats every year.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 11 hours, 49 minutes.)

Notes:
Wishing All Members a Very Happy Anniversary and Congratulations to all Members on sucessfully promoting our wonderful hobby

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3184. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2008, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-07-06 07:41:34 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3183 Message: 3184

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

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3185. happy birthday dear MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-07-09 04:06:51 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 3183 Message: 3185

dear mars happy happy birthday to you 73's vu2 zrs mem .no. 1
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MUMBAI.
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RES.00-91-22-22875741
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MOBILE. 9821025289
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.comTo: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.comDate: Sat, 5 Jul 2008 19:55:14 +0000Subject: [m_a_r_s] MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2008, 1:30 pm Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group Title: MARS ANNIVESARY Date: Sunday July 6, 2008 Time: 1:30 pm - 1:30 am Repeats: This event repeats every year. Next reminder: The next reminder for this event will be sent in 11 hours, 49 minutes. Notes: Wishing All Members a Very Happy Anniversary and Congratulations to all Members on sucessfully promoting our wonderful hobby Get reminders on your mobile, Yahoo! Messenger, and email.Edit reminder optionsCopyright © 2008 Yahoo! Inc. All Rights Reserved | Terms of Service | Privacy Policy
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3186. Re: [m_a_r_s] happy birthday dear MARS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-07-09 07:01:46 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3183 Message: 3186

HI ZRS - FINE TO C UR EMAIL 73Z --- On Wed, 7/9/08, ZYROS ZEND wrote: From: ZYROS ZEND Subject: [m_a_r_s] happy birthday dear MARS To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com Date: Wednesday, July 9, 2008, 9:36 AM dear mars happy happy birthday to you 73's vu2 zrs mem .no. 1

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3187. FOR SALE DIAMOND DUPLEXER

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-07-25 13:22:44 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3187 Message: 3187

FOR SALE DIAMOND DUPLEXER BRAND NEW IN PACKING 2M/70CM PLEASE CONTACT 9821207296

3188. Lonavla Monsoon Filed Trip

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-07-28 11:30:43 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3188 Message: 3188
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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3189. HF antenna. thank you for sharing the info. sailesh

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-07-30 03:41:13 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 3189 Message: 3189

dear sailesh , thank you very much for sharing your new HF antenna with all of us . i like field trips , you always get ot learn new stuff . thanks once again HAM = help all mankind . 73's vu2 zrs MARS mem no.1
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MOBILE. 9821025289
Date: Mon, 28 Jul 2008 16:29:13 +0530From: vu2sfn@...: HF antennaTo: group@...; m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com Dear All, Field trip is is great success for me. I have tested one antenna witch is one direction two band with 8 inches separation. The antenna works fantastic and the design is very simple and easy to install also. I will be sending diagram in next mail.-- De VU2SFNShailesh Pradhan9870123765
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3190. Available Call signs

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-07-31 12:40:57 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3190 Message: 3190

Dear All

I have cleared ASOC exam and avaiting licence from WPC (after requisite procedures). I hereby request all to send me list of available callsigns.

Alternatively If any body has excel listing of existing licences that shall also help me to select the call sign.

I shall be thankful if any member able to help me inthis regard.

SWL Dinesh patel

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Keep your kids safer online with Windows Live Family Safety.
http://www.windowslive.com/family_safety/overview.html?ocid=TXT_TAGLM_WL_family_safety_072008

3191. FOR SALE BENCHER PADDLE

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-08-05 03:52:14 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3191 Message: 3191

PREMIUM BENCHER PADDLE FOR CW PLEASE CONTACT 9821207296

3192. Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Renwal of licences

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-08-07 06:18:21 UTC
From: Abhay Shah
Topic: 3163 Message: 3192

Hi,

Are you at Mumbai ?
Pl call me on 09920023987

Abhay Shah
VU2 AIH

--- On Mon, 12/5/08, VU2LOC <vu2loc@...> wrote:

From: VU2LOC <vu2loc@...>
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Re: Renwal of licences
To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com, m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, mars-academy@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, 12 May, 2008, 1:04 PM

Hello All,

For your information I am collecting the renewal forms and fees for renewal of the amateur radio licence as per VU2HIT instruction.

Following are details,

Grade One = Rs. 100.00/- Fee for 5 Years (Rs. 50.00/- for postal charges) Total = Rs. 150.00/-
Grade Two = Rs. 60.00/- Fees for 5 Years (Rs. 40.00/- For postal changes) Total = Rs. 100.00/-

Please feel free to communicate for renewal of the amateur radio licence.

Mobile Number: 9920575650 (Shailesh Deshmukh - VU2LOC)

For reference the renewal form and checklist is attached.

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73 DE VU2LOC (Shailesh Deshmukh)

A/B-301, Vinayak Krupa ,
Khambal Pada, Opp. to Manjunath College,
Kanchan Gaon, Dombivili (East),
Dist: Thane, Maharashtra, India.
Pin Code: 421201
Ph No.(R) 95251-2420643/
(M) 9920575650
E-Mail: vu2loc@gmail. com

On 5/8/08, Abhay Shah <abhay69in@yahoo. com> wrote:

Dear Shailesh,
Even my will be due in Aug 2008, better to send now only,

Pl guide further...

Abhay Shah
vu2aih
9920023987

rajesh shethia <librachemie@ vsnl.com> wrote:

dear shailesh have to send mine too

lets send it to gether

vu2wcs
Rajesh Shethia
Libra Chemie
18 M G Mandir Marg
2nd floor suite # 6
Matunga Mumbai 400 019
India
tel 91 22 24096568 / 24095695
fax 91 22 24041518
cell 91 98200 34716

----- Original Message -----
From: shailesh pradhan
To: Huzefa Merchant ; mars
Sent: Thursday, May 08, 2008 9:49 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Re: Renwal of licences

Thanks for your kind help. hence i will keep this help in my mind. once again thank you.

Shailesh Pradhan
9870123765

----- Original Message ----
From: Huzefa Merchant <vu2hit@gmail. com>
To: shaileshpradhan@ yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 7, 2008 4:42:43 PM
Subject: Renwal of licences

Shailesh

I have already couriered the all the renewals letter on Monday to Delhi, it will not be possible to do it form here now as , getting a draft from SBI takes hell lot of a time, so i request you to kinldy do the same form your side, also the Renewal letter required the signature of the applicant which was not on your renewal letter ,so evenn i had got the draft it would had not been possible to sent then too.

Regards
Huzefa

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3193. HF dipole

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-08-09 17:09:49 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 3193 Message: 3193
Attachments: 6 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear All,
Attached please find drawing with reference to my privies mail.

Shailesh Pradhan
9870123765

3195. Ganesh Visarjan Participation Info.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-08-18 10:58:53 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3195 Message: 3195
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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3196. Antenna rotator Channel Master

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-08-20 12:16:19 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3196 Message: 3196

Dear All

I would like to know If any has channel master rotator to be disposed off. I am interested in having the channel master rotator

Please reply me with details and expected price.

TNX & 73

Dinesh Patel

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http://www.windowslive.com/explore/photogallery/posts?ocid=TXT_TAGLM_WL_Photo_Gallery_082008

3197. RE: Ganesh Visarjan Participation Info.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-08-24 05:38:01 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 3195 Message: 3197

dear surendra
count me in for the visarjan .
vu2 zrs
mem no.1
MARS

Searching for the best deals on travel? Visit MSN Travel.
http://msn.coxandkings.co.in/cnk/cnk.do

3198. Send me an SMS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-09-23 07:31:21 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3198 Message: 3198

Hi,

Here is the link to send free SMS to any mobile in India. I use it too :-)

http://www.indyarocks.com/register_step1.php?invitor=NTQyMjEz&emailencryp=bV9hX3Jfc0B5YWhvb2dyb3Vwcy5jb20=

Already using it? Click here (http://www.indyarocks.com/login.php?invitor=NTQyMjEz&emailencryp=bV9hX3Jfc0B5YWhvb2dyb3Vwcy5jb20=).

Cheers
-Surendra Shete

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3199. Re: [m_a_r_s] Send me an SMS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-09-23 07:35:30 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3198 Message: 3199
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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3200. Meetings

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-09-28 09:50:01 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3200 Message: 3200

Hello Mars Members

I appreciate the idea to meet regularly.

Can we think of meeting on friday evening or saturday evening?

This will help conduct meeting according to schedule as members shall be interested in reaching home as early as possible. Such meeting can be held at any convenient place in south mumbai.(No need to come for meeting on sunday)

Alternatively

Can we meet on sunday morning at places like national park, Ambedkar garden at powai opp. to L & T ,Hanging garden etc such places are many we shall be exploring mumbai alongwith exploring radio.

I will be happy if we can take up small technical topic for discussion at each meeting.

Above is only my view point/suggestion. lets think on it collectively.

73

Dinesh Patel

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http://clk.atdmt.com/MRT/go/msnnkwxp1020093182mrt/direct/01/

3201. Ham radio ==>Brain food !!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-10-05 16:55:17 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3201 Message: 3201

Hello Mars Members

Below is an article from eham.net

Is Ham Radio Good Brain Food?
Dennis Kippa (KW5G) on September 30, 2008 View comments about this article!
While recuperating from eye surgery recently I had some time on my hands and spent a good amount of operating time on CW and SSB on 40 and 80 meters. I am a "BOOMER" born in 1947 and became a Ham 46 years so I am no Spring Chicken.
I had not been on CW for some time so to say I was rusty is a understatement, but after a few days of practice it all started to come back to me and that 20 word per minute QSO was again the norm and it seemed to get easier with more practice. No great discovery there, it is just common sense, the more you practice the better you get. But something else happened and I can't say for sure but I have a theory. Maybe it is wishful thinking but I really think my general brain functions, you know, memory quickness, ability to concentrate, has improved by some small measure. I can't prove my theory at this point, I don't know how to do that scientifically but common sense says practice makes you perform a task better and faster.
My question to you is this: As many of us know as our age increases the chance of Alzheimer's and other brain conditions increases. Some of the QSOs I had were with Hams in their 70's and 80's and their ability to copy and send CW made me think they were much younger. After thinking about it, most of the really good CW ops I have ever known were old men. Their minds were like steel traps and very little got by them. They were sharp, smart and very active Hams. I know that there is a collation between being active and living a healthy life style but, do CW ops have a lower instance of Alzheimer's than the General public?
Can the brain be exercised by the act of sending and receiving CW to the point that Alzheimer's or any other brain deterioration is stopped or delayed?
I suppose a long term study of Hams in some kind of control group, some that use CW, some that do not may give us some scientific information. I will leave that to the PHD's and the MD's to figure out.
For me it is an interesting subject. Maybe some day the Doctor's will recommended a hour of CW a day to keep the old gray matter from rotting away!
I'm just thinking out loud here so now it's your turn. What do you think?
...-.-
Dennis N5DPK Ex KW5G

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http://clk.atdmt.com/MRT/go/msnnkwxp1020093185mrt/direct/01/

3202. For sale diamond mobile antenna

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-10-08 08:49:00 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3202 Message: 3202

For sale diamond mobile antenna 5 Band 40m 15m 6m 2m and 70cm with foldover feature and can fit on SO 239 mount please contact 9821207296.
VU2GTE

3203. RE DIAMOND MOBILE ANTENNA

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-10-09 07:57:11 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3203 Message: 3203

FOR THOSE WHO WERE ASKING THE MODEL IT IS HV5S AND IT IS ON THE FOLLOWING URL http://www.andrewscom.com.au/site-content-section-08-diamond.htm

3204. Invitation to view Surendra's Album - HFI 2008- Gandhinagar

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-10-14 05:11:11 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3204 Message: 3204
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3205. FOR SALE CUSHCRAFT R8 VERTICAL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-10-30 08:49:32 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3205 Message: 3205

FOR SALE CUSHCRAFT R8 VERTICAL 6M TO 40 M IN EXCELLENT CONDITION USED
FOR 8 MONTHS ONLY PLEASE CONTACT 9821207296

3206. Eyeball Meet at Yercaud Hills - Jan 25th and 26th 2009

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-10-31 07:57:23 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3206 Message: 3206

Subject: Eyeball Meet at Yercaud Hills by VU2TCD

Dear Friends
There will be an Eyeball Meet at Yercaud Hills By VU2TCD and also a VHF fox hunt
on 25 & 26 January 2009 . Accomodation Tariff and Delegate Fees will be announced Shortly,
Regards
vu3iti (Cell 9448925461)

Dear Mumbai Friends,

Hope there would be few of you at this eyeball meet at Yercaud which is near Salem (Tamilnadu) and this location is supposed to be similar to Ooty. Registration fee Rs. 350/- per person plus accomodation starting from Rs. 400/- per person for nearby venue (choice of many hotels are aailable on first cum first cum basis).

Organiser is VU2PCP - Paneer Selvam - 09345635973, 09443235973.

de Lion Ajoy - VU2JHM

3207. FOR SALE CUSHCRAFT R6000 VERTICAL

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-11-22 07:01:46 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3207 Message: 3207

FOR SALE CUSHCRAFT R 6000 VERTICAL COVERS 20M 17M 15M 12M 10M AND 6M NO GROUND RADIALS REQUIRED. PLEASE CONTACT 9821207296

3208. Foxhunt at Pollachi on 21st Dec 2008

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-12-04 10:46:35 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3208 Message: 3208

Awarm welcome awaits you again at the COCONUT CITY ,Pollachi for the 3rd pollachi VHF Fox Hunt which will be conducted on 21st December 2008,Sunday at 8.30am.The Flag off will be at 9.15am,from Mahalingapuram Police station.
It will be a very good opportunity for the HAMS ans SWL's to participate in the most interesting and enjoyable HAM activity,RADIO SPORT or AMATEUR RADIO DIRECTION FINDING (ARDF) HAMs and SWLs(with good receiver and directional antenna).can participate to hunt the fox.

A Team will consist of a leader and two members and a maximum of two additional members are allowed for a team but awards will be given only for the three members in the team,However certificates will be issued for all winning members and participants.
RULES:-
1.The Fox Hole will be located anywhere within a radius of 30 km from the starting point.
2.The Fox howl will be a tone on 144.100 Mhz from an omni directional antenna.The duration of the howl will be for 30 seconds on 5 watts followed by 30 seconds on 1 watt.
3.The first Howl will be will be heard at 9.30am and every five minutes thereafter. NO. QSOson Fox frequency.
4.At 11.00am the Fox will give first clue on 145.500 Mhz.The second clue will be at 11.30a.m.
5.The Fox will declare its location and the venue for the lunch at 12Noon on 144.100Mhz & 145.500Mhz.
6.The winner should hand over the ID Slip personally to the FOX immedaitely on reaching the Foxhole.
7.Briefing about the event will be on 20th Saturday December 2008 at 5Pm at VU2DX QTH and Registration can be done and kits can be collected.(119,subbayan Nagar,Behind LNS School,Palladam Road) 9842285939
8.Registration Fee will be Rs 150/-per team of three members and Rs 100/-each additional members,
9.For outstation participants vehicle with driver will be be provided free by Anamalai Amateur Radio Club,Pollachi,on first come first served basis and the fuel cost should be borne by the team.They will use the vehicle at their risk.
10.Any clarifications: Contact on HF: VU2DX,VU3ITI,VU2PAL.
On Vu2KOD Kodai Repeater.
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on VU2TCD Reapeater;- VU2PCP,VU2ZUB,VU3PCP.
On VU2CBE Repeater VU2GVG,VU3KEN,VU2AAX,VU3GTP.
On VU2IU Repeater in Bangalore :- VU3ITI

M.K.Anathaganesan, VU3GPF

President
For Information Please Call K.IBRAHIM VU3IRH (98420 63686)
NOTE:- Payment by cash/Cheque/Demand Draft to K.SYED MOHAMRD IBRAHIM,

130,The Nest Apartments,

Subbayan Nagar,Nalani Seakar Street

(Behind LMS School). T.Kottampatty.

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Name.....Callsign.....
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Group: Family/Friends/YL
group/Individual.....
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2.....
3.....
4.....
Payment Details Rs 150/- per team of three members and Rs 100/- each
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Payment to K.Syed Mohamed Ibrahim, VU3IRH before 9a.m. on 21st
December 2008
REGISTER early to avoid delay in Flag off the Hunters.
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Group; FL/FR/YL/IND..... SERIAL
NO.....
No OF KITS.....

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Received the application

3209. Congrats LAW & NLF

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-12-16 08:45:27 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3209 Message: 3209
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear vu2law & vu2nlf

Itz nice see you both getting together. Best wishes with lots of grace to both of you.

"NLF to be Crystal controlled by LAW" Hi

Best of Grace

de Jaiprakash.

3210. Stuff For Sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2008-12-24 12:19:04 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3210 Message: 3210

Hello mars Members

Following detailed hamradio gadgets are for sale. Please reply by mail or call me in evening on 9819034371

OLD POWER SUPPLY SMPS - 20 AMP SMPS POWER SUPPLY WITH TWO RED BRIGHT DIGITAL METERS FOR CURRENT AND VOLTAGE READINGS SEPARATELY. PROVISION FOR ATTACHMENT TO BATTERY IS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE BACK OF THE SUPPLY. .MANUFACTURED BY AMRON.(INDIAN COMPANY) – BUCK - BOOST VOLTAGE SETTING CONTROLS ON FRONT AND SIDE OF SUPPLY. CASH AND CARRY FROM MUMBAI QTH PHONE – 022-20390151, Or 9819034371 (RS.3500/-)..

OLD POWER SUPPLY - 20 AMP LINEAR DESIGNED BY A HAM AND COMMERCIALLY PRODUCED. ANALOG VOLT METER ON THE FRONT DIAL. SPECIALLY MADE FOR HAM HF RADIO. CREATES VERY LESS QRM. EASY TO REPAIR. LONG LASTING. CASH AND CARRY FROM MUMBAI QTH PHONE – 022-20390151, Or 9819034371 (RS.4000/-)

OLD POWER SUPPLY - LINEAR MANUFACTURED BY PUNWIRE (PUNJAB WIRELESS SYSTEMS) FOR HF RADIOS WITH 100 WATS POWER. CREATES VERY LESS QRM. EASY TO REPAIR. LONG LASTING. CASH AND CARRY FROM MUMBAI QTH PHONE – 022-20390151, Or 9819034371 (RS.4000/-)

OLD UPTRON BASE STATION - MODIFIED FOR HAM FREQUESNCIES – DIODE MATRICS TYPE. CAN CHANGE FREQUENCY BY CHANGING/ADDING DIODES BY THOSE WHO ARE GOOD AT HOME BREW. MANUFATURED IN INDIA BY UPTRON COPY OF MODEL FT-2525/2526 OF YEASU MAKE. CIRCUIT MAY BE AVAILABLE ON NET. SET IS WORKING ON HAM FREQUENCY – (8 CHANNELS) ARE ON 144 TO 146 MHz. SET PROVIDED WITH PTT MIKE. WATTAGE 20 TO 25WATTS (NOT MEASURED) ALSO WORK ON SPLIT FREQENCIES. NO AFTER SALE SUPPORT. CASH AND CARRY FROM MUMBAI QTH – PHONE 022-20390151 Or 9819034371 PRICE – (RS.2500/-)

OLD BASE STATION - RAJASTHAN COMMUNICATIONS – GREEN IN COLOUR – CALLED IN HAM CIRCLES AS GREEN BIRD - FIRT MODIFICATION ATTEMPTED BY BY VU2WJM - EPROM IN SIDE WHICH CAN BE PROGRAMMED BY HELP OF OTHER HAMS OR HINT FROM VU2WJM. 16 CHANNELS - CURRENTLY ALL CHANNELS ON HAM FREQUENCY BETWEEN 144-146 MHz. WATTAGE 20- TO 25WATTS (NOT MEASURED) PTT MIKE PROVIDED. OUTPUT THROUGH EXTERNAL SPEAKERS ONLY (SPEAKER NOT PROVIDED) CASH AND CARRY FROM MUMBAI OTH - NO AFTER SALE SUPPORT.PHONE 022-20390151 Or 9819034371 (RS.3000/-).

OLD AUTOMATIC ANTENNA TUNER ICOM MAKE MODEL AT-150 - WORKING STATUS NOT CHEKED. PHOTO COPY OF CIRCUIT DETAILS AND 5 PIN CORD TO ICOM COMPATIBLE RIG IS PROVIDED. PLEASE VERYFY COMPATIBLE RIGS BEFORE BUY. CASH AND CARRY FROM MUMBAI QTH PHONE 022-20390151, Or 9819034371 (RS.5500/-).

PHONE PATCH - KENWOOD MAKE – MODEL PC-1A IN GOOD WORKING CONDITION. FOR CONNECTING RADIO TO PHONE LINE. RADIO TO PHONE PATCH CORD IS PROVIDED. VERY LESS USED. . CASH AND CARRY FROM MUMBAI QTH PHONE 022-20390151, Or 9819034371 (RS.3500/-).

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3211. Happy Birthday ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-02-02 14:46:53 UTC
From: vu2sfh
Topic: 3211 Message: 3211

*Many Many Happy Returns of the Day to VU2ZRS (Member No. 1)**
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Thanks.

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There is no such thing called as "Free Lunch" in Life.
www.surenshete.blogspot.com

3212. RE: MARS Happy Birthday ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-02-03 04:07:26 UTC
From: Dilip Bhandari
Topic: 3212 Message: 3212

Dear ZRS many many happy returns of the day

Dilip Bhandari
VU3DGB

To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.comCC: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.comFrom: vu2feo@...mDate: Tue, 3 Feb 2009 08:12:01 +0530Subject: Re: MARS Happy Birthday ZRS

Tandarosti and Sukh-Santi In the year ahead ZRS. Many Happy returns of theDay. Have a wonderful 24hrs and the 365 days ahead.FEOOn Mon, Feb 2, 2009 at 8:16 PM, vu2sfh <vu2sfh@...> wrote:> *Many Many Happy Returns of the Day to VU2ZRS (Member No. 1)**> *> *Thanks.*>> --> There is no such thing called as "Free Lunch" in Life.> www.surenshete.blogspot.com>> [Non-text portions of this message have been removed]>> >[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

3213. CAKES COOKIES AND TEA AWAITS YOU....

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-02-03 05:31:29 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 3212 Message: 3213

Dear MARS, firoze patel ,dilip bhandari. surendra shetty ,mani bhatja. mukesh jaitley ,ankur puranik and my dear hams

THANK YOU FOR THE WISHES .

hot cakes , crispy cookies and tea await you all at my bakery to party

thank you ...oh i forgot take away gifts are mawa cakes .smile

73's

vu2 zrs
ZYROS ZEND
(M.No.1)

Fortune Cookie India
300 , cawasji hormasji patel street
marine lines
mumbai 2
tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

3214. Re: MARS Happy Birthday ZRS

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-02-03 08:18:29 UTC
From: kaushik
Topic: 3212 Message: 3214

Dear ZRS

Wishing you A Very Happy Birthday.

73's
VU2KTW

3215. Birthday Greetings to UBP

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-03-01 05:32:21 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3215 Message: 3215

Dear VU2UBP,

Many Happy Returns of the Day.
God Bless You.

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3216. Ham Demo on 8th march

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-03-06 14:54:02 UTC
From: Sandesh Kamat
Topic: 3216 Message: 3216

Dear Friends
Mumbai Amateur Radio Society will be conducting a Ham Radio Demo at Sardar Vallabhai patel college of Engg at Andheri on
8th March 2009 at 1700 hrs . There will be a presentation followed by live QSO on HF & VHF.
I request hams who are available to be on standby from 1745 hrs
20 mt: 14.200Mhz
40mt : 7060 Mhz
2 mt: 144.200Mhz simplex.

Your participation on air will be very valuable for us & will also interest the students .

73

De VU2SXF
Sandesh Kamat
Mumbai

9869457597

3217. HF Radio for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-03-25 13:19:37 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3217 Message: 3217

Hello Mars Members !

Fully working Kenwood make TK80/TRC 80(with Power supply) is for sale.

Interested members may check kenwood or other website for details.

Some features

100Watts,

All digital modes possible.

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3218. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-04-25 14:13:18 UTC
From: Mr Mukesh Jaitley
Topic: 3218 Message: 3218

To,

The Secretary (vu2hit)

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society

mumbai.

Sub: AGM

Dear Huzefa

I regret i wont be coming for this meeting as protest ,for the reason mentioned below

1) During last AGM it was decided to call for an EGM to take vote on explusion of VU2NLF, the case which is pendig since now 2 years it was also taken up during AGM of year 2007.

2) There is no minutes of meeting Book being maintained , if yes can it be displayed during the AGM this year.

3) since during last year AGM through votes the account was cleared , this does not automatically absolves people involved in misusing the funds.

please see that during this AGM itself the case of VU2NLF explusion is brought to its logical end.

If there is any hope of these point being taken up then only it makes sense to attend AGM , otherwise lets put an end to this farce of every year
and in any case people can enjoy their hobby without a club too.

Regards

VU2UGJ.

PS :You may can cancel my life membership if above are not taken up.

3219. Life member have been missed out of the AGM list

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-04-28 04:52:44 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 3218 Message: 3219

Dear MARS committee

in the mail sent in regards to the MARS 9th AGM, it clearly seems you have missed out on a Senior Citizen of our club who is 75 years of age and a LIFE MEMBER Mr Pervez. .P. Mahdroina.

He has no inter net facility , he has strongly supported monthly meeting which was adviced by vu2 lnz girish sukhla and suppoerted by many members in the month of september 2008. but nothing has been done about the monthly meeting .

He has also written hard copy letter which was handed over to a committie member in regards to holding MEMBERS monthly meeting But nothing has been done about the letter

Pervez.P.Mahdroina letter handed over to the committee member given in the month of septemebr 2008 reads as :-

Honorable Sir,
I am a life member of MARS as such i would like to
attend monthly meeting. Kindly put me on your mailing so that we can attend the
same and have eye ball contact

You’re faithfully

P.P.Mahdroina
We would love to have monthly meeting
P.S. i don’t have internet facility which may kindly be noted

Pervez. .P. Mahdroina
Jijibhoy Flat 206,
7, Gamadia Colony,
Tardeo & 400007
25.09.2008

"on request the same can be forwarded on individual mail". "being intimated individually"

I REQUEST the MARS committe to please do inform him by hard copy post or in person .

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3220. FOR SALE KENWOOD TH 78A DUAL BAND HANDIES

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-06-06 06:21:43 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3220 Message: 3220

FOR SALE KENWOOD TH 78A DUAL BAND HANDIES WITH ACCESSORIES PLEASE CONTACT 9821207296 VU2GTE

3221. DNA E-Paper : Weekend festival of moontalking

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-06-28 14:15:03 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3221 Message: 3221

Hams announce a global bounce-fest by sending voice signal to the moon and back

http://epaper.dnaindia.com/epapermain.aspx?edorsup=Main&queryed=20&querypage=20&boxid=31438718&parentid=95105&eddate=06/28/2009

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3222. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2009, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-07-05 19:56:20 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3222 Message: 3222

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

MARS ANNIVESARY
Monday July 6, 2009
1:30 pm - 1:30 am
(This event repeats every year.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 11 hours, 49 minutes.)

Notes:
Wishing All Members a Very Happy Anniversary and Congratulations to all Members on sucessfully promoting our wonderful hobby

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3223. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2009, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-07-06 07:41:06 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3222 Message: 3223

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

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3224. More Wired Chinese Tuning Into Amateur Radio

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-07-20 13:19:22 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3224 Message: 3224

http://tech2.in.com/india/news/general/more-wired-chinese-tuning-into-amateur-radio/78442/0

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3225. Happy Birthday OMV

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-07-21 02:30:00 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3225 Message: 3225

*Many Happy Returns of the Day to VU2OMV (Old Man Vaidya)**

Thanks.*

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3226. Ganpati Visarjan at Juhu Chowpatty

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-07-21 04:37:17 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3226 Message: 3226

Hi,

We are planning to do Ganpati Visarjan at Juhu Chowpatty this year.
Interested hams please reply immediately, so that a rough list of
participating members can be made.
And, also the same can be discussed in the next committee meeting which will
be conducted shortly.
You can reply back to me at "*vu2sfh@...*".

Happy Hamming.

Thanks.

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3227. Re: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday OMV

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-07-21 04:44:06 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 3225 Message: 3227

Happy Returns of the day

Shailesh Pradhan
www.qrz.com/VU2SFN
9870123765

From: Surendra Shete <vu2sfh@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2009 8:00:00 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Happy Birthday OMV

Many Happy Returns of the Day to VU2OMV (Old Man Vaidya)

Thanks.

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3228. Ganpati Visarjan at Juhu Chowpatty

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-07-21 04:59:58 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3226 Message: 3228

Hi,

As discussed with VU2IVO (Ivor) we are planning to do Ganpati Visarjan at
Juhu Chowpatty this year.
Interested hams please reply immediately, so that a rough list of
participating members can be made.
And, also the same can be discussed in the next committee meeting which will
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Thanks.

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3229. AT8LHC - Kadalur Point Lighthouse 7th to 16th August 2009

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-08-05 19:19:50 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3229 Message: 3229

Dear Friends,

Kadalur Point / Thikkoti / Sacrifice Rock Lighthouse in Kerala will be QRV on air from 7th to 16th of August 2009 Details http://www.qrz.com/AT8LHC

Love and Kisses from Light House celebrating its 100th year Centenary

Yes, that is 88's from LHC = AT8LHC

de Lion Ajoy VU2JHM ARLHS # 1571 and Manohar (Arasu) VU2UR ARLHS # 1578

Best of 73's
de Lion Ajoy VU2JHM
Life Member MARS

3230. Basic Civil Defence Training

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-08-21 12:06:30 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3230 Message: 3230

Dear Friends

I am pleased to inform you all Hams & SWL's that Civil Defence Mumbai will be giving special trainings to Hams & SWLs residing in Mumbai Area .

Training Contents - Basic Course
 : (1) Control & Communication, (2) First Aid, (3) Fire Fighting (4) Warden Etc

Tentative Date/venue/timing : From 7th Sept 2009 at Civil Defence Staff College, next to Bombay Hospital, Metro. Timing : 6PM to 830PM upto 18th Sep 2009 : Attendance compulsory on all these days.

Documents required for Joining : Ration Card as proof of residence to confirm that you are staying in Mumbai (Churgate-Borivali, VT - Mankhurd, VT-Mulund)

Dress Code : Office Wear for gents & for Ladies : Salwar Kamize
(No Jeans/T-shirt etc)

Minimum no.of enrolment : 30members.

Age Limit : 18-60years

Kindly confirm to me by replying to my direct email ID : vu2jpn@... with the following details:

Name in Full:
Date of Birth/Age:
Residential Address as per Ration Card:
Mobile & LL no.
Your residence BMC Ward :

Hope to see you all for the training.

73z de vu2jpn

3231. Fw: Basic Civil Defence Training

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-08-28 04:05:48 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3231 Message: 3231

REMINDER TO ALL HAMS

Please confirm your availability before 31st Aug, 2009 as I have to confirm attendance on 1st Sep 09. Hence this urgent request.

Pls email to my direct email ID

Regards

Jaiprakkash.

--- On Fri, 8/21/09, Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...> wrote:

From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...>
Subject: Basic Civil Defence Training
To: vu2jpn@..., m_a_r_s@egroups.com, m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com, "mars_classes Moderator" <mars_classes-owner@yahoogroups.com>, mars-academy@yahoogroups.com, marsacademy2007@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, August 21, 2009, 5:36 PM

Dear Friends

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Dress Code : Office Wear for gents & for Ladies : Salwar Kamize
(No Jeans/T-shirt etc)

Minimum no.of enrolment : 30members.

Age Limit : 18-60years & Physically fit

Kindly confirm to me by replying to my direct email ID : vu2jpn@... with the following details:

Name in Full:
Date of Birth/Age:
Residential Address as per Ration Card:
Mobile & LL no.

Your residence BMC Ward :

Hope to see you all for the training.

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3232. Renwal of licences

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-08-30 14:16:38 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3163 Message: 3232

Hello All,

I am collecting the renewal forms and DD for renewal of the amateur radio license.

If we all send it in a group, it will be good for all of us.

Following are details,

Grade I = Rs. 100.00/- Fee for 5 Years

(Rs. 50.00/- for postal charges)

Total = Rs. 150.00/-

Grade II = Rs. 60.00/- Fees for 5 Years

(Rs. 40.00/- For postal changes)

Total = Rs. 100.00/-

A Demand Draft of requisite amount as mentioned above, drawn from any branch of State bank of India (SBI) only in favors of “*Pay and Account Officer (HQ), Department of Telecommunication* ” OR *PAO(HQ), DOT* ” payable at Service Branch, New Delhi (code-7687).

[Please write your Call-sign/Name, License no. at the back of the DD]

Please download and fill the Renewal Letter Form from

http://mumbaihams.org/old/Form/RenewalLicences.doc

Also, photocopy of License and previous renewal slips (if any)

Please courier me the above mentioned three things (Renewal Letter Form, DD and photocopy of License latest by *10th Sept. 2009. *

You can courier the documents at,

B-8, 16-A,

New India Staff Quarters,

Juhu Lane, Andheri(W),

Mumbai, 400 058

Cell:- 98206 60662

Thanks.

(Please remind me if anything missed)

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3233. Renwal of licences

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-08-30 17:25:29 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3163 Message: 3233

Hello All,

I am collecting the renewal forms and DD for renewal of the amateur radio license.If we all send it in a group, it will be good for all of us.

Please read the FAQ below for all your queries as regards to Licenses renewal

Please follow the below FAQ for your License renewal
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FAQ
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1. How do I renew my License ?
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**Please submit Self declaration of No. of Contacts made during the last 5 Years for renewal in your request letter. (Minimum 40 contacts per year is mandatory) which can be downloaded from below and send it to WPC Delhi along with the Photocopy of License & demand draft of renewal fees, also Please write your complete recent address (Including Town,City,State and PIN) of correspondence on top of the letter for fast disposal of the cases.*
*
DOWNLOAD SELF DECLARATION FORMAT

http://mumbaihams.org/old/Form/RenewalLicences.doc
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Please also enclose ONE self addressed, un-stamped envelop of 23cm x 15 cm size for the Renewal Amateur License, where it is required to be posted and/or enclose ONE self addressed, un-stamped envelop of 24cm x 11 cm size for all other kind of correspondence.
*2 .What are the renewal fee ?

** Fee for Issue/Renewal of License* *
*
Grade Fee for 5 Years Fee for 2 Years
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Advance-Grade 125/- 50/-
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Grade-I 100/- 40/-
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*
Grade-II 60/- 25/-

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Grade-II (Rest) 60/- 25/-
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*3. My license expired 2 years back , is my License still valid ? , if yes, what is late fee i have to pay ?

**Yes License is valid, but it shall be renewed immediately , but in your renewal application you have to justify for late renewal, No Late fees will be charged till expiry date , thereafter Late fee will be charged @ Rs. 10/- for every 6 Months.

Alternately Licenses can be renewed 3 month prior to expiry date
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*4. Do i have to send my original License during renewal ?

No , only send the photocopy of License and previous renewal slips(if any)*
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*5. Where do i send my application for renewal ?
*

The Asstt. Wireless Advisor to the GOI, Ministry of Communications & IT

Department OF Telecommunications, WPC Wing, Amateur Cell,

6th Floor, Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110 001

Here i suggest instead of sending it to WPC direct please send it to my address below, so it can be send in a group

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B-8, 16-A, New India Staff Quarters, Juhu Lane, Andheri(W),Mumbai, 400 058 Cell:- 98206 60662
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6. Can i send Demand draft of any other bank ?

No, Only a Demand Draft of requisite amount as mentioned above, drawn from any branch of **State bank of India Only in favors of “Pay and Account Officer (HQ), Department of Telecommunication ” or " or **PAO(HQ), DOT "

payable at Service Branch, New Delhi (code-7687). [Pl. write your License No./Call-sign/Name, License no.) on overleaf of DD]
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*7. Can i send my application by courier ?

No, Please send your application by Ordinary Post, Regd. Post or preferably by Speed post (it reaches faster as no private courier are allowed inside WPC)
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*8. How much time does it takes for the renewal ?

Generally it takes about 30-45 days for renewal to happen, but due backlog of new licences and other WPC activities , renewal can be delayed for months, but if send in a group it can be followed up for all

If you have any queries please mail direct to me

73

Surendra VU2SFH
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3234. Civil Defence Training Final

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-09-03 05:15:04 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3234 Message: 3234

Hi

Thanks to all Hams & SWL's for very good responce for the training.

It has been finalised that training will begin from 14th Sep 2009 at following venue:

Office of the Home Guards & Civil Defence
(Civil Defence Staff College)
Behind Bombay Hospital
Metro
Mumbai.

Time : 1800 - 2030hrs

73z de vu2jpn

3235. Re: [m_a_r_s] Renwal of licences

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-09-08 18:26:34 UTC
From: saurabh shah
Topic: 3163 Message: 3235

Hi

I do not have 40 contacts peryear.
What can i do?

Thanks
Saurabh Shah

From: Surendra Shete <vu2sfh@...>
To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com; m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com; cqmumbai@yahoogroups.com
Cc: Mani.Bhatija. <manibathija@...>; Ulhas.Paralkar. <vu2ubp@gmail.com>; Mukesh.Vaidya. <vu3omv@...>; Rishikesh.Kamat. <rishikesh.r.kamat@...>; Ankur.Puranik <ankurpuranik@...>; shantanuchand@...
Sent: Sunday, 30 August, 2009 10:55:29 PM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Renwal of licences

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DD for renewal of the amateur radio license.If we all send it in a group, it will be good for all of us.

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your complete recent address (Including Town,City,State and PIN) of
correspondence on top of the letter for fast disposal of the cases.

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Grade-II (Rest) 60/- 25/-

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3236. Civil Defence Class starting on 14/07/09 at 1730hrs

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-09-11 09:31:39 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3236 Message: 3236

Dear Friends

I am pleased to annouce that Civil Defence Classes will start from Monday 14/09/09. Kindly be present at the following venue sharp at 5.30PM.

Office of Civil Defence & Home Guards
Next to Bombay Hospital
Opp. Cross Maidan
Near Metro Cinema, Mumbai

Dress Code : .

3237. Re: MARS Civil Defence Class starting on 14/07/09 at 1730hrs

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-09-11 09:55:15 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3236 Message: 3237

Dear Friends

I am pleased to announce that Civil Defence Training will start from Monday 14/09/09. Kindly be present at the following venue sharp at 5.30PM.

Office of Civil Defence & Home Guards
Next to Bombay Hospital
Opp. Cross Maidan
Near Metro Cinema, Mumbai

Dress Code : Office Wear

Training Timing : 1800-2030 hours

Date : From 14/09/09 to 25/09/09

Note : Please bring 200pages note book & zerox copy of your ration card.
Participants should be from Mumbai Area only

This is Basic Training of Civil Defence where you will be taught the basics of:

1. First Aid
2. Fire Fighting
3. Types of Fires
3. Knowledge on Bombs
4. Knots
5. Warden Service
6. Control and Communication Service
7. Rescue etc

Training is Free of Cost.

All Hams & SWL's are welcome to attend. It is with great difficulty that such a training has been arranged specially for HAMs by Civil Defence. Please take this opportunity of getting trained as it is a "Call of the Day".

Hope to see you all for the training.

Regards

Jaiprakkash VU2JPN

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Yahoo! Groups Links

3238. Re: MARS Good News 100% result

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-09-18 01:39:37 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3238 Message: 3238

Great News.
All the best to all the hams and hope they come on air soon.
Where are other old hams?
No activity on yahoo group and no activity on air also.
Hope their mails have not been blocked to post messages on the group?

Thanks.
Happy Hammering (Oh Sorry Hamming)

On Fri, Sep 18, 2009 at 12:49 AM, Jayesh Banatwala <
jayeshbanatwala@...> wrote:

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> Dear Fellow HAMs
>
> Its a great pleasure to inform you all that the latest batch of aspiring
> HAMs cleared their Amateur Station Operator's Licence examination conducted
> by WPC on 17-Aug-09. Everyone will be pleased to know that all those who
> appeared for the exams, from this batch trained at MARS, passed, achieving
> a
> 100% strike rate. 8 of them got Grade I while 2 got Grade II. Our heartiest
> congratulations to them.
>
> A special thanks to all their tutors and mentors for their efforts in
> teaching and training the students
> We hope their applications (underway) for the licences get processed at the
> earliest and I look forward to them joining us "On Air" as soon as they get
> their call signs.
>
> The response and inquires which we have received for starting a new batch
> is
> extremely encouraging and a sign that our great hobby of HAM radio is still
> quite popular for radio
>
> enthusiasts.
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> The signal is 5,9 + 60 DB for sure.
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> "When you doubt your power, you give power to your doubt"
> Believe in Youself..
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> 73
> de
> jayesh

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3240. Disaster comm in AP

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-10-09 16:52:58 UTC
From: Sandesh Kamat
Topic: 3240 Message: 3240

Hello
Thanks for ur mail. Iam sorry to inform u that only ONE HAM VU2JPN & 3 SWLS including u have volunteered
to help in case of actual disaster. Its very sad that when only a meeting is called about 25 people come to do just time pass
but when ur required to deliver no one is not even bothered to inquire about the situation .
People are more than interested to do timepass during ganesh visarjan when all modes of communication is functioning
at its best . I fail to understand as to why people are so much interested in this event.
Let me share again with you that when it comes to communicate in case of disaster u require some kind of commitment
which i think is missing . In 2001 during Gujarat Earthquake 9 hams got together in just 5 hrs . I came to know about
the situation at 1pm at kemps corner & i managed everything & was back to mumbai central at 4 pm with all gear ready
now thats whats called commitment .
I thought there is no point in going to AP & not delivering what is required, with just 2 hams & 3 swls.

So guys have some kind of interest & practise actual AMATEUR RADIO & not merring around.

Regarding monthly meetings again its the same thing members are not attending the meetings as
you are aware JATIN during the 1st meeting called only 3 members were present . so do you all
members really think we should have a meeting ???? what for ??

Any good suggestions are wellcome if at all any one feels to give

73
DE VU2SXF
SANDESH
CHAIRMAN ?
MARS.

3241. Antennas for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-10-25 13:02:35 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3241 Message: 3241

I wish to sell my Cushcraft hf antennas to make place for a quad which I intend to put up shortly. 1) R 6000 covers the following bands 6, 10, 12, 15 ,17, 20, 2)multiban dipole for 10, 15, 20. Both antennas are resonant through the complete mentioned bands with no need for an antenna tuner, I am contactable on 9987587296. VU2GTE

3242. License Renewal

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-10-28 14:21:16 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3242 Message: 3242

Hi,

I have got my license renewal today afternoon. Please update whether you have got yours or not (whoever license was entitled for renewal).

Thanks.

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3243. HFI 2009

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-11-10 07:59:19 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3243 Message: 3243

Hi,

Please check the Album link for Hamfest India 2009 (HFI 2009) Bangalore.

http://picasaweb.google.com/vu2sfh/HFI2009#

Also, sharing a personal album of Bangalore visit. Hope there will be NO (less) QRM on the group.

http://picasaweb.google.com/vu2sfh/BangaloreJalsaa#

Comments are welcome (Not on the group please, directly by email)

Thanks.
Happy Hammering (Oh Sorry, HAPPY HAMMING)

73S.

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3244. Ham Demo at Civil Defence HQ on Fri the 20th Nov 2009 0900 to 1030 hrs

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-11-17 17:14:00 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3244 Message: 3244

Dear Friends,

As a part of Civil Defence course conducted here at Bangalore with 20 Home Guard officials, 10 Fire and Emergency Officials and some 10 Civil Defence Wardens (including VU2POP, VU3GHM, VU2KHA and myself VU2JHM)and couple of Guest lecturers from NIDM, New Delhi we would be on HF and VHF from 9 AM to 10:30 AM operating VU2LCI station on 7050 14150 (depending on band) - request hams to be on the band / echolink to say hello.

On VHF we will be on VU2RSB / VU2TWO repeaters and on simplex 145.500

Best of 73's

de Lion Ajoy VU2JHM

3245. Fw: Read this online

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-11-21 03:47:40 UTC
From: Kaushik Sanghvi
Topic: 3245 Message: 3245

From: Kaushik Sanghvi
Sent: Saturday, November 21, 2009 9:14 AM
Subject: Read this online

From: Prasad Agrahar
Sent: Saturday, November 21, 2009 6:47 AM
To:
Subject: HamBrewers Read this online

Could this be true? We read about letters delivered several years late by post office but if this is true waiting 13 years to get a licence from WPC is probably a record in this Internet age.

Quote:
RADIO DEDICATION: VU2DWA- 13 YEARS FROM EXAM TO LICENSE

And here's the story an amateur radio applicant in India has received his license. What makes this interesting is that it only took some 13 years to reach him, Heres the story as we know it.

Back in 1996 Digvijayam Paricharla passed that nations amateur service exam. It normally would have taken a few months for him to have received his license and permit to operate, but months pass and then years but still no license.

After waiting and waiting, he finally contacted India's National Institute of Amateur Radio which in turn took up his cause. He says that through the dedication of VU2IPA, VU2RBI, VU2RDM, VU3ATK and several others, his dream of becoming a licensed radio amateur was realized, On October 28th he was finally issued the callsign VU2DWA and announced that he planned to celebrate by attending the now concluded Bangalor Hamfest.

VU2DWA sent out an e-mail telling the world that he is very grateful to everyone in the National Institute of Amateur Radio for their helping to champion his cause. And before you ask, nobody has said why it took all these years for his license to be issued. (VU Forum via W7VOA)
Unquote:

I found this on http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?t=226244

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Prasad VU2AEA

3246. Happy Birthday

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2009-12-09 12:35:30 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 2822 Message: 3246

Many Happy Returns of the Day to Vijay Motwane (VU2VVP) & Shilesh Deshmukh (VU2LOC).

Happy Birthday.

Thanks.

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There is no such thing called as "Free Lunch" in Life.
www.surenshete.blogspot.com

3247. For sale Diamond 2m 10 element beam antenna

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-01-22 04:06:28 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3247 Message: 3247

For sale Diamond 2m 10 element yagi antenna please contact 9987587296

3248. Pictures of antennae

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-02-13 14:41:49 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3248 Message: 3248

I have put up pictures of my antennae in the photo section and invite others to do the same maybe someone could start a secion for shack pictures

3249. wow what an antenna.....vu2gte. Pictures of antennae

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-02-15 01:48:31 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 3248 Message: 3249

dear vu2gte

great antenna

i am sure with this antenna there must no place in the world you are not able to make contact with .

also the height of your building makes your set very powerfull and strong .

great .

thank vu2gte

vu2 zrs

zyros zend
52,bennet villa
wode house road
colaba
mumbai 39
9821025289

Date: Sat, 13 Feb 2010 14:41:49 +0000
From: vu2gte@...
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Pictures of antennae
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com

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https://signup.live.com/signup.aspx?id=60969

3250. YAESU MAP

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-02-16 13:28:46 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3250 Message: 3250

Hello Zyros

Can you please get me one YAESU colour map.

Hello MARS members !

If interested in Yaesu Map for your shack please reply so that all maps can be prepared togather.

Dinesh Patel

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http://clk.atdmt.com/GBL/go/201469227/direct/01/

3251. color YAESU MAP required ??

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-02-17 02:41:55 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 3250 Message: 3251

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Dinesh Patel

dear members any pne else requires a colored yaseu map please inform me . the cost will slightly cheaper if we color xerox a few copies together.
vu2zrs

Fortune Cookie India
300 , cawasji hormasji patel street
marine lines
mumbai 2
tel no.22035586
cell no.9821025289
fortunecookie@...

3252. FOR SALE ICOM IC 706 MK 2 G with dsp and remote kit

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-03-06 03:37:28 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3252 Message: 3252

FOR SALE ICOM IC 706 MK 2 G with dsp and remote kit with box in excellent condition please contact 9987587296

3253. SAFE WORLD 2010 - National Seminar at Bangalore 17th and 18th Mar 2010

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-03-11 12:21:12 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3253 Message: 3253

Dear Friends,

Government of Karnataka, Directorate of Home Guards, Civil Defence, Fire and Emergency Services is conducting a National Seminar on Disaster Management and Safe World 2010 at No. 1, Annaswamy Mudaliar road, Bank of Ulsoor Lake, Bangalore-560042 for skill development, capacity building and to generate public awareness.

Eminent speakers and experts from WHO, Red Cross, DFRL, HEMRL, CFEES, NDMA and SDMA, professionals from Police, Medicine and Communication are going to address the particiapants.

Do send your request to participate to

Office of the Directorate General of Police & Commandant General, Home Guards & Ex-Officio Director of Civil Defence, # 1, Annaswamy Mudaliar Road, BANGALORE-560042

For those HAMS who are in CD from Mumbai, Thane, Bhopal and Pune who wish to participate - send a copy of the request to me VU2JHM to follow up and make this visit a official one.

de Lion Ajoy VU2JHM
Divisional Civil Defence Warden # 28
High Grounds and Seshadripuram Police Station Limits,
B A N G A L O R E.

3254. FNB-11H & FBA-17

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-03-16 12:53:39 UTC
From: Raphel
Topic: 3254 Message: 3254

Hi

Going thru my belongings, I have come across the below mentioned items which I had forgotten existed with me.

All of them are brand new & in their original boxes.

I had purchased them for somebody as a personal favor but ended up with them because the concerned person refused to pick them up.

These items are compatible with Yaesu FT-411R. I do not even know if anybody is still using this handy.

Anyways, they are a waste lying with me.

1) Yaesu FNB-11H Ni-Cd Battery Pack
2) Yaesu FBA-17H Dry Cell case.
3) Yaesu CA-7 Charging Sleeves (For FNB-11H)

As mentioned earlier, all the above items are brand new & in their original boxes.

Incase anybody needs these items, let me know on raphelj@...

Regards

Raphel (VU2 UNO)

3255. For sale mfj magnetic loop antenna 10m-30m continuous coverage

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-03-20 10:01:29 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3255 Message: 3255

For sale mfj magnetic loop antenna, Microphones,DSP unit for Ic 706 MK2 Ic 718 etc Diamond X 50 dual band antenna. please contact 9987587296 VU2GTE

3256. Hello members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-04-23 13:36:37 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3256 Message: 3256

dear members

shall we have next meeting monthly or AGM at national park borivali.

We can meet on sunday morning. If possible we can ask authorities to have fox hunt there.

We need to decide soon so that we organise before it rains.

Regards

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3257. RE: MARS Hello members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-04-24 04:49:26 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3257 Message: 3257

Thanks Satvinder if meeting materialises please help.

Dear member lets decide any suitable sunday and enjoy nature and radio. Early morning(say 8 or 8.30am) shall be better. We can meet,talk,discuss and leave before it is hot afternoon.

I wish if we can take up a single or two technical topic to be discussed. If any expert is ready we can learn at place like shantiniketan.

Interested members may reply.

Thanks and Regards

Dinesh Patel

To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com; m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
From: satvinder.77@...
Date: Sat, 24 Apr 2010 08:34:16 +0530
Subject: RE: MARS Hello members

Dear Dinesh

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VU2BLT

From: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com [mailto:m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
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3258. RE: [m_a_r_s] RE: MARS Hello members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-04-25 10:42:58 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3257 Message: 3258

Dear Members

Lets meet this 1st May.

Post your suggestions.

We shall meet in the morning at main gate near ticket counter.

Add your names and contact nos to this mail.

We need at least one member to take lead to discuss in detail any one technical point related to ham radio. The new batch of students are joining this event they shall benefit from this.

After meeting is over members may enjoy tiger & lion safari and other attractions of national park.

As there is no eating place inside we need to organise ourselves.

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3259. RE: [m_a_r_s] RE: MARS Hello members

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-04-28 05:15:24 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3257 Message: 3259

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Special thanks to satvinder for national park inquiry and information.

some hams have already fixed to go out a it is two days weekend. If required we may change the day.

Changes shall be informed over e group.

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> To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com
> From: vu2ish@...
> Date: Wed, 28 Apr 2010 08:46:19 +0530
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3260. FW: [m_a_r_s] RE: MARS Hello members !st may event

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-04-30 13:41:20 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3260 Message: 3260

From: radiopatel@...
To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [m_a_r_s] RE: MARS Hello members !st may event
Date: Thu, 29 Apr 2010 13:26:08 +0000

Dear Mars friends

As the elmers are on holidays due to two days weekend we are not meeting this saturday.

This does not mean that the meet is cancelled.

Rescheduled date shall be informed when date and place is fixed.

I would like to know is this national park location very odd for central suburbs?
We can also meet at Ambedkar garden (opp to Larsen & toubro,at powai lake,near chinmaya temple).

Keep posting your suggestions
(once Late Mr Pramod Navalkar of ShivSena was to deliver speech at some auditorium and he did it. The finest part is the audiance was two people only)

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Dinesh

To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com
From: jatin@...
Date: Thu, 29 Apr 2010 17:09:26 +0530
Subject: FW: [m_a_r_s] RE: MARS Hello members !st may event

Dear Dineshbhai,

Please post regarding timing, agenda and participants numbers or name on a group for the meeting of 1st May,2010. so as it becomes easy for members to plan their schedules to attend the same or to plan other personal events.

Pl update about the final schedule a.s.a.p

Thanks & Regards,

Jatin Shah
DE VU2***
09819959970

-----Original Message-----
From: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com [mailto:m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dinesh Patel
Sent: 28 April 2010 11:00
To: MARS E group

Subject: RE: [m_a_r_s] RE: MARS Hello members !st may event

Dear Members

The antenna home brewing is on of the important topic. Rather it is set of topics.

Jayeshbhai - IVV to decide if he wishes to and he can contribute.

We have many topics for discussion and learning.

We need to see availability of expert so that we get detailed information.

we should organise lectures at rotating places at convinient locations.

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Great Idea Dineshbhai count on me as a participent, my sugetion is Jayeshbhai should take a lead and have a discution on homebrewed antenas as he has been developing many Home brewed antenas and the cost is very cheap also the results are very good.

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> Early morning(say 8 or 8.30am) shall be better. We can meet,talk,discuss
and
> leave before it is hot afternoon.
> >
> > I wish if we can take up a single or two technical topic to be
discussed.
> If any expert is ready we can learn at place like shantiniketan.
> >
> > Interested members may reply.
> >
> > Thanks and Regards
> >
> > Dinesh Patel
> >

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> >
> > To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com <m-a-r-s%40yahoogroups.com>;
> m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com <m_a_r_s%40yahoogroups.com>
> > From: satvinder.77@...
>
> > Date: Sat, 24 Apr 2010 08:34:16 +0530
> > Subject: RE: MARS Hello members
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> >
> > Dear Dinesh
> >
> > That's a great idea if you want to interact with authority then I can
> help
> > in doing so.
> >
> > 73's
> >
> > VU2BLT
> >
> > From: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com <m-a-r-s%40yahoogroups.com> [mailto:
> m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com <m-a-r-s%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf Of
> > Dinesh Patel
> > Sent: Friday, April 23, 2010 7:07 PM
> > To: MARS E group; MARS E group
> > Subject: MARS Hello members
> >
> > dear members
> >
> > shall we have next meeting monthly or AGM at national park borivali.
> >
> > We can meet on sunday morning. If possible we can ask authorities to
have
> > fox hunt there.
> >
> > We need to decide soon so that we organise before it rains.
> >
> > Regards
> >
> > Dinesh Patel
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> Hotmail. Get busy.
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> > Hotmail has tools for the New Busy. Search, chat and e-mail from your
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L:en-US:WM_HMP:042010_3

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http://www.windowslive.com/campaign/thenewbusy?tile=multiaccount&ocid=PID28326::T:WLMTAGL:

ON:WL:en-US:WM_HMP:042010_4

3261. Building Secure Cities in Troubled Times - 26th May 2010 in Mumbai

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-05-19 12:43:49 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3261 Message: 3261

Dear Friends,

The following is weblink to one day - No Delegate Fee - Conference conducted in following cities

24th May New Delhi
25th May Ahmadabad
26th May Mumbai
27th May Pune
28th May Bangalore
29th May Chennai
31st May Chandighar

The Weblink for details
http://www.securitywatchindia.org.in/index.aspx

Please fill up the Invitee Registration Form (No Delegate Fee) and send it to concerned Registration Contact address which is in the form.

de Lion Ajoy VU2JHM

3262. High Tide Days and Dates - Mumbai Monsoon 2010

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-06-06 07:10:14 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3262 Message: 3262
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

*Dear All, *

Please find below the list of *26 High Tide dates* for the coming monsoon.

Floods in Mumbai are attributable to simultaneous occurrence of rainfall and high tides. If, the rainfall is in excess of 200 mm in a day (24 hrs), Floods can occur anytime irrespective of tides. However, if there is moderate rainfall but the tide is in excess of 4.50 meters at the same time, the city of Mumbai is sure to get flooded.

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There is no such thing called as "Free Lunch" in Life.
www.surenshete.blogspot.com

3263. Re: FW: MARS Jacket and IDs

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-06-06 07:39:36 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3263 Message: 3263

Dear Rufzebh, Jatin, Ankur and All Other.

Great to see the Crowd.

It is a history, when a person gets up to do something good or extraordinary people will follow you and there will be few who will be a critic. Crowd and Critics are necessary for the success because both make you more aggressive towards your achieving the goal.

Keep it up guys. The big list that I see joining you is a great example to your success. Always remember the 80/20 rule. For your success you have to have 80% supporters & 20% critics. Now you have it.

When you decide what you are doing is correct JUST DO IT. One Man Army does wonders.

I again repeat Keep Going. Be the Best in operations, techniques, software, hardware planning - When there is Intension + Effort; Grace will follow for the Success. Skill, Attitude & Knowledge is very necessary.

Good Luck guys

73z de vu2jpn
--- On Sat, 6/5/10, Jatin Shah <jatin@...> wrote:

From: Jatin Shah <jatin@...>
Subject: FW: MARS Jacket and IDs
To: m-a-r-s@...m
Date: Saturday, June 5, 2010, 6:08 PM

Ruzbeh,

One More confirmation received.

VU2MIG - Kapil Chandni.

Pl add.

73

Jatin Shah

9819959970

From: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com [mailto:m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Jatin Shah
Sent: 04 June 2010 18:11
To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: MARS Jacket and IDs

Dear Ruzbeh,

Got two More confirmation !

VU2CMI
VU2HOT

Hence, We got 25 Bookings for the first Lot!

Still any more please do book on urgent basis..!

73
VU2***
Jatin Shah
09819959970

-----Original Message-----
From: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com <mailto:m-a-r-s%40yahoogroups.com>
[mailto:m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com <mailto:m-a-r-s%40yahoogroups.com>] On
Behalf Of
mani bathija
Sent: 04 June 2010 17:20
To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com <mailto:m-a-r-s%40yahoogroups.com>
Subject: RE: MARS Jacket and IDs

Dear Ruzbeh.,
Yes ,I am interested in having the jacket with a front
zipper and other mars motif's on the pocket .,& ID CARD pls oblige .,
73
V U 2 M D B

To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com <mailto:m-a-r-s%40yahoogroups.com>
From: raphelj@... <mailto:raphelj%40hotmail.com>
Date: Fri, 4 Jun 2010 16:45:10 +0530
Subject: Re: MARS Jacket and IDs

Dear Ruzbeh

I would also like to have the jacket & ID card please.

73's

VU2 UNO, RAPHEL JASSANI

From: Ruzbeh Raja

Sent: 04 June, 2010 03:27 PM

To: m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com <mailto:m-a-r-s%40yahoogroups.com>

Subject: MARS Jacket and IDs

Dear all,

Please find below, the final list for the jackets, which have been booked.

Anyone still interested may contact immediately.

Jacket Sample Link: http://mumbaihams.org/jacketfinal.jpg

ID Card: http://mumbaihams.org/id%20final.jpg

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Regards,

Ruzbeh Raja

+91-98214-54255

*Sr. No. Name *

1 SFN Shailesh

2 BLT Satvinder

3 YKG Yogesh

4 AXN Ankur

5 JATIN Jatin

6 RUZBEH Ruzbeh

7 KAPIL Kapil Bhindora

8 DHARAMJIT Dharamjit

9 NIKUNJ Nikunj

10 TPI Tirandaz

11 IVV Jayesh

12 ISH Manish

13 LNZ Girish

14 ZRS Zyros

15 TQC Jayant

16 OYE Pritesh

17 NOW Rakesh

18 DCI Dinesh

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http://lifestyle.in.msn.com/

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3264. Slim Jim 2m Antenna for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-06-07 06:53:22 UTC
From: Nirav
Topic: 3264 Message: 3264

Dear YL/OM,

This is to share that I would like to sell off my 2m Slim Jim Antenna along with about 10 m of co-ax attached to it. Interested friends please email me direct or call 9821732700.

73 from Mumbai,
de VU2NHR
(Nirav)

3265. For sale ic7000

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-06-13 16:36:43 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3265 Message: 3265

for sale ic7000 please contact on 9987587296

3266. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2010, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-07-05 20:03:45 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3266 Message: 3266

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

MARS ANNIVESARY
Tuesday July 6, 2010
1:30 pm - 1:30 am
(This event repeats every year.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 11 hours, 43 minutes.)

Notes:
Wishing All Members a Very Happy Anniversary and Congratulations to all Members on sucessfully promoting our wonderful hobby

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3267. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2010, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-07-06 07:41:59 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3266 Message: 3267

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

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3268. happy birthday

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-07-07 05:10:11 UTC
From: vu2dce
Topic: 1958 Message: 3268

many many happy returns of the day to MARS

wishing all the mars members many many wishes

live for INDIA die for INDIA
WANDE MATARAM
JAY JAGAT

3269. UNWANTED MSGS BEING TRANSMITTED USING MY EMAIL ID

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-07-14 07:39:48 UTC
From: Basappa-Arabole
Topic: 3269 Message: 3269
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear All,
I have been receiving many mails specially like VIAGARA SELLING AT DISCOUNTS etc. etc. and sender address is mine basappaji@... .Sorry to inform you this type of msgs are never sent by me. PLEASE TREAT THIS AS SPAM. AND DELETE.

Take care,
73
Basappa Arabole/VU2NXM

3272. Special Net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-07-22 05:42:17 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3272 Message: 3272

Dear Friends

Since on Sunday's we do not have VHF net at Mumbai, I will be conducting Special Night Owls net.

Hence I requet all hams to check-in to Night Owl's Net on Sunday 25th July, 2010 at 2130 hours.

Nothing specific on this day. But only to inform you all that myself being cadet of Civil Defence we have a team of Civil Defence volunteer known "Search And Rescue Team" (SAR Team) at all Mumbai BMC Wards. They are on 24hrs duty, divided into 3shifts, throughout this monsoon season. And every officers have to take charge for one day to be on Night Shift at City Control Room. Hence my turn of night duty is on 25th July from 9PM to 7AM next morning.   So I took this opportunity to conduct Ham Radio Net from the Control Room.

Hope you all will check-in to this Special Night Owl's net on Sunday 25 July 2010 at 09:30PM.

73z de vu2jpn
Jaiprakash

3273. Special Net

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-07-22 05:45:25 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3272 Message: 3273

--- On Thu, 7/22/10, Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...> wrote:

From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...>
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Special Net
To: m_a_r_s@egroups.com, m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com, tara1@yahoogroups.com, cqmumbai@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, July 22, 2010, 11:12 AM

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73z de vu2jpn
Jaiprakash

3274. 100% i will check in to the MARS Special Net . vu2 zrs

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-07-22 11:31:45 UTC
From: ZYROS ZEND
Topic: 3272 Message: 3274

dear vu2jpn

g8 !! i will make it to the net and inform as many hams i can to check in also .

thanks for taking up the sunday special net .

zyros zend
52,bennet villa
wode house road
colaba
mumbai 39
9821025289

Date: Wed, 21 Jul 2010 22:42:17 -0700
From: vu2jpn@...m
Subject: MARS Special Net
To: m_a_r_s@egroups.com; m_a_r_s@...m; m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com; tara1@yahoogroups.com; cqmumbai@yahoogroups.com

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73z de vu2jpn
Jaiprakash

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See the news as it happens on MSN videos
http://video.in.msn.com/

3275. MARS Special Net vu2zrs will check in 100% . g8

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-07-22 11:36:04 UTC
From: fortunecookie@vsnl.net
Topic: 3272 Message: 3275

dear vu2jpn

g8 !! i will check into the net and inform as many hams i can to check in also .

thanks for taking up the sunday special net .

73's

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From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@yahoo.com>
Date: Thursday, July 22, 2010 11:15 am
Subject: MARS Special Net
To: m_a_r_s@egroups.com, m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com,
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3276. Thanks - Night Owl's net 25-07-10

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-07-27 09:43:10 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3276 Message: 3276
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Dear Friends

Thank you very much for checking into the special Night Owl's net conducted by myself alongwith VU2LNZ Girish on 25 Jul 10 from Civil Defence City Control Room.

The following hams checked into the net:

1.	VU2PDN	SHREENI
2.	VU2PJM	PARVIZ
3.	VU2IVV	JAYESH
4.	VU2WLL	WISPI
5.	VU2LK	BOB
6.	VU2AY	SIRIL
7.	VU2HOT	JAGDISH
8.	VU2WSM	SATISH
9.	VU2TOO	ROHIT
10.	VU2UBQ	JAYANT
11.	VU2LKI	JAYAPRAKASH
12.	VU2TCA	SURESH
13.	VU2TBV	PRAHALAD
14.	VU2TCE	SASHI
15.	VU2NAK	ASHIM
16.	VU2TBT	NISHA
17.	VU2ZRS	ZYROS
18.	VU2LLM	ANDREWS
19.	VU2CMI	SUHAS
20.	VU2SGW	SAI
21.	VU2NYS	SHOBA
22.	VU2NYT	NITIN
23.	VU2JPN	JAIPRAKASH
24.	VU2LNZ	GIRISH

Thank you very body once again for taking time to check-in.

Do keep this beautiful hobby alive by checking into NET's regularly on VHF and HF also have regular QSO's.

During the net I have introduced you all to RELAY NET too. This will be very interesting to all as every ham will get a chance daily to be a Net Controller. Details I will email by a separte mail shortly. Since sunday's we do not have Night Owl's net, we can join togther at the same time and can conduct NIGHT OWL's RELY NET from Sunday 1st August 2010. Initially we will conduct this net through Mumbai and Matheran Repeater and then can try simplex too. I am sure this will be interesting.

73z de vu2jpn

3277. Re: [m_a_r_s] Thanks - Night Owl's net 25-07-10 [2 Attachments]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-07-27 16:31:11 UTC
From: Deepak Pathak
Topic: 3276 Message: 3277

Interesting point about the relay net. Given the enthusiasm for EmComm it would be a good idea to train all the "disaster" enthusiasts in traffic handling. I must be honest, I have my doubts about the traffic handling skills of some of the newcomers. If this is the only thing the majority wants to do, then they better be good at it.

What we need are ops skilled at handling a flurry of messages without losing information. Rapid fire msgs in quick succession with no repeats. As old timers would put it, "100% solid copy and dit perfect sending".

It would be wise to emulate the NTS model and train the newcomers in QSPing messages without depending on the rptr and keeping power levels to the minimum.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National_Traffic_System

http://www.arrl.org/chapter-two-principles-of-nts-operation

http://www.dfwtrafficnet.org/NTS_Training_Manual.html

http://www.textfiles.com/hamradio/whatisnts.ham

Putting away the microphone and trying out other modes would greatly help knowledge levels too.

73,
Deepak

73= Best regards
73s= Best regards-s

On Tue, Jul 27, 2010 at 3:13 PM, Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...>wrote:

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> [Attachment(s) <#12a13492557db608_TopText> from Jaiprakash Pullakudy
> included below]
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> 7. VU2HOT JAGDISH
> 8. VU2WSM SATISH
> 9. VU2TOO ROHIT
> 10. VU2UBQ JAYANT
> 11. VU2LKI JAYAPRAKASH
> 12. VU2TCA SURESH
> 13. VU2TBV PRAHALAD
> 14. VU2TCE SASHI
> 15. VU2NAK ASHIM
> 16. VU2TBT NISHA
> 17. VU2ZRS ZYROS
> 18. VU2LLM ANDREWS
> 19. VU2CMI SUHAS
> 20. VU2SGW SAI
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73 de VU2CDP

3278. Re: [m_a_r_s] Thanks - Night Owl's net 25-07-10 [2 Attachments]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-07-28 15:08:04 UTC
From: Ankur Puranik
Topic: 3276 Message: 3278

Amazing JP!

I got ur message but was out of town with family,

Sorry I cud not make it. I wish i cud make it.

73's

VU2AXN

On Tue, 27 Jul 2010 15:16:01 +0530 wrote
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[Attachment(s) from Jaiprakash Pullakudy included below]

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12. VU2TCASURESH
13.VU2TBV PRAHALAD
14. VU2TCE SASHI
15. VU2NAK ASHIM
16. VU2TBT NISHA
17. VU2ZRS ZYROS
18. VU2LLM ANDREWS
19. VU2CMI SUHAS
20. VU2SGWSAI
21. VU2NYS SHOBA
22. VU2NYT NITIN
23.VU2JPN JAIPRAKASH
24.VU2LNZGIRISH

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73z de vu2jpn

3279. Re: [m_a_r_s] Thanks - Night Owl's net 25-07-10

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-07-29 04:28:25 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3276 Message: 3279

Dear AXN, I was expecting you. Thank you for this reply. Pass on by 73z to your family. Hope to c u all soon. 73z jpn

--- On Wed, 7/28/10, Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...> wrote:

From: Ankur Puranik <ankurpuranik@...>
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Thanks - Night Owl's net 25-07-10
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, July 28, 2010, 8:38 PM

Amazing JP!

I got ur message but was out of town with family,

Sorry I cud not make it. I wish i cud make it.

73's

VU2AXN

On Tue, 27 Jul 2010 15:16:01 +0530 wrote
>

[Attachment(s) from Jaiprakash Pullakudy included below]

Dear Friends

Thank you very much for checking into the special Night Owl's net conducted by myself alongwith VU2LNZ Girish on 25 Jul 10 from Civil Defence City Control Room.

The following hams checked into the net:

1. VU2PDN SHREENI
2. VU2PJM PARVIZ
3. VU2IVV JAYESH
4. VU2WLL WISPI
5. VU2LK BOB
6. VU2AY SIRIL
7. VU2HOT JAGDISH
8. VU2WSMSATISH
9. VU2TOO ROHIT
10. VU2UBQ JAYANT
11. VU2LKI JAYAPRAKASH
12. VU2TCASURESH
13.VU2TBV PRAHALAD
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3280. RELAY NET

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-07-29 09:01:44 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3280 Message: 3280

Dear Friends

Please treat below email as a part of Hobby and not related to any emergency programme.

As there is no Night Owl's net on Sundays, I will request all Hams to continue Night Owl's net on Sunday's too with a difference using RELAY method.

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One net controller will start the net, by announcing the name of the net, frequency, timing etc.

On the general call, the FIRST station will check-in and pass his traffics if any, then the net controller pass the mic to FIRST station to make the call and FIRST STATION, will take the charge of net control. Then the SECOND STATION will check-in, pass the traffic, then SECOND station will be the net Controller and so on..

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The main NET CONTROLLER CAN KEEP THE FULL LOG, and finally Pass/ take the mic from the last controller and conclude the net by announcing the total check-ins, times of the next scheduled nets etc and declaring the freq., for general traffic.

Let us start something new from this Sunday 01 Aug 10.

I request all hams, in and around Mumbai, to be on Air every sunday on Night Owl's net timing. Please use your MIC and be on air.

Keep our Hobby Alive. Any other ideas also most welcome.

73z de vu2jpn

3281. RELAY NET

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-07-31 04:44:21 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3280 Message: 3281

NIGHT OWLS RELAY NET TO START FROM TODAY 31-07-2010 instead of 1st Aug 10.

All hams are requested to join and control the net. OM Wispi VU2WLL will start this net and we all will continue and the net will be closed by VU2WLL.

Let us enjoy our hobby and be on air today from 2130 hours on VHF Mumbai and Matheran Repeater for Night Owls Relay Net.

73z de vu2jpn

--- On Thu, 7/29/10, Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...> wrote:

From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...>
Subject: [m_a_r_s] RELAY NET
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com, "RACES" <races_mumbai@...>
Date: Thursday, July 29, 2010, 2:31 PM

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3283. hey, check out this cool iq quiz i saw on facebook

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-08-22 16:17:56 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3283 Message: 3283

yo, try this knowledge test thing I saw on FB, its actually really hard.. i can't seem to score higher than like a 104... Facebook IQ Quiz

3284. you wouldnt even believe what i found

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-09-09 00:47:56 UTC
From: mschumaker2001@hotmail.com
Topic: 3284 Message: 3284

hello, I hate not seeing you all the time anymore. You're always working. I've been doing this internet business thing. It's not too bad it pays the bills. I make as much as i did at my last job but now I have the freedom to complete my work around my schedule. It's easier than it sounds You should really Visit this news site (http://twurl.nl/h5im3p)

3285. Fw: [VUHams] Daroji Bear Sanctuary - VUFF 101 and Ranebennur Black Buck Sanctuary VUFF 102

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-09-08 12:02:57 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3285 Message: 3285

--- On Wed, 9/8/10, Ajoy <lionajoy@...> wrote:

From: Ajoy <lionajoy@...>
Subject: [VUHams] Daroji Bear Sanctuary - VUFF 101 and Ranebennur Black Buck Sanctuary VUFF 102
To: vuhams@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, September 8, 2010, 5:26 PM

Dear Friends,

As a part of Wildlife Week and Global Day for Protection of Animals - it is proposed to put up Amateur (Ham) Radio Special Event Station from 1st to 10th Oct 2010 as World Flora and Fauna event in Daroji Bear Sanctuary in Kamalapur-Hampi on the banks of Tungabhadra River in North Karnataka State.

VU2LCI - Lions Clubs International Amateur (Ham) Radio Club station invites serious operators to volunteer with their equipment to participate in this unique activity. We did similar activity at Bannerghatta National Park in 2008 with callsign AT8WFF details are on http://www.qrz.com/db/AT8WFF

Those who are interested have to send copy of their amateur radio licence and renewal slip, Covering letter addressed to Asst Wireless Advisor to GOI. WPC expressing their willingness to participate, two passport sized photographs along with Advance fee for change of QTH of Rs. 250/- to be paid in cash/cheque payable at Bangalore where a consolidated demand draft will be bought by VU2LCI and sent together by 15th Sep 2010. We anticipate the Permission from Karnataka State Forest Department and WPC at the earliest. The individual expenses as accomodation, travel, food has to be borne by individual participant and this is not a conducted tour or organised Field Day as very limited resources is available at these Sanctuaries.

More details please contact VU2UR - Manohar Arasu who is our VUFF Co-Ordinator representing India.

Please look into our previous such special event station activity
http://www.qrz.com/db/VU0LH at Surathkal Lighthouse in ILLW 2010 INDIA event.

Best of 73's

de Lion Ajoy VU2JHM
Life Member # 149, World Flora and Fauna
http://www.wff44.com/en/

3286. check it out, this is unbelievable

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-09-14 08:48:25 UTC
From: mschumaker2001@hotmail.com
Topic: 3286 Message: 3286

hello I found something that's rece$$ion free, earn up to 1 thousand a day with this article found: Review the article herE (http://twurl.nl/he1yhs)

3287. Re: Hey bro

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-09-17 18:39:10 UTC
From: mschumaker2001@hotmail.com
Topic: 3287 Message: 3287

hey there.... I found this article that u might be interested in... it shows learning how to earn money on the inet. I quit my 9-5 a week ago because of how much excess cash ive been earning during this 'recession' haha. Here is more infoo: Review the article noww/ (http://cru.ms/377a9f)

3288. Ham Radio Equipment for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-09-16 10:35:22 UTC
From: Sandesh Kamat
Topic: 3288 Message: 3288

Hi

I have few items for sale.
1) Yaesu VX-3r brand new dual band handy small compact radio/ scanner ,
2) Diawa CN-101L HF/VHF power cum SWR meter, (as new)
3) MFJ -870 HF meter brand new.
4) Meltron hand mike for HF/VHF rigs.
5) 2 meter 5/8 antenna GT .
6) Astrolite Headset can be used with HF/VHF set its a headphone mike .

If anyone interested email me.

73
DE VU2SXF
Sandesh .

3289. Stop working 30+ hours a week xom

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-09-16 14:33:30 UTC
From: mschumaker2001@hotmail.com
Topic: 3289 Message: 3289

been long time, I know how rough it's been for everyoen with the economy. I was fired from my job a year and a half ago myself. I ended up staritng my own thing. It's hard to explain but I found a local news article that can put it in better words. You should really check it out and earn 600 a day like them: Check the article here (http://bizz.cc/0e080)

3290. Fwd: this is so sad in a way

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-09-22 00:31:16 UTC
From: mschumaker2001@hotmail.com
Topic: 3290 Message: 3290

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3291. Happy Hamming at Chowpaty

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-09-22 07:24:10 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3291 Message: 3291

Dear Friends

Wish all Hams on duty for Best of Communication support, at Chowpaty, on the Immersion Day.

73z de vu2jpn

3292. hey man

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-10-03 07:11:58 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3292 Message: 3292

hey there.... I found this article that u might be interested in... it shows learning how to earn cash on the inet. I quit my 9-5 a week ago because of how much extra money ive been earning during this 'recession' haha. Here is more infoo: Review the article noww/ (http://tiny.cc/2fvmk)

3293. [JOTA_Trans_Recievers-VU] Download Morse Code Flash Cards

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-10-14 05:27:59 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3293 Message: 3293

Dear Mars Friends

Some novel concept to learn Morse

Regards

Dinesh Patel
--- On Mon, 10/11/10, TUSHAR GUPTA <ibmboy@...> wrote:

From: TUSHAR GUPTA <ibmboy@...>
Subject: [JOTA_Trans_Recievers-VU] Download Morse Code Flash Cards
To: lpu_hamradio@..., "jota_trans_recievers-vu" <jota_trans_recievers-vu@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Monday, October 11, 2010, 12:35 AM

Free Morse Code Flash Cards to download
A set of printable cards to help those interested in learning Morse Code for Amateur 'Ham' Radio or other uses is available from my website. Full resolution PDFs can be downloaded from:

Fronts: www.g0tdj.com/docs/g0tdj_morse_cards_fronts.pdf
Backs: www.g0tdj.com/docs/g0tdj_morse_cards_backs.pdf

Print on A4 stout card. Print all fronts first, then reverse the card, re-feed into your printer and print the backs. To trim, use a cutting mat and knife along with a metal rule for safety. Stay within the card and cut across from trim mark to trim mark.Regards

Tushar Gupta
+91-8880620180 (Bangalore)

3294. this is so silly

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-11-27 03:24:00 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3294 Message: 3294

Extra income is just a click away , sorry i missed you. Anyway, I remember you talkin about how much you hate your boss and I found this local news article that talks about how easy it is to do something from home. You should really check it out bcause i'm already makin cash because of it: View the article soon here (http://bit.ly/gIpx6s)

3295. Re: this is so stupid

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-11-29 18:06:00 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3295 Message: 3295

Work for higher pay , it's been a bit since we talked last. I have found this article that shows how to make up to one thousand a day on the web. ANyways, I think you should read it because i'm already earning cash from it. Read this right noww (http://bit.ly/gwsvQM)

3296. Re: I got free money this time around

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-11-30 20:38:01 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3296 Message: 3296

Put your business skills to the test ,of your job out there. I found this news article that had a lot of really good advice and helped me to start doing my own thing. You should check it out! and make up to two thousand a day. Read this article quick (http://bit.ly/iidBVU)

3297. GPS Navigator - Road Pilot from MapMyIndia.com

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-11-30 11:57:48 UTC
From: Ajoy
Topic: 3297 Message: 3297

Dear Friends,

I have been into trekking, mountaineering and skiing from my childhood days and it was my fantasy to buy GPS and since then I was using handheld one which was then US 100 $ and its LCD display is now faded - still working - once came into Amateur Radio and started participating in car rallies have been using this GPS.

After seeing the state of art GPS Navigator gadget which VU2FI had bought from MapMyIndia which is a stand alone instrument which uses cigerate lighter adapter to charge and work has almost all the highways, roads and city maps loaded with colour display giving voice direction in local languages and DX languages really amazed me and started bargaining with local vendors (15 of them in Bangalore alone) and finally talked with the main office in Noida asked for bulk purchase discount and ordered 10 units of the lowest priced model Road Pilot and now being Owned, Tested and Used by VU2LU, VU2GGM, VU2GLS, VU3HDP, VU2GLS, VU3NEO, VU2ZUB, VU2TS and myself VU2JHM

The weblink of this company is http://www.mapmyindia.com

Now a days most of the expensive mobiles do have GPS which uses internet to show maps and does this navigation work - but how long can u keep your cellphone on your dashboard while travelling from one city to another or within without using the phone - so this stand alone seems to be a good one for trying out. The new expensive cars have this inbuilt into their dashboard along with their multimedia player.

We have talked and got the company reduce their prices of Road Pilot MRP Rs. 7990/- for even single unit at Rs. 7500/- without India Motoring Atlas worth Rs. 350/- or if you want this also the company is ready to give if for Rs. 7750/- with packing and courier charges where you get it directly at your door step.

There are other higher expensive models of bigger screen display, having multimedia SD card reader, Maps having door numbers with some cities (Bangalore it works fine), USB port where you can plug your Pendrive, ports for AV so you can plug in your car reverse cam (FREE OFFER) with similar Rs.250/- to Rs.300/- discount by contacting Mrs Sonam Rawat Cell # +919810788997 email: sonam@mapmyindia.com do tell her you are Amateur (Ham) Radio Operator.

I am sure all of you would get addicted with this new toy.

Well, it works in places where the road map is not yet made by giving the GPS readings longitude, latitude, altitude, time and speed, heading/direction with capability to position you with 12 satellites.
The battery after being charged seems to work quite well for two - three hours not sure how long it lasts - still have not tested this getting off the car. The motorbike version is quite expensive which is waterproofed - I do not recommend this as simple 3.5 inches one is quite well.

Hope the MapMyIndia people have enough ham radio customers and we go in for APRS activity and our Disaster Management applications soon.

Wonder if they give me some commission for all this writeup - Hi !!

best of 73's

de Lion Ajoy VU2JHM

3298. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-12-09 18:29:08 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3298 Message: 3298

http://xuhezyry.t35.com/HenriettaKing/
DoYouWa ntTo Ow nYourT ime?

3299. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-12-14 22:04:28 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3299 Message: 3299

http://lexumyto.t35.com/DeanaHill/
Cultiv ateYou rSavings WithYou rDeterm inat ionO nli ne

3300. For sale IC 7000

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-12-17 04:08:05 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3300 Message: 3300

For sale IC 7000 & Ic 706 mk2G please contact 9987587296

3301. VHF Net during CD Demo practise.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-12-21 11:14:13 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3301 Message: 3301

Dear Friends

On Sunday 19.12.10 Demo practise was conducted at Civil Defence Staff College Ground at 16:00hrs and the following RACES team members had participated:

1. VU2LNZ
2. VU2YKG
3. VU2NOW
4. VU2CMI
5. VU2HOT
6. VU2IVV
7. VU2JPN &
8. DHARAMJEET SWL

From the same location we conducted a VHF Net to check feasibility of VHF Reach through Mumbai Repeater and I thank all those who checked-in:

1. VU2JPN Jaiprakash Net Controller
2. VU2TBT Nisha, Panvel
3. VU2WSM SATISH, DOMBIVALI
4. VU2LLM ANDREWS, DOMBIVALI
5. VU3TMM AMIT, KALYAN
6. VU2TCE SHASHI, PANVEL
7. VU2BLT SATVINDER, DAHISAR
8. VU2CMI SUHAS DEMO LOCATION
9. VU2IVV JAYESH DEMO LOCATION
10. VU2TQC JAYANT CBD BELAPUR NAVI MUMBAI
11. VU2YKG YOGESH, DEMO LOCATION
12. VU2HOT JAGDISH, DEMO LOCTION
13. VU2NOW RAKESH, DEMO LOCATION
14. VU2PJM PARVIZ, TARDEO
15. VU2WLL VISPY, TARDEO

Thank you once again to all for the support given.

The final full fledge demo will be on 23.12.10 but no net will be conducted on this day. We the RACES team will be participating in the demo of Chemical leak & Bomb Blast scenario. These Excercise will be combined demo by Civil Defence, Home Guards and all other Emergency Service. The same will be witnessed by Director of CD - Home Guards and other Dignitaries.

I am pleased to welcome all Hams and friends to witness these Stimulation Excercise at the following venue:

Civil Defence Staff College
Office of the Civil Defence and Home Guards
Next to Bombay Hospital / Metro Cinema

Mumbai.
Time : 1530-1630hrs.
Date : 23.12.2010.

73z de vu2jpn

3302. Hey. you need to check this out.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-12-23 06:09:06 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3302 Message: 3302

You might like this stuff. I have been taking it for awhile now and I feel great! I have been able to lose a few pounds every week. The great thing is I didn't have to change my diet at all. It seemed to melt the weight off. Go check it out for yourself at http://abcnews.go.com/health

3303. for sale various accessories

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-12-25 07:46:05 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3303 Message: 3303

for sale various accessories like mics duplexers triplexers coax switches etc please call 9987587296

3304. Fw: Re: the CD videos

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-12-27 11:19:48 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3304 Message: 3304
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

From: Jagdish Bhat <jagdishbhat@...>
Subject: Re: the CD Demo Report
To: "Jaiprakash Pullakudy" <vu2jpn@...>
Date: Saturday, December 25, 2010, 2:40 PM

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The 64th Raising Day celebrations of Home Guards was held on 23rd December, 2010 at the Civil Defence Parade Grounds near Metro Cinema at Marine Lines, Mumbai.

The main function was an elegant march past of 6 platoons from Home Guards – male and female wings, Civil Defence cadres, Fire Service dept, marching to the tune of Mumbai Police and the Home Guard bands.

This was followed by a very impressive mock drill conducted by various Civil Defence volunteers and the Fire Dept. to demonstrate the response of the units during various emergencies.

I am very happy to inform you all that 8 HAMs and 2 SWLs, who are also CD volunteers took an active part in this demonstration and were at the forefront while providing communication during the simulated disasters.

Scenarios created during the exercise were – IED explosion, Industrial Chemical leakage and Fire in a Building.

The situation began with a depiction of people going about their daily routine in public places like markets, gardens, etc. which suddenly gets disrupted when IEDs go off at these places harming the general public. In another part, an industrial chemical leakage contaminates a wide area causing chaos, panic and affecting the people. Similarly, a fire engulfs a tower trapping people who start crying out for help.

A couple of HAMs in a vehicle passing by the area immediately go on air and report the incidents. HAMs who are tuned into the frequencies respond by converging immediately and report to the Incident Control Officer (ICO), who coordinates and directs the rescue efforts at the Civil Defence Command Centre, offering assistance in providing communication. On ICO’s acceptance myself VU2HOT and SWL Dharamjit Kalsa set up the HAM control station and send teams to different locations – VU2CMI & VU2LKI to the fire area, VU2LNZ to the contamination area which has been cordoned off and sealed, VUIVV and SWL (forgot name) to the CCP (Casualty Collection Point), VU2YKG and VUGMI in a vehicle are kept on standby. VU2JPN in his capacity as Deputy Divisional Warden of Civil Defence is seated amongst the dignitaries and with his broadside view guides all the HAMs in sending their reports.

A continuous stream of QSP flows in from all locations reporting requirements, casualties, etc. which is passed on to the ICO. CD had 2 handies - one which was operated at ICO location and 2nd by warden from the disaster location.

The drill passes off smoothly in about 20 min considering the practice and rehearsals put in by all the people involved over the past few days. Hope these efforts don’t get tested in real life, but I’m sure when disaster does strike all this hard work will translate into saving more lives.

Jai Hind
73s
VU2HOT
Jagdish Bhat, Civil Defence Cadet

Attached few snaps and rest will follow.

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3305. Ham Radio satellite work

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2010-12-29 09:04:17 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3305 Message: 3305

Dear Mars Friends

Something I wish to share

On 17th Dec I met VU2TQC Jayant Singh at Belapur.

He is known to all of us for his satellite work. i wanted an opportunity to see how he is working satellites.

I was amezed on seeing his antennas. He has made all the types of VHF and UHF antennas. Yagis,Quad etc. His first QSL card received from abroad is from Bangkok. The said QSL card is received for contact through satellite. He is operating fixed VHF /UHF antennas without any azimuth elevation rotators.

We need to learn from him as well as appreciate his efforts despite busy schedule. I see many foreign magazines wherein if anybody has homebrewed a simplest antenna the same is appreciated and described as special achivement.

Regards

Dinesh Patel VU2DCI

3306. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-01-08 21:05:25 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3306 Message: 3306

http://cysonajo.t35.com/DonaMorris.html
Brdaoen youar chocies

3307. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-01-15 22:29:24 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3307 Message: 3307

http://sojojypo.t35.com/TashaWilliams.html
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3308. Fwd: Ham radio workshop

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-01-16 15:09:22 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3308 Message: 3308

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: IEEE VIT <vit.ieee10@...>
Date: Sun, Jan 16, 2011 at 2:46 PM
Subject: Ham radio workshop
To: vu2sfh@..., surenshete@...
Cc: info@...

Sir,
We, at Vidyalankar Institute of Technology, Wadala, want to organize a HAM radio workshop/demonstration (whatever is feasible) as a part of our Techfest, on 15th and 16th February. We can expect a participation of atleast 500-1000 people in the fest, at any given time.
We request you to revert back with the details of the event, and your requirements.

Regards,
Pranshu Patel
Vice Chair
IEEE Student Branch,
Vidyalankar Institute of Technology,
Wadala,
Mumbai.

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There is no such thing called as "Free Lunch" in Life.
www.surenshete.blogspot.com

3309. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-01-18 23:42:34 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3309 Message: 3309

http://jecajogy.t35.com/JeanieRichardson.html
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3310. FW: [Worldradio-l] WRO News: NASA Asks For Hams' Help, Plus Two Centennial Special Events

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-01-21 05:55:25 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3310 Message: 3310

From the WorldRadio Online Newsroom...

NASA Seeking Hams' Help

NASA is asking hams around the world to listen for the beacon from the NanoSail-D nanosatellite, which was ejected yesterday from the larger FASTSAT (Fast Affordable Scientific and Technology Satellite). The beacon is in the 70-centimeter ham band at 437.270 MHz. The satellite is supposed to deploy a solar sail after three days in orbit. Hams who monitor the beacon are asked to send their reports to the NanoSail-D dashboard at: http://nanosaild.engr.scu.edu/dashboard.htm. More information on the satellite and the mission may be found at http://www.nasa.gov/centers/marshall/news/news/releases/2011/11-009.html .

Two Ham Radio Centennial Celebrations

Wish a Happy 100th to a Ham Radio Legend

Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, a longtime leader in the ham radio industry as owner of World Radio Laboratories (think Globe Scout and other Globe radios from the "golden age" of ham radio), will turn 100 years old in February.

QCWA Chapter 154 is hosting a birthday party for Leo and running a special event station (W0G) on February 24. (Look for W0G on or near 14.260 MHz between 1800 and 2400 UTC. QSL via the operator you contact.) Leo is planning to be listening in, and may even make some contacts himself.

In addition, QCWA national president Bob Roske, N0UF, suggests that all hams who would like to join the celebration write "Happy 100th Birthday, Leo" on a QSL card and mail it to: Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, 19 Park Lane, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270.

Ronald Reagan Centennial Special Events

Two amateur radio clubs in California are planning special event stations in honor of the 100th birthday of former President Ronald Reagan on February 6th.

The Ventura County Amateur Radio Society will operate N6R from Thousand Oaks, California, from 1600 UTC on Sunday, Feb. 6, through 0200 UTC Monday, Feb. 7, and intermittently at other times on Saturday (2/5) and Monday. Tentative frequencies (+/- QRM): CW: 3545, 7045, 14045, 21045, 28045 kHz; SSB: 3820, 7260, 14255, 21320, 28490 kHz, plus local repeaters and FM simplex. More details at < www.qrz.com/db/n6r>. E-mail scheduled requests fo <n6rn6r@...>. QSL with SASE (no eQSL or LoTW) to Peter Heins, N6ZE.

The Santa Barbara Amateur Radio Club will operate W6R at various times and from various locations on Friday, Feb. 4 through Monday, Feb. 7. Main operation will be on 2/5 from 0300-2100 UTC. In addition, a rover operation from the Reagan ranch is scheduled on Feb. 7. For updates and QSL information, see < www.sbarc.org/w6r.html>.

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http://mailman.sunserver.com/mailman/listinfo/worldradio-l> and follow the prompts at the bottom of the page.

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Worldradio-l@mailman.sunserver.com
http://mailman.sunserver.com/mailman/listinfo/worldradio-l

3311. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-01-21 16:37:07 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3311 Message: 3311

http://xasyziqi.110mb.com/jovetuwi.html
Cool!

3312. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-01-22 14:17:00 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3312 Message: 3312

http://cohapegy.110mb.com/sypefoxa.html
Wanna aern more?

3313. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-01-26 10:14:09 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3313 Message: 3313

http://nubeqemo.t35.com/AdrienneAnderson.html
Enjoy thae pyrks of working frlom home

3314. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-01-26 13:07:39 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3314 Message: 3314

http://budimoxu.t35.com/BennettMorgan.html
Want to work pairt-time? Fall-time?

3315. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-01-26 17:52:30 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3315 Message: 3315

http://fapokidi.t35.com/KaseyCooper.html
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3316. Be a topnotch executive in your own home

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-01-27 13:25:16 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3316 Message: 3316

Dreaming of that vacation in summer? Pack your swimwear and your tanning lotion and get ready for the vacation of a lifetime. Save up and be able to afford it by clicking on

http://goo.gl/x7zFt

ps : Currently I'm earning $4k/mo from working in my own home!

3317. Moderator Help required

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-01-28 09:56:06 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3316 Message: 3317

Dear Moderator

I do not understand who is sending mails of no use.
sender name displayed is DHAVAL PATEL

See if we can stop this type of mails.

thanks

Dinesh Patel

To: karnamehta@...
From: mschumaker2001@...
Date: Thu, 27 Jan 2011 18:55:16 +0530
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Be a topnotch executive in your own home

Dreaming of that vacation in summer? Pack your swimwear and your tanning lotion and get ready for the vacation of a lifetime. Save up and be able to afford it by clicking on

http://goo.gl/x7zFt

ps : Currently I'm earning $4k/mo from working in my own home!

3318. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-01-30 17:15:17 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3318 Message: 3318

http://gijysaza.110mb.com/xolukida.html
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3319. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-02-01 16:00:54 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3319 Message: 3319

http://sijyrysu.t35.com/JeannetteWhite.html
Get more pay and beneyfits!

3320. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-02-01 17:43:41 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3320 Message: 3320

http://guqicegi.t35.com/ShirleyArmstrong.html
Do not waste your tmie

3321. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-02-01 18:23:45 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3321 Message: 3321

http://culapevi.t35.com/MiriamSullivan.html
Have yiu byeen burnt out froum woikrng in eyour comnapy?

3322. Re: [m_a_r_s]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-02-02 13:14:46 UTC
From: vishal shah
Topic: 3320 Message: 3322

To dhaval patel whoever u r now stop spamming & irritating everyone by ur senseless mails.this is my last warning to u its enough u idiot.

--- On Tue, 1/2/11, DHAVAL PATEL <mschumaker2001@...> wrote:

From: DHAVAL PATEL <mschumaker2001@...>
Subject: [m_a_r_s]
To: mananjordan@hotmail.com, m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, melody_yang@..., michaelwhsia@hotmail.com, mitbhatt@..., naiya25@..., npatel@..., navneetmitra@..., neal.gokli@..., nealocorny666@..., neild204@..., nikita_mirajkar@..., nikita_mirajkar@hotmail.com, motagam@..., naoniraj@..., patni27@..., sweetienuz@..., p_aras5@..., parth86@..., divanji_payal@hotmail.com, piks83in@..., polybrooklyn@yahoogroups.com, piks83in@yahoo.co.in, pratikgandhi29@...
Date: Tuesday, 1 February, 2011, 23:13

http://guqicegi.t35.com/ShirleyArmstrong.html
Do not waste your tmie

3323. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-02-05 12:06:25 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3323 Message: 3323

http://tatehyry.110mb.com/xyxezefe.html
Whaat a greaat dyeal

3324. Re: [m_a_r_s]

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-02-06 13:39:08 UTC
From: vishal shah
Topic: 3323 Message: 3324

BLOODY DOG.

--- On Sat, 5/2/11, DHAVAL PATEL <mschumaker2001@...> wrote:

From: DHAVAL PATEL <mschumaker2001@...>
Subject: [m_a_r_s]
To: karangirish_doshi@..., karnamehta@..., davekavita@hotmail.com, krutirindani@..., maalpani@..., mananjordan@yahoo.co.in, mananjordan@..., m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com, melody_yang@...m, michaelwhsia@..., mitbhatt@..., naiya25@..., npatel@..., navneetmitra@..., neal.gokli@..., nealocorny666@..., neild204@..., nikita_mirajkar@..., nikita_mirajkar@..., motagam@..., naoniraj@..., patni27@..., sweetienuz@..., p_aras5@..., parth86@...
Date: Saturday, 5 February, 2011, 17:36

http://tatehyry.110mb.com/xyxezefe.html
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3325. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-02-12 19:57:42 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3325 Message: 3325

http://bidocuge.110mb.com/ronomoga.html
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3326. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-02-20 10:12:05 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3326 Message: 3326

http://www.ribaturia.com/fathot/fathot.html

3327. Re: CQMUMBAI VU2LK BOB TANNA Silent key

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-02-21 04:49:12 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3327 Message: 3327

Dear friends

Sorry to hear the loss of our veteran ham VU2LK. A great loss to all of us, will miss his daily first checkin to Night Owl's Net. His hobby was Country First. My salutations Vande Matram - Jai Hind. Let his soul rest in peace.

From: Jayesh Banatwala <vu2ivv@...>
To: cqmumbai@yahoogroups.com
Cc:
Sent: Saturday, February 19, 2011 10:58 PM
Subject: CQMUMBAI VU2LK BOB TANNA Silent key

Dear friends
Extremely Sorry to inform all of you that We have lost our One of the veteran HAMs VU2 Lk ,BOB TANNA , Hs was silent key yesterday in Mumbai , He was 95 years , i pray god his soul rest in peace
VU2 ivv

3328. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-02-22 12:41:51 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3328 Message: 3328

http://copiartec.com.ar/fathot/fathot.html

3329. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-02-26 02:38:35 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3329 Message: 3329

http://ltanet.com.br/fathot/fathot.html

3330. MFJ Deluxe Antenna tuner for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-02-28 11:49:22 UTC
From: Sandesh Kamat
Topic: 3330 Message: 3330

Hello
I have MFJ -948 DELUXE VERSA ANTENNA TUNER FOR SALE WITH FOLL FUNCTIONS
1) POWER /SWR METER 300W

2) BUILT IN 4:1 BALUN

3) 8 POSITION SWITCH FOR SWITCHING 2 ANTENNAS

4) BALANCED LINE INPUT

5) SUPPORTS LONG WIRE ANT..

73
de VU2SXF
SANDESH

3331. m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-03-10 09:47:40 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3331 Message: 3331

I am so happy that I once again can enjoy my weekends I'll have on problem showing you what I've found you just need to read on I've had no hardships trying to maintain $9300 per a very short time period. Financial freedom for the rest of my life sounds like something I wouldn't be hesitant to learn about. come by this blue text (http://bit.ly/eZceTM)

3332. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-03-13 11:08:50 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3332 Message: 3332

http://zesare.com/click/click.html

3333. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-03-17 02:31:09 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3333 Message: 3333

http://arcade-casino.com/click/click.html

3334. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-03-27 18:51:31 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3334 Message: 3334

http://www.antichisplendori.com/click/click.html

3335. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-04-05 21:49:35 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3335 Message: 3335

Here is it
http://rewijygo.host4zero.com/faweki.html

soft uplon yoiur afce, Mean when you say forever.

3336. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-04-06 08:32:41 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3336 Message: 3336

http://estaticeflor.com/click/click.html

3337. Fwd: HindustanTimes - Big B to brush up his ham radio skills

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-04-16 02:15:01 UTC
From: Surendra Shete
Topic: 3337 Message: 3337

surenshete@... saw this article on HindustanTimes
ePaper<http://epaper.hindustantimes.com/>,
and thought you would find it interesting. You can find it at: - Big B to
brush up his ham radio skills
<http://epaper.hindustantimes.com/PUBLICATIONS/HT/HM/2011/04/16/ArticleHtmls/Big-B-to-brus
h-up-his-ham-radio-16042011538007.shtml?Mode=1>

surenshete@... also sent the following message:

AMITABH BACHCHAN

The ePaper - Digital replica of Print Edition.

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ePaper Solution by Pressmart

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There is no such thing called as "Free Lunch" in Life.
www.surenshete.blogspot.com

3338. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-04-21 12:31:01 UTC
From: DHAVAL PATEL
Topic: 3338 Message: 3338

http://www.maxinet.cl/soft.html

3339. 2m power amp

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-04-24 05:54:16 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3339 Message: 3339

to give away 2m power amp please contact 9987587296

3340. icom accessories for sale

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-05-12 13:00:04 UTC
From: vu2gte
Topic: 3340 Message: 3340

For sale icom mic for 706 703 .. also icom dsp unit for 706 718 etc also phone patch and repeater contoller,diplexers triplexers and coax switches please contact 99875878296

3341. Monsoon Preparedness - VHF Excercise

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-06-02 09:57:51 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3341 Message: 3341

Dear Friends
RACES (Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service) a unit of Civil Defence (Members of Civil Defence having Amateur Radio Operators licence) will be conducting a mock drill for the coming Monsoon season as communication support in case of any requirement.
All hams from Mumbai & Thane are most welcome to join us on VHF for this excercise
1. Name of the Excercise : Monsoon Preparedness1. Operation mode : VHF Simplex on 144.500Mhz 2. Date : Sunday 05 Jun 113. Time : 10:00AM4. Location : Respective QTH or Mobile5. Period of operation : 1-hour excercise
Kindly confirm your participation by replying to this email directly to vu2jpn@....
This excercise is open for all Hams.
Hence please confirm your availability directly to my email ID at the earliest.
73z de vu2jpn Jaiprakash

3342. ARRL Kids Day contact 18 June 11

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-06-13 07:39:24 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3342 Message: 3342

Dear
Friends

Let us
have some activity on VHF through Mumbai & Matheran Repeaters on Saturday 18
June 2011. KID'S
DAY

Let us all
join on VHF at 9PM IST on 18/06/11 and enjoy kids day having chat with other kids
and hams, also let them check-into Night Owls Net and Sahyadri Net.

ARRL Kid's Day

Twice a
year, ARRL offers an event designed to promote Amateur Radio to our youth.
Share the excitement with your kids or grandkids, a Scout troop, a church or
the general public.

Purpose

Kids Day is an on-air event to encourage young people (licensed
or not) to have fun with Amateur Radio. It is designed to give on-the-air
experience to youngsters and hopefully foster interest in getting a license of
their own. It is also intended to give older hams a chance to share their
station and love for Amateur Radio with their children.

Dates and Times Saturday, June 18, 2011

Kids Day always runs from 1800 UTC through 2359 UTC.
Operate as much or as little as you like.

Suggested Exchange

Name, age, location and favorite color. Be sure to work the same
station again if an operator has changed. To draw attention, call "CQ Kids
Day."

Suggested Frequencies-

10 Meters: 28.350 to
28.400 MHz

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MHz

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21.400 MHz

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20 Meters: 14.270 to 14.300 MHz

40 Meters: 7.270 to
7.290 MHz

80 Meters: 3.740 to 3.940 MHz

You can also use your repeater (with permission)

Reporting

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the world about your operations, the fun you had, and who you talked to!

Kids Day Survey and Certificates

All participants are eligible to receive a colorful certificate. You can download this certificate for free, customized with the
youngster’s names, after filling out the Kids Day Survey found on the same page
as the certificate generator. Alternatively, you can send a 9” x 12” SASE to

Kids Day Certificate Request

ARRL

225 Main
St

Newington, CT 0611

ATTN: Sean Kutzko, KX9X

Let our kids have a nice hamming.

73z de vu2jpn

3343. Re: MARS ARRL Kids Day contact 18 June 11

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-06-14 05:35:31 UTC
From: Lion Ajoy
Topic: 3342 Message: 3343

Dear VU2JPN and Friends,

We here at Bangalore would be for the first time in country taking part in 10th International Museum Weekend from 17th to 27th June 2011 and waiting for special callsign otherwise we would be operating VU2ARC

Do try to put up HF along with your VHF activites so if kids are on the air we can exchange greetings and have QSO.

Best of 73's

de Lion Ajoy VU2JHM
President, VU2ARC

Live Member, MARS and TARA

--- On Mon, 6/13/11, Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...> wrote:

From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...>
Subject: MARS ARRL Kids Day contact 18 June 11
To: m_a_r_s@egroups.com, m-a-r-s@...m, tara1@yahoogroups.com
Cc: cqmumbai@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, June 13, 2011, 1:09 PM

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Friends

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have some activity on VHF through Mumbai & Matheran Repeaters on Saturday 18 June 2011. KID'S
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ATTN: Sean Kutzko, KX9X

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73z de vu2jpn

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

3344. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2011, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-07-05 19:56:04 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3344 Message: 3344

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

MARS ANNIVESARY
Wednesday July 6, 2011
1:30 pm - 1:30 am
(This event repeats every year.)
(The next reminder for this event will be sent in 11 hours, 49 minutes.)

Notes:
Wishing All Members a Very Happy Anniversary and Congratulations to all Members on sucessfully promoting our wonderful hobby

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3345. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2011, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-07-06 03:32:00 UTC
From: vu2ubp
Topic: 3344 Message: 3345

A very Happy Anniversary for Mumbai Amateur Society.

One Language, One World.

73/88

de vu2ubp
ULHAS
Res 24311367
Cell 98206 22237 / 9969952008

3346. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2011, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-07-06 07:44:13 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3344 Message: 3346

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

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3347. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2011, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-07-06 08:02:01 UTC
From: srihari krishnan
Topic: 3344 Message: 3347

Happy Anniversary to MARS. Do you still recollect me?
73s - VU2 KQS.(Ist few of Life Members)

From: "m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com" <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 6, 2011 1:26 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2011, 1:30 pm

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group

Title: MARS ANNIVESARY

Date: Wednesday July 6, 2011
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3348. Fw: Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2011, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-07-07 04:19:28 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3348 Message: 3348

Dear MARSians
Belated Happy Birthday to MARS.
Live Like a King Size.
73z de vu2jpn jaiprakash.

From: "m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com" <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 6, 2011 1:26 AM
Subject: [m_a_r_s] MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2011, 1:30 pm

Reminder from:

m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group

Title:

MARS ANNIVESARY

Date:

Wednesday July 6, 2011

Time:

1:30 pm
- 1:30 am

Repeats:

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3349. Dear friends

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-08-18 05:29:20 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3349 Message: 3349

Dear all
Please do not open emails from my account with subject "Hello". This email is not sent my me but automatically forwarded to all my saved email ID's.
73z de vu2jpn

3350. Re: [VUHams] Re: USA Amateur radio exams in Vljayawada on 28th Augest 2011 by ARRL/VEC.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-08-26 16:09:44 UTC
From: Prashant Koli
Topic: 3350 Message: 3350

Dear Hams from Mumbai/Navi Mumbai/Thane,

See the mail posted in VUHam group. It looks interesting to me! Although we may not be able to use this callsign to operate on HF/VHF in India one can take US callsign here itself.

Would appreciate if organisers of the Hamfest consider this request. I am sure to give this exam if it's taken at the Kochi Hamfest.

I have spoken to Suresh-VU2IPL and he said that if there are enough candidates at Mumbai the exam can be conducted at Mumbai/Thane also.

Thanks n regards,
Prashant,VU2CBU

On Fri, Aug 26, 2011 at 8:43 PM, Suresh-VU2IPL <ab9us.vu2ipl@gmail.com>wrote:

> **
>
>
> Dear All,
> Everything is set ready for USA amateur radios exams session in Vijayawada
> on 28th Aug 2011. If any candidate needs assistance to reach test centre
> please contact me on 9390613599 or dial non VE helpers: OM
> Venkat-VU3VJA:9441714294,OM Ravi-VU3MGT:9440112136.
> ------
> After the exam session completes, there will be a get together & display of
> the following brand new customs cleared rigs available:
> 1. Yanton T-300 plus VHF 5W,1500mAh Li-ion Rs:3,200/-
> 2.Icom IC-V82 VHF 7W,1650mAh Rs:4,500/-
> 3.Icom IC-V8000 VHF Rs:11,450/-
> 4.Kenwood TM-271A VHF Rs:10,450/-
> 5.Yaesu FT-7800R V/UHF Rs;14,450/-
> 6.Yaesu FT-897D HF/V/UHF Rs:53,500/-
> 7.Axiom Power supply 10Amp Rs:1850,15Amp Rs:2250/-
> 8.Mean well S-350-12 Power supply 29Amp Rs:3450/-
> 9.LMR 400 coaxial cable,F-com @ Rs:75/-Meter.
> 10.LMR 400 coaxial cable,Times Microwave 5years warranty @ Rs 85/-Meter.
> 11.Flash light & Solar charger for handy/cell phone etc 4.5,5.5,6,9V
> 2600mAh Rs:950/-
> 12. Repeater Interface(suits with almost any two radios)/echolink interface
> Rs:350/
>
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> 1.We already expressed our interest to conduct US ham exams session during
> HFI-2011 possibly on 9th Dec-2011.Already 5 VEs are also registered for the
> HFI. Any interested candidates please request organizing committee.
>
> 2.If we get any announcement about our Indian exam too during HFI-2011, we
> can expect more SWLs to participate.
>
> 3. we are also awaiting info on group concession possibilities for train
> tickets as the committee is trying for the same.
>
> we are expecting sabarimalai devotees rush so if we get all these
> clarification with in these two weeks it helps to plan & reserve the trip as
> soon as the reservation opens up.------
>
> -73,Suresh
> http://sites.google.com/site/ab9usvu2ipl
>
>
>

3351. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-11-14 13:34:03 UTC
From: shailesh pradhan
Topic: 3351 Message: 3351

http://ganoderma.99k.org/perfection.php?id=73&top=64&page=84

3352. Re: [ARSICOM] Re:Something to read

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2011-11-23 09:12:46 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3352 Message: 3352

Dear Friends

I would like to know if there are any Amateur Radio Operators/Clubs at Ankleshwar area or in Bharuch District of Gujarat.
In case available please let me have complete contact details.
Thank you in advance.
73z de vu2jpn Jaiprakash, Chembur, Mumbai.

3353. Just look

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-01-15 01:53:16 UTC
From: Abhay Shah
Topic: 3353 Message: 3353

Hi Friend
I hated being broke all the time I was able to get back on my feet with this I refused to keep living that way
http://br0var.ugu.pl/lastnews/29AdrianWright/ now the void in my life has been filled youll see what I mean!

ttyl...

3354. this has been how to start your new life.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-01-16 09:42:33 UTC
From: Abhay Shah
Topic: 3354 Message: 3354

Hi friend.
nobody ever believed that I could succeed this is the best thing that ever happened to me I was quickly running out of options.
http://adalmv.ad.funpic.org/currentevents/44NicholasJackson/ now nobody disrespects me
you are definitely cut out for this.
see you.

3355. Wrong emails.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-01-28 06:36:00 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3355 Message: 3355

Dear All
From my yahoo account, one fake email has been forwarded by hacking all my saved email ID's. I just came to know of the same as many emails has bounced back. The same is from Volcanvillas/breakingnews..... Please avoid clicking the same.
Rgds, Jp

3356. Fw: [ammabhagwan_chembur] Re: Re: This Kit changed all my life.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-02-14 07:18:05 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3356 Message: 3356

Dear All
Pls do not open my email with sub : This kit changed all my life. This email is not sent by me but automatically sent from my email ID. I am not aware how. This is happening for 3rd time even after changing password. Never click to any given URL's viz biege.pl.....
My apologies.
Rgds, Jp

3357. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-04-07 04:39:51 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3357 Message: 3357

http://mwa3.com/donation/uploads/trens.html?fdxi

3358. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-04-13 00:22:39 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3358 Message: 3358

http://foreverabove.com/asymmetrical/temor.html?radiopatel

3359. Get access to my pictures and more

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-05-17 18:21:28 UTC
From: Ulhas Paralkar Paralkar
Topic: 3359 Message: 3359

Hey,

I have created a Netlog profile with my pictures, videos, blogs and events and I want to add you as a friend so you can see it. You first need to register on Netlog! When you log in, you can create your own profile.

Take a look:
http://en.netlog.com/go/mailurl/-bT0yOTk3MTUzOTUzJmw9MSZnbT0xMiZ1PSUyRmdvJTJGcmVnaXN0ZXIlMkZpZCUzRC1iVjloWDNKZmMwQjVZV2h2YjJkeWIzVndjeTVqYjIwXyUyNnVpZCUzRDE3MDU4OTg4NQ__

Cheers,
Ulhas Paralkar

Don't want to receive invitations from your friends anymore?
http://en.netlog.com/go/mailurl/-bT0yOTk3MTUzOTUzJmw9MiZnbT0xMiZ1PSUyRmdvJTJGbm9tYWlscyUyRmludml0ZSUyRmVtYWlsJTNELWJWOWhYM0pmYzBCNVlXaHZiMmR5YjNWd2N5NWpiMjBfJTI2Y29kZSUzRDAwODg3OTM2

3360. For sale vhf antennas duplexers

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-05-29 07:25:49 UTC
From: Roomy
Topic: 3360 Message: 3360

For sale Diamond X50 and X30 antennas these are dual band vhf/uhf also some duplexers please contact 9987587296

3361. Hobby to profession.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-06-30 11:03:07 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3361 Message: 3361

Dear Friends
BMC has decided to train 50 of its staff to become an Amateur Radio Operator. Duration of the course will be 6 months @ 2hrs per week. Trainer will be a ham.Huge fees will be paid to the trainer.There will an interview of BMC Staff who opt's for the Amateur Radio training.If they all pass and get the licence, the radio equipment will be gifted to pass outs and will be operating during emergencies in respective BMC Wards.
I am not sure if government has decided to gift the amateur radio equipment to the pass out of the course.
BMC is unable to understand:
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Correct Answers by hams (may be) : It is not the equipment - It is the intelligence of the operator - Brain Capacity with hobby in heart and guts and vision to operate and help on humanitarian grounds.
Note : The earlier BMC guys who were trained few months back has vanished. Let us see about this 4 dozens + two.
WASTAGE OF PUBLIC MONEY. BMC Wants everything to be done on their own using their unused brain powers.
Same thing was done with Civil Defence. BMC instructed Civil Defence officials to train BMC Staff so that they are available during emergencies.
Sorry state of BMC Guys - in future they will be trained for flood rescue, fire fighting, rescue operations, Policing, Defence activities etc etc.
Anyways this is only to inform all of BMC new plans - Hobby to Profession.
73z de vu2jpn.
Anyways Head count of hams will increase. It is good news to all hams and net controllers.

3362. Re: [m_a_r_s] Hobby to profession.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-06-30 11:07:38 UTC
From: vu2wet@gmail.com
Topic: 3361 Message: 3362

Why do they need to use our ham band and also our ham radio name in order to do all this. Tomorrow if this turns out to be a scam to make money. Ham radio itself will earn a bad name.

VU2WET
Sent from BlackBerry® on Airtel

-----Original Message-----
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@yahoo.com>
Sender: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sat, 30 Jun 2012 04:03:07
To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>; <m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com>; <tara1@yahoogroups.com>
Reply-To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: <cqmumbai@yahoogroups.com>; <vuhams@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [m_a_r_s] Hobby to profession.

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3363. Re: [m_a_r_s] Hobby to profession.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-06-30 11:14:28 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3361 Message: 3363

That is the sad part of our politicians decisions and misguidance by our own hams.

--- On Sat, 6/30/12, vu2wet@... <vu2wet@...> wrote:

From: vu2wet@... <vu2wet@...>
Subject: Re: [m_a_r_s] Hobby to profession.
To: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, June 30, 2012, 4:37 PM

Why do they need to use our ham band and also our ham radio name in order to do all this. Tomorrow if this turns out to be a scam to make money. Ham radio itself will earn a bad name.

VU2WETSent from BlackBerry® on AirtelFrom: Jaiprakash Pullakudy <vu2jpn@...>
Sender: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sat, 30 Jun 2012 04:03:07 -0700 (PDT)To: <m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com>; <m-a-r-s@yahoogroups.com>; <tara1@yahoogroups.com>ReplyTo: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Cc: <cqmumbai@yahoogroups.com>; <vuhams@yahoogroups.com>Subject: [m_a_r_s] Hobby to profession.

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3364. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2012, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-07-05 20:01:37 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3364 Message: 3364

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

MARS ANNIVESARY
Friday July 6, 2012
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3365. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2012, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-07-06 07:45:43 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3364 Message: 3365

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

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3366. Control and Communication Training at Civil Defence.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-07-27 12:04:55 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3366 Message: 3366
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear All
Attached is brochure of Civil Defence. Those who are interested to join are most welcome to call at contact numbers and be active at your own area of stay.
There are many different courses related to DMP which includes Control & Communication Course.
I have done around 8-10 courses and from 1st to 3rd Aug 2012, I will be attending an important course "Incident Command Officer".
Sorry for this invitation message though it not related to Amateur Radio, but any interested and willing hams are most welcome to Civil Defence.
73z de vu2jpn

3367. Fw: USA Amateur Radio License Exams session on 16th Dec-2012

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-11-14 07:01:45 UTC
From: Basappa-Arabole
Topic: 3367 Message: 3367

The VE (Volunteer Examiner) of USA Exam is Om Suresh his callsign K9US email: vu2ipl@...
pse feel free to ask him any queries.
73
Basappa
VU2NXM
KC2ZNJ

Ps: I dont mind taking a session on USA exam preparation if more students interested.

Dears,
Some of you told me in the classroom about appearing for USA license exam.
here is my friend- the examiners msg.

----- Forwarded Message -----
From: Arekepudi Suresh Kumar <ab9us.vu2ipl@gmail.com>
 Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2012 7:36 PM
Subject: USA Amateur Radio License Exams session on 16th Dec-2012

Dear all,
We are going to organize USA Amateur Radio License Exams session on 16th Dec-2012 in Radakrishnan salai,Chennai.
We
are trying to find a location nearer to the Hamfest India-2012 venue to
make it more convenient to the HFI delegates also.Exact location will
be updated and intimated to all the registrants soon.

All
the Three classes of licenses i.e Technician, General and Extra are
going to be served. Please avail this opportunity and spread this info
in local nets and other medias as well.

Exam date: 16-11-2012 Time: 05:15 Pm

Application process,photo Id verification, payment of fee $15 or Rs:850/- etc., all will be at the time of test session only.

Walk ins allowed,but please register to serve you better.

Results and CSCEs: same day evening.

New Systematic call signs expected: By Christmas or before new year day!

Confirmed VEs:AB2ST,WA1SM,KJ4VMC,AE5VK and AB9US.
Expecting consent from:Ac2DT,AB1QH,AK4EC and any other VEs wish to join please welcome.

Request to Non-VE helpers:Any individuals would like to give a helping hand please let us know.

More info : https://sites.google.com/site/ab9usvu2ipl/

73,
Suresh AB9US,
VE Team Liaison,
ARRL VE Team India .
ab9us.vu2ipl@...
cell: 9390613599.

3368. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-12-12 05:38:23 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 3368 Message: 3368

http://gradmediadesign.net/cms/inc/img/previews/reykd58q.php

3369. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-12-16 11:04:49 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 3369 Message: 3369

http://www.superiorlandscape-irrigation.com/includes/domit/uz843s33.php

3370. Re:

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2012-12-19 15:41:41 UTC
From: sriharikrishnan@yahoo.com
Topic: 3370 Message: 3370

http://adkinsrealty.com/happy.page.php?uzi=74&yyjj=809

3371. (no subject)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-01-02 15:54:16 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 3371 Message: 3371

http://shorehamvt.org/ems/graphics/NewYear.html

3372. Welcome to

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-02-16 04:23:30 UTC
From: srihari krishnan
Topic: 3372 Message: 3372

http://getsecura.com/php_file/google.friends.php?yvjpazow=c9%iz%o0%05%v5%i1%i7%h0%x3%a9%x5%20&ruvabulys=2257866

3373. http://boltpix.com/wp-content/themes/twentyten/dewqm.html

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-03-02 02:44:25 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 3373 Message: 3373

http://kurbanov.info/sm/bazpn.html

3374. http://www.zzzrkg.rs/cms2admin/include/wottj.html

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-03-08 06:01:04 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 3374 Message: 3374

http://www.unklebeach.com/ct/images/cosyd.html

3375. http://skrubcreative.com/vizcaya/wp-content/themes/enterprise/aluqp.html

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-03-09 02:48:06 UTC
From: ULHAS
Topic: 3375 Message: 3375

http://kitchen-sink.com/serverstat/assets/styles/uccdk.html

3376. Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting, 5/1/2013, 5:00 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-04-17 11:30:48 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3376 Message: 3376

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting
Wednesday May 1, 2013
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
(GMT+05.30) Chennai / Kolkata / Mumbai / New Delhi

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3377. Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting, 5/1/2013, 5:00 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-04-28 11:30:31 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3376 Message: 3377

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting
Wednesday May 1, 2013
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
(GMT+05.30) Chennai / Kolkata / Mumbai / New Delhi

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3378. Fw:

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-05-17 07:49:43 UTC
From: sriharikrishnan@...
Topic: 3378 Message: 3378

Hi. http://aac-3d.com.au/m/m.facebook.com.php

3379. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2013, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-07-06 07:45:54 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3379 Message: 3379

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo! Group
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3380. CQ Call to all Station at Mumbai Thane & Navi Mumbai

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-07-19 08:28:33 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3380 Message: 3380

Dear Hams

I am pleased to inform all that, special Civil Defence course for Amateur Radio Operators of Mumbai, Thane & Navi Mumbai will conducted shortly at Mumbai Staff College of Civil Defence near Metro Cinema, Marine Lines (E), Mumbai. Duration / Date & Time will be intimated soon.

Hence the interested Hams residing at Mumbai, Thane, Kalyan & Navi Mumbai can reply to me directly to vu2jpn@... by 21.07.13 as I have a meeting on 22nd July to finalise the course time and date. The proposed plans are after 15th August for 5-6 days or 10 days @ 1800hrs to 2030 hrs.

I will be conducting Special VHF net on 22nd July, 2013 at 2200 hrs (after night owl's net is over) through Mumbai & Matheran Repeater to activate interested candidate for on air contact.

Regard

vu2jpn
Jaiprakash
 Deputy Divisional Warden Civil Defence M-West
contact nos. 8898007388 / 9892186646

3381. My account has been hacked Pls beware of spurious postings from my yahoomail account

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-08-23 07:33:34 UTC
From: srihari krishnan
Topic: 3381 Message: 3381

To All Concerned

My Yahoo Mail account had been hacked and spurious messages posted from the account without my knowledge. I have accessed the mail account after considerably long time due to various reasons, when I found certain spurious messages had been posted through my account.
Please do not click on the hyperlinks given in any messase purpotedly originated from my account,as I had never posted any hyperlink with any of my mail message or do forward or post any hyperlink ever during the currency of the account till date.

Thanks for taking care of your inmail and secure your accounts suitably. I have notified the appropriate authorities in this regard.

Thanks and Regards,
VU2 KQS

3382. Fw: Welcome you..New Volunteer Examiner!!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-08-26 07:38:23 UTC
From: Basappa-Arabole
Topic: 3382 Message: 3382

Dears,
I give credit to my friends who always encouraged me for HAM radio. YOU ALL Encouraged me for more studies.
Once again tnx to all.
If anyone need any help on studies for USA HAM EXAM pse do email me.If you find any candidates interested in these exams let them follow this:
https://sites.google.com/site/ab9usvu2ipl
Basappa Arabole

VU2NXM
KC2ZNJ

----- Forwarded Message -----
From: Arekepudi Suresh Kumar <ab9us.vu2ipl@...>
To: BASAPPA ARABOLE <basappaji@...>
Cc: Amruta Rao <amrutamallik@...>; Ganesh Ammasai <vu2ikx@...>; Mastan Nagothi <masthan.klce@...>; Kawabe Yoshiyuki <new2010@...>; Rajesh Nambiar <rajeshnambr@...>; Ernest Peter <vu2ept@...>; Padmanabhan Cattamanchi <pepindia@...>; Jayant Bhide <j_bhide@...>; jayantbhide_2000@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2013 12:47 PM
Subject: Welcome you..New Volunteer Examiner!!

Dear Basappa KC2ZNJ,
We ARRL/VEC VE team India, so pleased to congratulate you on this joyous occasion of your Volunteer Examiner credentials. We wish you many successful exam sessions serving Amateur Radio community...cheers!!!
Please join with us as a Volunteer examiner to the forthcoming exam session at Gwalior during HFI-2013 on 21-09-2013 at 1.30 PM.

73,
de Suresh- AB9US (VU2IPL). cell:+91 9390613599

     Team Liaison, ARRL/VEC VE team India.

3383. Fw: [ARSICOM] JUNO SPACECRAFT TO FLY BY EARTH as scheduled

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-10-07 09:54:31 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3383 Message: 3383

BEST TRY IT ALL

----- Forwarded Message -----
From: ganesh <ganesh@watapi.com>
To: ARSICOM <arsicom@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, October 7, 2013 12:13 PM
Subject: [ARSICOM] JUNO SPACECRAFT TO FLY BY EARTH as scheduled

Here's some news you might not hear from NASA because, like
the rest of the US government, the space agency is closed.

NASA's Juno spacecraft will slingshot past
Earth using gravity assist (a must see
video) on October 9th for a velocity
boost en route to Jupiter.

At closest approach the spacecraft will be only 560 KM from
Earth (over Cape Town) as it gains an extra 16,000 mph for the
long journey ahead. (Arrive on Jupiter:
2016)

During the flyby, Juno's science instruments will sample the
Earth environment--a practice run for data-taking at Jupiter years
from now. Fortunately, commands to activate Juno's sensors
were uploaded before NASA's shutdown. The science experiment
can proceed as planned. Radio amateurs are encouraged to beam
a message to Juno during the flyby. Juno will be
listening.

Here is the frequency table. Please
do participate!

A 28.001
B 28.019
C 28.037
D 28.055
E
28.073
F 28.091
G 28.109
H 28.127
I 28.145
J 28.163
K
28.181
L 28.199
M 28.217

N 28.234
O 28.252
P 28.270
Q
28.288
R 28.306
S 28.324
T 28.342
U 28.360
V 28.378
W
28.396
X 28.414
Y 28.432
Z 28.45

The frequencies corresponding to the last
letter of your callsign. [like: VU2TS - on
28.324]

This pass is on an ascending
node and crosses VU2 from SW to NE between 19:30 and 19:50
UT.
However, since the transmission is on 10 meters, we can
transmit anytime between 18:00 UT
and 20:40 UT on the 9th October, during the flyby. Even
throughout this period.

The "HI" message will be transmitted in Morse code with a dit
(or key-down) time of 30 seconds.
Sending HI at 1/25th word per minute works out to six minutes
after which you can send your
callsign at normal speed.

Ensure that your system's clock is synchronized to the network
time.

If you participate and would like to receive a QSL
card for contacting Juno, please send an email
with your call sign and mailing address. Cards will be sent to
participants who email this information in
the months following the event. juno_outreach@...

The COUNTDOWN page is available at: http://www.jpl.nasa.gov/hijuno/

If there are any specific questions, I shall be
pleased to answer them!

Ganesh VU2TS
B.R.HILLSU

Monday October 07, 2013 AM Propagation SFI:107 A: 2 K: 1 SSN:69
Good for reaching
JUNO!

3384. The AlexLoop Walkham Portable Antenna

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-10-21 17:31:02 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3384 Message: 3384
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Please check enclosed article.

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3385. Trio of VU3s Honored for EmComm During India Flooding

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-11-05 10:22:09 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3385 Message: 3385
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Good article from CQ, please refer enclosed details '*Trio of VU3s Honored for EmComm During India Flooding.pdf*'

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3386. [CQ World Wide] Flood Relief Efforts by Hams in India

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-11-06 17:10:18 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3386 Message: 3386
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Good article from CQ World Wide, please refer enclosed details '*Flood Relief Efforts by Hams in India.pdf*'

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3387. Ragchewing 101 - Get out of the "RST-73" rut and get to know your fellow hams.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-11-06 19:21:49 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3387 Message: 3387
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Ragchewing 101 - Get out of the "RST-73" rut and get to know your fellow hams.

Good article from QST, please refer enclosed details '*Ragchewing 101.pdf*'

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3388. The “DXPP”

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-11-24 10:51:26 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3388 Message: 3388
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

This is from *CQ Amateur Radio* article and would like to share it with you. Please refer enclosed attachment. *The “DXPP”*

*B*y the late 1980s and early 1990s, DXpeditions to the Southern Islands—Bouvet, Peter I, Heard Island, Amsterdam Island—were becoming very expensive. This was in part due to the new nature of DXing: QSOs on every band and every mode for everyone. Several such mega-operations seemed to set a new standard. Getting into the DXpedition log became relatively easy for everyone. The traditional smaller DXpedition teams, aimed at getting everyone one or two QSOs, seemed outdated.

Today’s mega-DXpeditions require many operators for many days, which in turn, vastly increases the cost. Funding such operations is problematical, as is finding operators with enough spare time and the necessary money. Finding operators who are capable of meeting modern standards is becoming even more difficult. As the number of DXpedition organizers has increased, performance standards have not always been kept on the DXpedition agenda.

Such has been the divergence from traditional DXpeditions that one group of DX ops set out on a two-fold path to lighten the DXpeditioning load and expense by planning simpler logistics—low power and smaller antennas—and making working the DXpedition *more difficult*. They planned to leave their amplifiers and large generators behind in order to scale down the logistics and lower the cost. At the same time, the thinking went that DXing to rare locations had become too easy. Their idea was to run low power and simple antennas in order to put more of the burden on the DXers, to return to the days when DXing was a challenge. This philosophy still has considerable merit, although some consider it elitist. The format hasn’t been widely copied.

If you can’t (or aren’t willing to) decrease costs, then you need to find ways to increase funding. One method is to invite additional travelers. Some of these individuals are non-hams and some are potential operators. The additional travelers are selected simply because they wish to visit the DXpedition’s destination. Potential operators may join the expedition even if they do not possess the skills necessary for managing the monstrous pileups that will occur. All of these additional individuals are required to make (at least) the increasingly large contributions required of team members. Non-ham members of the team fulfill their requirements by contributing the necessary funds. Potential operators need to do more.

Potential operators must commit time, money *and a willingness to learn—a good attitude*. Some organizers entertain the egalitarian notion that all amateur radio operators possess the operating knowledge required to effectively conduct a large pile-up. This simply isn’t true, but

individuals who are willing to learn can be trained to perform appropriately for the audience, if initially on bands and modes that do not require the greatest skills.

I am not discussing trips to common or semirare locations. I am talking about expeditions to extremely rare locations, locations that are very costly to access, places that require the utmost in operator skill to control potentially unruly pile-ups. Essentially, for a significant contribution, hams who otherwise might not be considered as “players” can be incorporated into the effort. Although there is necessarily a limit to the number of these team members, they can contribute to the effort while becoming an effective method of augmenting funding.

This method of funding and operating has generated some controversy. If one doesn’t first make the effort to understand the concept, seeing it as derogatory is understandable. Inviting well-off DXers with less than optimum operating experience might be seen as valuing these folks solely for their money, and to some extent, this is exactly what is happening. It can have considerable value to everyone, however, as long as all parties understand their roles. For the purpose of identifying the issue and generating a public dialog, famous DXpeditioner Martti Laine, OH2BH, has coined the term “DXPP,” the “DX Paying Passenger.”

To better understand the DXPP concept, think of a wealthy individual paying millions of dollars to “hitch” a ride into space. This actually has happened, of course. The individuals involved aren’t interested in becoming astronauts, they aren’t interested in science or research, and they won’t be piloting the ship. Their interest is just in the *adventure*. They probably aren’t upset if they are not asked to perform exotic astronaut duties. They simply are interested in the trip as tourists or passengers to see sights that few have seen. Other individuals have traveled with DXpeditions in order to add to their TCC (Travelers Century Club) total. They aren’t operators, they aren’t even hams, but they wished to go and could help cover the costs.

For the DXPP who *is* a ham, there is a unique opportunity to sit beside some of the world’s most knowledgeable DXpeditioners, to learn their best practices, and experience the thrill of successfully managing a major DXpedition pile-up. Most will probably expect to do some operating but not worry about the detailed success of the event. In most cases, DXers will welcome these individuals for their financial help and/or professional knowledge. The DXPP can be an important element in the success of a major DXpedition. Operating with an excruciatingly low rate, they won’t be very popular, but with a willingness to learn and some practice, a new world-class DXpedition operator may emerge.

The FCC, the ITU and the United Nations—Relationships

We hear a lot about the FCC, the ITU, and the IARU when it comes to authorization to operate radio transmitting equipment, but even as DXers, we aren’t always quite up to speed regarding which agencies deal with which functions when it comes to our licenses, bands and international

agreements. Who is who, and who does what?

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is responsible for governing all non-governmental communications in the United States. Radio broadcast, television broadcast, and our amateur radio transmissions all are governed by the FCC. Governmental communications are handled by the National Telecommunications and Information Agency, NTIA. In other countries, amateur radio communications are governed by similar agencies. Although the FCC works, often closely, with other regulatory agencies around the world, the FCC has no authority outside the USA and its dependencies.

The FCC generally grants transmitting authority consistent with international treaties. World telecommunications is coordinated through treaties negotiated at World Radio communication Conferences (WRCs) conducted by the International Telecommunications Union, the ITU, headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland. Since radio signals cross international borders, cooperation between nations is essential. The ITU facilitates this cooperation. The ITU is a United Nations organization that serves the world's nations by facilitating the negotiation of treaties between nations to harmonize communications for the betterment of all. These treaties are agreements between countries. The ITU functions by consensus. When a member of the ITU does not agree with certain provisions of a treaty, a footnote might be added exempting a country from that part of the agreement. The ITU has no enforcement authority; it has no "radio police."

To illustrate, let's consider the Z6 prefix used currently by Kosovo. Some people have stated that the use of Z6 is illegal. The use of that prefix is not illegal in the usual sense. Since Kosovo is not a member of the ITU, and has not signed any treaties, it has no obligation to adhere to any treaty principles. The prefix had been unused. The ITU has no direct authority to stop Kosovo from using the prefix. Was Kosovo in violation of some law by using the Z6 prefix? No. Further, since Kosovo is not a signatory to any ITU treaties, it is not obligated to respect them. There could be political consequences, of course.

Where do the ARRL, CQ, DARC, and other national amateur radio societies fit into this scenario? In some cases, certain members of national organizations participate in studies conducted by committees of the ITU. They sometimes make recommendations, but only the national governments vote in the treaty negotiations of the ITU. That the ITU hasn't issued country calling codes or radio prefix blocks for Kosovo lies within the politics of the United Nations.

In its DX contests and award programs, CQ magazine and the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC) (WAE) count Kosovo, Z6, as an entity, a multiplier. They have every right to do that. The ARRL, in its 1998 DXCC rules, decided to use certain external "bright line" criteria for determining the status of a political entity for its DXCC award. It chose membership in the UN, the granting of an ITU prefix, and/or membership in the IARU as its political entity criteria. It has every right to do this,

as well. None of these organizations has to deal with the ITU, UN, FCC, or IARU when considering their criteria. They have adopted their criteria, and they can just as easily change them. The DXCC criteria (last changed in 2004) originally worked well, but recently it has failed. The ARRL DX Advisory Committee (DXAC) soon will be asked to study the matter, a process that might take some time.
Beginner's Tips

Toward the end of this month and next, CO magazine will host two of the most famous, well-attended DX contests in the world, the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest in October and the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest in November. In these contests, everyone can work everyone. Many newer DXers work for months or years to achieve their DXing goals: The IARU Worked All Continents award (WAG), CQ's Worked All Zones (WAZ) award, or the ARRL's DX Century Club (DXCC), and others.

Finding DX has become easier with the myriad of spotting networks on the Internet. However, one of the easiest ways to find and work lots of DX is to be active during one of the biggest DX contests. With skill, you can work more than 100 countries and usually 40 zones in just one weekend, especially on SSB.

DX is often easier to work in these contests because the callers are spread out over many different stations in different places on the bands. DXers can participate in the contests or just work to add to their country counts and practice breaking pile-ups. It's lots of fun, no matter what your goals.
Upcoming DXpeditions

Mozambique: From October 15 to 22, Don, N1DG, and Tom, N4XP, will colead an expedition to Mozambique signing C82DX. The low bands are the focus for this effort. For more information, see their website at <www.c82dx.com>.
Sable Island: October 1 to October 11 by Gary, VE1RGB; Rick, AI5P, and Murray, WA4DAN. See:
<http://www.cyOdxpedition.com<http://www.cyodxpedition.com/>
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Next month I'll talk more about the DX University, its origin, its goals, and its methods.
CQ DX Honor Roll

The CQ DX Honor Roll recognizes those DXers who have submitted proof of confirmation with 275 or more ACTIVE countries. With few exceptions, the ARRL DXCC Countries List is used as the country standard. The CQ DX Award currently recognizes 341 countries. Honor Roll listing is automatic when an application is received and approved for 275 or more active countries. Deleted countries do not count and all totals are adjusted as deletions occur. To remain on the CQ DX Honor Roll, annual updates are required. All updates must be accompanied by an SASE if confirmation of total is required. The fee for endorsement stickers is $1.00 each plus SASE. (Stickers for the 340 level are available.) Please make checks payable to the Award Manager, Keith Gilbertson. Mail all updates to Keith Gilbertson, K0KG, 21688 Sandy Beach Lane, Rochert, MN 56578-9604 USA.

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73 DE VU2LOC (Shailesh Deshmukh)

3389. Indian fishermen want free ham radio and GPS gear

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-11-26 02:00:53 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3389 Message: 3389

http://www.deccanchronicle.com/131013/news-current-affairs/article/no-contact-fishermen

India's *Deccan Chronicle* report that what are known as traditional fishermen want the right to use *amateur radio* with both *free *ham gear and GPS. This as a communications safety net when they venture out to sea.

The newspaper says that these fishermen have not found any truly affordable and reliable electronic method to send or receive communication while fishing in deep sea, especially when they face severe cyclonic storm. As such, they are forced to rely on what they term as unreliable mobile phones with no guarantee of signals reaching destination or back-up power to keep them operating.

A large number of these fishermen venture 200 miles or more from the shore for several days at a time. Their only way to communicate their location or safety to their family are the unreliable mobile telephones they have now.

Because of this, fishermen have been demanding the state government provide them with amateur radio gear and GPS equipment at a subsidy as they cannot afford to purchase this equipment on their own. They say that if they are equipped with amateur radio it will help to communicate to get weather updates, find their location at sea and receive directions as to which way they should proceed to avoid impending danger.

Currently some 70,000 fishermen from several villages along India's coast are awaiting the response from the government on their demand. The president of the District Fisherman Welfare Association is quoted in the article as saying that when communication network fails during the storm, fishermen find no source of information unless they are equipped with ham radio and GPS to help them reach shore safely.

The question of *licensing* was not touched on in the news article.
You can read more at tinyurl.com/india-fishing-ham-radio.

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73 DE VU2LOC (Shailesh Deshmukh)

3390. Re: CQ MUMBAI Indian fishermen want free ham radio and GPS gear

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-11-29 11:37:12 UTC
From: Ulhas ULHAS PARALKAR
Topic: 3389 Message: 3390

There are lots of commercial weather stations which givereal time weather
updates. Also the location can be found using GPS receivers. Why this
attack on AMATEUR BANDS?
Ask them to give access to the police, coast guards also.
Totally ridiculous demand.

This rag Deccan Chronicle should be banned for putting this type of
ridiculous ideas in gullible peoples heads.

On Mon, Nov 25, 2013 at 6:00 PM, VU2LOC <vu2loc@...> wrote:

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3391. Where Have All the Users Gone?

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-12-02 16:25:37 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3391 Message: 3391

V <vu2loc@...>U2LOC would like to share this *WorldRadio *article with you.
Where Have All the Users Gone?
COMMENTARY

By Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF

*H*ow many of you remember the 1950s-era folk song written by Pete Seeger titled “*Where Have All the Flowers Gone*?”

According to Wikipedia, only the first three verses were written by Seeger, with the rest added by Joe Hickerson in May 1960, who turned it into a so-called “circular or rhetorical song.” Who wrote which part is kind of incidental here, but if you were to replace the word “flowers” with “users” you would have a good window through which to view VHF and UHF FM open-format repeater operation in the 21st Century. (*WATCH and LISTEN: To a live performance of the Seeger/Hickerson folk classic “Where Have All the Flowers Gone” <http://bit.ly/1aO3r1p <http://bit.ly/1aO3r1p>>. – WA6ITF.)*

These days we have loads of repeaters and hundreds more waiting to get on the air. The problem is that many that have been there for years are sitting there empty of signals around the clock — devoid of any real humanity.

(*WATCH and LISTEN: To Michael McCoy, WD4AM, of Lenoir, North Carolina, try to make a contact on area repeaters — to no avail. “There you have it, folks,” he says. “220, 6 meters, 2 meters, 440 ... Where is everybody?” <http://bit.ly/1aOegkh <http://bit.ly/1aOegkh>>, Photo A. – WA6ITF.)*

The question of “where have all the users gone,” like the Seeger/Hickerson song, is rhetorical, and one for which I doubt there is any single answer.

There are some hams who blame the emergence of inexpensive cell phone service for the lack of people on repeaters these days. Others blame the restructuring of the United States Amateur Radio service and allowing easy access to the HF bands.

Still another group will tell you that it’s because so many systems have gone tone access (in the vernacular, *PL, CTCSS*, and so on) and that they see no reason to buy a new radio just to make some repeater owner happy.

Last, there are those who say there is nobody left from their old group of friends to talk to, and that they have nothing in common with newer hams.

In reality, there are likely as many reasons as are there are hams that apparently have abandoned VHF and UHF repeater operation. And likely, all are valid to the person or persons extolling them.

The bottom line, though, is that in many places finding a QSO on a repeater is akin to finding food in Old Mother Hubbard's cupboard.

Challenge 1: Cell phones

I disagree with the cell phone argument. Yes on a per-capita basis, cell phone service costs a lot less today than it did 20+ years ago, but it's still a phone. Even if you set up a conference call to talk to a bunch of friends at once, it's not like a ham radio contact.

It's not the one-on-one or one-with-20 roundtable experience that you get from amateur radio, be it on a repeater or an HF net. Yes, most of us have cell phones, but the only casualty of them has been the repeater auto-patch — not the repeater itself.

Challenge 2: Restructuring

As for restructuring, I could buy the argument only if there was some way to prove that all the hams who have left VHF, UHF, and repeaters have gone to the HF bands; that they have gone out and spent several thousand dollars to buy the necessary gear, and doing so in a time of economic recession, high unemployment, and heavy-handed restrictions on the large-size antennas that are required for operation on the high-frequency bands.

But there is no way to prove this except perhaps tracking the sales of purchases of HF transceivers, antennas, and accessories. I doubt there are many people keeping such statistics. And it would be impossible to accurately track individuals' sale of used gear.

When I talk with friends who are ardent HF operators, they tell me that in their estimation, the bands are no more or less crowded today than they were a decade or two ago. That's an anecdotal opinion rather than fact. But it is how many radio amateurs view it.

Challenge 3: Tone Access

As to tone access being the cause? Another rhetorical question: How many of you own a radio that has no built-in CTCSS encoder? I'm sure there are a few, but I kind of doubt that there are very many with a Regency HR-2B <http://bit.ly/19hLrdN>, ICOM IC-22, or Clegg FM-27B <http://bit.ly/1fcVGFa> still in daily use. (*WATCH and LISTEN: To a vintage Clegg FM-27B in action <http://bit.ly/16casee <http://bit.ly/16casee>>, Photo B. – WA6ITF.)*

Today even the $30 HTs manufactured in China come with full CTCSS and Digital CTCSS encode — and some with encode/decode. So the argument that tone access has driven hams off repeaters is specious at best.

Challenge 4: 'Nobody's Home'

So we are left with the final argument that so many people make: There is nobody left to talk to. That is, no one with which a longtime operator has anything in common. The new and newer operators flood the systems.

I admit there is often an “age gap” in today’s amateur radio, it appears to this operator to be a “gap” of a different type:

• Between those who “think old and want to retain the old time folkways of the hobby,” versus …

• Those who are more “forward thinking,” and interested in new ideas and the introduction of new modes and formats of operation.

A Generational ‘Thing’

I really do not think age is as much a factor as a *mindset*. At age 71, a conversation about the *future* exhilarates me far more than constant references to the hobby’s past. I see the future of ham radio in the digital domain, not analog. The only thing that saddens me is that I’ll likely not be around to see this “new ham radio” come fully to fruition.

Unlike what is happening in the worlds of commercial twoway communication, broadcasting and especially in broadband, changes in ham radio are “evolutionary” rather than “revolutionary.” In other words, ham radio overall will likely be the last to modernize. And if history is any teacher, there will be many who will fight the adoption of anything new, if for no other reason than to protect their monetary investment in the present.

While I was not around for the “spark-to-tube-generated Morse transition,” nor for the introduction of voice transmission (full carrier double sideband AM), I was there when the proponents of AM fought tooth and nail to prevent the introduction of SSB and I was actively involved in the introduction of FM on the VHF bands in the era when those running AM resented the introduction of the “Fun Mode” even though it was some 2 MHz up the 2-meter band. That was at the time unused territory where few were capable of venturing. (*NOTE: I was also one of the first on 6-meter SSB back in the middle 1960s. While I could work stations that those on AM could not hear, I suffered the “… you sound like Donald Duck” browbeating from those convinced that AM on 6 meters would last forever. – WA6ITF.)*

In my view, if you think young you can interact with almost anyone. If you think in the past you will remain there — alone and lonely by your own lack of words and actions.

So, Where Are They Going?

All of this said we are still left with: “Where have all the users gone?” Well, let me end by giving you my bit of speculation.

Could it be that there are far more repeaters than there are people who want to use them?

Before you say that there can never be too many repeaters, please give this some thought:

• How many groups and clubs own more than one repeater? The fact is that many clubs, groups and even individuals have a repeater on every band from

10 meters up into the Gigahertz range. And in some instances these same people have now added a second digital repeater on 2 meters, 70 cm, or 1.2 GHz.

• What does this buy them other than the ability to say “look what we’ve got” while at the same time only their 2 meter and possibly their 70-cm FM repeaters see any real use?

Central Questions

Maybe it is time to assess the real needs of the real world of amateur radio:

• Do we really need two, three, or more repeaters on the same channel pair, using separate CTCSS tone access, serving almost the same geographic area and thereby the same user base?

• Do radio clubs or individual system owners really need a repeater on every band when one will suffice their needs?

• Taking it a step further, do we really need to have hundreds or possibly thousands of repeaters sitting idle, burning up electrical power, whose only purpose is to “be there” if and when some form of an emergency strikes. Those repeaters that tell potential users they are not welcome to chat there because “someday there will be an emergency so the machine must remain clear of all other activity 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, year after year after year” *in reality* serve no purpose at all.

So, ‘Where Have All the Users Gone?’

I could go on, but you get the idea.

When you have far more of anything than the public needs, you are the loser. You are not going to be able to sell it or even give it away. In the case of repeaters, if there are too many, and few are being used, what’s the point of having so many?

Fewer might lead to more interesting discussions and bring more hams to a conversation. The hams are there. They have the radios. It’s only a matter of rekindling interest by getting conversations of interest going.

To this operator, the “Hi, Hi — OM” days of ham radio are long over. Repeaters are a great discussion platform. Maybe it’s time to recognize the potential they offer.

So, “where have all the users gone?” Unlike flowers, they are likely still there, but lack an incentive to return. They will not bloom again next spring on their own. – *de WA6ITF*

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3392. World News, Commentary, Music, Sports, And Drama At Your Fingertips

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-12-02 17:01:32 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3392 Message: 3392

World News, Commentary, Music, Sports, And Drama At Your Fingertips

*T*his listing is designed to help you hear more shortwave broadcasting stations. The list covers a variety of stations, including international broadcasters beaming programs to North America, others to different parts of the world, as well as local and regional shortwave stations. Many of the transmissions listed here are not in English. Your ability to receive these stations will depend on time of day, time of year, your geographic location, highly variable propagation conditions, and the receiving equipment used.

AA, FF, SS, GG, etc. are abbreviations for languages (Arabic, French, Spanish, German). Times given are in UTC, which is five hours ahead of EST, i.e. 0000 UTC equals 7 p.m. EST, 6 p.m. CST, 4 p.m. PST.
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3393. Summits On The Air (SOTA) with VHF By Bob Witts,* K0NR

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
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Topic: 3393 Message: 3393

VU2LOC would like to share this *CQ VHF* article with you.
Summits On The Air with VHF
By Bob Witts, K0NR*

*I*n the Spring 2013 issue of *CQ VHF*, I wrote about mountaintop VHF operating. Since then I've done some additional Summits On The Air (SOTA) activations, which I'll describe here. My intent is to provide some practical examples of how to get on the VHF SOTA.
Basic VHF Gear for SOTA

Most of the VHF SOTA activity in North America is on 2-meter FM, the *utility mode.* A VHF handheld transceiver really is a *trail friendly radio*, since you can just drop it in your backpack and go. Being a self-contained radio station, complete with power source and antenna, it is a handy way to get on the air. The cost is hard to beat as well, with low-cost radios starting at around $50.

The standard *rubber duck* is a very convenient antenna but represents a serious compromise in performance. I call this type of antenna *a very convenient crummy antenna*. A very effective upgrade is to use a half-wave vertical such as the MFJ-1714 or the Smiley Super Stick II. If you want a bigger signal, you can use a small Yagi antenna such as the Arrow 146-3. More on that later.

Another upgrade in efficiency is to use SSB or CW, using an all-mode rig such as the Yaesu FT-817. I've made a number of VHF SOTA contacts using CW/SSB and it makes a big difference in weak-signal performance.
Planning

The first step in activating a SOTA peak is doing some planning. For a well-known summit with an established trail, this can be really simple. For lesser known peaks, more extensive research may be required. My planning generally starts with the Sotawatch website, where I either check out a specific summit name (e.g., Pikes Peak) or review the map of SOTA peaks in a particular area of interest.

An example of a well-established trail to a SOTA summit is Devils Head Fire Lookout in Pike National Forest (WØ/FR-051). This summit has an excellent trail about 1.4 miles long to the base of the lookout tower (figure 1). The fire lookout is at 9748 feet elevation, which is about 1000 feet vertical gain above the trailhead (figure 2). This is a great SOTA hike, which I activated on 2-meter FM using a Yaesu FT-60 handheld radio and a 1/2-wave vertical antenna. The fire lookout at the top is an added attraction that makes the climb interesting.

Other peaks are not quite so well-known and may require a little bit of research. This is part of the fun of doing SOTA activations—identifying a

summit and figuring out the best way to get to the top. A good example is Castle Rock in the South Park region of Colorado (WØ/SP-112). I looked up the summit on SOTAwatch.org to get the basic information of latitude, longitude, and elevation and reviewed the SOTA Mapping Project map (figure 3). The SummitPost website provided some helpful information on the recommended route. This peak is very rugged at the top and I was not sure if it was a technical climb or not (figure 4). (It turns out that it is not technical, as long as you choose the route carefully.) I also consulted some topographical maps and a US Forest Service map to determine the best access roads and to verify the hiking route.

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Make Some Calls

The next thing I do is get the word out that I will be activating a SOTA peak. Making VHF contacts in the backcountry is not always a sure thing, since many of the summits are quite remote and there may not be many radio amateurs within VHF range. I usually send out an e-mail notice to hams who are likely to be within range to give then a heads up that I'll be out hiking. Even if they are not active SOTA chasers, they usually enjoy making a contact with someone on a summit. I also post an *alert* on the SOTA watch website indicating my operating plans.

When I reach the summit and if I have cell phone coverage, I put out a spot on SOTAwatch using the SOTA Goat iPhone app by Rock well WW1X. (Yes, it is acceptable and encouraged to "self spot" your SOTA activation.) After that, I make a call on the simplex calling frequency, 146.52 MHz. It is always fun to see who responds to my call, since during the summer there often are campers, hikers, fishermen, and mobile stations listening on that frequency. On the other hand, sometimes it can be dead quiet and I get no response. It helps to have a little patience and keep calling. If that doesn't work, I try some other popular simplex frequencies. The last resort is keying up one of the local repeaters to see if anyone is listening there. It is OK to solicit a contact on a repeater, but you still need to make a simplex contact for SOTA credit. Of course, it is a good idea to have a repeater directory with you, or a list of the repeaters in the area.

SOTA peaks do not have to be strenuous hikes. In fact, you can operate from summits that have roads to the top as long as you do a *qualifying hike*. The basic idea is that it is acceptable to drive to the summit, but then you need to load up your gear and carry it down the mountain a bit and then back up. For example, this summer we had some visitors who wanted to drive to the summit of Pikes Peak. I decided this was an excellent opportunity to do a quick SOTA activation, so I took along my backpack and SOTA radio gear. After we arrived at the summit, I did a short hike down Barr Trail to lose, then gain, 100 feet of elevation (the SOTA guideline for the WØ region). The main idea is keep SOTA activations from being a sitin-your-car-using-fossil-fuel mountaintop operation. Instead, your station has to be portable and carried some distance using non-motorized means.

Antennas

As mentioned earlier, the easiest 2-meter FM station is just an HT with a 1/2-wave vertical antenna (figure 5). This telescoping antenna is very convenient and sets up in an instant.

I recently picked up a 3-element Arrow Yagi antenna, the A146-3 (figure 6), for SOTA activations. I've always been a big fan of the dualband Arrow antenna, and this 2-meters-only antenna is a little smaller and more compact. I have the split-boom version which breaks down quite nicely and fits into a large daypack (figure 7). This antenna has a foam-covered handle that allows you to just grab and point the antenna. It also has threaded holes for attaching it to a standard camera tripod mount (1/4-20 thread). I usually mount it on top of a trekking pole that has a 1/4-20 mount, as shown in figure 8. This trekking pole is designed to be used as a camera monopod, but for SOTA use, it makes a handy mast for a Yagi antenna. It is not self-supporting and adds only a little bit of antenna height, but it provides a much easier way to handle the antenna.

Logging Contacts

If you are going to make SOTA contacts, you need to keep a log of them so you can enter them into the SOTA database later. The radio log can be quite simple, perhaps just a pencil and paper to jot down the basic logging information: callsign, time, frequency, and signal report. Alternatively, you can use a smartphone logging app such as HamLog for keeping track of your contacts (figure 9). HamLog includes a number of handy features such as grid location and is available on iOS and Android.

VHF Contests

VHF contests create some of the highest levels of activity on the VHF and up bands, so it is a great time to do some SOTA operating. For the ARRL September VHF Contest, I decided to do a simultaneous SOTA activation and VHF Contest effort. I hiked up Mount Herman (WØ/FR-063) on Sunday afternoon of the contest and handed out SOTA contacts while also working the contest. For the contest exchange, I gave out my grid locator (DM79), but I also let everyone know that I was on a SOTA peak.

For the ARRL contests, you'd probably want to enter in the Single Operator – *Portable* category, essentially the QRP category. For the CQ World-Wide VHF Contest in July, you also have the option of the *Hilltopper* category. This category is a perfect match with SOTA, since it uses QRP power levels but is limited to just six continuous hours of operating. You'll probably want to have an SSB transceiver along during a contest, since most of the activity will be on that mode. When working a VHF contest, you should not be spotting yourself using non-amateur means.

Tnx and 73

Thanks for taking the time to read another one of my columns on the *Utility Mode*. I always enjoy hearing from readers, so stop by my blog at < http://www.k0nr.com/blog> or drop me an e-mail.

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Arrow Antenna: www.arrowantenna.com

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3394. December YOTA month! - Youngsters On The Air

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-12-05 08:53:36 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3394 Message: 3394

Please visit http://www.ham-yota.eu/ for more details.

December YOTA month!

October 6, 2013

After the success of the Youngsters On The Air events in the summer we decided that it’s time to do some more action !

During the whole month of December several country’s will become active with YOTA as suffix for callsign.

The idea for this is to break the ice for some youngsters and take the microphone in the hand. As seen over the years the YOTA-group is growing fast and every week more youngsters are asking to participate.

Let us all make YOTA populair in HAM radio and let us all help to put youngsters on the HAM radio train!

You want to hear us on the air? Listen for Youngsters On The Air callsigns in the whole month of December!

We would be happy if you try to work one or more of the following callsigns:

EA7URA/YOTA
EI0YOTA
ES5YOTA
ES9YOTA
LY5YOTA
OH2YOTA
OK2KJT
OK2KYK
OM9YOTA
OM13YOTA
ON4YOTA
PA6YOTA
S513YOTA
SN0YOTA
SH9YOTA
YO0YOTA
YL13YOTA
YL2013YOTA

Do you also want to use a callsign with YOTA in the suffix? Contact us for more information.

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3395. [ZS9MADIBA] Mandela Special Event Station to be On the Air

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-12-12 05:53:00 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3395 Message: 3395

> To commemorate the life of the late former president of South Africa Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela, the South African Radio League (SARL) is sponsoring special event station ZS9MADIBA for a period of 30 days. “Mandiba” is Mandela’s Xhosa tribal name. He served as South Africa’s first black president from 1994 until 1998. Mandela died December 5 at the age of 95.
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> “The South African Radio League, its council and members join the world in mourning the loss of South Africa's greatest statesman, Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela,” the SARL said on its website. “Let us continue to remember and be encourged by the so many positive things for which he stood. While we mourn his passing, we celebrate his life and the lessons he taught us and the world.” — Thanks to The Daily DX; SARL
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> Check the QRZ page for the "ZS9MADIBA" South African Radio League Special Event Station commemorating the life and recent passing of Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela, elder statesman and first democratically-elected president of the Republic of South Africa. Affectionately referred to as “Madiba”, he became one of the most recognized leaders in the world and was instrumental in the peaceful transition of South Africa from minority rule to a constitutional democracy. South Africans join the people of the world in mourning his passing and celebrating his legacy.
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> ZS9MADIBA will be operational until the 11th of January 2014, at times and on frequencies to be determined.
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> QSLs will be confirmed via the ARRL Logbook of the World (LoTW), and a special event paper QSL.
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> 73's VU2LOC Shailesh Deshmukh

3396. Cooking Up an HF Amplifier from Microwave Ovens.pdf (m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-12-13 03:19:04 UTC
From: Shailesh Deshmukh (Google Drive)
Topic: 3396 Message: 3396

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Cooking Up an HF Amplifier from Microwave Ovens

Material for building a simple HF amplifier may be a lot less expensive - and closer to home - than you think.

Good article from QST, please refer enclosed details 'Cooking Up an HF Amplifier from Microwave Ovens.pdf'

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3397. Virtual Radar from a Digital TV Dongle.pdf (m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com)

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3398. Celebrating New Year’s ‘On Bended Key’

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-12-19 13:11:55 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3398 Message: 3398

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Celebrating New Year’s ‘On Bended Key’

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*D*ecember is seemingly jam-packed with holidays. As the month *whooshes* by, we suddenly find ourselves looking at the end of one year and the beginning of another. January is named for Janus, the Roman god of transitions, whose two faces look to the past and to the future. (*OBSERVATION:** He is probably the inspiration for many a teacher or mother who claimed to have eyes in the back of their head. But we digress … – WA3UVV.*)

An Annual Rite

New Year’s Eve and Day give us an opportunity to look back at the past year and gaze into the coming one. We tend to be introspective – if only for a short while – and think of things we could do to make the new year a better one. We might think of losing weight, exercising more, taking a long-anticipated vacation, ending a nicotine addiction, or starting a business. Some of us follow through on these resolutions, most of us don’t.

In the amateur radio community, New Year’s Eve and Day gives us a special way to commemorate the transition with an *homage* to Janus – Straight Key Night <http://bit.ly/osVXOl>.

SKN is cause for many to get out a certain piece, or pieces of vintage gear – some of it that softly glows – and a simple, straight key. It allows us a relaxed, back to basics way of enjoying ham radio while reliving some past moments and looking forward to our futures.

It’s an event, not a contest, so you can celebrate it as you wish – with as many or few contacts as you want and your particular selection of hardware.

In years past, I’ve celebrated SKN with special attention to the SK part of that abbreviation, as in Silent Key, *Photo A*.

With each passing year, there are the friends and family members we have on January
1, but not December 31. Over time, I’ve collected a few straight keys – some given as a final gift, some purchased from estate sales – of those whose friendship has meant something special to me. By no means is it a “complete” collection, but it is representative of so many more.

Sadly, this year I added another straight key to that collection, one of a friend who welcomed a transplanted ham into a radio club some 27 years ago. He was an even-tempered and amicable guy, with a bright smile and laugh. He died suddenly, just days into 2013. So, his key has been silent nearly a year.

On SKN 2014, I'll take it in hand and make it sing once again, along with a few others, just to keep their memories alive. (*WATCH andLISTEN:** To 2013 Straight Key Night in action from the Albert Lea, Minnesota station of Larry Shaunce, WDØAKX at <http://bit.ly/1deiBRn <http://bit.ly/1deiBRn>>,Photo B. – WA3UVV*.)

Even More CW Opportunities

While the ARRL's official SKN happens but once a year, another group of CW enthusiasts happily decided that wasn't enough and created a monthly SKN, on the first of the 11 others.

The Straight Key Century Club (SKCC) <http://www.skccgroup.com> is an active organization of those who love the simple elegance of communicating with our most basic and least expensive mode. They're also a group of Elmers, who consistently strive to assist those who want to learn the code and improve their speed.

Watering hole frequencies, like 7114 kHz are a welcoming area for slower (QRS) QSOs to take place. No pressure, no urgency, just fun at a pace you are comfortable with. There are additional SKCC hangouts on 40 meters, along with all the other bands, from 160 meters up. Of course, any time is a good time to get out your straight key or bug.

Learning the Dits and Dahs

If you don't know the code, then perhaps Janus' gaze into the future will encourage you to learn it. It really is easy — in fact easier than ever — to learn. Downloadable software from <http://www.g4fon.net> is a great way to pick up the characters at the speed you want via the Koch method.

Our friend Gordon West, WB6NOA, offers complete Morse courses, as well, to guide you along the way <http://bit.ly/186mVuc>.

Remember that every U.S. amateur from Novice (yes Virginia, there are some still around) on up has HF CW privileges on 80, 40, 15, and 10 meters. That's two nighttime and two daytime bands for you to explore. Canadian "Basic with Honours" licencees also have CW privileges.

Finding a Morse Instrument

Don't have a key? There are so many choices. (*RESOURCES:** See "The Keys to More Fun" accompanying this column. – WA3UVV*.)

I've listed some sources for some affordable options that can really stand out on your tabletop, *Photo C*. Of course you can always pick up a piece of history with a used J-38, J-44, or something else originally manufactured some 70 years ago. Also, nobody said you're only allowed to

have *just one*.

For an additional incentive – if you like DX – consider this: Some countries have hams who are only or most usually on CW.

Many amateurs still build some – if not all – of their gear and a CW transmitter is certainly simpler and less expensive to "slap together" than a full-blown SSB rig.

Practice Makes Perfect

Concerned about the prospects of working through a CW pileup? Patience and listening skills will reward you with being in the first few to work the DX station just when they start to call CQ – before all the spotters kick in and the "dog pile" ensues.

One final thing: CW and our digital non-voice modes are perfect for late-night or early-morning operation, if you don't want to disturb others in your home who are trying to sleep. Put on a set of headphones, grab your key and you're all set for a session of "silent running."

Adding CW to Your 2014 Resolutions

Please allow me to encourage you to add learning the code and improving your skills to your 2014 Resolutions. Once you get started and stack up a few contacts on 7114 kHz, you'll understand how much fun this aspect of amateur radio can be. Embrace our history and reach out toward the future with CW.

I wish all of you and your families a bright and Happy New Year! – WA3UVV.

Photo A. At WA3UVV, Cory GB Sickles has already picked out a couple of straight keys for the 2013-2014 Straight Key Night, sponsored by the ARRL. One of the instruments in his collection has particular significance, as it is from a ham who became a Silent Key this year. It's the key in the foreground. (*Courtesy of W0A3UVV*)

Photo B. Larry Shaunce, WDØAKX, puts his straight keys into action during 2013 ARRL Straight Key Night from his amateur station at Albert Lea, Minnesota. Watch and listen at <http://bit.ly/1deiBRn>. (*Internet screen grab*)

Photo C. The MFJ Enterprises MFJ-553 Deluxe Wood Base Straight Key can provide the new CW operator with an inexpensive entrée to Morse on the amateur radio bands. Visit <http://bit.ly/1fSKu2r>. (*Courtesy of MFJ Enteprises <http://www.MFJEnterprises.com <http://www.mfjenterprises.com/>>*)

The Keys to More Fun

There's nothing quite like a shiny new key, unless perhaps it's an old one that's a touchstone to a friend or Elmer. Here's a short list of places that make new keys available, to get you started with some CW fun.

By the way, they make great “stocking stuffers,” *hint, hint, hint ...*

• American Morse Equipment <http://www.americanmorse.com>

• Begali <http://www.i2rtf.com>

• Bencher <http://www.bencher.com/ham>

• MFJ Enterprises <http://www.mfjenterprises.com>

• Milestone Technologies <http://www.mtechnologies.com>

• Vibroplex <http://www.vibroplex.com>

• VIZKEY <http://www.vizkey.com>

Used straight keys can be found in lots of places including hamfests, online auctions, and estate sales.

A unique variety of keys and bugs is also available from Sandy (Ingram) Myrick, WB4OEE. She is making available a select group of Morse instruments from the extensive collection of the late, well-known author and CQ columnist Dave Ingram, K4TWJ (SK), *Photo D*. For a list of what’s available, contact Sandy at <wb4oee@...>. – *WA3UVV*

Photo D. Dave Ingram, K4TWJ (SK), wrote extensively about Morse instruments and amassed quite a collection — some of which is available to the buying public via Sandra Myrick, WB4OEE, at <WB4OEE@...>. (*Internet screen grab*)

3399. Ham Radio Santa is On the Air at OF9X

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2013-12-20 03:16:26 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3399 Message: 3399

CERTIFIED BY OU-HOU (OH) FATHER CHRISTMAS – NOW ON THE AIR OLD FATHER NINE XMAS (OF9X)
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OF9X – - OLD FATHER 9 XMAS

Do you remember the Ho-Ho Santa Claus who penetrated the bands and talked to children all over the world from Santa’s homeland - Finnish Lapland?

If you don’t – just refresh your memory at QRZ.com. Santa's helpers are now whispering that the white-bearded Old Man will be on the air this year again. The focus is on this coming weekend to remind you of the fun period of Christmas and to create the right spirit for families with children throughout the world. Just as last year, this will happen on the radio waves and hopefully on a variety of bands. Not many people knew then that Santa can even send Morse code!

Already tonight and over the next few days, Santa will appear around 14.225 kHz while loading up his sleigh for the weekend’s world tour. Just go for it and get involved – let your children or grandchildren feel the true coming of Christmas and the presence of Santa Claus.
The announcement is released below and we wish you a Merry Christmas and Good Luck for contacting Santa Claus!

The OF9X Santa Radio will be active in December from the Land of Santa Claus (QTH of Santa-Radio http://www.harriniva.fi) but adding to it and making it more visible, Radio Arcala will utilize their most advanced technology and remotely driven station, signing OF9X to test their technology, ride the Polar Path and employ a 100 meter (330 foot) rotating tower with a 6-over-6-over-6-over-6 20M array. If you contact OF9X during December, 2013, a slick Santa Claus CW-certificate and a fact sheet will be sent to you as per your email request to . The certificate can be issued also in the name of your children or grandchildren and used as a entry document with a discount program on your potential visit to our radio location at Harriniva, Muonio.

<http://files.qrz.com/x/of9x/puzzle.jpg>*HOW TO OBTAIN SANTA CLAUS CERTIFICATE*

You can write to Santa and obtain the Santa Claus Certificate if your station has contacted Santa Radio, OF9X both on CW & SSB---and 2012 QSOs count!
But remember that alternatively you can complete the Puzzle – and get some help with it from Santa himself!

Your certificate requests can be sent to of9x@...

From the Offices of Santa Claus Lapland - The North of Finland

December 19, 2013

SANTA RADIO OF9X AT CHRISTMAS 2013

Santa always appears on short notice every year, and so does OF9X from the Land of Santa Claus. There is one thing that we cannot skip and that is Christmas. It is because of all those wonderful children of the world who persuade us busy people to settle down and remember that Christmas is after all for children - for whose who truly believe. So, take a moment and join us - welcome your children or grandchildren on a trip to Christmas world with the dedication it deserves.

Last year Santa became a figure in Amateur Radio with thousands of followers, and more than 800 Santa Awards were issued throughout the world. Santa Radio (OF9X) established itself also through the pages of QST, DL-QTC and Japanese CQ Magazine. Santa is here to stay.

Starting yesterday, Santa has been loading up his sleigh and will soon begin his journey across the world. It all starts from Finnish Lapland and ends up on Christmas Day in the United States. The main activity will be over this coming weekend before Christmas and, as Santa is busy, his elves will be much of the time at the controls of Santa Radio, OF9X. Just stop by and say hello. Santa should be around 25KHz up the band edge (CW) and 14.225 KHz or thereabout.

But something new has happened since last year - Santa has become a pro on Morse code. In addition to SSB QSOs from a year ago or this year, you should now contact Santa also on CW to qualify for the 2013 Santa Cold Winter (CW) Award. You should track your two (2) QSOs on ClubLog at www.qrz.com/db/OF9X and send your request by email to of9x@.... One of the QSOs should be from this year - 2013.

If you don't manage to work Santa on CW or SSB, or you only make one QSO this winter? No problem - not everything is lost as you have the option of compensating for the missing QSO by solving the Christmas Puzzle. Just send the details of your one 2013 QSO together with the two mystery words from the Puzzle, and you will qualify.

In case you need any assistance in filling in the puzzle, you may ask Santa for help - talk to OF9X and just point out the question line number and Santa will whisper to you the needed word. But only two lines at the most. On CW please just send "QSC NR". (Q-Santa-Claus)

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73 DE VU2LOC (Shailesh Deshmukh)

3400. One Thousand Miles Per Watt.pdf (m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-01-15 01:31:46 UTC
From: Shailesh Deshmukh (Google Drive)
Topic: 3400 Message: 3400

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the link above.

One Thousand Miles Per Watt article from QST

3401. Ethics and Operating procedures for the Radio Amateur

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-01-21 17:57:33 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3401 Message: 3401
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Good article from http://www.ham-operating-ethics.org/

Please refer enclosed file.

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73 DE VU2LOC (Shailesh Deshmukh)

3402. QRP kits featuring the Splinter QRPp transmitter / receiver

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-01-22 19:10:19 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3402 Message: 3402
Attachments: 5 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hello All,

For your reference,

http://breadboardradio.com/

QRP kits featuring the Splinter QRPp transmitter / receiver

The “Splinter” QRPp Receiver / Transmitter

Direct Conversion Receiver

1.

1.tunes about 100KHz (user selectable in 40 meter band)
2.

2.bandpass filter with antenna attenuator
3.

3.SA612AN mixer/oscillator
4.

4.two stage audio amp with RC filtering
5.

5.drives stereo earphones (plenty of audio)
6.

6.receives cw and ssb

Crystal Controlled Transmitter

1.

1.2N3904 oscillator with SPOT button
2.

2.2N2219A final (450-500 milliwatts at 12vdc)
3.

3.clean output (harmonics down -45db)
4.

4.two position crystal switch (7030KHz soldered in with sipp socket for
extra crystals)
5.

5.sidetone oscillator
6.

6.built-in key and external key jack
7.

7.VXO (about 3KHz)

This kit is mounted on a wooden breadboard painted as you like before
mounting the double sided, solder masked and screen printed circuit board.
All parts, circuit board, knobs, decals, breadboard and complete
instructions are included for only $54.95.

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73 DE VU2LOC (Shailesh Deshmukh)

3403. Repeater

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-01-30 04:42:35 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3403 Message: 3403

Dear Friends
Just saw message in another forum that VU2JRT has Alinco repeater RS 4 with duplexers for sale.
If it interests to all or majority of mumbai hams why not to buy and fix it in appropriate part of mumbai.
I understand that somebody need to take lead and we all need to conbtribute.
Regards
Dinesh Patel

3404. Yaesu FT-252 and FT-257 (m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-02-12 02:28:59 UTC
From: Shailesh Deshmukh (Google Drive)
Topic: 3404 Message: 3404

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Entry Level Handheld from Yaesu (FT-252 and FT-257)

3405. Nested Loop Antennas.pdf (m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-02-12 02:49:25 UTC
From: Shailesh Deshmukh (Google Drive)
Topic: 3405 Message: 3405

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the link above.

Nested Loop Antennas

3406. Ham Radio 2.0.pdf (m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-02-19 16:46:34 UTC
From: Shailesh Deshmukh (Google Drive)
Topic: 3406 Message: 3406

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the link above.

3407. Emergency Communication Support for Maharashtra.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-03-08 14:15:58 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3407 Message: 3407

Dear Hams,

Today 08 May 14 afternoon
there was a call from Mantralaya new administrative building Commissioner's
Office - Mumbai Police (Wireless) to discuss upon Amateur Radio Support during
any emergency.

Accordingly, alongwith
myself, the following Hams attended the meeting at 1600hrs:

1. VU2LNZ Girish
2. VU2HIT Huzefa
3. VU2ZRS Zyros
4. VU3BMW Mayur

The Meeting was chaired by
DCP (Wireless) and introduced to their system of wireless networking in Maharashtra by HF,
VHF, UHF Satellite & truncking
method of communication. Though theirs
is 24x7 powerful system they also require parallel support from HAMs in case of
any emergency in the state.

They are quite well aware
of Hams capability in communication during any disaster from the time of Latur
Earthquake.

Now to come to the point of meeting:

Mumbai Police requires Ham Radio Support from all
districts of Maharashtra using HF network during any emergency in the state.

The support will be not on mobility during
emergency but to operate from their own QTH and pass the emergency related
communication to Mumbai Police/State Police Officials/Other govt.officials.

Therefore, all HAM's from Maharastra are requested
to volunteer their kind support by confirming to this email directly to my
personal ID vu2jpn@... by
furnishing the following details.

1. Handle
2. Call-Sign
3. Location/Area
4. District
5. LL number
6. Mobile no.
7. email ID

8. HF Capability at QTH

Trust
to have your support for any emergency call.

Kindly reply by 09.03.2014 12 noon
since this is an emergency request call.

In
the service of the nation,

73
de vu2jpn
Jaiprakash
8898007388 / 9892186646

3408. Emergency Communication Support for Maharashtra - Corrected

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-03-08 17:33:06 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3407 Message: 3408

CORRECTED MESSAGE RESENT TO ALL

Dear Hams,

Today 08 March 14 afternoon
there was a call from Mantralaya new administrative building Commissioner's
Office - Mumbai Police (Wireless) to discuss upon Amateur Radio Support during
any emergency to Maharashtra Police.

Accordingly, alongwith
myself, the following Hams attended the meeting at 1600hrs:

1. VU2LNZ Girish
2. VU2HIT Huzefa
3. VU2ZRS Zyros
4. VU3AAB Amit

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Jaiprakash
8898007388 / 9892186646

3409. Re: [m_a_r_s] Emergency Communication Support for Maharashtra - Corrected

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-03-09 14:11:54 UTC
From: shaileshpradhan@yahoo.com
Topic: 3407 Message: 3409

1. Handle shailesh pradhan

2. Call-Sign vu2sfn

3. Location/Area kolshet road Dhokali

4. District thane

5. LL number 25893654

6. Mobile no. 9870123765

7. email ID shaileshpradhan@...

8. HF Capability at QTH 10,15,20,40

Regards,
Shailesh Pradhan
9870123765

3410. Emergency Communication request for Maharashtra.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-03-10 11:02:45 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3410 Message: 3410

Dear Friends,

Thank you all for the kind replies/response directly. All noted and cared.

Few replied in the group which should not have been done. We have to maintain secrecy of our own data in group. Hence request all :

Though my email request is in the group, please reply to me directly at vu2jpn@... only
The data which I have received will not be shared anywhere - be assured of the same.
Please avoid counter emails to reduce QRM in the group.

Charu / CDP / HOT / Suresh etc are perfect on their part due to their experiences with regard to association with Government Officials. Every bocy has bad experiences with the system of government. As HOT's very good saying - spider. Actually they all are my well wisher and interactive friends since long and their guidance has to be cared for. They have actually made me and all others to be aware and be careful. I do appreciate them.

All have their own interpretation of Amatuer Radio as a Hobby - like some are interested in Expedition, Contest, Training, CW, just checking into the net only etc etc. We all need this hobby to be kept alive by all means on our own interest.

Myself being from Civil Defence as a volunteer since 1995, I am more into Disaster Management and as a Ham I have you great Hams as communication team to work in case of any emergency.

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My experience with BMC Disaster Management is very bad as I was one of the team member from Civil Defence to set up DMP cell in BMC HQ. During Uttarakand flooding we 6/7 hams from Mumbai were ready to mobilize the next day of the incident, but did not mobilized as government official did not do anything on logistics and we did not want to spend 50/60K from our own pocket to go by flight etc. If they require hams service, then well take care of the logistic etc.

During the meeting on of 8th March, we did convey our issue of fishermen QRM. Trust, once we are into any system we should make our own requirements to work in our favour. The major problem is of installing antenna in our socities, which can be taken up too. This can only happen after a while with good work done from our part.

As of myself, I was on rental house at 4 different location few years back, but I did not have any problem in installing antenna in any of the societies only because of my proper authority.

Not to make this email big and boring, in short This email is send in the group only to stop the differences in the subject issue and continue counter emails and make QRM in the group.

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ANY REPLY TO THIS EMAIL MAY BE SENT TO PERSONAL EMAIL ONLY.

73 de vu2jpn.

3411. Emergency Communication request for Maharashtra.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-03-10 11:03:19 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3410 Message: 3411

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73 de vu2jpn.

3412. A Tiny Python Panadapter.pdf (m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-03-10 16:22:45 UTC
From: Shailesh Deshmukh (Google Drive)
Topic: 3412 Message: 3412

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Microcomputers and Amateur Radio - A Perfect Combination

QST April 2014 article,

3413. Omnidirectional Hentenna.pdf (m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-03-10 17:30:33 UTC
From: Shailesh Deshmukh (Google Drive)
Topic: 3413 Message: 3413

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Omnidirectional Hentenna - QST April-2014

3414. Explanations for On-Air Misbehavior by Radio Amateurs.pdf (m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com)

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-03-12 19:04:51 UTC
From: Shailesh Deshmukh (Google Drive)
Topic: 3414 Message: 3414

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vu2loc would like to share CQ article it with you!

A CQ Exclusive

Lauton Institute's Center for Research of Abnormal Personalities Offers Explanations for On-Air Misbehavior by Radio Amateurs
BY PROFESSOR EMIL HEISSELUFT* Lauton Institute, Grossmaul-an der Donau, Austria <heisseluft.emil@mashuga.orf.ar>

In the October 2013 issue of CQ, James Millner, WB2REM, a licensed psychologist of 25 years, addressed a subject near and dear to the hearts of all amateur radio operators and especially DXers: The Psychology of the QRMer.1 While Millner's article was not intended to provide a clinical analysis of the abnormal behaviors exhibited by some operators among us, his work did touch on the underlying factors and what operators could do to avoid unpleasant on-air experiences. In this article, Professor Heisseluft expands on Millner's work, revealing for the first time some of the remarkable clinical diagnoses associated with QRMers and DX operators. These are identified for us by the former director of the Lauton Institute's Center for Research of Abnormal Personalities. Readers will find the result both revealing and frightening.--W2VU

In his comprehensive review of the QRMer, James Millner, WB2REM, cited six reasons for the deterioration in behavior among hams that he believed were the root causes for many of the on-air problems heard today. These are:

1. Intolerance of divergent views

2. A general lack of operating experience

3. Feelings of station inferiority

4. Group diffused inappropriate behavior

5. Operating under the influence

6. Acts by truly emotionally sick individuals

The intentional interference resulting from the acting out of these behaviors, which often can be characterized as malicious, takes many forms. In general, however, they involve the deliberate introduction of QRM, including tuning up on the DX station's frequency, pirate operations, calling out of turn, and a plethora of other aggressive actions typical of various pathologies well known to the medical community. Given this, I thought it might be interesting to drop in for a few days on my retired colleague, Professor Hannah Blücher, the previous Director of the Lauton Institute's Center for Research of Abnormal Personalities, to put the question to her: What did she think was behind the deteriorating minds of many of today's radio amateurs? To help her understand the situation, I went armed with off-the-air recordings made during the latest CQ and ARRL worldwide DX phone contests. Of course, the entire matter could have been addressed in one day, but, oh, dear readers, Frau Blücher, who still makes her home near the Lauton Institute, makes the most delicious recipe for Apfelstrudel ... such a super flaky crust with mildly sweet apples, raisins, and crunchy walnuts for a filling ... but I digress.

Here is an edited version of our discussion, which went on for the better part of a week.

*Professor Heisseluft currently is vacationing at the Caribbean Weight Loss Clinic and Spa, Bridgetown, Barbados. Mail may be conveniently sent to the professor c/o CQ Magazine, 25 Newbridge Road, Hicksville, NY 11801.

Professor Heisseluft: So, my dear Hannah, you have heard the contest recordings. Have you any overall conclusions to share with me for my readers?

Frau Blücher: Dey are crazy! The lot of dem! Out of der minds! Yelling and all dat, you'd tink the house vas on fire. Vat ver dey yelling? Letters? Numbers? Crazy!

Professor Heisseluft: Those were their callsigns. Each person has a unique callsign, or station identifier, that is based on their country of origin and other factors. Each person's license conveys certain operating privileges. The other numbers were signal strength indicators and location identifiers.

Frau Blücher: Makes no sense ... grown men and women shouting like dat! And vat vas all dat interference ... vistling, oooohing and aaahing, swearing, belching, and da like. Vat? Dey can't turn off der microphones vile dey act like children?

Professor Heisseluft: Well, that's what I want to talk to you about. Perhaps, based on your work at the Center, you could tender some diagnoses related to the behaviors associated with some of the operators you heard causing malicious interference.

Frau Blücher: Absolutely ... it vud be my pleasure. Such miscreants ver da focus of my entire career. I am very familiar vis der strange personalities. Now, take dat man who vas swearing. Dat's an easy von: Tourette syndrome. Terrible ting ... inherited disorder of the nervous

system. Lots of motor and vocal tics. Not all da comments dey make are obscene, but many are socially inappropriate, insulting, and unacceptable.

Professor Heisseluft: But Tourette's isn't that prevalent in our society, as I recall. At most, it might affect 3% of the population.

Frau Blücher: So, now you're a medical doctor? You come here, Mister Smarty Pants, eat my strudel, and tell me my business? Next you'll be vanting to take over the directorship of the Center for Research of Abnormal Personalities from Professor Schrattenthaler. He is my boyfriend, you know!

Professor Heisseluft: I'm sorry, Frau Blücher, I certainly did not intend to inject my own meager knowledge of your field into this discussion. Why don't you continue while I refresh my plate?

Frau Blücher: Please ... Emil ... haf a little respect for me. So, maybe only a few of those crazy people actually have Tourette's. More likely, they suffer from attention deficit disorder, or ADD. Ve see a lot of dat ... ants-in-da-pants ... schpilkas, as my grossmutter used to say. Alvays up and down, never sitting still, tvitching, turning--

Professor Heisseluft: [returns with his second helping of strudel]--and you'd expect this to translate into the same kind of on-air behavior?

Frau Blücher: Certainly. Dey probably are spinning knobs, flipping svitches, jumping up and down, pounding on desks, kicking chairs, God knows vat ... nervous wrecks. I'm sure da coffee doesn't help, dats for sure.

Professor Heisseluft: Did you hear any other disturbed personalities on the recordings, Doctor?

Frau Blücher: [Look of mock disbelief on her face.] Vat, are you kidding me? Der ver a ton of dem. Did you not hear dat von station becoming obsessed with contacting anudder von? You heard it on da recording ... calling, calling, calling. Da man vas crazy. No contact. More calling, svearing, yelling, screaming. He vas focused on contacting dat von station and only dat station. Den, he started making noises on top of dat station--his imitation of a rooster crowing vasn't bad, you know--until no von could be heard. Obsessive-compulsive disorder. A classical psychosis if I ever saw von.

Professor Heisseluft: Did you pick up anything else of interest?

Frau Blücher: Vell--and here, I haf to tell you, I am quite proud of myself--I heard several operators ... is that what you call dem?--

Professor Heisseluft: Yes, radio operators--

Frau Blücher: Yes, vell, several of dem ver suffering from auditory hallucinations.

Professor Heisseluft: Auditory hallucinations?

Frau Blücher: Absolutely. I clearly heard da station who vas the center of attention call anudder station ven von or more of da calling stations falsely taut he had responded to dem. Maybe some of deez people hear voices anyway, who knows? And the delusions, oy!

Professor Heisseluft: Delusions?

Frau Blücher: Oh yes, some of da operators ver delusional in da extreme. Did you hear dat von guy who taut every station he called responded to him? I vud classify him as suffering from "pimary psychotic delusions"3 ... dat is, actions not comprehensible in terms of normal mental processes. Dat is von hellava group of people I heard on da recordings you played for me!

Professor Heisseluft: Yes, well, these contests are very stressful. They go for 48 hours straight and involve operators from around the world. It can be very competitive. I'm told, in some cases, operators have been found in total states of catatonia at the end of these contests. Wives have gone into their husbands' stations, moved their arms to the upright position, and their husbands' arms have stayed there. The men were totally nonfunctional.

Frau Blücher: I believe it. Based on vat I heard, maybe dey should require a sanity test before dey issue dem licenses to operate. Did anyvon ever tink of dat?

Professor Heisseluft: Actually, I described such an effort in the April 2005 issue of CQ magazine: "Psychological Testing of Amateur Radio Applicants ... The Cure for Spectrum Rage."4 At the time, rule changes proposed by the Federal Communications Commission in the United States would have required applicants for new amateur licenses, as well as current licensees seeking to renew their licenses, to undergo psychological exams. The test results would have been used for the purpose of determining a person's psychological profile and fitness for accessing the airwaves. The hue and cry that went up from the radio amateur community was unbelievable. [The telephone switchboards at CQ, the ARRL, and the FCC were tied up for three days because of calls from outraged radio amateurs.--ed.] The measures never were adopted for inclusion in the FCC's Rules and Regulations.

Frau Blücher: Vell, based on what I heard, they should have been. Dat is von crazy bunch of people on the air! And I mean dat in every sense of da vord!

Professor Heisseluft: I have to think more than a few people would agree with you, Frau Blücher.

Frau Blücher: [Nods in agreement.] Have some more strudel, Emil ... and don't forget to take some Zwet-schkenröster vid you. And Mohnstrudel ... don't forget the Mohnstrudel. You alvays look so undernourished ven I see you.

Summary

In an attempt to better understand the psychoses affecting radio amateurs these days, Professor Heisseluft asked the former director of the Lauton Institute's Center for Research on Abnormal Personalities, Professor Hannah

Blücher, to identify the problems she could identify in recordings made during both CQ and ARRL worldwide DX contests. Frau Blücher was quickly able to diagnose many of the operators she heard as suffering from one or more of the following: Tourette Syndrome, attention deficit disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder, auditory hallucinations, and delusions. She was not at all surprised to learn that after these contests, some operators have been found in catatonic states. Her suggestion that radio amateurs be psychologically tested and profiled at the time they are licensed was previously discussed and withdrawn by licensing authorities in the United States after a major protest erupted among amateurs in that country.

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5. Castle Hochosterwitz. This file is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Share Alike 3.0 Austria license. Photo by Johann Jaritz.

3415. USA CALLSIGN EXAM - at Panvel 13 th April 2014

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-03-21 10:12:44 UTC
From: Basappa-Arabole
Topic: 3410 Message: 3415

Dear all,
ARRL / VEC VEs will be available to conduct USA Amateur
Radio License exam. Element 2, 3 and 4 (Tech, Gen & Extra) will be held in VK High School, Panvel on 13th April 2014.

If anyone interested please email me at basappaji@... or call me on 9970175418

PLEASE DONOT SEND REPLY ON THE GROUP .

Basappa Arabole

VU2NXM and KC2ZNJ
Team member : VU7LD, VU4PB, VU7AG

ARRL/VEC VE
Exam co-ordinator

3416. Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting, 5/1/2014, 5:00 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-04-17 11:30:56 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3416 Message: 3416

Reminder from: m_a_r_s Yahoo Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/m_a_r_s/cal

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5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
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3417. Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting, 5/1/2014, 5:00 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-04-28 11:30:53 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3416 Message: 3417

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3418. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2014, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-07-05 20:00:55 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3418 Message: 3418

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3419. MARS ANNIVESARY, 7/6/2014, 1:30 pm

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-07-06 07:45:53 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3418 Message: 3419

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3420. HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-07-07 07:36:24 UTC
From: vu2dce@...
Topic: 1961 Message: 3420

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARS

3421. FW: Amogh Desai has sent you a message

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-07-26 10:31:35 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3421 Message: 3421

Hello Friends
Lets vote for a positive change.
I just signed the petition "Bring Down the time to award an Amateur HAM license to 3 months from the current 1.5 years." on Change.org.It's importantin the interest of our great hobby. Will you sign it too? Here's the link:http://www.change.org/en-GB/petitions/bring-down-the-time-to-award-an-amateur-ham-license-to-3-months-from-the-current-1-5-years?recruiter=132894165&utm_campaign=signature_receipt&utm_medium=email&utm_source=share_petition
Thanks ! Dinesh Patel VU2DCI

3422. Asia Pacific Jota.

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-07-31 04:56:48 UTC
From: Jaiprakash Pullakudy
Topic: 3422 Message: 3422

Dear Friends

Asia Pacific Jota is on 2/3rd August, 2014.
My station will be up at Kurla Kedarnath Highschool on Saturday 02 Aug 14 from 1000 - 1600 hrs. Would like to know if any other Jota Sations are up in India for QSO. Any hams from Mumbai interested to join at my location are most welcome.

Do call me on 9820100459.

73 de vu2jpn
Jaiprakash
Mumbai.

3423. Mother of VU2LB no more

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-08-11 13:35:07 UTC
From: Dinesh Patel
Topic: 3423 Message: 3423

Dear Friends
It is with deep regret to inform you that mother of our HAM Shri Lalitbhai VU2LB (Bhavnagar)passed away yeaterday afternoon.My heart felt condolences to his family and My prayers to almighty to rest her soul at peace.
Dinesh Patel

3424. RaDAR.pdf

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-10-09 03:33:43 UTC
From: Shailesh Deshmukh (via Google Drive)
Topic: 3424 Message: 3424

I've shared an item with you:

RaDAR.pdf
https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B43bR8Br-omNNzd6SG4tUWtqWFk/view?usp=sharing&invite=CIe_pswM

It's not an attachment -- it's stored online. To open this item, just click the link above.

What is RaDAR?

RaDAR is a concept. RaDAR is not an organization nor does it compete with any organization. RaDAR is a way of setting up an amateur radio station quickly and having fun. RaDAR is a "mindset" or a "methodology" about being flexible to enable operations under difficult conditions without external resources. RaDAR neither has nor needs a command and control structure.

The evolution of RaDAR

RaDAR has somewhat changed a little expanding from an "On foot" operator to include other stations but emphasizing rapidly deployed, easily movable (objects), Amateur Radio stations.

What constitutes a "True RaDAR" Station?

To be considered as a true RaDAR station, the entire station equipment, radios, batteries, mast, antennas and refreshments must be easily portable and hence the need to carry the equipment for at least 1 km prior to setting up.

It is desirable that the RaDAR operator is able to

Operate an amateur radio station away from any building or vehicle although this is not a prerequisite. Carry equipment , radios, antennas, masts, food, water and shelter to the final destination, in a vehicle , on foot or wheelchair.
Determine accurate position and grid square to 6 digits.
Provide power without relying on any third party. Communicate in a professional, accurate and effective manner. Be self sufficient.

3425. All of 13, and already a master innovator!

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2014-12-18 05:41:38 UTC
From: VU2LOC
Topic: 3425 Message: 3425

She turned 13 years in April 2014. But if you try to judge her by her age you could be fooled. Because in January 2015 when nearly five lakhs of pilgrims congregate at Ganga Sagar she would be helping senior IPS and IAS officers with her radio communication skills to help manage this huge footfall - one of the largest religious congregations of pilgrims in the country.

Saborni Nag Biswas, a student of class 7 at St Augustine Day School in Barrackpore, is probably the youngest licensed HAM Radio operator now in the country. She took the exam when she was 12 and got the license a few months back from the union ministry of communication and information technology's wireless planning & coordination wing.

"I used to see my father (also a veteran HAM radio operator) rush to disaster spots to help victims and help them. He told me lots of stories about how he helped the victims to find their dearest ones. I was intrigued by it," said Saborni.

Training started years ago under the guidance of her father Ambarish Nag Biswas and the training module included sessions on basic electronics, Morse code, international traffic rules, international Q code among others.

"But I had to wait till I turned 12 years of age as that is the minimum age limit to take the exam. Now I have a license," she said.
Before Saborni it was 15-year-old Tom K Jose of Hyderabad who was the youngest licensed HAM operator in the country. Amateur radio operators have to qualify in an examination conducted by Union ministry of communications and obtain license for operating possessing a radio station. Without this license it is illegal to use such sets for communication.

Every year HAM radio operators or amateur radio operators are invited at Ganga Sagar Mela to establish a parallel communication network. They not only help in tracing missing persons through radio communication but also help in crowd management. Such parallel communication set up becomes more effective whenever there is a natural disaster or man made disaster.

"I had earlier been to the mela as a tourist a few years back. But this time I am highly excited as I would be able to accompany my father and other HAM operators and help in tracing the missing persons at the mela," she said.

To hone her skills she regularly spends a few hours over the radio speaking to other HAM operators across the country. Unlike her classmates she is not interested in playing or sitting in front of the television. Either in the morning before leaving for school or after returning home she sits before the communication set and chats with HAM operators.
"She has been awarded the license in the restricted category. She has

appeared for the exam to get a license in the general grade (advanced grade) with which she would be able to handle more sophisticated gadgets," said her father Ambarish Nag Biswas who had years of experience in helping the government agencies from disaster spots including the tsunami, bhuj earthquake, Aila and of late cyclone Hudhud.

This year Saborni had demonstrated her skills in the school exhibition too. Intrigued by her skills and knowledge a section of her class mates have now started training under Ambarish Nag Biswas every Sunday for an hour to become future HAM Radio operators.

Read the article 'All of 13, and already a master innovator!' on page 3 of the Hindustan Times (Delhi) epaper for December 16 via http://paper.hindustantimes.com/epaper/viewer.aspx?noredirect=true

73's DE VU2LOC

3426. Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting, Friday, 01 May 2015

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2015-04-17 11:37:25 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3426 Message: 3426
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3427. Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting, Friday, 01 May 2015

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2015-04-28 11:36:12 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3426 Message: 3427
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3428. MARS ANNIVESARY, Monday, 06 July 2015

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2015-07-05 20:05:51 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3428 Message: 3428
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3429. MARS ANNIVESARY, Monday, 06 July 2015

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2015-07-06 07:47:00 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3428 Message: 3429
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3430. Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting, Sunday, 01 May 2016

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2016-04-17 11:30:14 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3430 Message: 3430
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3431. Mumbai Amateur Radio Society Annual General Meeting, Sunday, 01 May 2016

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2016-04-28 11:30:10 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3430 Message: 3431
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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3432. MARS ANNIVESARY, Wednesday, 06 July 2016

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2016-07-05 19:55:03 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3432 Message: 3432

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When: Wednesday, 06 July 2016 09:00 AM to 09:00 PM
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3433. MARS ANNIVESARY, Wednesday, 06 July 2016

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2016-07-05 20:00:56 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3432 Message: 3433

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3434. MARS ANNIVESARY, Wednesday, 06 July 2016

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2016-07-06 07:40:02 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3432 Message: 3434

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3435. MARS ANNIVESARY, Wednesday, 06 July 2016

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2016-07-06 07:45:30 UTC
From: m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 3432 Message: 3435

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3436. Re: [m_a_r_s] MARS ANNIVESARY, Wednesday, 06 July 2016

Yahoo group: m_a_r_s
Date: 2016-07-06 06:11:39 UTC
From: BHAA
Topic: 3436 Message: 3436

It's tomorrow

On 06-Jul-2016 1:25 am, m_a_r_s@yahoogroups.com wrote: